



# OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hopefully, this edition of our newsletter finds everyone well and keeping warm!

We have a busy month ahead of us, with our most important fundraiser (charity gaming at Holly Lanes), and our biggest community event (Goofin' Groundhog Golf Classic). We'd love to have everyone from the Club bring a foursome to the golf event February 5th. In fact, if we accomplish this, we'll be significantly over our attendance from last year.

In light of the events in Tucson earlier this month, I've been reflecting a lot on Optimism and what it truly means to be "Optimistic." In a world full of negative events, in an economy constantly spinning doom and gloom, how do we retain our Optimism? I'm resolved to find strength in my family and friends, particularly in my fellow Optimists, and to continue to try to find "the sunny side of everything."

Optimistically Yours,  
*President Tom Shelton*

## 5TH ANNUAL GOOFIN' GROUNDHOG GOLF CLASSIC

Saturday, February 5, 2011



\$20 per Golfer

\$10 Children Under 12 \*

\*Must be accompanied by Adult

Includes Lunch (Pizza/Salad) Prizes

Registration/Coffee: 9:30 AM Gino's Restaurant

First Tee Off: 10:00 AM

Finish by NOON: Lunch/Awards/Prizes

The 9-Hole Course: Keego Harbor Country Club  
(Rose Sorter Park behind Gino's & Roosevelt School)

We provide golf balls (colorful whiffle balls)  
(if you have clubs, bring a chipper and a putter)

Invite your friends, or we can team you up.  
Win the Travelin' Groundhog Trophy!

Let's all bring a foursome to goof around with us!  
Rain or Shine, Snow, Sun or Clouds!!!

Sponsorships Available

Info/Registration: Ms. Eddie Delbridge 248.891.9440



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Serving the youth of Keego Harbor,  
Sylvan Lake and Orchard Lake, MI.

The Club meets at 7:30 AM every  
Thursday at Tony's Deli,  
3258 Orchard Lake Road (next door to  
the West Bloomfield Fire Dept).

(Optimist International, Club 17227  
Michigan District No. 17, Zone 13,)

**MICHIGAN DISTRICT GOVERNOR:**  
Jan Oord

**LT. GOVERNOR:** Lisa Boettcher

**2010-2011 OFFICERS:**

TOM SHELTON, *President*  
KATHY SPARKMAN, *1st Vice President*

MEL HAGER, *2nd Vice President*

CHUCK COMPTON, *Treasurer*

PAUL LIPSON, *Secretary*

MS. EDDIE DELBRIDGE,

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\*Two-year Terms

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## Charity Gaming License Approved!

Our gaming license has been approved by the State of MI just in time for the first two sessions of charity poker dates at Holly Lanes (January 26-29 and Jan 30-February 2).

If you can help work these dates, please contact President Tom Shelton right away (248) 865.6749 or shelton@westbloomfield.k12.mi.us

The final two sessions will take place during the summer months at the Shark Club Canton location (May 23-26 and July 18-21).

Monies raised from these important fundraisers will be earmarked for scholarship and other program opportunities for deserving kids and help the Optimist Club of Keego Harbor in future endeavors.

## Partnership Events...

Saturday, Jan 29      Optimists CAN! Food Drive  
11 AM – 2 PM      Open Door Outreach Center  
7170 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford

Co-sponsored with the Every Second Counts Optimist Club - Waterford, this 2nd Annual Food Drive will benefit the pantry shelves with much-needed food to families in North Oakland County, and is part of the Optimist Club International Souper Bowl of Caring.

Drop of your non-expired, non-perishables and canned goods at our Club meeting Jan 27 (with Eddie) or at the Center on Saturday, Jan 29.

Tues, March 8      Keego Harbor Jacket Club  
Wild Game Dinner  
Tickets \$35      Santia Hall

This Annual Dinner sells out fast! So see Mel Hager for tickets. (Our Club usually has a table or two at this great event – so Let Tom know if you plan to attend.)





## OPTIMIST CLUB OF KEEGO HARBOR

# *Friend of Youth 2010*

Here is an important way for you, your family, and your friends to become an integral contributor in helping our Club achieve its mission of "bringing out the best in kids"...

Contributions to "Friend of Youth" will be directed to the Scholarship Program. In the last nine years, 48 students have been the recipients of more than \$37,000 in tuition assistance.

We feel proud that we are able to give these deserving young men and women a little push in the right direction toward a career that eventually will make them contributing citizens to society...

**DONATIONS ARE ONLY \$100.** They may be made in the name of the donor; in honor of someone, or in memory of a dear friend or family member.

Keego Harbor Optimist Club "Friend of Youth" 2010  
YES! I/we are happy to make a donation of **\$100**,  
in support of the Club's Scholarship Program.

PLEASE PRINT

DONOR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF

\_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF

My/Our Donation is enclosed.

I/We pledge our donation, and will send it by \_\_\_\_\_

(Make check payable to: Optimist International Foundation.

Your contribution is tax deductible), and mail to:

Mr. Tom Shelton, President, Keego Harbor Optimist Club;  
PO Box 535, Keego Harbor, MI 48320.

For information, you may contact Mr. Shelton at:  
shelton@westbloomfield.k12.mi.us

### *Friend of Youth 2010-2011*

#### ***In honor of...***

Paul Lipson  
Keego Harbor Jacket Club  
Gayle Sturt

#### ***In memory of...***

Catherine Pappas  
Margo Santia

## Celebrations!

### JANUARY

Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### ***Birthdays***

Jan 24 Paul Lipson

#### ***Memberships***

31 Years Gino Santia (1/01/1979)

(if we missed your date, let Eddie know  
eddiebnac@gmail.com or 248.891.9440)

## Recent Programs...

Jan 6 – Reconnecting the Club once again.  
President Tom Shelton outlined  
our upcoming activities and events.

Jan 13 – Club Assembly. Further updates  
on our gaming license; the Annual  
Goofin' Groundhog Golf Classic. And  
general announcements from the  
Membership.



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## CLUB MEETINGS...

<b>JAN 20</b>	<b>Lt. Gov. Lisa Boettcher</b> Also Pontiac Optimists Joining Us!
<b>JAN 27</b>	To Be Announced Board Meeting 8:30 am
<b>FEB 3</b>	To Be Announced
<b>FEB 10</b>	To Be Announced
<b>FEB 17</b>	To be Announced
<b>FEB 24</b>	To Be Announced

Have an interesting speaker?  
Need to contact a former speaker?  
**Contact President Tom Shelton**  
**to schedule:**  
shelton@westbloomfield.k12.mi.us

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! COMING EVENTS...

<b>JAN 26-29</b>	Charity Poker at Holly Lanes
<b>JAN 29</b>	Optimist CAN DO Food Drive
<b>JAN 30-FEB 2</b>	Charity Poker at Holly Lanes
<b>Sat, FEB 5</b>	Goofin' Groundhog Golf Classic
<b>FEB 25-26</b>	Optimist Michigan District 2nd Quarter Meeting-Lansing
<b>MARCH 19</b>	Pontiac Club Chili Cook-Off
<b>MAY 13-14</b>	Optimist Michigan District 3rd Quarter Meeting-Dearborn
<b>MAY 29</b>	Keego Memorial Day Parade
<b>JULY 4-6</b>	OI CONVENTION
<b>AUG 26-28</b>	Optimist Michigan District 4th Quarter Meeting-Grand Rapids