



Michigan District OptiViews



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“Greetings Awesome Michigan District!”

We did it! Another successful Quarter Conference is under our belts thanks to you. I cannot say thanks enough to **Deb and Max Pierce** for setting up/coordinating the Hospitality Suite.

A very exciting, action packed Fourth Quarter Convention in West Branch is being planned to fulfill your need for wrapping up the 2016-2017 year on a positive note and preparing to launch 2017-2018. All fourth Quarter participants will be surrounded by shopping opportunities, a golf course and as a special treat, the annual fair leading up to our convention. So, you may want to go a day or two early to take advantage of these attractions. A very special treat for us will be the presence of the current **Optimist International President-Elect, Nick Prillaman, Jr.**

Our convention will convene on Friday, August 18th with an opportunity for sharpening skill-sets followed by a reception for our honored guest, our annual Appreciation Dinner, Executive Board meeting and social hour. I am looking forward to a power packed Saturday as we cap the evening off with the installation of our 2017-2018 team. Our convention will conclude on Sunday morning with the annual Memorial Service and breakfast. Throughout the weekend, you will hear a focus on marketing our District.

We are continuing to make progress towards club growth. **Thus far, we have chartered three new adult clubs and seven new JOI clubs.** Thank you to the following new adult club sponsors: IL and MI Districts sponsored the Cousins Empowered-Chicago, IL Optimist Club, Western International and 21st Century sponsored the Yesterday-Today Tri-County Optimist Club, and the Detroit Civic and Metro Riverfront Optimist Clubs sponsored the Educators Optimist Club of Detroit. And, thank you to the following new JOI club sponsors: KAMP (4), Shelby Township Area (1), Birmingham (1), Mt. Clemens (1), and Detroit Loving Community (1).

Thanks to everyone for your vigilance in sponsoring new members, for helping to retained members and for building new clubs. Let’s remember the **“Power of ONE”**. Let’s use the Teachers’ Incentive and the \$30/30 membership for new members under 30 years for one year. Let’s not forget the graduating JOI Seniors, who have a one year complimentary/transitional membership to their Sponsor Club or any College Club.

Governor
Monetta Foster
(248) 505-1584

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Treasurer**
Don Munter

**Immediate Past
Governor**
Steve Sucher

**District
Governor-Elect**
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**“By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth,
our communities and ourselves.”**

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*I have added a new incentive which includes any member bringing in the most members by July 30th. The reward will be dinner with the Governor and you will be able to invite three guests. - **I Believe in Us***

Let us remember to continue to direct your club efforts towards “Honor” status and above. I am so proud of those clubs that consistently perform at the “Honor” club and/or above status. Most of you have completed three service projects and the Club Officer Elect Reports. Remember to complete the President’s Pride Report and to recognize a club member or community leader. A Club Foundation Representative (CFR) is an essential appointment that is necessary. Remember there is no set amount for your club to contribute to the International Foundation. There is still time to conduct a NOW meeting to grow your membership and one additional opportunity to have your president and/or president-elect to attend the District Convention. Last, but certainly not least is the necessity for being current with District and OI dues.

REMINDER: I hope you will take advantage of the special Marketing Seminar at the Convention on Friday, facilitated by Optimist International President-Elect, Nick Prillaman, Jr. This is **our** legacy. **We** can achieve whatever we set our minds to do.



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Is It Time for YOU to Step Up?
Don Munter—Michigan District Secretary/Treasurer
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Basically being a quiet introvert, I’ve never had the inclination, desire, or interest in leaving my comfort zone. I’ve been happy to work within my club, coming to **Michigan District Conferences and OI Conventions** to listen, observe, and learn. In 2009, the Governor-Elect approached me, and asked if I would be interested in chairing a committee at the District level. I was asked which committee I was going to chair.

Thus began an 8-year journey, working at the District level, holding positions, and working wherever I would be needed. It is a journey I have never regretted.. If you are not yet involved at the District level, I strongly suggest it is something you should consider. Not only will you be performing a valuable service to your fellow **Optimists**, but you will be in the company of truly amazing, dedicated individuals. These are friends who will willingly embrace and mentor you, and be there with any questions or requests you may have. In addition, to bringing out the best in youth, and in yourself, strong relationships will develop that will last for years.

My journey has led to being your **Michigan District Secretary-Treasurer** this past year. I must say it has been an honor and a privilege to fill this position, as I look forward to the remainder of my tenure. So, do not be content to sit on the sidelines, and observe. Every organization needs to develop new leadership. Get involved! There’s plenty to do!

When you take that first step, you will never regret it!



“Wrap Up Your Optimist Year With A NOW Meeting”
Elaine Lyon—*elainelyon1@yahoo.com, or (586) 791-8006*
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Did your club set their 2016-2017 **Optimist Club** goal to be an **Honor or Distinguished Club**? I would be willing to bet that you did! Are you close, but are not sure how to get those last few members you need to achieve this goal?

How about a “tried and true” NOW (New Optimist Welcome) meeting?

Your **Membership** and **NOW** committee chairs have held a workshop at all three of the **Michigan District Conferences**, with information and details on putting together a successful **New Optimists Wanted** meeting event. The **NOW** meeting plan is based on the **Optimist International’s** four-week **NOW** program and guidelines. Plan your **NOW** meeting, and achieve the club goals you set back in October!



Welcome New Members to our Optimist family!

Optimist members make this world a better place to live. and raise a family With more than 70,000 individual Optimists who belong to more than 2,400 autonomous Optimist Clubs, our volunteer members conduct 65,000 service projects each year. This positive interaction serves more than six million young people. Optimists also spend \$78 million on their communities annually.

Welcome to all of our new team members to the *Michigan District* that were added between 3/01/2017 and 5/31/2017. Member sponsors are listed in italics.

AUBURN HILLS-NOON

Olena Calice *Brian Marzolf*
Ann Loiacano *Brian Marzolf*

BATTLE CREEK

Carmen Bartholomew *Angie Gresly*
Delores Carter *George Howard*
Lisa Grenon *Robin Rogers*
Ron Mcfadden *Miller Jacob*
Kathy Thomas-Bailey *Robin Rogers*
Tina Yost Johnson *Gerald Johnson*

BATTLE CREEK-HARPER CREEK

Jason Smith *Lisa Crawford*

BAY CITY

Sara Davila *Karen Monville*

BFT-MASON

Linda Campbell *Mary Kelsey*

BIRMINGHAM

Ann Deboer
W. James Haidle *Jack Frye*
John Lynn *William Edward Connors*
Betsy Schneider

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

William Campbell *Robert Dempster*

CARDINAL-SKIDWAY LAKE

Diane Delling *Janet Smith*

CENTRAL MACOMB

Sharon Cole *Kathe Searle*
Kate Klein *Suzanne Kardasz*

CENTRAL-DETROIT

Jamie Jackson *Stacia Little*
Gloria Kitchen *Dorothy Burk*

CIVIC-DETROIT

Harold Braggs *Herbert Strather*
Rodney Fresh *Gloria Williams*
Henry Harper *David Whitaker*
Randall Jean-Baptiste *Herbert Strather*
Bob Mattler *Herbert Strather*
Zakari Tata *Gloria Williams*
Katherine Temple *Herbert Strather*
Robert Vant *Gloria Williams*
Michelle Volckaert-Rowe *Secialue Porter*

Kedon Wilson *Robert Vant*
Rodney Wilson *Arthur Edge*

CLARKSTON AREA

Jeffrey Peariso *Robin Brose*
Steve Wyckoff *Robin Brose*

CLINTON TOWNSHIP AREA

Kimberly Burnette *Dawn Bartolomeo*
Beth Morrison *Kimberly Burnette*
Anne Nicolazzo *Carl Durlock*

DETROIT-LOVING COMMUNITY

Althea Buckner *Dianne Martin*
Cynthia Foster-Schkoor *Dorothy Tyler*
Josephine Griffin *Dorothy Tyler*
Margarie Lamb *Dorothy Tyler*

FARMINGTON HILLS-BFT

Mike White

GRATIOT COUNTY

Kimberly Hodge *Marci Browne*

HARTLAND

Meghan Glabach *Scott Van Epps*

HOLLAND

Larry Fishell *John Tooke*
Maria Fishell *John Tooke*

HURON VALLEY

Alanna Bonar *Rick Squires*
Jenniferu Gasko *Richard Russell*
Amporn Loveless *Rick Squires*
Marvin Loveless *Rick Squires*

JACKSON

Jeff Kinney *David Templin*

KUPSIA AGENTS OF MILLENNIUM

PROGRESS (KAMP), UG

Solomon Bwambale

LUDINGTON

Linda Bearup *Jeffrey Nellis*
Susan Kissinger *Linda Bearup*
Debbie Nellis *Jeffrey Nellis*
Sandra Nellis *Jeffrey Nellis*

MICHIGAN INT'L ENTREPRENEURS-DETROIT

Pamela Hyde-Shelton *Carrol Glispie*
Cheryl Jackson *Carrol Glispie*
Ronald Johnson *Carrol Glispie*
Gwendolyn Mcfall *Cathrine Tilles*

MIDLAND

Catherine Lindstrand *Karen Morrison*

MOUNT CLEMENS

Felicia Johnson *Gerrie Brown*

MT. PLEASANT

Lauren Adams *James Binder*
Brittany Getchell *James Binder*
Meghan Lawless *James Binder*

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS

Ozetta Aaron *Terry Nash*
Rane' Garcia *Edward Causey*

MUSKEGON-GREATER

Judy Dolph *Karen Miller*

NEW DETROIT UNITY- DETROIT

Sarah Glenn *Tracey Hamilton*
Bridgett Townsend *Jacqueline Holt*

NILES

Tim Douglas *Bill Walters*

NORTH WEST OAKLAND

Amanda Daniels *Debbie Berry*
Tami Flowers *Debbie Berry*

SCOTTVILLE

Carrie Genson *Joseph Knowles*

SHELBY

Nathan Gowell *Kim Tate*
Kenny Rumsey *Chad Warner*
Harry Schouten *Cathy Schouten*
Matt Williams *Kim Tate*

SOUTHFIELD-LATHRUP VILLAGE

Diana Ivy *Cherryl Thames*
Brenda Matthews *Cherryl Thames*

TRAVERSE CITY

Jerry Seidner *John Weber*
Debi Turchi *Gail Chambers*
Richard White *Samuel Mitchell*

WEST BLOOMFIELD

Sally Cawley Doukas *Ike Engelbaum*
Karen Hanley
Steven Lepsetz *Ike Engelbaum*
Sheila Siegel Weissman *Jennifer Oram*

WEST BRANCH

Kathy Collins *Charles Snyder*
Sarah Hart *Vicki Barnes*
Doug Hubbell Jr. *Sheryl Hubbell*
Corine Lucynski *Vicki Barnes*





*“Mighty Michigan District”
Ask Not What You Can Do for the OI
Foundation, but What the OI Foundation Can Do For You!
David Fries—Michigan District Foundation Representative
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Wow! **What a 3rd Quarter!** All of you have been extremely generous.

Special kudo’s to the Ann Arbor Breakfast Club. They turned in seven **“Dime A Day”** donations, and it was the first time that 5 of these individuals have donated to **Optimist International Foundation**
Our 50/50 donations alone have been a whopping **\$10.00 per individual!**
Thank you for donating and participating in our **Silent Auction.**

**THE BIG PUSH NOW IS FOR ALL OF OUR MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN “DIME A DAY,”
AND ALL OF OUR CLUBS TO EARN A “365” DOLLAR A DAY BANNER PATCH!**

What is the **Mission of the OI Foundation?**

Our goal is to seek, receive, and manage funds and real property for the benefit of OI, and its member clubs, in its charitable, literary, and educational activities. The **OI Foundation** funds all **Optimist** programs worldwide, including scholarship funds for the **Oratorical** and **Essay Contests** in every **District**. **Optimist International** support is critical to the overall success of our organization.

Our goal for the Michigan District in this 2016-2017 Optimist year is to raise \$35,000 in unrestricted funding. We are currently...

**#1 in OI for Unrestricted Donations received per District
#1 in OI for Women's Philanthropy Members per District
#1 in OI for President’s Club Roster Members per District
#3 in OI for Dime a Day Members per District**

To ensure this fundraising success, it would be beneficial for each **Optimist Club** to support your **“Club Foundation Representative (CFR).”** This member acts as a liaison between your individual **Optimist Club, and the OI Foundation.** .

Please use the CFR Welcome - Packet website to define, appoint, and inform the duties of a **Club Foundation Representative.** The current **(ATTCH) MI District Roster includes the current CFR's.**
<http://oifoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/CFR-Welcome-Packet-1.pdf>

I am ready, willing, and able to speak to your Club about what the Foundation **“Can Do for You,”** and what **“You Can Do for the Foundation.”** All you have to do is ask!

In fact, we are hosting another roundtable to inform you at what the **OI Foundation “Can Do for You”** at the **4th Quarter Conference in West Branch,** specifically....

Donation Programs - OIF Club Pass Through Funds - Club Campaign Funds - OIF Club Grant

Our thanks to each **Optimist** for supporting this fundraising vision. Again, if each individual **Optimist Club** would provide a “basket of goodies” and **“Foundation Plates”** to be auctioned off at quarterly district conferences, a healthy boost will be provided in reaching our goal! Thank you for your support of the **Optimist International Foundation!**

**A Message from the Governor-Elect
Theresa Jarratt**

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“A little progress every day adds up to BIG results” Satya

Since October 1, 2016 my team and I have been diligently planning to create an innovative, exciting, and winning 2017-2018 Optimist Year for the members of the Michigan District. Training for incoming officers and committees has been set and the nominee for Secretary-Treasurer, Debra Berry, has been announced and accepted by the Executive Board. We are also working diligently to set all of our conferences and convention for next year as well.

So, it’s a mad dash to the finish line to help Governor Monetta finish strong by Fostering Growth as we plan for sustained growth in the coming Optimist Year!

Leadership Orientation

Asst. Governor | Lt. Governor | President | Secretary-Treasurer | Committee

“Before anything else, preparation is the key to success.” Alexander Graham Bell

**Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 9 am – 3:30 pm
Peace Lutheran Church**

830 North Cochran, Charlotte, MI 48813

**Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 9 am – 3:30 pm
Wayne County Community College District**

Northwest Campus - 8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI. 48219

Training will include, lunch, coffee, tea, or water. If you have a special diet we need to accommodate please let us know. Attendees will also be reimbursed for their travel (mileage) to this event. Deadline for submission is July 15, 2017.

Please send your information as we will need to ensure there is space and lunch for everyone attending. Send information to training@midistoptimists.org or info@midistoptimists.org

Mark Your Calendars

2017-2018 Optimist Calendar Dates

We are very excited about the coming year and have been planning for many months now to make things happen. Here are dates for upcoming conferences and conventions for the 2017-2018 Optimist Year:

1st Quarter Conference	October 19-20, 2017	Clinton Township, MI
2nd Quarter Conference	<i>It is intended for members to choose one location as they are regional.</i>	
	February 3, 2018	Roscommon, MI
	February 10, 2018	St. Clair Shores, MI
	February 17, 2018	Kalamazoo, MI
3rd Quarter Conference	May 4-5, 2018	To be determined
4th Quarter Conference	August 24-26, 2018	To be determined

2017-2018 Reflections



Cousins Empowered of Chicago, Illinois



Passing the Banner



Yesterday-Today Tri-County of Detroit



The Educators' Optimist Club of Detroit



Junior Optimist Convention - Albion, MI



Seminole Academy JOI Club



“Are You a 3/4 Club?”

*“Dr. Bob” Schiller— Club Fitness Advisors Committee Chair
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There is an advertisement for an insurance care that makes reference to other insurance companies expecting us to **“drive 3/4 of a car.”** The point being made is that when a consumer signs up for insurance, the expectation is full coverage, and a full commitment. It is similar to where we are as **Optimist Clubs...three-quarters of the way through our fiscal year.**

Yes, we have seen our share of successes, and maybe a few less than successful efforts. We rejoiced in those “successes” but may have brushed off the “less than successful efforts” with the feeling that we can deal with the issues “next year.” The **“doctors”** of your **Club Fitness Advisors Committee (CFAC)** contend that the “wait” approach may be a less healthy way to finish your year. It is for this reason that your **CFAC** has been educating everyone on the **OI Program (Renew, Refresh, Revitalize! (3-R)).**

As we enter the **“Revitalize”** phase it is important to understand what that word really means to our clubs. It means that this is the time for us to **“evaluate”** our programs honestly to see how we can improve on our results from this year in everything we do, to improve our effectiveness within our communities, and to **improve the “health”** of our clubs. It is a time to **share** the revised activities, goals, and objective with all of our members to paint a clear picture in their minds as to **why their involvement is so critical to our success and health.** This **“nine-month” checkup** also provides the incoming **Club Officers and Board of Directors** to understand the expectations of our membership as they plan their interaction for the new fiscal year. It is a great time to incorporate the **OI 3-R Program and the Personal Growth and Involvement (PGI) Program** into your plans for next year.

It has been an **education and honor** to serve as your **Club Fitness Advisor Committee Chair** for the past three years. I would like to thank all of the **“doctors”** that have served on the committee for their involvement, and for embracing the concept of **“club health”** as a better way to understand the way to healthier, successful clubs. And, I would like to **thank you,** the members of the **Mighty Michigan District,** for sharing your perspectives during “feverish” times to help us (the **CFAC**) with a prognosis, and for taking the time to read our articles and perhaps trying some of our **“Prescriptions for Success.”**

Now for the **CFAC “Prescription for Success”** as you enter the **“Revitalize”** phase of the 3-R Program;

- Ask yourselves **“Who have we trained” to take over our “automatic” programs...just in case?**
- Ask yourselves **“How do we involve our new members in our Committees?”**
- Ask yourselves **“What new cool project do we want to try next year?”**

On behalf of the **Club Fitness Advisors Committee “doctors”**, we wish your clubs an active summer in your communities. As always, **We Make House calls!!**

2017-2018 Reflections ... Footprints... Optimism (cont'd)

Thank you and congratulations to our KAMP and JOI Optimist Clubs of Uganda and especially to Past-Governor Bob Schiller for your ongoing support.



Celebrations!

Auburn Hills Optimist Club
40th and Saginaw Optimist
Club 80th Anniversaries! .





Michigan District Optimist Governance Committee
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The following proposals will be presented to the delegates at the **Michigan District Optimist Conference** for consideration. The Conference session will take place on **Saturday, August 19th**. If passed, the Proposal will be added to **D5 Oratorical Contest of the Michigan District Optimist Policies**.

Proposal 1 – Submitted by the District Oratorical Chair

The District may run an at large contest(s) for students that do not have an **Optimist Club** in their area. The Contest would be under the direction of the **District Oratorical Chair** at a date(s) and location(s) of the Committee's choosing. The winner would then be eligible to compete in the **Area Contest** based on their (participant) resident county, or the nearest adjacent County/Area should the resident County/Area be absent of an **Area Oratorical Contest**.

The **District Oratorical Chair** would be responsible for determining the cost for the participants to cover any and all expenses, both individual and District, that the “**At-Large**” Contest would incur. All checks must be made payable to the “**Michigan District Optimists.**”

*Rationale: With many clubs not conducting a club contest, this will give students who live in an area where no club contest is held the opportunity to participate in an **Oratorical Contest**, the at large winner (s) would then compete in an Area contest.*

Proposal 2 – Submitted by the Governance Committee

If a student does not live in an area where there is a local **Optimist Club** that is conducting an **Oratorical Contest**, or has limits on the number of participants, the **District Chair** will let the student know of other **Optimist Clubs** in their geographic area that are running an **Oratorical Contest**. The student can request that the club allow them to participate in the Club contest. The cost of participating in the Club contest would be paid by the participant.

*Rationale: This will give an opportunity for youth to participate in the **Oratorical Contest** when there is no **Optimist Club** in their area of residency.*

“The Michigan District Celebrates 75 Years of Service to Optimist Clubs”

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Pam Sasaki—Co-Historian—pamelasasaki@comcast.net

The first **Michigan District Governor**, **Orrice L. Shaw**, served our state from 1941-1942. This fourth quarter of 2017 marks the end of the **75th Anniversary Optimist year**.

The **Michigan District** has a rich heritage of success, with the most members in a district in all of **Optimist International!** At our upcoming conference, in **West Branch**, there will be a display of some of the many artifacts of yesteryear. We need your help by bringing “**Optimist collectables,**” and any “back story” associated with them.

Please bring your items to the **Expo** area on **Saturday, August 19th**. Have all of your items marked clearly with your name. You must pick them up after the closing session on Saturday.

Please join the **75th celebration** and enjoy the fellowship of your **Optimist** friends!



Memorial Service

Steve Sucher, Immediate Past Governor

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On **Sunday morning, at 8:00 a.m. on August 20th** at our **Michigan District 4th Quarter Conference**, we will celebrate the lives of our departed Optimists with a **Memorial Service**, to honor them.

This is a solemn and beautiful service of remembrance. I would like to include every name of **Michigan Optimists** who have passed since our memorial service held one year ago. Your club's assistance, with your **Secretary** sending to me that member's name, photo, the offices this member held in your club, and a short biography, will ensure this wonderful Optimist's contributions to his/her club, community, and the youth they served, will be recognized, and celebrated.

Please, if possible, wear your club's shirt, hat, or other items to bring awareness to your club, and its accomplishments. **Please submit this sensitive information to me no later than July 21, 2017.** It is healing and honorable to pay tribute to our departed Optimist family members. **Thank you for your support.**

“Optimist International Foundation Women’s Philanthropy Council”

Lou Moss—WPC Representative

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The **Michigan District Optimists ROCK!** Members are commended for their generosity to the **Optimist International Foundation**, including some of the “special” programs like the **Women’s Philanthropy Council**, and the **Childhood Cancer Campaign**.

Thanks to the generous **Michigan District Optimists**, over 30 “**Pink Purse Pins**” have been sold this Optimist year, benefitting the **Women’s Philanthropy Council’s** many projects.



We will have more pins available to purchase at the **Fourth Quarter Michigan District Conference**. Your \$100 donation will be added to your lifetime giving with **OIF**, and is tax deductible. Our goal is to sell 55 pins this year! We need your help to attain the goal!

Your generosity is truly appreciated!

Michigan District Optimist Calendar

JOI Convention—Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 3-5, 2017

OI Convention—Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 6-8, 2017

LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION—for 2017-2018 leaders: Asst. Gov./Lt. Gov./Presidents/Sec.-Treasurer.

Saturday, July 22, 2017—9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Charlotte area

Saturday, July 29, 2017—9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Metro Detroit area

4th Quarter Conference—Forward Conf. Center, West Branch (989) 345-3503, August 18-20, 2017

- **Appreciation Banquet, Friday, August 18, 2017, 5:00 p.m.**
- **Executive Board Meeting, Friday, August 18, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Installation banquet, Saturday, August 19, 2017, 6:00 p.m.**

MICHIGAN DISTRICT CONVENTION



August 18-20, 2017
QUALITY INN FORWARD CONFERENCE CENTER
2980 COOK ROAD
WEST BRANCH, MI 48661



Please use a separate form for each Optimist Member
Each Club is encouraged to be represented.

Name:
Contact Phone Number:
Email:
Club Name:
Zone:
2016-2017 Office:
If attending: Spouse/Partner Name:

Agenda for Friday, August 18, 2017

- 12:45 pm - 7:15 pm: Registration
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Interactive session for current and incoming District Officers, Club Officers, Committee Chairpersons and all District members
5:45 pm: Governor's Appreciation Dinner (By invitation only)
7:15 pm - 10:00 pm: Hospitality Room
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm: Executive Committee Meeting
9:15 pm: VIP Reception for OI Pres.-Designate Nick Prillaman, Jr.

Agenda for Saturday, August 19, 2017

- 6:45 am - 8:15 am: Registration
7:00 am - 8:15 am: Breakfast Meetings
8:30 am - 10:00 am: Morning General Session
10:00 am - 10:30 am: Registration continues
10:05 am - 10:45 am: Roundtable Discussions
10:50 am - 11:50 am: Breakout Sessions
12:00 am - 1:15 pm: Lunch
Keynote Speaker
Malkia Newman, Community Network Services

- 1:20 pm - 2:20 pm: Breakout Sessions
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm: Afternoon General Session

- 6:00 pm: Cash Bar reception
6:30 pm: Installation Banquet
OI President-Designate Nick Prillaman, Jr. officiating

Agenda for Sunday, August 20, 2017

- 8:00 am - 9:00 am: Memorial Service
9:00 am: Breakfast with OI President-Designate Nick Prillaman, Jr. and Michigan Governor Monetta Foster

Please check the activities you will attend.

- Registration: \$50.00
College Club Members: \$25.00

PAYMENT SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY 8/10/17 (LUNCH NOT GUARANTEED FOR LATE REGISTRANTS)

- Friday Interactive Session Free
Past Governors' Breakfast Meeting 7:00 am Free
Asst./Lt. Governors' Breakfast Meeting 7:00 am Free
First Timer/Spouse/Partner Breakfast Meeting 7:00 am Free
Installation Banquet \$30.00
Governor's Breakfast \$18.00

TOTAL

(All refund requests must be made in writing at least 72 hours before the start of the Saturday business meeting per District policies.)

I am attending the Friday afternoon training session Yes No

I have dietary restrictions: Yes No

Please specify:

Hotel Room Reservation Information:
(989) 345-3503
Mention Code: Michigan District Optimists
Room Rate: (single or double): \$89.00
Reservation Deadline for special pricing: 8/3/2017

Conference Registration:
Mail registration and payment by 8/10/17 deadline to:
Don Munter, Secretary/Treasurer
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(248) 497-3204 msmunter@sbcglobal.net
Please make checks payable to:
Michigan District Optimist



*Michigan District Optimist International
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St Clair Shores, MI 48080*

*“By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth,
our communities and ourselves.”*

VISIT OUR MICHIGAN DISTRICT WEBSITE: <http://midist.portalbuzz.com/>
or the Optimist International Website at www.optimist.org

The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself ...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

*To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the
presence of trouble.*

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