



Message from the Governor

I hope you've been having a great time celebrating with your family and friends this holiday season. You all deserve to enjoy every moment.

Our projects are amazing as usual. It's great to hear the rumors of club building going on in every Zone. More clubs mean more of these innovative projects. Let's get it done, Right Here, Right Now.

Let The Children Play
Michael Gray, PNW Governor 2015-16

2nd Quarter Super Zone Meeting Locations

February 6, 2016
Zone 1 British Columbia
Aboriginal Community Center
3277 Gladwin Rd
Abbotsford, BC V2T 4y9

February 20, 2016
Zone 3 Oregon
Cascade Pacific Council - Boy Scouts of America
2145 SW Naito Pkwy
Portland, OR 97201

February 27, 2016
Zone 4 Washington
Kit Carson Restaurant
107 SW Interstate Ave
Chehalis, WA 98532

March 12, 2016
Zone 2 Idaho
Big Al's
1900 N. Eagle Road
Meridian, Id 83646

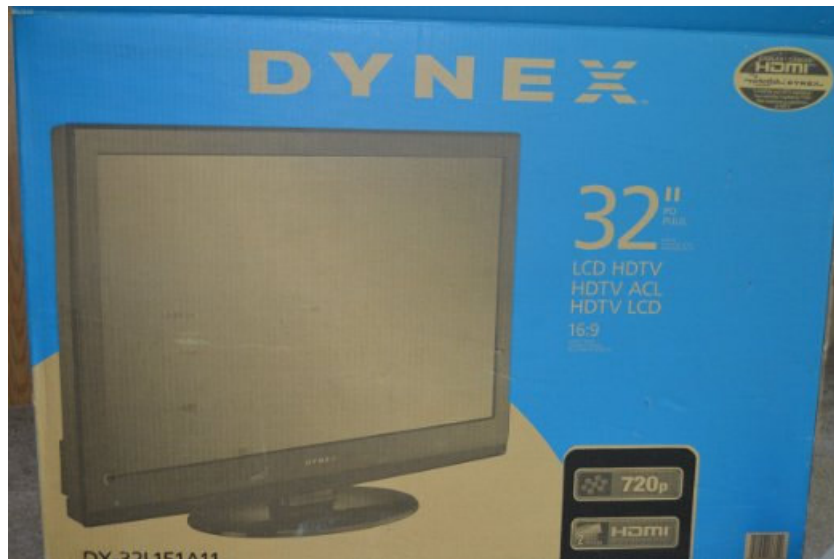
CHILDHOOD CANCER CAMPAIGN



Childhood Cancer Campaign

"Providing the Care ... Finding the Cure"

Robin Stanhope, PNWD CCC Chair has a Dynex 32" TV that was donated to help raise funds and awareness for Childhood Cancer. You can purchase tickets at the Regional meetings next year, in May and again at the Convention in August. We will draw the winner on Saturday at Convention.



The CCC program model is built to accentuate four areas of service on which Members can focus:

- Support to children diagnosed and receiving treatment for cancer
- Support to families and care partners of children with cancer
- Support to health care and service providers
- Support for cancer research

The tickets are \$5.00 each, if you would like to purchase them and are unable to attend any of the meetings, please e-mail me at rastanhope@gmail.com.

I want to thank Fred Wallace to getting the TV donated!!

Essay, Oratorical and CCDHH Contests

Dick Disney is beginning to coordinate each Super Zone Oratorical Contest.

Please answer the following:

Yes, the Optimist Club of _____ is having an Oratorical Contest

No, the Optimist club of _____ is not having an Oratorical Contest,

The Club Oratorical Chair is: Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Phone (H): _____ (C) _____

He will be contacting each Club Coordinator to cover details including the location and time of the Super Zone Contest. We may have a larger number of contestants due to the the larger O.I. contest.

Thank You,

Dick Disney

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(C) 253 355 1362

The Optimist International Essay Contest takes place between September and February. The official topic for 2015-16 is "Lead by Example: Reality or Fiction."

Emma Ball, Chair, Optimist International Essay Contest
Phone:360.669.3386.
Optimist Club of Chehalis-Centralia, WA

The Optimist International Oratorical Contest takes place between January and May. The official topic for 2015-16 is "How My Best Brings Out the Best in Others."

Optimist International has partnered with St. Louis University to expand the Oratorical Contest in 2016. District winners will compete on an international stage where they have the opportunity to win up to \$22,000 in scholarship money.

Dick Disney, Chair, Optimist International Oratorical Contest
Phone: 253.564.8119
Optimist Club of West Tacoma, WA

The Optimist International Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH) takes place between January and May. The official topic for 2015-16 is "How My Best Brings Out the Best in Others."

The CCDHH contest in April 2016 should be a lot of fun too. Thanks to Lisa and Gay for arranging the housing for all the CCDHH and Oratorical students for that meeting. Now, we just have to feed them.

We also need to fund the extra CCDHH prize (\$2500usd) for this year. If you need a good tax write-off, this is great opportunity and you can feel good about supporting a great program.

Please consult your Foundation Rep before the end of the year. Remember, in the memo 'PNW-CCDHH' directs the funds properly.

CCDHH Co-chairs
Gay Enyeart (US)
Phone:503.799.1099
Optimist Club of Vancouver, WA

Lisa Meneian (CA)
Phone: 604.760.5636
Optimist Club of Issaquah, WA

Optimist Club of Cloverdale

Optimists Reach out to Cloverdale

A new Optimist club is growing to serve the youth of Cloverdale. Right here. Right now. Members believe that youth of Cloverdale need the positive direction and activities that Optimist clubs provide.

Here's what our new members have to say about a new Optimist Club in Cloverdale:

New Member, Gerri, thinks that special needs and at risk youth are the most critical areas that we should serve in our Cloverdale Optimist community.

New Member, Daljit exclaimed she had no idea of all the incredible things that Optimist Clubs do. She had "only heard of them" and was very impressed.

New Member, Dave, wrote "Thank you for sharing your stories tonight & Thank you for all the support you provide to community & humanity!"

Do you have some new ideas on how we can improve the service to youth in our community? If you answered YES, then WE NEED YOU !!!

You are invited to become a charter member of this exciting new Optimist Club in Cloverdale.

Optimist International - Optimists are an amazing 72,000 strong organization.

Pacific Northwest Past Governor, Fred Wallace, and Governor, Dick Disney, came to talk about youth needs and how we can help.

Charter Members

1. **Daljit Stewart**

2. **Dave Hayer**

3. **Gerri Tarchuk**

4. **Your Name Here**

15. **We're ready to charter our club**

Welcome Gerri Tarchuk as our newest Optimist eager to help youth in Cloverdale.

Your name will be on this list when you submit your completed application form with a cheque for the Application Fee of \$34.00. This is your opportunity to be a charter member of the new Optimist Club in Cloverdale. Don't miss out!

Immediately when our club is chartered, liability insurance for all club activities will be activated.

For more information, contact **Al Kersey** at akersey@telus.net. Phone: 778-988-4337

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Coquitlam

and the

Optimist Junior International

Curling Club (Surrey)

Message from our District Secretary/Treasurer Carol Mitchell

"Calling all Clubs" - The First Lady Sharon Gray and myself are looking for clubs who would like to sponsor table décor at the 3rd Quarter Meeting on April 29th & 30th, in Vancouver Washington. We are also looking for clubs and/or members who would like to donate a gift to include in the "Thank you" gifts we give to VIP's and special guest speakers. Gifts could be something from your club like a shirt, mug or perhaps an item that is associated to your community like a bottle of wine or a package of Almond Roca, etc.. Please contact either myself or Sharon if you would like to contribute a gift or be a table sponsor.

Sharon Gray
sig@Nampa.net

Carol Mitchell
yugsgal@live.com

Thank You
Carol Mitchell
S/T PNWD

New JOOI Club

There is a new JOOI club chartered by the Caldwell Optimist club this month (4Dec2015). It's called "Octagon Club of Vallivue VEX Robotics." These high school students are having a blast, while learning some very cool engineering functions. Joe Shreve (JOOI Advisor), Dolores Schamp, Rick Matkin and Chris Allgood all helped put this together.



Coquitlam Optimist Club

From: Al Kersey

I have a Coquitlam Optimist Club news item in the works for our November 11, 2015 Coquitlam Optimist Walk for Youth and cheque presentation to Optimist Junior Interclub Curling League for their efforts in raising \$900 for the cause (Optimist Junior Interclub received \$675 (75%) in return).

Please take some time and look at the PNW Optimist clubs websites and facebook pages. There is a lot of good information out there.

All of our clubs do wonderful projects and fundraisers; please send me any information along with pictures of your clubs projects to be featured in the next bulletin.

Please send to trennajo@gmail.com by the 20th of each month.

Happy New Year!

Trenna Bowman Garcia
Bulletin Editor

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 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 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.*

Christian D. Larson