



## Message from the Governor

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

Greetings, to our remarkable Pacific NW Optimist team. The work you do in your communities, whether you're a Member, Officer, Chairperson, President, Secretary, Treasurer, ST, or Board, makes you all awesome.

We're moving honor and distinguished clubs. We even have a new club in Narrows Glen Washington. Congratulations, TJ McIntyre as new President and Linda Disney as the New Club Builder. We'll be looking forward to seeing your fun and productive new projects.

### Clubs in position for Honor

Vancouver, BC +1	Horse Shoe Bend, Id +2	Meridian, Id +1
McCall, Id +2	Nampa, Id +1	Albany, Or +3
Beaverton, Or +1	Lebanon, Or +15	Portland NE, Or +2
Portland Penn, Or +6	Roseburg, Or +6	Issaquah, Wa +1
Narrows Glen, Wa +2		

### Clubs and Zones in position for Distinguished

Lebanon, Or (+15, just paper to go)	Tacoma, Wa (New Club, need 3 members)
Zone 4 (New Club & +4 members, just paper)	Middleton, Id (New Club, need 3 members)
Zone 1 (New Club, need 24 members)	

## PNW has 2 Web Sites

The Pacific NW District has the distinction of having two websites. Many districts have zero. For meeting registrations, go to our Admin site at <http://www.pnwoptimist.com>  
For news and photos, go to our Social Media site at <http://www.pnwdistrictoptimist.com>  
Once you get there, don't forget to bookmark/favorite the pages so you can find them again.

## 2016 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER CONFERENCE

3<sup>rd</sup> quarter conference was held in Vancouver Washington. This year's contest for the Oratorical and the CCDHH was one of the best ever. A big thank you goes out the Vancouver Washington School for the deaf. They graciously housed all of the contestants as well as held the competition in their wonderful auditorium. This was a perfect setting for the contest. Every year you will hear "I'm sure glad I'm not a judge," from Optimist members, this year that is the truth, all the speeches were great, and no one stumbled, or lost their place.



Oratorical Contestants



CCDHH Contestants



Oratorical Winners

1st	Angelina Zhang	Vancouver BC
2nd	Quentin Frederick	Meridian Id
3rd	Isabelle Paylor	Portland NE



CCDHH Winners

Signing contestant winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> Leyi Deng (Coquitlam, BC)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nina Ward (Coquitlam, BC)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vangelina Sohler (Vancouver, Wa)

Oral Contestant winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> Parker Little (Coquitlam, BC)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nolan Philip (Coquitlam, BC)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Rianna Muligan (Coquitlam, BC)

## **2016 4th Quarter Convention - White Rock, BC**

Thursday Aug 25, 2016 to Sat Aug 27, 2016

Hello PNW Optimist! It's me, Rose Brodie, your District Convention Chair. I've got a date for you, August 25-27th. Meet me in White Rock BC at the Pacific Inn for the 4th Quarter District Convention. We are planning to have a good time! Just 5 minutes from the Semiahmoo Bay you will find local shops and pubs along the promenade, or maybe take a walk down the pier for a breathtaking view. It's a beautiful little city with lots of sights to see! They also have chartered boats to take you on a harbour tour, whale watching or a sunset cruise. These are all booked through a local company so if you are interested, let's get you booked.

Golfers, dust those golf clubs off and join us for the annual golf tournament on Thursday morning! Friday night at the BBQ we will be doing a South Pacific Theme. So that would be a great time to get your hula skirts and your Hawaiian shirts out. Followed by the "Old Timer's Breakfast" Saturday morning. We are going to "Let the Children Play". I've got some great ideas for that! Saturday night we will be going back to the "Roaring 20's. I can't wait to see the house filled with a blast from the past! If you want to venture out, the Vancouver area has a lot fun things to do. Take a gondola up to Grouse Mountain, drive up to the Whistler Village, Ferry over to Victoria. Lots of beautiful places to see!

Registration is open and ready. Just go to <http://www.pnwoptimist.com/> , go to Meetings, then scroll down to Online Registration, click and fill in the blanks! To get early registration you have to be registered before August 17th. Right below that is where you book your rooms, <http://www.pacificinn.com>. Book early as after August 10th, all unreserved rooms will be released.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in White Rock! Yahoo  
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### **Make sure you have your passport ready!**

Robin Stanhope passed along information regarding the Passport card. This card can be purchased cheaper than a regular passport, but can only be used to drive into Canada or Mexico. You cannot fly with this card. If you do purchase the card, and later decide you want to fly out of the county then a regular pass port would have to be purchased at the full passport price.

## **New PNW Optimist club**

Narrows Glen, Washington has a new Optimist Club with 17 charter members. Their name is "Share-A-Smile" Optimist Club. Please help in welcoming them to the Pacific Northwest district.

## **PNW Optimist club Anniversary's**

### **Meridian Optimist Club 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The Meridian Optimist club is celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. There is one remaining charter member. Thank you, Grant Kingsford for supporting this club for 40 years.

## West Tacoma Optimist clubs 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

May 17<sup>th</sup> 2016

What a walk down memory lane the fantastic active and past members of the Optimist Club of Tacoma had on Tuesday, May 14, 2016 as they celebrated the Club's 60th anniversary. Retired Judge Waldo Stone, the only remaining charter member of the club, shared details of many fun and funny club programs and adventures during the past 60 years. He was presented an Optimist International Foundation print to honor his continued service to the community, youth and others. Past International President, Ron Thompson, added numerous comments concerning the club's activities through the years and all attendees had the opportunity to share a story of their own. Linda Vaught Disney, present West Coast Region Vice President presented a proclamation from Optimist International for the Optimist Club of West Tacoma for its 60 years of contributions to the community, youth and to yourself as a member.

See pictures and a video on the West Tacoma optimist clubs facebook page.

## 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've had the opportunity to purchase tickets this year, and the final opportunity 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](mailto:rastanhope@gmail.com).

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

There is another account at OI Foundation for donations to the Childhood Cancer Campaign.

**PNW-CCC**

## Two candidates announced for PNW District Governor-elect



Ben DeRemer  
Gresham Scouters, Gresham



Teresa Wallace  
Gresham

Candidate Qualifications Chair and Immediate Past Governor Dick Disney has announced that two Optimist Club members have indicated their intention to run for Governor-elect 2016-17 of the Pacific Northwest District.

An interview was held with each candidate and the questions with their responses follow:

### **Why do you wish to run for PNW District Governor-Elect?**

Ben: "I want to be able to create value to the district that has a meaningful impact for the clubs and the programs they support."

Teresa: "I was asked. I'm honored. I helped Fred his year & I believe I can do it."

### **What do you wish to accomplish during your term? (Goals etc.)**

Teresa: "Find a solution to the question, why should I pay to volunteer? So our clubs can grow."

Ben: " To create best practices training the new members that join our clubs so that they feel more engaged/active to continue with their clubs;

- Make the district and its functions transparent with their duties and responsibilities so that even a brand new member can understand their purpose."

**List at least three leadership positions you have held in the district? (club president, zone, committee chairperson, district office, etc.)**

Ben: "Club President – 2x, District Committee Chair – 3X, Lt Governor – 1X"

Teresa: "Leadership Chair (District), President 3 times, Lt. Gov. 2x's"

**Do you commit to a three year service (Gov.-Elect, Gov., Immediate Past Gov.)?**

Teresa: "Absolutely"

Ben: "Yes, I commit to the minimum of three years, plus any additional asked of me."

**Do you commit to attending all district conferences, 2nd quarter super zone (If selected) meetings and the annual convention meetings?**

Ben: "Yes, I will attend all district functions, meetings and conferences if I am selected."

Teresa: "Yes!"

**Can you afford financially to meet the demands of this office even if reimbursements are delayed or reduced because of the district's budget? (this includes, transportation, lodging and meals on your own)**

Teresa: "Yes"

Ben: "Yes, I can afford to cover expenses for the duties in which I am in charge of if the district cannot afford it."

**Do you have someone to officially nominate you?**

Ben: "Yes, I have approached several people who would nominate me."

Teresa: "Yes"

**Do you have someone to speak to your qualifications and to the positive contributions you can provide as governor of the PNW District?**

Teresa: "Yes"

Ben: "I have some who can speak to my qualifications as well as backups for convention."

**Have you approached anyone to serve as Secretary/Treasurer?**

Ben: "Yes I have, and I will look for several potential candidates."

Teresa: "Not yet"

Nominations remain open until the PNW District Convention, August 25-28, 2016.

Optimist Club members in good standing who have served as an Optimist Club President may contact [Dick Disney](#) for an interview to be officially declared a qualified candidate.

### **From the bulletin editor**

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](mailto:trennajo@gmail.com)

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*