

Optimist Club of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario



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The Message From Your President - Tom Dagg

KW Optimist Members.

We are in the change of seasons now, with the ice and snow melting away, we can soon get on with our property cleanup.

Help is needed to do this so please offer your services when we get out there.

I hope the March break was good for all.

Maple Syrup Festival in Elmira is approaching. It's a good fundraiser for us and we have a lot of fun cooking and serving so I hope to see you there.

Looking forward to our summer car shows, a BBQ season, a zone

meeting at our camp in May and an inter-club visit in June with the Arthur Optimist Club.

We had a great meeting this month with our Lt. Governor Ann Tosheff attending. Thank you Ann for the news around zone 7 and Optimist International.

Lets enjoy our efforts in our club to help the kids use the facility.

Yours in Optimism,

Pres. Tom

Dates to Remember

- **Apr 02** - Work Party
- **Apr 05** - Prepare for Elmira at Camp Heidelberg
- **Apr 06** - **Elmira Maple Syrup Festival**
- **Apr 09** - Dinner Meeting
- **Apr 16** - Work Party
- **Apr 23** - Boarding Meeting
- **Apr 30** - Work Party
- **May 07** - Work Party
- **May 11** - Third Quarter District Board Meeting at Camp Heidelberg



Helping over 6,011 Kids per year with our Optimist Camps

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KW Optimist Club
Meetings are
Dinner:

2nd Tues of the month.
Board Meetings:
4th Tues of the month

**Elmira Maple Syrup
Festival
April 06, 2019**

We are again doing the Maple Syrup Festival. Optimist Ralph is over seeing this. Friday he will be doing the Truck thing and picking up everything.

Sat April 06 - very early morning doing the setup and sales. Members are need to help, yes please help to setup - food service - cook - and shutdown, the tent and event at 3 PM or so.
Touch base with Opt Ralph or Opt Rick.



**Next Dinner Meeting April 09 Tuesday
Night 7 PM Social 6:30**
Might be an election that night come prepared...



I always knew I'd get old. How fast it happened was a bit of a surprise, though.

If you weigh 200 pounds on Earth, you'll be only 76 pounds on Mars. You're not overweight, you're just not on the right planet.



BINGO DATES ■ BINGO DATES ■ BINGO DATES ■ BINGO DATES



Captain Joe

Captain Rick

Captain Kyle/John

Apr 14
May 26

Apr 28
Jun 09

May 12
Jun 23

Your Zone - District - International NEWS & UPDATES

101st CONVENTION



OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION
June 30-July 3, 2019

District website: www.optimistmwo.ca

Optimist International 2019 Convention Galt House
Louisville, Kentucky June 30 – July 3,
info visit www.optimist.org/convention

May 11 - Third Quarter Board with Oratorical Contest
Kentucky Derby. KW Optimist Camp Heidelberg
2001 Kressler Rd. Heidelberg, ON



Optimist Lt. Gov Ann Tosheff Presents
to Optimist Past Lt. Governor, Past
President Ralph Sperling certificate for
donation to the OI Foundation
and banner patch



Optimist Lt. Gov Ann Tosheff Presents
to Optimist Past President,
Rick LaRush for having the best
Optimist Bulletin last time he was
President. (Third time)



Optimist Lt. Gov Ann Tosheff and
Optimist President Tom Dagg of the
KW Optimist Club Optimist

HISTORY LESSON FOR TODAY

- 1... WHY: do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?
BECAUSE: When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since.
- 2.... WHY: do ships and aircraft use 'mayday' as their call for help?
BECAUSE: This is an internationally recognized signal for help. It comes from the French word m'aidez - meaning 'help me' - and is pronounced, approximately, 'mayday.'
- 3.... WHY: are zero scores in tennis called 'love'?
BECAUSE: In France, where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (naturally), mispronounced it 'love.'
- 4.... WHY: do X's at the end of a letter signify kisses?
BECAUSE: In the Middle Ages, when many people were unable to read or write, documents were often signed using an X. Kissing the X represented an oath to fulfill obligations specified in the document. The X and the kiss eventually became synonymous.
- 5... WHY: are people in the public eye said to be 'in the limelight'?
BECAUSE: Invented in 1825, limelight was used in lighthouses and theatres by burning a cylinder of lime which produced a brilliant light. In the theatre, a performer 'in the limelight' was the Centre of attention .
- 6... WHY: is someone who is feeling great 'on cloud nine'?
BECAUSE: Types of clouds are numbered according to the altitudes they attain, with nine being the highest cloud. If someone is said to be on cloud nine, that person is floating well above worldly cares.
- 7... WHY: In golf, where did the term 'Caddie' come from?
BECAUSE: When Mary Queen of Scots went to France as a young girl, Louis, King of France, learned that she loved the Scots game 'golf.' He had the first course outside of Scotland built for her enjoyment. To make sure she was properly chaperoned (and guarded) while she played, Louis hired cadets from a military school to accompany her. Mary liked this a lot and when she returned to Scotland (not a very good idea in the long run), she took the practice with her. In French, the word cadet is pronounced 'ca-day' and the Scots changed it into caddie.
- 8... WHY: Why are many coin collection jar banks shaped like pigs?
BECAUSE: Long ago, dishes and cookware in Europe were made of dense orange clay called 'pygg'. When people saved coins in jars made of this clay, the jars became known as 'pygg banks.' When an English potter misunderstood the word, he made a container that resembled a pig. And it caught on.

And now you know the origins of some of our strange customs.....Don't ya feel smarter

The Optimist Creed

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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.

