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DONATIONS GIVEN

During our 3rd quarterly meeting in Hendersonville on Saturday, April 28th, our Club was finally able to make a donation to the organizations that our NC West District sponsor.

Each quarter, we would watch other clubs make monetary donations to these organizations. It has been a desire of the Club to be in a position to make a donation, but financially in the past, we were unable to do this. We hope to be able to at least do this on an annual basis.

We made a \$100.00 donation to the **South Mountain** Children and Family Services that is located in Morganton. Check them out at their website:

www.southmountain.org

The other organization that also received a \$100.00 check from us is the **Boys & Girls Homes** of NC located in Lake Waccamaw. Their website is:

www.boysandgirlshomes.org

They actually have a building onsite called the Optimist Cottage that houses boys.

President, Betty Parker, made the presentation.

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A & A AWARDS

Mark Pembrook, the chair of the Activities and Achievement Awards, announced the winners. In the small club category: 1st Place – Gastonia Noon 2nd Place – Carolina Cardinals 3rd Place – West Mecklenburg 4th Place – Erwin-Asheville

For the large clubs, there were only 2: 1st Place – Charlotte Optimist 2nd Place – Gastonia AM

They are trying something new for the winners. It is a game of chance. The 1st Place winner is allowed to "roll the dice". If it is a low number, they have the option of rolling again to try to get a 5 or 6. If they don't get one of those numbers, they lose it all. If they do get the number they are awarded \$10 for each dot on the dice. Neither club category won, so the money stays in the pot. Better luck next time and the money may increase.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

The 4th Quarter District meeting will be in Myrtle Beach on August 16 -19. The location is the Landmark Resort at 1501 S. Ocean Blvd. Reservations should be made by calling **843-310-3425** by July 16th. Interior Room - \$115; Oceanfront -\$150; Ocean View - \$125; Oceanfront Suites - \$170. The club would like more members to attend.

ESSAY WINNER

The local winner of our Optimist Club Essay Contest is **Abigail Nelson** from Hendersonville. She wins \$100 and a medal for her entry. Unfortunately, she was not the finalist for the District, but we congratulate her on her local win.



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ORATORICAL CONTEST

The District Oratorical contest was held on **Saturday**, **April 28**th at **Kangua Conference Center** in Hendersonville, NC right after lunch.

There were 3 male and 4 female entries from the 3 regional contest.

The male winner was: Clayo Kulczyk from Boone.

The female winner was: Emi Curia from Winston-Salem.

The person representing us at the World Competition in St. Louis, MO is **Clayo Kulczyk**.



Elections will now be held this month since we did not have an April meeting. Just a reminder that our year runs from **Oct. 1**st **to Sept. 30**th.

There will also be appointed positions.

Historian/Photographer, Sergeant-at-Arms, JOI Club Advisor and Corresponding Secretary.

So far only the corresponding secretary has expressed an interest in maintaining her job. We really need you to get involved. Thanks.

Monthly Meeting

(Please note day change)

Our next meeting will be **on Wednesday, June 6th at 6:30pm** in the community room of IKEA. In the event IKEA will be using the room for a summer program for youth, we will let you know of an alternate location as soon as they let us know of their plans.

Please be on time for the meeting.



There are <u>NO</u> May birthdays. Happy Anniversary in **MAY!**

Bernard & Betty Parker May 2nd

Take Action in May

The month of May is <u>Optimists in</u> <u>Action</u> Month! During the month of May, Optimist Clubs will create a widespread spirit of unity bringing together Optimist Members and other community volunteers for a variety of local-based activities, fundraisers and special events. Optimist Clubs can conduct any

program or special event that meets the needs of their community and should contact local media outlets in hopes of receiving publicity. Take photos and videos and share the Club's event on social media by including the hashtag **#OptimistsInAction**.

Learn more here.



2018 SCHEDULE

Sunday Friday	July 22 Aug. 3	Liverpool vs. Dortman Soccer FAN FEST	4:00 PM 7:30 PM	
PRESEASON				
Friday Friday	Aug. 17 Aug. 24	MIAMI DOLPHINS NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	7:30 PM 7:30 PM	
REGULAR SEASON				
Saturday Sunday Sunday Sunday	Sept. 1 Sept. 9 Sept. 23 Sept. 30	Belk College Kick-Off Game DALLAS COWBOYS CINCINNATI BENGALS BYE	TBD 4:25 PM 1:00 PM	
Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday Saturday	Oct. 7 Oct. 28 Nov. 4 Nov. 25	NEW YORK GIANTS BALTIMORE RAVENS TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS SEATTLE SEAHAWKS ACC Championship	1:00 PM* 1:00 PM* 1:00 PM* 1:00 PM* TBD	
Monday Sunday TBD	Dec. 17 Dec. 23 TBD	NEW ORLEANS SAINTS ATLANTA FALCONS Belk Bowl	8:15 PM 1:00 PM* TBD	

*** POTENTIAL FOR TIME CHANGE DUE TO FLEX SCHEDULING**