



The Bird's I-View



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BOOKWORMS

The Briarwood Academy “**Bookworms**” have started their 2nd session. This one will only run 6 weeks and end when Spring Break begins. We have a great group of 7 young people



and they seem eager to learn and to be the 2nd graduating class of “**Bookworms**”.

The tutoring is from 3:30 - 5:30 Monday through Thursday in the Briarwood Family Cottage. If you would be interested in helping out, please contact **Coach Brenda Slade** and let her know your availability.

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STREET CLEAN-UP

We have been having some beautiful weather and it would be great if we could do one of our street clean-ups before the weather changes. I contacted the Highway Department and told them our sign was still not up and was assured she would find out why and get someone on it in the next week.

SCHOLARSHIPS



There are opportunities for youth to earn scholarship money by entering the OI contests.

Here is the scholarship topic for the 2016-17 year

Oratorical Contest: “What the World Gains from Optimism” - Contact Bobbi Hague at 980-202-1949 for more information.



Everyone, please check your calendars for the first Saturday in April (April Fools’ Day) and see if we could possibly do our first clean-up then.

The Optimist Essay Contest Ended!

Mrs. Mary Dingle (Essay Chair) informed us that we do have a winner. We will be bringing that person to our next meeting to receive their certificate and prizes.

We can discuss this more at our monthly meeting so everyone plan to attend so we can get some input and move forward. Let’s plan our quarterly dates.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

3rd Quarterly meeting: Friday and Saturday May 5th and 6th - Green Park Inn, Blowing Rock - \$109+Tax - Full breakfast included

District Convention: Thursday, Friday, Saturday August 24th - 26th - Marriott Meadowview, Kingsport Tennessee \$119+Tax

Tentative District Meeting Format:
Saturday:

8AM	Registration
9AM	General Session
10:30	Break
10:45-12:30	General Session
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:45-3PM	General Session

Please plan to attend at least one of these quarterly conferences. The convention in **Kingsport, TN** should be interesting.

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO:

- 7 Angie Lowe
- 29 Kedrick Ford
- 31 Coach Brenda Slade

May all of your Optimism come true!

Monthly Meeting

(Please note our new meeting location)

Our next meeting will be **on Tuesday, March 7th at 6:30pm** at the **IKEA Store Community Room (2nd floor - turn right off elevator or escalator)**. See you there.

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NEW MEMBERS CONTEST

There were **no** winners of the “**Sweetheart Package**” since no one brought in any new members.

Think about that family member, neighbor or friend who would benefit from being a part of this organization.

Also consider asking businesses to become a **Friend of Optimist (FOO)**. For **\$100** per year, we will recognize them on our website in addition to the recognition they get from Optimist International. Just remember our club gets to keep a portion of the \$100 that is sent to the Optimist Foundation.

LET'S GET BUSY!!