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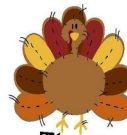
Optimist International Mission Statement—By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids.

The cooler fall weather brings the family inside, and instead of picnics we start planning holiday dinners. Remember the less fortunate as you are bombarded by requests for gently used clothes and food supplies. That's what makes you good Optimists—people who share, people who support others, people who are loving and cheerful—the people that others want to be with.

I hope you all have a wonderful, blessed Thanksgiving.

Carol Applegate

President Greater Jacksonville Optimist Club



Happy Thanksgiving

Mary Ann's Corner—Did you know...November

The birthstone for November is Topaz, which is a symbol for friendship.



The flower of the month is a chrysanthemum, which is a sign for optimism and joy.



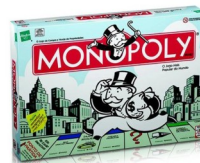
Scorpion signs for November.

and Sagittarius



are the astrological signs for November.

Parker Brothers introduced the world to the Monopoly game on November 4, 1935.



The Erie Canal was formally opened on November 4, 1825. It is 363 miles long with 36 locks and was the transportation system between the eastern seaboard and western interior of the USA. It was faster than carts and cut costs by 95%. New York completed restoration in 1999. It connects to 2 other canals—Champion and Welland. It is mainly used for recreational craft now.



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CLUB MEETINGS

First Thursday of Month
7:30 PM

FUTURE HOME

12900 Jarrettsville Pike
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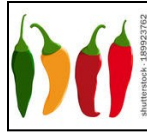
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REPORT: Zone 6 Meeting Saturday October 14

Carol Applegate and Mary Ann Hand attended.

REPORT: Bingo & Chili Cook Off October 21

Great night for Bingo with a dinner of 6 homemade Chilis. Thank you to members who cooked and brought the salads & deserts. Congratulations to Cook Off winner Fran Betty.



MDSD Optimist 1st Quarter Convention

Carol Applegate will attend the Nov. 4 meeting in Hagerstown.

Aluminum Recycle Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Ctr

For the year we made \$69.30 from Adam Drescher's and Pat Applegate's trips. Past OI Present Jim Hubbard will match our donation. Other cans have been given to the Price's to recycle with Hereford's cans.

Respect for Law Thursday November 16 @ 7:00 PM

Join us for dessert in the annex as we welcome member Steve Watkeys as our guest speaker.

He is married to member Tricia and has two wonderful children (Morgan, & Sarah). He is a Sales Rep in the mechanical construction field with a degree from Frostburg and a Master's from Johns Hopkins and is a local Fire Department member in Jacksonville and current President. He is a member in the National Ski Patrol. Leisure hours take in DIY, photography (still no idea how to use his camera), cooking, exercising, mountain climbing, motorcycling, camping and kayaking. Most of his free time is taken up by being a dad and running 74 square miles of emergency fire and EMS for Baltimore County.

Tricia, Steve, Morgan & Sarah

Look back to learn. Look forward to live.
-from the wife of my patient with low vision.

Membership Meeting Thursday December 7 @ 7:30 at Dave's

Come out and help us plan for the holiday projects:

Shop with a Cop 12/9

Wreaths Across America at Dulaney Valley Cemetery 12/16 noon

Club Holiday Party 12/16 3PM

JHH Believe in Tomorrow House collection of paper, canned, dry goods & gift cards 12/7 & 12/16

The 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 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.



Happy Birthday!

Bill Hauck	11/7
Chad Casserly	11/13
Shon McCollum	11/15
Steve Watkeys	11/17



White Elephant Bingo and Chili Cook Off



Chili Cook Off Winner Fran Betty!



Bingo prizes and happily fed members!

