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

Stock Market Challenge (SMC) 2020

Thank you to all who participated in our SMC. Your participation in joining the fun has helped to keep our treasury supplied so we can support the community.

We raised \$2,271.47.

Barbara, Fred and Carol P are the team that helped us make it happen. I am so pleased our club works together so well.

Donna Coster was our big final winner at \$564.00 She just happens to be owner of Fantastic Fireworks, our Independence Day Celebration provider. This year we gave her a BANG! Next year she'll send lots of bangs our way in 2021.

With 188 players, we gave out \$1,528 between 16 people. Now that's much better odds than any raffle or lotto that I know of.



Club Anniversary

On Thursday September 17 we will hold our next Zoom meeting. Since we can't get together, please join us in celebrating our 35th year with the drink of your choice. Be ready to show us your beverage whether it is a Diet Coke or Rum & Coke, Sherry or Shirley Temple, Wine or grape juice we want you there.

A Zoom invite will be sent out a couple days before. If you haven't already, download the Zoom app on your computer or phone.

July Meeting Report

We gathered on Zoom to have our meeting July 23. It was good to see those that could attend and know that they are well. Adam is checking our By-Laws to see if we need any updates. The board's 'homework' is to suggest updates to our website. Adam does a great job but he needs our help with suggestions.

David Ward

We all so miss Dave. His memorial will be Saturday September 26 at the Valley Mansion 11:00-3:00. Please contact Carol P at 410-357-4717 by September 1 so she can tell Trudy the number of Optimists who will attend. Both Carol P, Terri and others will be speaking.

Happy Birthday Orville

Orville Hughes celebrated his 99th birthday on June 15. He was highlighted on TV news both 2 & 13 that night and noted for his years as a retired Army Colonel.



District meeting Zoom Saturday August 8

Free to those that register 9:30 to 3:30. Check your email from Ken.

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CLUB MEETINGS

First Thursday of
Month
7:30 PM

We celebrate our members for 2020.

Please congratulate their Club Anniversaries. We hope you will continue to support our communities.

Helen Petrich	5 years	Tricia Watkeys	15 years
Larry Daniels	15 years	Carol Porcher	20 years
Steve Watkeys	15 years	Tom Hodgins	35 years



President to Presidents Zoom

On July 22 Optimist International President Adrian Elcock held a 90 minute Zoom call to discuss Optimism during COVID, updates for meetings and international concerns.

1. The international convention in June was virtual, not in person. Good turn out.
2. The Optimist headquarters in St. Lois will be sold. We don't need the large building and will downsize.
3. Bennie Ellerby, Executive Director, will retire after a search to replace him is completed and trained.

Meetings will be virtual until the COVID crisis is controlled.

We miss everyone but we need to be safe. We also need to research a new meeting site. Future Home, David's house, rolls back to Baltimore County for the next project or person. If you have any suggestions for a new site, contact Adam at H 410-375-0542 and give him your ideas. Thank you to Mary Lu for moving the club's supplies to her place.

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<u>Happy June-August Birthday!</u>		
Orville Hughes	6/15	
Helen Petrich	7/3	
Tom Hodgins	7/13	
Stephanie Maskovyak	7/23	
Bob Cook	7/28	
Bob Pearce	8/21	
Larry Daniels	8/27	
Carol Porcher	8/28	

We hope you are all well, safe at home, and are keeping in touch with family and friends. Please ask for help if you need it. There are wonderful people in our communities that will come to your aid. Don't be shy—ask.