



# JACKSONVILLE JOTTINGS

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**OPTIMIST**  
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*Friend of Youth*

*Mission Statement—By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities and ourselves.*

## Next Membership Meeting

Thursday June 2 will be in person at 7pm at St. John's.

## Stock Market Challenge 2022 Final Payout

Our final payout depends on 200 participants and we had 158 participants and 1 freebie (sold to 3 new people). The payout is lessened as to a percentage of project income. Only the top three were decreased. Thank you to everyone who donated to our fundraiser for community projects. It is greatly appreciated and I hope you had fun. One thing happened that we never experienced before—a stock was delisted from the Exchange, GRUBHUB. Is now sold over the counter (OCT) and we used that price for our final.



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|------|----------|--------------------|
| 1.   | \$434.50 | James Salmons      |
| 2.   | \$197.50 | William Gunther    |
| 3.   | \$79.00  | Rick Sapio         |
| 4.   | \$30.00  | Margaret F Sax     |
| 5.   | \$30.00  | Michael Brayton    |
| 6.   | \$20.00  | Alex Kasbeer-Betty |
| 7.   | \$20.00  | Dr. James Brayton  |
| 8.   | \$20.00  | The Knox Boys      |
| 9.   | \$20.00  | Eric de Kozlowski  |
| 10.  | \$20.00  | Marie Weber        |
| Last | \$20.00  | Sophia Angelos     |



On April 13, **Bill Litsinger** died peacefully in his sleep at his home at Oak Crest Senior Living.

Bill is survived by his loving wife of nearly 63 years, Ellen Jo. He joked that he started and ended his career as an employee of Baltimore County working in his youth at Loch Raven Reservoir and as a retiree, for 23 years at Greystone Golf Course. The US Army and MD Juvenile services were in between.

## Childhood Cancer Family Support FD (CCFS)

**Mickey Price 410-382-0736**

MD Optimists started CCFS, a 501c3, in 1997 to support cancer children and their families. Johns Hopkins Believe in Tomorrow House (15 rooms and 2 kitchens) and St. Casmire's (7 small apartments) are for cancer families to stay in while their child receives care at the hospital. It also supports a vacation home for cancer children in Deep Creek Lake and 3 in Ocean City. Clubs donate funds, gift cards, and dry goods for all the sites. We donated \$84.64 from our coin boxes.

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### **CLUB MEETINGS**

First Thursday  
of the Month  
7:00 PM  
Call to confirm.

**Meeting Site**  
**St. John's**  
**Evangelical**  
**Lutheran**  
**Church**  
**3911 Sweet**  
**Air Rd.**  
**Phoenix,**  
**21131**

## Independence Day Celebration

Saturday July 2 (rain date 7/9). Spread the word! We will be selling raffle tickets at the shopping center on weekends to help cover expenses. Letters will go out to community businesses asking for their support. We were pleased to receive a check from the Jacksonville American Legion in 2020. Now we can use it! Up the Ladder musicians were hired. Carol P and Barbara are getting the permits and food vendors arranged for this nearly \$11,000 project. We need people for set up on Saturday morning and clean up Saturday night and Sunday morning.



### Eagle Scouts

Over the years our club has supported Eagle Scouts in their projects. At St. John's, Oscean Wyatt Letersky, an Eagle candidate has set up a "Scout-2-Scout" project to collect medical supplies for Scouts near Ukraine's war to distribute to civilians in need. Oscean will vacuum seal individual medical kits. There, supplies are tight because most are needed in the war zones. A small personal kit costs \$2.40. Our club has decided to donate **\$150.00**. You can see Oscean on video describing his project <https://vimeo.com/694689042>



**Don't compare your life to others. There is no comparison between the Sun and the Moon, they shine when it is their time.**

### May Holiday Tidbits

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 3 Lumpy Rug Day                | 21 Armed Forces Day          |
| 5 Cinco de Mayo                | 23 Lucky Penny Day           |
| 6 Mothers' Day                 | 25 National Wine Day         |
| 10 Clean Up Your Room Day      | 28 Amnesty International Day |
| 15 National Chocolate Chip Day | 30 Memorial Day              |
| 19 Plant a Garden Day          | 31 Save Your Hearing Day     |

### MSDS Conference 4/29—5/1 Ocean City

Thirteen Oratorical semi-finalists from our district spoke on Saturday. The winner was Jordan Su from the Frederick Club \$2500 scholarship. 2nd James Obasiolu, Dundalk Club \$1500 (and was a HOBY Clew participant). 3rd Luke Sullivan, Cockeysville Club \$1000.



### Happy May Birthdays!

Steve Porcher	5/5
Adam Drescher	5/13
Carol Applegate	5/15



### MSDS Essay winner

Essayist was from the Frederick Club. \$2500.