



# 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 Meetings

June 1, Zoom 7pm. We will not have meetings in July and August. September 21 is our tentative date for our anniversary dinner.

## Stock Market Challenge 2023 Final \$864 Payout

\$418	Jin Lin Forster	\$11,500.89	Jacksonville Optimist grandchild
\$190	Joyce Ohler	\$11,446.61	relative
\$76	Jon Wancowicz	\$11,200.25	Hereford Optimist
\$30	Rowen Shafer	\$11,167.49	
\$30	Penelope Hauck	\$11,100.21	relative
\$20	Susan Applegate	\$11,073.87	relative
\$20	Sue Powers	\$11,009.92	friend
\$20	Ken C. Bollinger, Jr	\$11,006.64	Hereford Optimist
\$20	Julie Ward	\$10,994.21	relative
\$20	Grace Parrish	\$10,983.31	relative
\$20	Margaret F. Sax	\$ 8,950.79	last place



Original payouts were contingent on 200 players, but 152 had fun with us this year and we still love giving out money. The top 3 totals were reduced as percents specified on the entry form.

FYI: Of these winners, only Margaret Sax was in last years' top.

84 people increased and 68 decreased over 2 months.

Facebook (now META) increased the most and Eagle Bancorp lost the most.

T. Rowe Price almost stayed even, gained 5 cents a share.

Thank you to the committee: Carol P. Barbara, Fred and to everyone who bought and sold Stock Market Challenge.

## Essay Contest for Students

"Who is an Everyday Hero that Brings out the Optimism in You?" **May 4** was our club's Essay dessert night. English Department Chair Dr. Jason Bowman from Dulaney HS and Ashlyn Hoffman attended the meeting. Ashlyn read her essay. Thank you to Judges Maria Barata, Barbara Crain, and Nancy Neal.



Ashlyn Hoffmann	1st place	Plaque and \$100
Charlotte Meyers	2nd place	Certificate and \$75
Nathan Farlow	3rd place	Certificate and \$50

Thank you Carol Porcher for getting desserts and Adam for drinks, setting up & tearing down the room. I appreciate your help.

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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**



### MDSD Essay Contest

James Obasiolu, a sophomore at Atholton HS with Dundalk Optimists and Chair Ryan Frederick. James won \$2,500 scholarship and will attend HOBY this year. He competed against all the other first placed students from our MDSD Clubs.

<b>Happy May Birthday!</b>		
Steve Porcher	5/5	
Adam Drescher	5/13	
Carol Applegate	5/15	

### MDSD Oratorical Contest

Eight students from MDSD competed in our Oratorical Contest. The top 3 were award \$2500, \$1500, and \$1000 scholarships.



### Fireworks

We are sorry to announce that no one has come forward to sponsor the 2023 Independence Day Fireworks Celebration. As a club, we no longer possess the stamina and youth to continue with the project. 40+ years of community support is lost. I hope the next generation will realize it takes a volunteer commitment to offer premium events such as this each year.



### Optimist MDSD

Please donate to Optimist International through Dime-A-Day. \$36.50 helps to support our Foundations' goals. Last year, \$373,500 was given for scholarships (Essay, Oratorical), \$226,228 for club project grants, and \$86,200 to JOI Clubs (student clubs).

### 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 condos in Ocean City. Clubs donate funds, gift cards, and dry goods for all the sites. We donate from our coin boxes and at the May meeting we emptied our pockets of change and some green! The Price's also have a collection site on their farm for aluminum recycling. Drop off cans at 2626 Stockton Rd in the fenced in area near the barn.

