



# Greater Jacksonville Optimist Club, Inc.

P.O. Box 442 Phoenix, MD 21131

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Proud to be an Honor Club for eight consecutive years: 2000-2007!



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## FACT SHEET

Here's a way to put some new zip in your life--It's the Greater Jacksonville Optimist Club, Inc. The Greater Jacksonville Optimists offer you an opportunity to meet some great people and work together on some special projects right here in your community. Optimists are positive people taking positive action producing positive results right here right now.

**Chartered**: September 19, 1984 (Sponsored by the Timonium Optimist Club)

**Membership Year**: October 1 - September 30

**Members**: Currently 53 men and women with room for you

**Meetings & Activities**: First Wednesday of each month at Future Home, 12900 Jarrettsville Pike, Phoenix, MD 21131  
Periodically hold dinner meetings with guest speakers  
Social activities are held throughout the year according to members' interests.

### **Affiliation:**

**Optimist International** ([www.optimist.org](http://www.optimist.org))--Founded: June 19, 1919

Mission: By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids.

Motto: Friend of Youth

101,000+ Adult Members in 3,000+ Clubs in 30+ Countries and 17,000+ Youth Members in 600+ JOOI Clubs

**Maryland/South Delaware Optimist District** ([www.mdsdoptimist.org](http://www.mdsdoptimist.org))

1,600+ Adult Members in 40 Clubs and 100+ Youth Members in 4 JOOI Clubs

## MAJOR PROJECTS

**Sponsor of the Towson University Optimist Club**—Chartered September 27, 2007

**Greater Jacksonville Independence Day Celebration:**

Sat. before July 4<sup>th</sup> Children's' Bike & Pet Parade in the morning; Entertainment and Fireworks in the evening.

### **Youth Projects:**

Activities with the children at the **Villa Maria School**

Annual **Youth Appreciation** Dinner in November honoring local high school juniors and seniors

Annual **Essay Contest** in Sept.-Jan. for youth under age 19--2007-2008 Topic: **"Today's Choices Shape My Future"**

Annual **Oratorical Contest** in March for youth under the age of 16--2007-2008 Topic: **"Why Me? Why Not?"**

Annual **Shop With a Cop** Program in December for disadvantaged youth

Sponsor Youth in the **Optimist International Junior Golf Championship**

Sponsor Youth to **HOBY**—Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar

Participate in the **Maryland/South Delaware & Optimist International Childhood Cancer Campaign**

### **Community Service Projects:**

Assist local community families, youth, and organizations as needed

### **Annual Fund Raiser:**

**Stock Market Challenge: January - April**

## MEMBERSHIP

New members pay a one time \$30.00 initiation fee plus a prorated portion of the annual \$60.00 membership dues. First year dues are based on the quarter during which the member joins--Oct.-Dec.: \$30.00 + \$45.00 = \$75.00; Jan.-Mar.: \$30.00 + \$30.00 = \$60.00; Apr.-June: \$30.00 + \$15.00 = \$45.00; and July-Sept.: \$30.00 + \$60.00 = \$90.00 which includes the next year's dues in full. Spouses' annual dues are \$30.00. After the first year, dues are payable by October 1.

## YOU ARE INVITED TO

**learn more about your opportunity for involvement!**

**Call Barbara Crain at 410-785-0410 or Dennis Lane at 410-592-2574 or visit our**

**Web Site ([www.jacksonvilleoptimists.org](http://www.jacksonvilleoptimists.org))**