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

REPORT: Stock Market Challenge (SMC)

First Place	\$75.00	Margaret Sax	\$10,535.34
Second Place	\$50.00	Lisa Roberts	\$10,412.18
Third Place	\$25.00	Sally Fenton	\$10,354.56
And Last Place	\$20.00	Bob Pearce	\$8,974.76

Congratulations to our midpoint winners. Your “checks are in the mail.” Look at the “Portfolio Value midpoint” accompanying file to see each of our winners’ stock choices. Then check out your own to see if you guessed right on any of the value increased stocks.



Who would have known—beer was tops! Boston Beer Company was up 15.95%. The worse stock was Tesla (highest increase last year!).

Thank you for participating. Look over this newsletter to see if you would like to join us in our activities. We would love to see you all!

Optimist Essay Contest Dessert Social

Chair, Terri Parrish awarded prizes for **“Can Society Function Without Respect?”**. The top 3 essayists read their entries. All students were from Dulaney High School:

Robert Meloni	1st Place	\$100 gift card
Haley Murnane	2nd Place	\$75 gift card
Jack Shimanek	3rd Place	\$50 gift card



Robert Meloni advances to our MDSD District competition for a \$2500 scholarship prize. There are about 25 contestants at the District level.



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CLUB MEETINGS

First Thursday of Month
7:30 PM

FUTURE HOME

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Membership Meeting April 5

REPORT: 9 in attendance. We celebrated the midpoint of SMC & mailed out winners' checks; updated the work progression for Independence Day, and discussed Saturday May 5 Cinco de Mayo dinner.

Our next meeting is May 3 at 7:30 at Dave's. Elections.

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

Birthstone is Diamond

Zodiac signs are Aries & Taurus

Flower is sweet pea

4/1 April's Fools Day—did you get caught?

4/1 Easter Sunday

4/6 National Tartan Day—who are the Scottish among us?

4/15 Emancipation Day

4/22 Earth Day—do something good for the environment, recycle, pick up trash, plant a tree or donate to Arbor Day FD.

4/26 Take your daughter or son to work day

4/27 Arbor Day



Your mind is like a parachute—it only works when it is open.

Happy April Birthday!

Partee Boliek 4/20

Pam McCollum 4/25



Math Counts—Mike Borowitz

REPORT: Maryland State Competition: 3/17 at Johns Hopkins University.

Thank you Mike and Barbara.



Zone 6 Meeting Saturday March 17

REPORT: Carol Applegate attended and shared Jacksonville news with our other 8 clubs.

Hereford Optimist Bingo Saturday March 24

REPORT: 12 attended. Tom Snyder & Joann Gaylor won prizes while the rest of us had lots of fun.

Cinco de Mayo Saturday May 5, 4PM

Mexican influence dinner. Come celebrate!

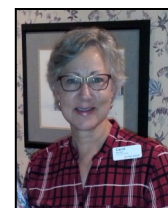


Independence Day Celebration June 30 Fireworks

Come join our neighborhood fun! Food, music, fireworks! Rain date July 1. Raffle tickets to fund the event will be sold at the Safeway on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Here's some history for you. See if you know the answers.

- ◆ How many articles in the Constitution? _____
- ◆ How many amendments? _____
- ◆ Which amendment gave suffrage for 18 year olds to vote? _____
- ◆ Were the "Freedom of religion, speech, and the press; rights of assembly and petition" in the original articles? _____

Congratulations VP Carol Porcher—25 year anniversary at PNC Bank.



Zone 6 Lt Gov Ken Bollinger distributed Jacksonville's 2016-17 awards at our meeting. We were Honor Club for "just being ourselves" said Carol Applegate, President. We helped the community with donations, held Optimists sponsored programs, attended functions, recruited new members and socialized. We had fun with our friends while doing good deeds. Thank you members for all your efforts.



Children's Cancer Family Fund—MDS District Project

Chair Mary Ann Hand has placed money receptacles in Jacksonville stores: Papermill Pharmacy, Bradley's Liquors, and Roma's Deli. Drop your coins in to help the kids at Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Center and their families. She collected \$36.89 last week.

Tongue-In-Cheek Memoriam

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday in Minneapolis of a yeast infection and traumatic complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71. Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungary Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The gravesite was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as the man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not regarded as a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and served as a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough; three children John Dough, Jane Dough, and Dosey Dough plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his father Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 350 for 20 minutes.

Ugly Hedgehog.com

Elections for 2018-20, May 3

Our By Laws state that officers serve for two-year terms. We have a great team and all will serve again for another term. There is an opening for a director to assist VP Carol Porcher. She has the most responsibilities and could use a hand. See the officers on page one. We would love to have you join us.

Answer to Constitution Questions

♦ 7 Articles; 27 Amendments; #26; No.

Have a wonderful spring!

