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

Next Membership Meeting In-person

Join us September 2th at 7:00 pm for in-person club updates and sharing. All are invited! We are hosted by St. John's Lutheran Church. Contact Carol Applegate, President, 410-746-0150

Spring/Summer Project

Support of Boy Scout Aidan Galloway's Eagle project of rebuilding Chestnut Grove's 16 steps is doing well. Old construction has been torn down and replaced with new wood. Wood prices increased this year. Now the sanding, staining, plus top and bottom pads will continue. You can see Aidan's work from the parking lot.



St. Vincent's Villa Wacky Sports Bingo Fundraiser 11/6, 3-5 PM

Never has there been a wackier Bingo! You come, you play, you win a small prize and are then asked to purchase a sport item or game for the children of the Villa. We will have an assortment of items in the \$5 to \$40 range.

We have a long history with the Villa community and this is new way we can help the residential center for children ages 5-14. Their behavioral, emotional and educational needs have not responded to community-based intervention and services. They sometimes arrive with little personal items.

We received a \$500 grant from the Optimist International Foundation to start us off.

Put Saturday November 6 on your calendar. Invite family, friends, grandkids, neighbors—anyone who wants a good social activity and also support the Villa.

> Happy August Birthdays! Larry Daniels 8/27 Carol Porcher 8/28

Ongoing Coin Banks for Childhood Cancer FD

Mary Ann reports that coin donation is picking up as people return to their more normal outings. Visit Roma's in the Jacksonville Manor Center and Paper Mill Pharmacy in the Paper Mill Village Shopping Center to drop in your coins. We will present a check for \$97 at the MDSD District Conference.

Next MDSD District Conference

August 20-22 at the Wilmington Double Tree, MDSD and Atlantic Central Districts. \$20 registration. Carol A is going for Saturday and Sunday.

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CLUB MEETINGS
First Thursday
of the Month
7:00 PM

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

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Wacky Bingo

For St. Vincent's Villa Children Saturday, November 6, 3-5 PM

St. John's Lutheran Church 3911 Sweet Air Rd. Phoenix Free admittance (since you will be donating!) Old fashioned and family friendly Snacks and drinks will be available.

Door Prize for a 3 generation family playing

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