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Activities Update



Stock Market Challenge 2007 Update

This is our Club's Largest Fundraiser in Support of Our Youth & Community Projects

We have received 129 entries as of today, February 21, 2007. That compares to 142 entries at this point in SMC 2006 with seven (7) days to go. A list of the 129 entries is attached for your reference.

Post Mark Deadline for Entries is Wednesday, February 28, 2007.

We definitely have some work to do to reach our goal of equaling or beating SMC 2006's total of 331 entries. Please review the list, and then contact and ask any previous participants you sponsored who are not on the list to participate in SMC 2007. Also please ask a few people who have participated previously to participate. "Just Ask" and the answer might be Yes. If we all do this, we'll reach our goal. It's up to us! Yes, We Can Do It.!

A copy of the SMC 2007 Brochure/Entry Form is enclosed for your use and you can print additional copies from our web site-- www.jacksonvilleoptimists.org.

Thank you for your support!

Youth Project Bingo With the Kids at Villa Maria--Saturday, February 24, 2007

This is a fun time with the kids. They love bingo and it's really exciting playing it with them.

- 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Setup
- 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Bingo
- 11:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

Thank you if you have already contacted External Vice President Carol Porcher to let her know you will participate. If you will be there and haven't yet contacted Carol, please do so right away at H--410-557-4717, W--410-666-0008, carol.porcher@mercantile.com.

We'll see you there!

Dinner Meeting Wednesday, February 28, 2007, 6:30 PM, at Future Home Annex

- 6:15 PM - 6:00 PM Social
 - 6:30 PM - Call to Order
 - 6:40 PM - Dinner
 - 7:30 PM - **Program by the Mediation Dispute Resolution Center of Baltimore County**
- The Baltimore County Mediation Center is a 501(c)3 organization which focuses on resolving disputes between individuals and/or the community through an alternative dispute resolution

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Visit our Club's web site, www.jacksonvilleoptimists.org, for updated information on our Club's Activities.

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process. The MDRCBC also offers mediation certification training to individuals young and old who may be interested in becoming a peacemaker and working in the community or school as volunteer mediators. You will find the program to be informative, entertaining and eye-opening. We have all experienced disputes in our life at one time or another and most of us think about calling our lawyers when many disputes can be resolved through the mediation process for little or no money. Our presenters are very experienced in mediation. This program is appropriate for youth and adults so, bring a guest.

Dinner reservations are needed--Please contact Dave Ward, 410-666-0086, or cdavidward@aol.com by Sunday, evening February 25, 2007, to make your dinner reservation.

Community Project Tuesday, March 6, 2007, Family Supper at the Children's House at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

We'll be preparing and serving supper to the families of children being treated at Johns Hopkins. We'll serve supper at 6:00 PM. We'll be carpooling to the Children's House. If you would like to participate, please contact **Kevin Alban** at 410- 667-0544 or kevinalban@comcast.net.

Club/Board Meeting--Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 7:30 PM at Future Home

All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Guests are also welcome.

Social Activity Family Get-Together--Friday, March 9, 2007, 6:30 PM at Future Home Annex

This is something new! It will feature, on the big screen, a movie called "Pay It Forward" with Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt and Haley Joel Ozment. If you have ever asked yourself "can one idea change the world?" you will love this flick.

We will also show, for our older adults, a short TV show "Route 66." This particular segment of the series was filmed in the Greater Jacksonville area.

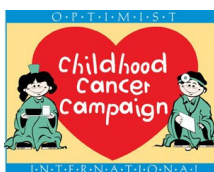
This evening will feature barbecue, hot-dogs with all the fixings, fresh popcorn, and anything else we can think of that could be considered unhealthy. :-)) This will be another great night to bring a friend.

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Youth Project Oratorical Contest—Wednesday, March 21, 2007

The Optimist International Oratorical Contest offers youth up to the age of 16 as of Dec. 31, 2006, the opportunity to compete for a \$1,500 scholarship. The topic for this year's contest is, "My Biggest Challenge is . . ." For additional information about the Oratorical Contest, visit our web site www.jacksonvilleoptimists.org or contact Dave Ward at 410-666-0086 or cdavidward@aol.com. Please share this information with any youth you feel would be interested in participating in the contest.



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