

# OCEAN CITY/BERLIN OPTIMIST CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

August 2021

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## Presidents Message – Bill Hickey

Well, it's hard to believe we are already into the middle of August and will soon be looking at the changing of the leaves. I hope all members have had a healthy and enjoyable summer.

We are beginning our fall meetings (9/9) and you should be getting a call from the call committee soon. We also have our annual crab feast scheduled for September 11 to look forward to as well. (Details to follow)

August 4th brought the only day of rain in many weeks.... of course, it was the date of our golf tournament. Ninety-three golfers had signed up to play, but only 24 played, and they got very wet, but it was a financially profitable day for the endowment fund.

The upcoming September meeting will be my last meeting as your president as our new officers and board members will be installed in October.

I want to take this opportunity to say what an honor it has been to be president of such an outstanding organization. Every member brings various talents and dedication to serving the youth of our community. Our annual budget clearly demonstrates what the Ocean City Berlin Optimist Club is all about. We should be very proud!

Now we start again.... new officers, new budget and the BOAT SHOW just around the corner. Please support the new officers along with your continued membership as we begin another year doing all we can for the youth of our community.

*Bill Hickey*

## **Golf Outing**

We had a great day----for ducks!!!!!! It rained all day, but we had our best day ever for our scholarship endowment. We raised over \$19,000 for the kids. Our endowment will now be able to contribute \$10,000 to the scholarships next year.

We had 92 golfers sign up. However only 22 played. Others received a rain check with the cart paid in advance.

We received donations from the American Legion 5,000, Gregg and Tina Custis \$3000, Choptank \$1,000, Capronis \$500, and Burbage Funeral Home \$500.

We also received 44 tee box signs at \$100 each and several \$100 donations. Twenty members were on the teams, 10 members bought tee box signs, 8 members visited businesses and got donations and 7 helped sell chances, etc. at the event. We had a great day for the kids.

### **Foundation Endowment Supporters**

2021

Diamond Sponsor	Gregg and Tina Custis
Gold Sponsors	American Legion Post 166 / Choptank Coop
Silver Sponsors	Burbage Funeral Home / Rich Caproni
Bronze Sponsors	
Worcester County Developmental Center [3]	by Don Fentress
Elk's Golf Lodge 2645 OC	OC Grand Prix Inc
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In Memory of John and Dorothy Boteler by the Actons  
In Memory of Joseph and Stella Acton by the Actons  
In Memory of Frank & Robert Acton by the Actons  
In Memory of Richard Caproni by the Capronis  
In Memory of Michael and Barbara Hannan by the Capronis  
In Memory of Rich Dalton by Larry Campbell  
In Memory of Jo Smith by Larry Campbell  
In Memory of Jo Smith by Charles Smith [2]  
In Memory of Carol Dorman by Charlie Dorman  
In Memory of Jack Middleton by Malva Middleton

Foundation Endowment Donors  
2021  
Gift Certificates and Merchandise

Golf Courses

Seaside	Eagle's Landing	Newport B
Ocean Resorts	Rum Pointe	Light House Sound
Man'O War	Ocean Pines	

Other Donors

Action Island Imprinters	Crabs to Go	Yacht Club
South Gate Grill	Larry Campbell	Buddy Sass
Ayers Creek Adventures	Candy Kitchen	Lew Frey
Comcast Spotlight	Race Track Auto	West 'O
Richard Caproni	Charles Smith	Charles Cathell
Mike's Flooring & Design	Candy Kitchen	Paul & Vinny's
Coastal Salt	Food Lion	

Optimist Donors and Volunteers

Jim Flaig	Larry Campbell	Charles Smith	Steve Acton
Lew Frey	Rich Caproni	Jim Welsch	Anita Welsch
Lynn Krall	Bill Hickey	Gregg Custis	Donna Hickey
Charlie Dorman	Tina Custis	Bill Brown	Melva Dorman
Don Fentress	Roger Pacella	Joe Hammen	
Sharon Sorrentino			

## **Annual Dues are Due Soon**

Dues are due before 10/1. Joe Hammen will be sending out statements in Late August or early September. We pay dues based on our member count as of 10/1. So, if you do not plan to stay with us, we sure hope you do!!!! Please let us know before 10/1. We would rather use our money for kids. Hope all is well!!!!

## **Summer Dinner Meetings – Charles Smith**

We will meet September 9 for dinner!!!! Dinner will be at 7 at the American Legion. See you around 6:30. Drinks will be at the member's bar. Please respond to your call person.

Dinner will consist of ten large shrimp, redskin potatoes and coleslaw. There will also be an alternative chicken meal for those non-seafood eaters.

## **Crab Fest – Charlie Dorman**

Our Annual Crab Fest is at Hoopers on Saturday September 11 from 11AM to 4PM. Cost is \$15. This event is for members and significant others. Please let the call person know if you plan to be there.

## **Oratorical Contest – Sharon Sorrentino**

We are looking forward to having the Optimist Oratorical Contest in the spring.

## **Membership, Roger Pacella**

We are still below the Honors numbers at 93 members. Please keep scouting for potential members. We hope to be able to set up a membership table at our Golf Tournament.

## **Call Committee**

The call persons will be in touch, or you will get an email from C Smith. We need numbers for dinner on the 9th and the crab feast on the 11th. Please respond!!!! Also, Lew Frey will be moving so we need one more call person. Can you be that person? Call Charlie Smith, 410-641-6746 if you can step up to the task!!!!

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### **September Dinner Meeting – American Legion Ocean City**

Thursday, September 9th.

### **Crab Fest – Hoopers**

Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **October Dinner Meeting**

Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

## The Optimist Creed

### Promise Yourself

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything  
and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best,  
to work only for the best,  
and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others  
as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and  
press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and  
give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have  
no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry,  
too noble for anger, too strong for fear,  
and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.