

OCEAN CITY/BERLIN OPTIMIST CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

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Presidents Message

As we bring 2019 to a close, I want to wish all 117 members of the Ocean City Berlin Optimist Club a healthy and Happy Holiday season. The work that each and every one of you do supports our club, and in turn provides the children of our community many untold benefits. We should be very proud.

Now on to next year and do it all over again.

Bill Hickey

Christmas Party

We will have our 48th Christmas Party at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club on Thursday, December 19. The event will be at 6:00 pm on the second floor. There is an elevator inside the main entrance.



Publicity Roger Pacella

Photos of the Club Christmas Tree was sent to the local papers for publishing. Keep your eye out for Club news.



Our Decorating Committee
Carol Dorman,
Maxine Brisbane &
Melva Middleton

Happy Youth!

Bill (Rocky) Brown IV), Jackson Verges, Caroline Verges & Warren Brown. Representing Showell Elementary, Snow Hill Elementary & BIS.



SANTA CLAUS
(Mistaken for Past
President Charlie Smith)



Oratorical Contest – Sharon Sorrentino

The Optimist Club Level Preliminary Oratorical Contest will be held at Stephen Decatur Middle School on Wednesday, March 25 and/or Thursday, March 26...the date(s) depends on the number of entries.

The Club Level Finals (1st place winners from each preliminary room) on Tuesday, March 31st.

The top 3 winners of the Club Finals will speak at the Optimist Meeting on Thursday, April 2nd. The Zone contest is Tuesday, April 14th in Salisbury; I have not received a date for the District contest.

I will be in touch with volunteer judges, timekeepers, and Sergeant at Arms the beginning of 2020.

My thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with the Oratorical Contest. Please contact me at sharon.sorrentino@yahoo.com or 410-208-2058 if you wish to volunteer.



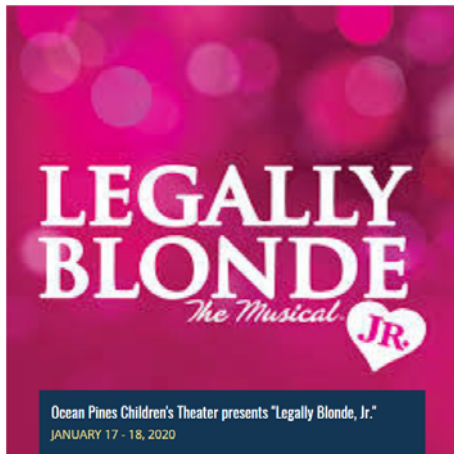
2019 Winners with Sharon and Charlie

Children's Theater – a message from Sharon Sorrentino

The Ocean Pines Children's Theater will be presenting "Legally Blonde, the Musical, JR" at the Performing Arts Center in the Ocean City Convention Center on Friday, January 17 at 7:00 PM and Saturday, January 18 at 3:00 PM. We have a cast of 30 children ranging in age from 10 - high school who, under the direction and choreography of Paulette DeRosa-Matrona, follow the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes, snobbery, and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. As Elle begins outsmarting her peers, she realizes that law may be her natural calling after all. We are excited to have such a talented and dedicated cast of

singers, actors, and dancers whose hard work will make "Legally Blonde, the Musical, JR." a success. Our Optimist ushers can verify that the children's theater gives a quality performance filled with great staging, sound, lighting, acting, singing, and dancing. You will have a most enjoyable time.

OCEAN PINES CHILDREN'S THEATER PRESENTS
"LEGALLY BLONDE, JR."



FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020

7PM / Doors 6:30PM

 Buy Tickets

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020

3PM / Doors 2:30PM

 Buy Tickets

The Children's Theater is very appreciative of the Optimist's donation to help with the cost of this production. As a thank you, when you purchase your tickets, say you are with the cast, and your ticket will be \$12 instead of \$15. You may purchase tickets in advance at the convention center, online through Ticketmaster, or at the ticket booth when you come for the show.

Membership – Roger Pacella

We are currently at 117 members and continuing to grow! I would like to present a challenge to all members to each bring in one new member in 2020. Please think about this as there must certainly be some candidate's in your circle of friends, family, and co-workers.

Message from the Editor – Christina Dolomount Brown

My apologies for not sending out the November newsletter. So “no”, you did not get dropped off the mailing list! Please try and take some pictures of events that you partake in for the Club. We need all the pictures we can to keep our website active.

Ocean Berlin Optimist Club WEBSITE

<https://ocberlinoptimistclub.org>

Calendar of Events

- Jan 9th, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
- Jan 16th, Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
- Feb. 6th, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
 - Essay Contest Winner Presentation following Dinner
- Feb. 14th thru 16th, 38th Annual Seaside Boat Show
- Feb. 20th, Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
- Mar, 5th, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
 - Art Winner Presentation following Dinner
- Mar, 12th , Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
- March 25 or 25th (tbd) Preliminary Oratorical Contest
 - March 31st, Tuesday, Oratorical Club Level Finals
- Apr. 2nd, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
 - Election following dinner
 - Top 3 Oratorical Contest winner presentations
- Apr, 9th , Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
 - STAR Breakfast
- Apr. 14th, Salisbury Oratorical Zone Contest
- May 7th Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
- May 14th, Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
 - WeXL Banquet
- June 4th, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
- June 11th, Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
- July Annual Picnic, date/location tbd
- Sept. 3rd, Thursday, Dinner at the Legion. Social at 6pm, Dinner 7pm
- Sept, 10th Thursday Board Meeting at Ocean Pines Library 6 pm
- Annual Fall Crab Feast, date/location tbd

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.