

# Twin Falls Optimist Club "The Blab"



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## CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Liz Haugee, *President*  
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Deanna Walker  
Robin Stanhope  
Ron Welker

Lt. Governor – Doug Roe

## FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Barry Knoblich Pres & Chair Youth House  
Lori Ward, *Vice President*  
Patsy Bland, *Secretary*  
Doug Lincoln, *Treasurer*  
Chris Stearns  
Liz Haugee

PUBLICITY: Barry Knoblich

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NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Robin Stanhope

## Weekly Meetings

9 Beans & Burrito

Thursdays  
12:00 (Noon)

### Guests

Tracy Knoblich's cute grand daughter was our special guest today!!

## Membership Corner "Kids Count"

**Wings & Things Fundraiser** - Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at Twin Falls City Park. Anna Scholes is chairing Wings & Things. You can go onto our Club website at [twinfallsoptimistclub.com](http://twinfallsoptimistclub.com) and there is a link "Buy tickets" and you can purchase your tickets. Please share this information with your friend, families, and neighbors. Any questions or can help with Wings & Things contact Anna Scholes at [annarph@cablone.net](mailto:annarph@cablone.net) to help out with this awesome annual fundraiser.



The raffle pot was won last week..Great Job Eva!! This weeks winner was Brent Evans, but did not pull the winning rock..maybe next time Brent. Pot of Money starting over, now at \$8.50

We received a thank you from St Luke's Foundation on our donation to "Stop the Bleed". We also received a Thank you from Optimist International for our continued support of the Optimist International Foundation.

## \*\*\*OPTIMIST ACTIVITY DATES TO REMEMBER\*\*\*

08/16 Program: Tracy Miller with Make a Wish presenting "Walk for Wishes"

09/08 TF Public Library "Scramble for Books"

09/08 Wings & Things Fundraiser

10/11 Optimist Banquet @ The Stonehouse

# CLUB COMMITTEE REPORT

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### Childhood Cancer

Robin Stanhope

### Coats for Kids™

Patsy Bland

### DC Christmas

Bri Owens, Ron Welker

### Easter Egg Hunt

Dennis Bowyer

### Fellowship Events

Eddy McKean, Brent Evans

### Internet Safety

LT Erickson

### Lost Wages

Deanna Walker, Kathleen Hale

### Membership

Dawn Soto, Lucy Wills

### Night Golf

Doug Roe

### Postage Raffle

Bill Kyle

### Programs

Kayla Smola, Gina Abels

### Respect for Law

LT Erickson

### OI Foundation

Chris Stearns

### Turkey Shoot

Dennis Bowyer

### Wings N Things

### Youth Appreciation

Anna Scholes

### Youth Essay Contest

Anna Scholes

### Youth Support Services (YSS)

Tracy Knoblich

**Glanbia Golf Tournament is August 13<sup>th</sup>.** Glanbia's golf tournament was a huge success...the Twin Falls Youth House received \$50,000. Dennis Bowyer thanked everyone that helped!!

**TF Youth House** – we are moving right along, a lot going home...but soon will be finished and opened for our community.

**YSS** – Update on the girls we help last week, Tracy visited with the Foster Family and they are the 4 or 5<sup>th</sup> family the girls have been with. Sending hugs and prayers to the girls that they get all the help they deserve. **Thank you Tracy!**

**Brent Evans announced they are doing a Dedication for St Luke's Pavilion on August 18, 2018 from 10am to 12noon. Please join us to celebrate this beautiful new Pavilion, which was made possible in large part by the generosity of St Luke's physicians and employees.**

## OPTIMIST CREED

### PROMISE YOURSELF...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.  
To talk health, happiness and prosperity with 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.

# SPEAKER – CLUB DAY!!

Awesome Job Eva for Club Day... we played Optimist Club Bingo. Everyone had a great time and got to visit with members and learn things about them...so of what was asked

- Has run a marathon - “Dan King”
- Traveled abroad - “Robin Stanhope”
- Went to U of I - “Nate Graves”
- Is a vegetarian - “No one”
- Sings in the Shower & Doesn’t Love Potatoes - “Jackie Roggow”
- Has 10 or more grandchildren - “Chris Stearns”

## REPORT FROM PNWD CONVENTION

The PNW District - Optimist International Convention has come to a close. It was perhaps the most incredible show of hospitality that I have ever seen from a hosting club and community. Kudos and thanks are due the Lebanon Optimist Club and the City of Lebanon, Oregon.

Twenty-six Lebanon Optimist Club members were pre-registered for the convention and more attended specific events including the **Friday** activities of a train excursion and barbecue with a terrific string band held at the Academy Park, home to the fabulous [gazebo commissioned by the Lebanon Optimist Club](#) and donated to the city.



The activities began with the **Thursday** morning golf outing at Trysting Tree Golf Club with fifteen golfers, aka early arrivers to the convention. Some early arrivals attended the Lebanon Optimist Club meeting, held every **Thursday at noon**, while others came together to discuss the Oratorical and CCDHH processes meeting as a task force created during the third quarter board meeting. The executive committee and dinner followed.

Governor Bruce Gilbertson presided at the Opening ceremonies at 7:30 p.m. where we met many enthusiastic first-timers, seventeen of them from Lebanon. We also met TG Thomas, VP-elect of the West Coast Region, as he gave greetings from Optimist International as the International Representative and Jerry Deas, the governor-elect of the PNW Kiwanis District.

Gary Marks, Lebanon City Manager and Lebanon Optimist Club member, gave a very heartfelt welcome to the group, highlighting the city’s economic development efforts that include Western University College of Osteopathic Medicine, a veteran’s home, and the convention center, and other things, all within walking distance of the beautiful Boulder Falls Inns, our location for the weekend.

Gary explained that he is Chairman of the United States Mint Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee and a coin design artist. He told the story of how he designed an Optimist coin, using the tenet from the Optimist Creed, "To look at the sunny side of everything and give every living creature you meet a smile," as inspiration. Totally surprising all attendees, Gary gave each person a coin to take home as a souvenir of the weekend, and a way to remind us of our optimism as a token to carry in our pocket or purse.

In a brief candlelight ceremony, Robin Stanhope gave a remembrance to nine Optimist Club members who had passed since the last convention and the party adjourned for the evening.

**Friday** was, as always, training day for incoming officers. TG Thomas led the Optimist Club officer session in the morning and gave an introductory presentation at the member luncheon. Additional training was held in the afternoon before attending the **Friday** activities expertly planned and led by the Lebanon Optimist Club and highlighted by the Wild Hog String Band.



**Saturday** started out with an Old Timer’s gathering. Apparently, the newbies took the title at its word as the old-timers were the audience for a delightful look at the history of Lebanon.

The Convention/Business Session had the attendees review four separate policy amendments. Two were suggested and passed to bring the District Policies in line with the Optimist International Bylaws. Issue 1 removed extraneous wording by acknowledging that lieutenant governors and assistant governors are part of the executive committee as are the governor, governor-elect/designate, and secretary/treasurer. Issue 2 followed the Optimist International amendment stating that those holding offices must be Optimist Club members and those advancing to the office of governor-elect must have served a full-term as Optimist Club president.

Issue 3 was suggested and approved in order to fully realize the membership incentives offered by Optimist International. For example, if an incentive offers an introductory fee of \$30, as does the teachers’ incentive or \$30 or under 30, the District will not expect or bill the District dues which would increase the membership fee over the advertised amount.

Issue 4 had those assembled look at a \$4 dues increase. Bringing both pro and con rebuttals to the podium, the dues increase proposal failed. District dues for Optimist Club members in the PNW District will continue to be \$18.

Probably because he is doing such a great job in the role, Governor-elect Ben DeRemer was elected to a second term as governor-elect. For the first time ever, the PNW District will have an individual repeat in the role of the governor: Ben will serve as governor 2018-2019 and 2019-2020.

With the business of the District completed, the group moved to a luncheon where it heard an inspirational message from Chilliwack Optimist Club member, a cancer survivor, and author Glenda Standeven. Sponsor pins were given to those who had sponsored new members since the last meeting and the audience enjoyed the Centennial video produced by Optimist International before moving forward to an afternoon of Optimist Club bragging at the club project sharing session and roundtable discussions.

The Lebanon Optimist Club’s hospitality continued to shine as a fantastic Governor’s Banquet was held complete with a bagpiper, professional singer, and the Albany Swing Band.

Info shared by PNWD Blog

Robin & Chris attended...any questions contact either of us.