

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 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.



Volunteer Opportunities



- Art in the Park
- Baker Youth Club Car Show
- Big Wheel Race
- Community Quiz Bowl
- Cruise-In to Downtown Warsaw
- Golf Outing
- Hoops for Hope
- Youth Essay Contest
- Youth Oratorical Contest
- Respect for Law
- Safe Assured ID
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Santa House
- Spooktacular
- Spring Break Skate
- Student of the Week
- Triathlon
- Tri-Star Baseball
- Tri-Star Basketball
- Tri-Star Soccer

Purposes of an Optimist Club:

To develop Optimism as a philosophy of life utilizing the tenets of the Optimist Creed; to promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs; to inspire respect for law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people; to aid and encourage the development of youth in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of humankind, community life and the world.



Our positive approach, our upbeat outlook, and our commitment to creating a more optimistic future for kids is what differentiates Optimist Clubs from any other volunteer opportunity.

Communities in the United States, Canada, and nations of the Caribbean and other countries throughout the world have been touched by the powerful, positive force of Optimist Club Members.

From sponsoring youth athletic leagues to weatherizing the homes of the elderly to conducting oratorical contests for young people — Optimist Clubs are responding to the special needs of our local communities.

Although we come from all walks of life, Optimist Club Members share one common trait. We know that we can make a difference in the lives of others.



Indiana North District, Zone 2
Club Number 04555

optimists...
Bringing out
the
Best in Kids

in the
Warsaw Indiana
Community!

What you can expect from the CLUB:

Every Optimist Club was formed by people who wanted to reach out to help youth and the community. People like you and me. Members of an Optimist Club usually live in or work in the community. Members have joined together to serve others and to promote Optimism as a way of life.

Each Optimist Club is chartered as a Member of Optimist International. This gives the Club the right to use the Optimist name and provides each Club with services and programs offered by Optimist International.



Each Optimist Club operates autonomously with respect to day-by-day affairs. This means they operate independently of each other. They choose their own activities, elect their own officers and raise their own funds.

A Club's service activities are based on the needs of the community. What a Club can do is limited only by imagination and resources of the Members.

Optimist Clubs do share certain similarities. This offers you, the Member, the assurance of knowing wherever you are, should you wish to attend an Optimist Club's meeting, certain components will be the same.

The programs and guest speakers offer the Members an opportunity to learn and improve their communities. The program features the youth in the community, as in the Essay and Oratorical Contests or in Youth Appreciation activities. These meetings help to reinforce our commitment and allow us to take pride in our accomplishments.

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Optimist International Member Invitation

Please type or print clearly

Name: _____

Where you ever a JOOI Member? Yes No Are you currently a full-time college student? Yes No

HOME ADDRESS

Street: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail: _____

This is a required field for invoicing!

BUSINESS ADDRESS

Firm Name: _____

Type of Business: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Business Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Fax: _____ Business Position or Title: _____

May we contact you at work? Yes No

I have read and accept the terms and conditions of THE WELCOME LETTER TO NEW APPLICANTS (at the right):

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor: _____

Optimist Club of _____

Dates approved by committee: _____ by Board of Directors: _____

Individuals who have committed sexual offenses against children may be denied membership and/or have their membership revoked.

Please complete and give to your local Optimist Club.

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Welcome Letter to New Applicants:

Thank you for your interest in membership in the Warsaw Breakfast Optimist Club. The Club has a treasured history of service to the youth of the Warsaw community and surrounding Kosciusko County. Each year the club donates in excess of \$20k to support youth focused causes and activities. The Warsaw Breakfast Optimist Club is one of the largest active membership clubs in the State of Indiana, and ranks in the top twenty in the United States. Over the years the club has received numerous awards from Indiana North Central Region, the State of Indiana, and Optimist International in recognition of their contributions to youth.

As you consider applying for membership it is important to establish the expectation of you as a member. The following is a brief outline of a few of these expectations. Should these expectations exceed your current level of commitment, we extend an open invitation to periodically attend our weekly meeting as our guest and reapply for membership at a later date when you are ready for the commitment. Our expectations are as follows:

- All members are expected to attend and participate in the weekly meeting held on Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m. in the Shrine building at the Kosciusko County Fairgrounds.
- All members are expected to volunteer and participate in major fundraising events and club activities.
- Each member will be electronically invoiced \$85.00 quarterly dues. It is each member's responsibility to remain current with their membership dues.
- Should a member fall in arrears after two quarters, they will receive notice from the club Treasurer. Payment will need to be made immediately to maintain your membership status.
- Every member is encouraged to run for an office during their membership.
- Members are encouraged to invite guests to the Optimist meeting who they feel may be interested in club membership.
- In the event a member elects to leave the club for any reason, they must inform the President and/or the Treasurer of their intention in writing and/or via email. Should they fail to inform the President/Treasurer in writing they will be assumed to be a member in good standing and will be invoiced for their membership fees.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the club in our formal induction ceremony which will occur after your third reading at our weekly meetings. Please sign and return this letter with your application.