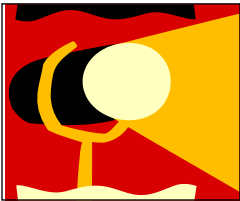




Optimistically Speaking August, 2012

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Spotlight on Upcoming Events



- August 1** Meeting - Marco Polo Restaurant
6:45 p.m. - Meet and Greet
7:30 p.m. -Dinner
Program: Respect For Law
- August 4** 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Vienna Farmers Market
- August 8** 7:30 p.m. - Board Meeting
Emmanuel Lutheran Church,
2589 Chain Bridge Rd., Vienna
- August 11** 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Vienna Farmers Market
- August 15** Meeting - Marco Polo Restaurant
6:45 p.m. - Meet and Greet
7:30 p.m. -Dinner
Program: Walk for Growing Hope & Family Fun Day Kickoff
- August 18** 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Vienna Farmers Market
1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Caboose Open House
- August 25** 8:00a.m.—12:00 p.m. Vienna Farmers Market

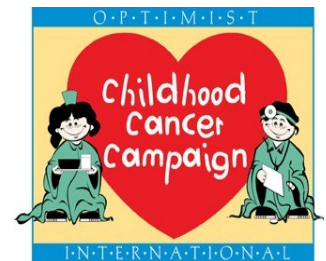
Charles A. Robinson Respect For Law



Come join us the evening of Wednesday, August 1, as we honor two outstanding law enforcement officers from the Oakton-Vienna community. This program provides us the opportunity to recognize those who give selflessly each day to serve and protect our community. In addition, former Councilwoman Maud Robinson, Mayor Jane Seeman have been invited to say a few words of appreciation on behalf of our club and community. So, please plan to join us for this inspiring program to honor those who serve us with dedicated distinction.

Remember: *our social hour will begin at 6:45 p.m. followed by dinner and the program at 7:30 p.m. -- mark your calendar!*

7th Annual Walk For Growing Hope & Family Fun Day Kickoff Dinner



Come join us the evening of Wednesday, August 15th for the Walk & Fun Day for Growing Hope Kickoff Dinner Program. This year's Walk & Fun Day for Growing Hope will be held on Saturday, September 29th. Last year was a record setting year for Club contributions to Optimist International and Growing Hope but this year's team has set the goal even higher so bring your check-books and hear how you can work to help raise funds for these wonderful children.

Remember: *our social hour will begin at 6:45 p.m. followed by dinner and the program at 7:30 p.m. -- mark your calendar!*

Volunteer Opportunities

There are several volunteer opportunities coming up in the weeks and months ahead: **Vienna Farmers Market** on Saturday mornings throughout the spring, summer and early fall (contact Dave Lanphear, Sarah Jane Brady, Jim Stivison, or Jim Houston); **Caboose Open House** monthly (contact Dan Mulville). Next open house for the Caboose is August 18. This is a good way to show off the Club in the community, so volunteer early and often.

Note from the Prez.

"We had a great turnout for our annual 'Respect For Law' program. Congratulations to PFC Michael W. Weaver and PFC Kristen G. Ruddy! Thanks also to Shelley Prince of the Fairfax County School System for our program on July 18!"

President Walt



**Capital Virginia
District
Convention
Sept 7-9, 2012
Wyndham Oceanfront,
Virginia Beach, VA**

**Optimist
Anniversaries**

Carla Brooks – 9 years
 Dick Carr – 9 years
 Tom Fraim – 9 years
 Gary Moonan – 9 years
 Dan Mulville – 9 years
 Jim Spain – 9 years
 Bob Steinfeldt – 9 years
 Jodi Weier – 3 years
 Teresa Lindsey – 2 years

**Happy
Birthday**

Tom Fraim – August 2
 Carla Brooks – August 5
 Jim Pammel – August 15
 Ana Anzola - August 18
 Ken Glaser – August 18
 Cindy Stanton – August 19
 Grant Marsh – August 21

The race is not always to the swiftest . . . but to those who keep on running.

Charles A. Robinson Respect For Law



Maud Robinson presents the Respect for Law Plaque to PFC Michael W. Weaver of the Fairfax County Police.



Maud Robinson presents the Respect for Law Plaque to PFC Kristen G. Ruddy of the Vienna Police. Chief of Police Robert Carlisle is pictured at right.

Fourth of July Ticket Sales Help Club Raise Funds



Thanks to Pat Hackerson, Jim Radja, Jeff Johnson, Jim Wilson, Gary Moonan, Barbara McHale, Al Dunkerley, Sarah Jane Brady, and Dave Lanphear, we had a successful day selling ride tickets at the Vienna Community Center Fourth of July Festival. The work of these folks generated \$580 for the club.



Board Actions at a Glance

The Board of Directors on July 11, 2012 with 10 members present. Highlights of the meeting are as follows:

- ◆ Discussed the age limits for the Oratorical Contest and the geographical limits from which contestants can come for all our contests.
- ◆ Discussed plans for the Respect for Law program scheduled for August 1.
- ◆ Discussed the idea of developing a distinctive logo/brand for the club (suggestions are welcome).
- ◆ Approved a donation to the Committee for Helping Others (CHO).
- ◆ Approved a donation for an Eagle Scout project to build a children's education garden at Vienna Elementary School.

Board of Directors 2011-2012



President	Walt Petersen
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Treasurer	Tom Fraim
President Elect	Laurie Cole
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VP Youth	Mike Fitzella
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Director of Media Relations	Gladys Kozlik
Director of Membership	Jim Pammel
Director of Youth	Jim Stivison
Webmaster	Gary Moonan



Mid-Atlantic Parallel District Conference to be held in Roanoke, VA, November 2-4, 2012. The Mid-Atlantic Region is comprised of the Capital Virginia (16), Kentucky-West Virginia (03), Maryland-South Delaware (33), North Carolina East (43), North Carolina West (44), and Tennessee (11) Districts.

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 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.

Christian D. Larsen