



Copita Club / Juncheon: (Sept. 29th.)

We arrived at the Sheraton to find a table all set up and reserved for us. Rita passed out the new shirts. Catherine took the opportunity to pay her dues and Dime-A-Day.

Fred talked about his many ports of call while he was in the Navy. Quite an adventure.

We talked about the passing of Past Governor Joe Lova's wife Rosa Maria Andrade de Lova. Services will be in Él Paso, Friday, October 6th.

There was a little discussion on the upcoming Club Awards and Installation Banquet.

The food at the Sheraton was great and we discussed the robot being used to deliver the meals.

Catherine brought some school supplies. Lysol wipes, Ziplock bags, construction paper and Crayon color markers.

Catherine mentioned the San Diego State football team will be at the Sheraton along with several upcoming conventions. She does stay busy.

It was Stephanie's and Rick's first La Copita meeting.

Rita and Jim talked about "The Great New Mexico Chili Taste Off" which will be at the Socorro County Fair Grounds, Saturday, Oct. 7. Lots of farm raised items to taste and buy.

Attendance at the Oct. 1 Ranquet :

In attendance: (21), 13 Optimists, 8 guests. Optimists attending the Banquet were: Steve Garcia, Catherine Hatcher, Dolores Morgan, Stephanie Smith, Fred Trussell, Pat Trussell, Jim White, and Rita White, (TOCoA) Ed Briggs (Eve. OC), Lynne Martin (Sunport OC), Sallie Rizzo, Steve Togami & Chuck Werkmeister (Rio Communities OC).

Guests: Britney Evens (Catherine's daughter,) Cindy & Tony Krukowski, (Pat's sister & her husband), Rick Smith, (Stephanie's husband), Danny & Christy Trussell, & Taylor Trussell (Pat's son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter), Anna (Steve's guest).



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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.

70CoA /uncheon: (Oct. 6^{th.})

Oct. 6th. will be our next Club Luncheon. It will be a hybrid lunch. So join us for fun and fellowship either live or via Zoom.

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You will be able to select from the provided menu, bring your own food or not eat during the meeting. All orders and confirmation that you will be at the meeting must be received by Friday 9:00 am.

We will send out a menu for each weeks meeting no later than Tuesday. Use this menu to confirm that you will be at the meeting and what you would like to eat. We will pick up the food items and have them ready for you when you arrive on Friday.

The price of the meals is \$15. If you bring your own or do not eat we will charge you \$3 for incidentals and to help cover meals for speakers and Police Officers.

Food Orders will be placed Friday morning If you order a meal and do not inform us by Friday 9:00 am of a change then you will be charged for the meal because we have to pay for it.

It's a live meeting!

It will be simulcast via Zoom for those unable to attend live

Bingo Nights at Ronald McDonald Houses:

Our next Bingo Night will be Oct. 6th. at the Highland Ronald McDonald House at McDonal 1101 Central Ave. NE. Parking is on the west side of the building. We will start set up at 5:30.



We need prizes for boys and girls age 1 to 14. We need baby items and items for parents. We need father items.

Club Polo shirts: The shirts have arrived and they look really great. Especially the burgundy and forest green shirts with gold lettering. Thanks Ansell's Awards and Specialties.

CLUB INSTALLATION BANQUET:

Sunday, October 1 will be the Club's Officer Installation Banquet for 23-24. We will have a catered event stating at 1:30 to 3:30. The meal will be \$20.00 per person. All Club Officers, members and their guest should try to attend.

The caterer will be our friends Trish and Robert from Turquoise Roadrunner Catering.

Please get your reservations in as soon as possible. Contact Rita at 505-238-1437.

Attendance at the Sept. 29 Junch:

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In attendance: (7), 6 Optimists, 1 guest. Optimists attending the meeting were: Catherine H. Stephanie S., Fred T., Pat T., Jim W., and Rita W. Guest: Stephanie's husband Rick Smith

La Copita is an opportunities for Optimists from any Club or just people who what to have a little fellowship to get together and eat and talk.

Club Bulletin:

Let me know of upcoming events and speakers.

If you have information to put in the bulletin call Jim White 238-1436 or email me at jimnewmex101@gmail.com



Zipcoming Club Events: (Club Meetings at Overture 55+)

Oct. 1, Club Installations Banguet, Overture 55+ - 1:30

Oct. 6, Fri. Club Luncheon, via Hybrid - 12:00 - Club Business

Oct. 6, Ronald McDonald Bingo, Highland House - 5:30

Oct. 13, Club Luncheon, via Hybrid - 12:00 - Birthdays & Anniv.

Oct. 20, Fri. Club Luncheon, via Hybrid - 12:00 - Police Officers

Oct. 20, Ronald McDonald Bingo, Yale House - 5:30-8:15

Oct. 24, Club Board Meeting, via Zoom - 12:00

★★Website Ads: ★★TIME TO PAY FOR YOUR ADS

Bulletin sponsors and others can now purchase ads on the Club Website. Ads will be \$60 a year or \$15 per Quarter. We are still looking for Bulletin Ads. \$15 per year. Contact Rita at 505-238-1437.

Help your Club pay Bulletin & website costs.

Optimist Dues:

The Club has sending out dues statements for the 2023-2024 Optimist Year. We need to get your payment as soon as possible. You can add in your Dime-A-Day for this next Optimist year.

Club Board Meeting:

We accepted the transfer of two members of the Optimist Club de Santa Fe. We also voted to purchasing cakes for the Scare-A-Ton Oct. 31 at the Sheraton Uptown. We will be running the cake walk and the ticket booth. We allocated \$100 for some of the cakes. You can also donate cakes or pies.

85^{TH.} CLUB INSTALLATION BANOUET:

President Jim called the Banquet to order and introduced MC Fred. Dolores led the pledge. Jim introduced the outgoing officers.

Jim introduced Fred as our Keynote Speaker. Fred spoke about what Optimist International is all about.

Jim presented awards and gifts to the outgoing Club officers. He called them the Club's Care Bears and each received a Care Bear. Stephanie Smith was presented a President's Citation.

Pat introduced the incoming officers. Governor Designate Lynne Martin then installed the incoming officers into their respective offices. Pat then talked about her goals for the year.

Ronald McDonald House Bingo Prizes:

We need We have a great time at Bingo. items for prizes. Items like toys and games for children 1 to 14 and items for babies, stuffed toys, clothing and other items. Diapers and baby wipes. Our box of Bingo prizes is getting very low.

Can you help?

Next Bingo Night is: Oct. 6th. at the Highland House. We also need volunteers for the Bingo Nights from 5:30 - 8:30.

★★★ School Supplies: ★★★

During the Club Board meeting Fred talked about a place that has very good prices for backpacks. We will take a look and see what we can do.

Rita reported that we bought about a dozen of the large pencils used by preschoolers. Rita delivered them to the Janet Kahn Library. We also gave the principal Optimist Creed bookmarks for the students to color.

Speakers:

We need Speaker for the 2nd and 4th meeting of each month. If you know of someone or have a topic you are interested in contact Dolores Morgan at 505.857.9111 or vivian515@comcast.net.

District & International Events:

1st. Trimester - Dist. Conf., Nov. 11 & 12, 2023 in Los Cruces 2nd Trimester - Dist. Conf., Apr. 13 & 14, 2024 in Roswell

106th Optimist International Convention Jun. 23-26, 2024, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada (you will need a passport)

3rd. Trimester - Dist. Conf. & Conv., Aug. 10 & 11, 2024 in Belen

Childhood Health & Wellness:

Clubs now have the opportunity to initiate projects and services to improve the quality of life for children across a broader spectrum of needs. Healthy Lifestyles (Child Obesity, Healthy Eating, Physical Fitness, Happy Heart Advice, March of Dimes)

Terri Lynn Nut Sales:

https://theoptimistclubofabq.terrilynn.com/ If you log on to this website and purchase a

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few items you will be helping our Club raise money for our many Club activities. Tell all your family and friends about this website. Be a friend of Youth. Our Club is working to



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help in providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities and ourselves.

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Many canned foods now use Pull Tabs that are not Aluminum. If they are dull and not shiny the are of a steel alloy and the recyclers will not buy them. Check the Tabs before remove them

from the cans.

Childhood <u>Cancer Campaign:</u>

Childhood Cancer Campaign is still a program under Childhood Health & Wellness. You can still make donations to the OIF for this program. Just note on your donation that it is for the Childhood Cancer Campaign. Or put money in the Cancer Jar at our weekly Club meetings.



The Club's OI Foundation Club Piggy:

Go to oifoundation.org





We have started a new Optimist Year. OPTIMIST INTERNAT We need to think about making donations to the O.I. Foundation. Put a dollar or two in the Piggy or

the Health & Wellness jars each meeting.

Go to the OIF website and look at other ways to donate.

<u>2023–2024 Club Dime-A-Day Members:</u> (3 of 17 = 17.6%)



Catherine H.♥, Dolores M.♥, James W.♥ (to be sent after Oct. 1)



Luncheon Dates:

The Optimist Club of Albuquerque, NM meets weekly at the Overture 55+ Apartment Complex. That means we will have regular Club Hybrid (Live & Zoom) Luncheons on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Fridays of every month.

We have Police Officers at the 3rd lunch. A speaker at the 1st. and possible the 2nd. We have a Board Meeting the 4th Tuesday evening and an open lunch the 4th Friday. If there is a 5th Friday in the month then we will call it La Copita Club and it will be optional and just a social gathering not an official lunch.

