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The Optimist Monthly

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Upcoming Events

APRIL

4/03: Luncheon - "Get to Know Your Fellow Optimists." For this luncheon, there will be no outside speaker. Instead, the focus will be getting the older and newer members learn more about each other in a semi-game format. **Also**, at this meeting, we will induct Ann Isaacson as our newest member. Thank you Barbara Nicastro for inviting Ann to join!

4/10 - 4/20: Arlington County Oratorical Finals. On 4/10 - the O'Connell finals; 4/11 - the Swanson Intermediate School finals; and 4/18 - the Arlington County finals (held at Swanson). All events are from 7-9:00 pm. The Zone finals will be held on April 20 at the West Springfield Government Center starting at 2:00. Thank you Richard Knight for taking up



MARCH

Events

3/06:
Commissioning the USS Arlington. The USS Arlington is a floating commemoration of the 9/11 terrorist attack on the Pentagon. Our speaker was

the management of this critical Optimist International function. Our best wishes to our past Oratorical Contest manager, Ashley Young, who has recently resigned from the Arlington Optimist Club for personal reasons. We are indebted to you, Ashley, for your years of service.

4/17: Luncheon - "Organizing Your Financial Life." Our speaker is Steve Cassaday, Founder, President, and CEO of Cassaday and Company of McLean, Virginia, a wealth management firm. He will attempt to make order out of what for many of us seems to be "chaos" when viewing today's financial markets. WGCC at 12:15.

4/17: Arlington Optimist Board Meeting. An important focus of the meeting will be to discuss potential changes to the club's Bylaws that are being considered by our Bylaws Committee, chaired by Greg Clough. The discussion of the proposed changes will be led by Richard Knight. Open to all members. Madison Community Center at 7:00 pm.

Francis O'Leary,
Treasurer of
Arlington
County. Thank
you, Conley
Ricker, for
arranging this
good program.

3/20: "How Can
I Help My
Friends Realize
Their Value?"

Winners of this
year's Optimist
Essay Contest
read their terrific
essays. Our
sincere thanks
to Erica Burson,
who again this
year managed
this important
Optimist
International

4/27: Cocktail Meet and Greet for Prospective Members. Please join us and bring potential members! Curious Grape (2900 S. Quincy St.) from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

MAY

5/01: Luncheon - "Why My Voice Is Important." This luncheon offers the opportunity to hear the winning students of the Arlington Optimist Oratorical Contest. WGCC at 12:15.

5/15: Luncheon - TBA. If you have suggestions for a luncheon speaker, please contact Al Pierce, with a courtesy cc to Sue Gartner and Mark Whinton. WGCC at 12:15.

6/06: Luncheon - "Our Scholarship Kids Excel!" Whiz Mountain will present this year's Arlington Optimist Club's scholarships. Please join us to recognize these exceptional Arlington high school seniors. WGCC at 12:15.

6/19: Luncheon - "What We Accomplished in the 2013 Virginia Legislative Session." Our

program. The winners, all from O'Connell, are: Claire Stemberger (1st); Stephanie Salinas (2nd); and Isabel Fernandez (3rd). See photo, below. Also, John Karinshak presented Board-approved supplemental checks to Babe Ruth Baseball (Phil Juliano), Yorktown Ice Hockey (Brian Cobb), and W-L Ice Hockey (Rob Stuart). Kudos to John for his

speaker is Virginia State Senator Barbara Favola. WGCC at 12:15.

This year's Essay Contest winners. Left to right: Erica Burson, coordinator of the Arlington Optimist Essay Contest; Isabel Fernandez, Claire Stemberger, Stephanie Salinas, who are all from Bishop O'Connell; and Mark Whitenton, current president of the Arlington Optimists Club.



effective coordination of our Club's support for these Arlington youth teams.

3/27: Cocktail Meet and Greet for Prospective Members. Our thanks to Tricia O'Hara for making the arrangements with Curious Grape, and for bringing a prospective Optimist!



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