

WHERE DO OUR FUNDS COME FROM?

The annual golf outing held in the summer supports our effort to fund college scholarships and various youth programs. Funds are raised not only by golf entry fees, but corporate sponsorships of golf holes, skills competitions, and raffle door prizes.

Our Optimist Raffle held in the Winter raises funds for our other service projects. Members sell raffle tickets for \$10 each, and lucky raffle winners share cash prizes of up to \$1000.

The annual Glenview Street Sale, sponsored by the Glenview Chamber of Commerce, provides another fund-raising and membership-building opportunity for our club. Held in June, we sponsor children's games along with spreading the word about the benefits of Optimism.

WHAT CAN OPTIMISM DO FOR YOU?

Optimism offers you an opportunity to enrich the lives of Glenview's youth, helping you to positively influence the community in which you, your children or grandchildren live or work. Optimism offers the opportunity to meet with responsible men and women, forming rich and lasting personal friendships. The fun, the service, and the satisfaction, that is what we share. Won't you join us in our efforts?

JOIN US FOR LUNCH!!

*We meet every
Tuesday at 12:15 P.M.
Hackney's on Lake
1514 Lake Ave.
Glenview, IL 60025*

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.

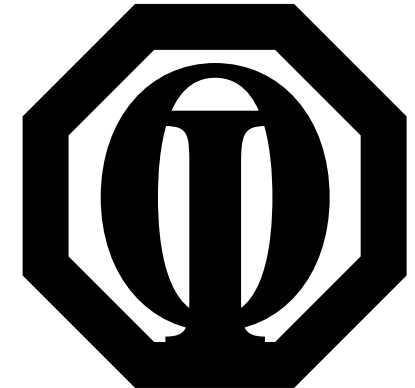
To forget all the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear 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.***

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL

Optimist
Club of Glenview



**A Civic and Youth Minded
Service Club**

WHO WE ARE

The members of the *Optimist Club of Glenview* are adult men and women representing a cross-section of business, social and cultural life in Glenview.

WHAT WE DO

Like other Optimists throughout the United States and the world, we concern ourselves with helping children and motivating youth. The term "Friend of Youth" describes the focus of all Optimists. Our Club is part of a larger international organization that helps sponsor major programs relating to child safety, drug awareness, and enriching the lives of youth.

YOUTH APPRECIATION WEEK

One of the annual highlights for the *Optimist Club of Glenview* is our Youth Appreciation Week and luncheon. Each fall area high school juniors and seniors are selected by their teachers, counselors or clergy for their accomplishments in one of five categories: Scholarship, Sportsmanship, Citizenship, Vocational Ability, and Religious Service. The students and their parents are invited to lunch, where their accomplishments are lauded and they are presented with an appreciative plaque.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The *Optimist Club of Glenview* sponsors academic & vocational scholarships that are awarded annually to graduating high school students residing in Glenview. Each scholarship goes to a deserving student who has contributed to the betterment of youth in the community, who shows a financial need and who has achieved scholastic success in his or her high school career. Each year thousands of dollars are awarded to students from our scholarship fund. The *Optimist Club of Glenview* is proud of the success that past scholarship recipients have achieved. Our plans include expanding the program as our scholarship fund grows.

YOUTH SPORTS SPONSORSHIP

The sponsorship of sports programs for the youth includes baseball, golf, soccer, hockey and football. These sports help build sportsmanship and teamwork among the youth. Another recipient is the North Suburban Special Recreation Association which helps mentally and physically challenged youth to participate in a variety of sports. In all, over 5,000 children participate in these various sports programs. The Optimist International Junior Golf Championship is contested at the PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. The *Optimist Club of Glenview* provides an opportunity for several male and female golfers, from each area high school, to compete in the Illinois District qualifying tournament in June.

DRUG ALCOHOL AWARENESS

As part of its commitment to the youth of Glenview, the *Optimist Club of Glenview* sponsors various activities to increase the awareness of the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

The members of the Student 2 Student Club at Glenbrook South High School pledge to remain drug and alcohol free throughout the school year, and work on programs for their peers and elementary school students. The *Optimist Club of Glenview* sponsors Student 2 Student, and awards a scholarship to a graduating senior member of the club each year. Three levels of community drug awareness programs help children from the elementary level all the way thru high school. The "Snowball", "Snowflake", and "Snowflurry" programs, stresses the benefits of positive peer reinforcement to "just say no".

PARADES

Glenview's Fourth of July and the Holiday Parade provide excellent forums to further honor the youth that we serve. Scholarship winners, Youth Appreciation award recipients, and various other program participants proudly ride on our float.

GLENVIEW CIVIC AWARDS

We annually join eight other service organizations in reviewing nominations from Glenview residents for the following honors.

- ★ Citizen of the Year
- ★ Youth of the Year
- ★ Public Service Award
- ★ Public Safety Award

These honors are presented by the Village President at a dinner, allowing residents and colleagues to recognize these achievements.

- ★ The *Optimist Club of Glenview* also sponsors:

Youth Services - Glenview Police Person of the Year

This award is given to a police officer who has shown outstanding dedication to the youth of Glenview.

COMMUNICATION CONTEST FOR THE DEAF & HARD OF HEARING

This contest provides an opportunity to the deaf & hard of hearing students from the area express their dreams and thoughts for the future. They compete at the local level for a chance to advance to a statewide contest. The winner of the state competition will be awarded a college scholarship.

HALLOWEEN PROGRAMS

The Glenview Park District and the *Optimist Club of Glenview* work together to provide age appropriate activities around Halloween. Whether it's a haunted house for older kids, or carnival games for the younger ones, everyone has a good time and gets into the spirit with creative costumes.