



Optimist Club of North Side Indianapolis

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Optimist International Facts

The 1990s saw growth for Optimist International overseas. “Delegates to the 1992 International Convention in Anaheim, California, approved a one dollar dues increase for international expansion. These funds would be earmarked to build Clubs, add members in foreign countries and service these new Clubs and members. In a quick response, the Optimist Club of Berstett, France, incorporated on July 7, 1992; the Dubna Optimist Club of Russia formed in March 1993; and the Optimist Club of Hanover, Germany, joined soon after on August 16, 1993.”



Taken from the online Optimist Club History book:
www.ofdreamsanddeeds.com



Bob Thompson, District Optimist Foundation Representative, recently visited a club luncheon to present President Iris Dillon with the above artwork. The award was received in recognition of our club’s donation to the Optimist Foundation.

December 11th Lunch Meeting



Help our district make blankets for children at the Peyton Manning Children’s Hospital.

Come to our lunch meeting and help tie fleece blankets together. We are partnering with the other local Optimist Clubs and your help is greatly needed to finish this project.

Don’t worry- you don’t need to sew, be crafty or even know what a fleece blanket is- just show up and we will put you to work!

**December 25th – NO Lunch Meeting
 Merry Christmas!**

Holiday Celebration



Our annual holiday dinner will be held at the Jazz Kitchen on Thursday, December 20th at 7pm. The cost will be \$25 per person and will include a buffet dinner. Members are responsible for purchasing their own alcoholic drinks.

Checks for the dinner can be made payable to Optimist Club and will be collected that evening.

**Please RSVP to Iris Dillon by December 10th -
irisdillon71@yahoo.com or (317)819-3516.**

Holiday Party *FUN!*

Donation to the Salvation Army

As is our club's tradition, we will be collecting donations for the Salvation Army at the holiday party. Checks for donations should be made out to the Salvation Army and given to Bob Homburg.

Gift Exchange



There will be an optional gift exchange at this year's Holiday Party! To participate, please bring a wrapped **ZANY!** gift to share with fellow Optimists.

You never know what you might come home with!

To participate in the gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift valued at \$10 to the party.

CONGRATULATIONS To Ellen and Charles!!



Ellen Winking and her Fiancé Charles were married in September in Ellen's Illinois hometown. Best wish to them both!

Recipe from Ellen Winking

Cream Cheese Mints



- 4 oz. cream cheese (room temperature)
- 1 lb. powdered sugar (sift if lumpy)
- 1/2 tsp. mint flavoring
- Food coloring
- White sugar

Directions

- Mix cream cheese, powdered sugar, and mint flavoring (Can be kneaded by hand)
- Knead in desired food coloring
- Roll a small ball in sugar and press into mint/candy mold
- Flip out
- Let dry for a few hours
- They may be frozen if wrapped well

According to Ellen these are a must at every wedding or graduation back in Iowa!

**I suppose leadership at one time meant muscles; but today it means getting along with people.
- Mahatma Gandhi**

Opti-Copy is a monthly publication celebrating the events and members of the Optimist Club of North Side Indianapolis. To include a recent event, activity or other fun information please contact Jenny Cataldi at Jcataldi@ifsa-butler.org.