AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

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SPECIAL AWARDS ISSUE

Greetings My Fellow Optimists,

The 2016-17 "Year of the Honor Club" and "Together We Can" is now in history books. I want to thank each Optimist Member for their hard work last year. This was the first year with the new Honor Club criteria, which took us back to the basics of why we really are Optimists: to serve our youth, our communities, and keep our local Clubs strong and healthy. Our Clubs are the real heart of Optimist International. By keeping our Clubs strong, we can better do what we do best, grow personally through service, and have fun at the Club level.

Remember the Power of One! If each of us recruit just one Member – a friend, family member, church member, or business associate – we can serve so many more of our youth! We all must remember that is why we are Optimists. It is indeed a privilege to be an Optimist Member. Someone cared enough to ask you to join. Now, it is your turn to ask! It has been said that we ask, but we just do not ask enough!

In the pages that follow, we recognize the Clubs, Zones, Districts and Regions that achieved so much in their endeavor to serve, but equally important, they have proved their respective clubs will be strong and healthy well into the future. They have all earned their awards. Let us focus on the real reason for awards. Yes, it is recognition, and a thank you for a job well done. All of us like to be thanked, and we like to be recognized. It is simply a part of our human nature. Awards are a means to an end and they are used to recognize achievement, leadership, and excellence.

To earn these awards our fellow Optimists set goals, built their respective teams, and monitored their progress in achieving their goals within a very specific timeline. That takes strength, commitment, courage, and determination. So, thank you to all the Optimists for your hard work. We all owe them a great deal, as they have ensured that our great organization will continue to serve youth, and serve our communities.

We as Optimists can be proud of what happened last year. We have returned to our basics. I sense a new enthusiasm in Optimist International. I think we are determined to make Optimist International an even stronger organization. The youth of today need us more than ever, and we cannot let them down.

Thank you to every Optimist who has served. We are doing our part to make the world a better place.

Together We Can – Together We Will – Be Optimist Strong!



Salutations à tous mes amis Optimistes,

L'année 2016-2017 caractérisée par l'année « du club Club d'honneur » et « Ensemble, nous le pouvons » font maintenant partie des annales de l'histoire. Je veux remercier chaque membre Optimiste pour leur travail soutenu au cours de la dernière année. Ce fut la première année avec les nouveaux critères du Club d'honneur ce qui nous a ramenés à la base de ce que les Optmistes représentent : servir la jeunesse, nos collectivités, et maintenir nos clubs locaux forts et en santé. Nos clubs sont le vrai coeur d'Optimist International. En gardant nos clubs forts, nous pouvons améliorer ce que nous faisons de mieux, croître au niveau personnel à travers le service rendu aux jeunes et avoir du plaisir au niveau du club.

Gardons à l'esprit l'idée de la force de l'individu! Si chacun d'entre nous recrute seulement 1 membre (un ami, un membre de la famille, un membre de notre église ou un collègue de travail), nous pourrons desservir encore plus de jeunes! Nous devons nous rappeler que c'est la raison qui nous a motivés à devenir Optimistes. C'est effectivement un privilège d'être un membre Optimiste. Quelqu'un a pris le temps de vous demander de vous joindre au mouvement. Maintenant, c'est à votre tour de le demander à quelqu'un! Je le sais qu'on le demande déjà, mais ce n'est pas assez!

Dans les pages qui suivent, nous faisons la reconnaissance des clubs, zones, districts et régions qui ont beaucoup accompli dans leurs efforts de service, et de manière tout aussi importante, ils ont prouvé qu'ils peuvent demeurer forts et en santé pour l'avenir. Ils ont tous bien mérité leurs distinctions. Concentrons-nous sur la réelle raison de l'attribution de ces distinctions. Oui, il s'agit de reconnaissances, et un signe de remerciement pour du travail bien fait. Nous aimons tous obtenir des remerciements et des reconnaissances. Cela fait simplement partie de notre nature humaine. Les distinctions sont une façon de reconnaître un accomplissement, le leadership et l'excellence.

Pour obtenir ces distinctions, nos collègues Optimistes ont établi des objectifs à atteindre, ils ont bâti leur équipe, et ils ont surveillé la progression dans l'atteinte de ces objectifs selon un échéancier spécifique. Ceci nécessite de la force, de l'engagement, du courage et de la détermination. Je tiens donc à remercier tous les Optimistes pour leur travail soutenu. Nous leur devons une fière chandelle puisqu'ils ont fait en sorte que notre belle organisation puisse continuer de servir la jeunesse et nos collectivités.

En tant qu'Optimistes, nous pouvons être fiers de ce que nous avons accompli l'an passé. Nous sommes retournés aux bases. Je ressens un nouveau souffle d'enthousiasme pour Optimist International. Je pense que nous sommes déterminés à faire d'Optimist International une organisation encore plus forte. La jeunesse d'aujourd'hui a besoin de nous plus que jamais, et nous ne pouvons pas leur tourner le dos.

Je remercie chaque Optimiste qui a rendu service. Nous faisons notre part pour rendre le monde un endroit meilleur.

Ensemble, nous le pouvons – Ensemble, nous le pourrons – Soyez la force de l'Optimiste!

Jim Kondrasuk
2016-17 Optimist International President
Président 2016-2017 d'Optimist International

TOP VICE PRESIDENTS
MEILLEURS VICE-PRÉSIDENTS



MOST NEW CLUBS BUILT IN REGION
Le plus grand nombre de nouveaux clubs fondés dans une région
Southeast Region – Daniel Rich

HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERSHIP GROWTH IN REGION
Le plus haut pourcentage de croissance d'effectif dans une région
Southeast Region – Daniel Rich

MOST HONOR & DISTINGUISHED DISTRICTS IN REGION
Les districts avec le plus de mentions «distingué» et «honneur» de la région
Southeast Region – Daniel Rich

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S RECOGNITION FOR GOVERNORS
MARQUE DE RECONNAISSANCE DU PRÉSIDENT INTERNATIONAL POUR LES GOUVERNEURS



HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERSHIP GROWTH
Le plus haut pourcentage de croissance d'effectif
78 – CAR – Dave Wilson

HIGHEST NUMBER OF NEW CLUBS BUILT IN DISTRICT
Le plus grand nombre de fondations de nouveaux clubs
78 – CAR – Dave Wilson

HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF HONOR CLUBS
Le plus haut pourcentage de clubs d'honneur
78 – CAR – Dave Wilson



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP
Excellence en leadership du directeur exécutif
39 – LA – Lenoir B. Cox

DISTINGUISHED GOVERNORS 2016-2017
GOUVERNEURS DISTINGUÉS 2016-2017



06 – STX
Carol A. Hodges



16 – CAPVA
Gail Headley



22 – SC
Virginia A. Ricker



25 – COWY
Paul H. Simon



35 – DMM
Terry K. Gorman



45 – SWONT
Tracy Huxley



47 – CENON
Jesse M. Rumble



78 – CAR
Dave Wilson

HONOR GOVERNORS 2016-2017
GOUVERNEURS HONNEURS 2016-2017



49 – EONT
Suzanne Poirier



52 – QUSUD
Marcel Lavoie



60 – NFL
Louis Kincheloe

DISTINGUISHED LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS 2016-17
LIEUTENANTS-GOUVERNEURS DISTINGUÉS DE 2016-17

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI
Zone 09 Nancy Boyd

CARIBBEAN
Zone 01 Patricia McLean
Zone 02 Noreen Beadle
Zone 03 Zaid Hamil
Zone 04 Janette Lawrence
Zone 06 Michelle Bryan*
Zone 07 Melione Hanson
Zone 10 Cameron Sobers

CAPITAL-VIRGINIA
Zone 02 Susan Davis
Zone 03 Charles Steininger

CENTRAL ONTARIO
Zone 06 Susan Montgomery
Zone 10 Ralph Brunton*

COLORADO-WYOMING
Zone 05 Nancy Deniro
Zone 07 Mike McMahon
Zone 09 Terri Kearney

DAKOTAS-MANITOBA-MINNESOTA
Zone 07 Adam Walsh*

EAST MISSOURI
Zone 09 Liz Christman

EST D'ONTARIO
Zone 1 Daniel Dubé
Zone 4 Marc Roy*

GATEWAY
Zone 03 Randy O'Dell
Zone 04 David Grant

IOWA
Zone 06 Kelly Calderon
Zone 12 Dan Gifford

NEBRASKA
Zone 06 Douglas Andersen*

NEW MEXICO-WEST TEXAS
Zone 01 Orlando Santistvan

NORTH FLORIDA
Zone 03 Elizabeth Jackson*

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST
Zone 08 Dana Lamon

SOUTH CAROLINA
Zone 03 Gail Hyatt
Zone 04 Juanita Sanders
Zone 07 Marino Garbin

SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO
Zone 2 Emily Watt
Zone 3 Sandy Larivee*

SUD DU QUÉBEC
Zone 32 Guy Poulin

* Outstanding Lieutenant Governors / Lieutenants-gouverneurs exceptionnels

DISTINGUISHED CLUBS 2016-17
CLUBS DISTINGUÉS 2016-17

Atlantic Central
02355 World Peace Plus-Philadelphia, PA

California South
41033 Del Mar-Solana Beach, CA

Capital-Virginia
16040 Colonial Heights Inc., VA
16235 Winchester, VA

Caribbean
78008 Progressive, BA
78223 Kingston, JA
78235 Old Harbour, JA
78245 St Ann's Bay, JA
78297 Kingston-Waterloo, JA
78303 Portmore-North, JA
78324 Manor Park, JA
78329 Sunset Liguanea, JA
78338 Barbican Pines, JA
78458 North St Andrew, JA
78464 Spanish Town, JA
78490 North St Catherine, JA
78493 Mandeville, JA
78512 Mammee Bay, JA
78541 Kingston-St. Matthews, JA
78590 York Castle, JA
78591 South Central Clarendon, JA

Central Ontario
47047 Cornwall, ON
47155 Oakville, ON
47182 Richmond Hill, ON
47838 Bolton, ON

Colorado-Wyoming
25022 Aurora-Bft Heather Gardens, CO
25134 Arvad-Lake Arbor, CO
25135 Lakewood, CO
25164 Denver-Monaco South, CO

Dakotas-Manitoba-Minnesota
35014 Bismarck, ND
35116 Noon-Black Hills, SD
35124 Prior Lake-Savage, MN
35140 St Paul, MN
35150 Sioux Falls Morning (SFMO), SD
35232 Roseville Area, MN

East Missouri
30295 O'Fallon, MO
30370 Rolla, MO
30390 St Louis, MO

Est d'Ontario
49505 Gloucester-Beacon Hill, ON

Gateway
21161 Kennesaw, GA
21257 North Perimeter, GA
21546 Sawnee-Cumming, GA

Indiana North
04212 Mount Vernon, IN

Iowa
40012 Burlington-West Burlington, IA
40035 Council Bluffs, IA
40055 Dubuque, IA
40077 Kalona, IA
40088 Dubuque-Morning, IA
40157 Urbandale, IA
40174 Ankeny, IA

Kansas
37160 Olathe, KS
37166 Ottawa, KS

Louisiana
39120 Lake Charles-South, LA

Maryland-South Delaware
33182 Mechanicsville, MD

Michigan
17122 Detroit-Metro Riverfront, MI
17447 Detroit-Western Int'l, MI
17502 Huron Valley, MI
17530 Kupsya Agents-Millennium Progress (Kamp), UG

New Mexico-West Texas
19623 Coronado-Bernalillo, NM

North Carolina East
43190 Golden Circle-Wilson, NC
43375 Rocky Mount-Evening, NC

North Carolina West
42217 Charlotte-Hidden Valley, NC
44250 Lenoir, NC

North Florida
60200 Jackson County, FL
60265 Marianna, FL
60629 Oviedo, FL
60700 Northeast Jackson County, FL

North Texas
38006 Arlington Community Athletics, TX

Not in a District
90013 Kathmandu, Nepal

Ohio
24115 Kettering-Dor-Wood, OH
24205 Hilliard-Youth Sports Inc., OH

Pacific Southeast
15202 Giving Hearts-LA/OC, CA

Pacific Southwest
14010 Antelope Valley, CA

South Carolina
22006 Mt. Hebron Dreamkeepers, SC
22096 Fort Mill Community, SC
22375 Rock Hill-Central City, SC
22406 Sumter-Eve Inc., SC
22421 South Strand, SC
22422 Forest Acres, SC
22425 Carolina Forest Happy Hour, SC
22427 Palmetto, SC

South Florida
61300 Naples, FL

South Texas
06025 Dickinson, TX
06074 Fredericksburg, TX
06076 Austin-Greater Southwest, TX
06357 Bryan College Station, TX
26068 Nederland-Port Neches Eve, TX
26185 Galveston-Noon, TX

Southern Wisconsin
09137 Platteville, WI

Southwestern Ontario
45018 Alvinston Districts-Alvinston, ON
45048 Moore, ON
45052 Western Ontario-Hoby, ON
45178 Windsor-Riverside, ON
45908 Sombra Township, ON
45926 Essex Yourth Centre, ON
45932 The Kitchener-West, ON

Sud du Québec
52613 De Richelieu Inc., QC

TennArk
34025 Fort Smith, AR
34100 Searcy, AR

West Missouri
36260 Marshall, MO
36354 Ray-Pec Sunrise, MO





HONOR CLUBS 2016-17
CLUBS D'HONNEUR 2016-17

Alabama-Mississippi
29004 Athens, AL
29016 Montgomery-Central, AL
29023 Cleveland, MS
29084 Hernando, MS
29095 Jackson, MS
29131 Shoals, AL
29171 Senatobia, MS
29186 Tuskegee, AL
29295 Talladega, AL
29301 Coldwater, MS

Alberta, Montana, Saskatchewan & Northern Wyoming
13024 Calgary-Dinner, AB
13040 Edmonton-Dinner, AB
13069 Regina-High Noon, SK
13145 Uptown-Great Falls, MT

Arizona
31172 Heat, AZ
31175 Payson-Rim Country, AZ

Atlantic Central
02184 Lower Montco, PA
02263 Media-Rose Tree, PA
02271 Chester-South Chester, PA

California South
41003 Allied Gardens-San Diego, CA
41039 El Cajon, CA
41049 Imperial Beach, CA
41095 Oceanside, CA

Capital-Virginia
16001 Hanover, VA
16026 Central Fairfax, VA
16065 Springfield-Eve, VA
16169 Richmond-Greater, VA
16260 Chesapeake, VA

Caribbean
78025 Kingston Central, JA
78027 Pride Of Barbados, BA
78068 Barbados Bridgetown, BA
78302 Sunset-Kingston, JA
78312 Kingston-Harbour View, JA
78316 Kensington, JA
78350 Ocho Rios, JA
78472 Caymanas, JA
78486 Barbados-North, BA
78500 Sunshine, BA
78573 Sunrise-Newport, JA
78588 Ewarton, JA
78592 Sunset-Annotto Bay, JA
78593 Spalding, JA

Central Ontario
47060 Dunnville, ON
47080 Halton Hills, ON
47410 Fort Erie, ON

Centre du Québec
50048 Beauharnois-Maple Grove, QC
50463 McMasterville, QC
50475 Montréal-Maisonneuve, QC
50613 Les Côteaux, QC
50946 St-Lazare 2005, QC
50963 Le Gardeur, QC

Colorado-Wyoming
25021 T1 Diabetes-Denver, CO
25035 Loveland-Bft, CO
25040 Bft-Windsor Gardens, CO
25047 Buena Vista, CO
25052 Denver-Tamarac, CO
25218 Windsor, CO

Dakotas-Manitoba-Minnesota
35001 Brandon Valley, SD
35018 Bennie-Johnnie, MN
35027 Brookings, SD
35078 Grand Forks, ND
35130 Central Minnesota Noon Inc., MN
35131 St. Cloud, MN
35231 Vermillion, SD

East Missouri
30005 Ashland, MO
30110 Downtown-Columbia, MO
30205 Jackson, MO
30225 Kirkwood, MO
30500 Washington, MO

Est d'Ontario
49004 Région de Russell, ON
49503 Alexandria, ON
49512 Blackburn Hamlet, ON
49616 Carlsbad Springs, ON
49620 Chute-à-Blondeau, ON
49630 Rockland, ON
49640 La Région de Cornwall, ON
49658 Clarence Creek, ON
49700 St-Albert, ON
49738 Embrun, ON
49785 Hawkesbury, ON
49855 St-Pascal Baylon, ON
49914 Kanata 2007, ON
49950 Vars, ON
49988 Wendover, ON

Est du Québec et Acadie
55107 Cap-Chat, QC
55110 Cap St-Ignace, QC
55519 Moncton-Dieppe, QC
55830 St-Moïse, QC

Est du Québec-Rive-Nord
54396 Larouche, QC
54432 Métabetchouan-Lac-à-la-Croix, QC
54667 Saguenay-St-Ambroise, QC

Gateway
11012 East Ridge, TN
11185 Knoxville, TN
21006 Gilmer County, GA
21076 Carrollton, GA
21150 Hall County-Gainesville Inc., GA
21159 Jasper, GA
21227 Tucker, GA
21250 Rome-Noon, GA
21311 Trenton-Dade, GA
21319 Woodstock-Midday, GA
21616 Atlanta Meet Up, GA
21618 Douglas County, GA

Illinois
12000 Alton Area-Inc,. IL
12030 Moline-Bft, IL
12180 Highland, IL
12328 Sterling, IL

Indiana North
04020 Bluffton, IN
04075 Lafayette-Bft, IN
04195 Elkhart-Evening, IN
04390 Muncie-Delaware County, IN
04555 Bft-Warsaw, IN
04581 West Jay, IN

Indiana South
05004 Ryves Community, IN
05036 Clinton-Breakfast, IN
05090 Terre Haute-Bft, IN
05301 Jasper, IN
05435 Plainfield Inc., IN
05520 Terre Haute, IN

Iowa
40015 Bloomfield, IA
40085 Maquoketa, IA
40096 North Liberty, IA
40118 Washington, IA
40119 Washington Township, IA
40153 Fort Madison Area, IA
40172 Perry, IA

Kansas
37120 Lawrence, KS

Kentucky-West Virginia
03255 Louisville, KY
03444 Bluegrass, KY

Louisiana
39019 Bossier City, LA
39060 Jennings, LA
39085 New Iberia, LA
39140 Gretna-West Bank, LA

Maryland-South Delaware
33073 Cumberland Valley, MD
33160 Greater Jacksonville-Phoenix Inc., MD
33211 Ocean City-Berlin, MD

Michigan
17003 OCC Auburn Hills, MI
17014 Mount Clemens, MI
17025 Battle Creek, MI
17030 Bay City-Noon, MI
17042 Bloomfield Hills, MI
17050 Clarkston Area, MI
17052 Clinton Township Area, MI
17066 Northwest Detroit, MI
17100 Dearborn, MI
17255 Ludington, MI
17325 Plymouth-Canton, MI
17330 Pontiac, MI
17354 Roseville, MI
17494 Detroit-Loving Community, MI
17523 WSU Warriors-Detroit, MI
17545 Michigan Int'l Entrepreneurs-Detroit, MI
17547 Cardinal-Skidway Lake, MI

Midwestern Ontario
46051 Downie, ON
46126 Middlesex-London, ON
46133 New Hamburg, ON
46150 London-Oakridge Acres, ON
46165 St. Jacobs, ON
46262 Waterloo-Westvale, ON

Nebraska
10030 Fairbury, NE
10064 Omaha-Miracle Hills, NE
10077 Norfolk-Noon, NE
10085 Omaha, NE
10100 South Sioux City-Morning, NE
10116 West Point, NE

New Mexico-West Texas
19010 Albuquerque, NM
19075 Albuquerque-Eve, NM
19625 Camino Real, NM

New York-New England
01001 Greater Rochester, NY
01150 Sunrise-Lockport Inc., NY
01175 Waterville-Brothertown, NY

North Carolina East
43005 South Johnston, NC
43360 Roanoke Rapids, NC

North Carolina West
11070 Colonial Heights, TN
44601 Past Gov.'s & Dist. Sec/Treas, NC

North Florida
60420 Plant City, FL
60447 St Petersburg-Downtown, FL
60540 Coastal-Wakulla Inc., FL

North Texas
38025 Chisholm Trail, TX
38170 Fort Worth, TX

Ohio
24000 Akron, OH
24250 Mansfield, OH
24349 New Middletown-Springfield TWP, OH
24385 Troy Noon, OH
24391 Van Wert, OH
24509 Springboro, OH
24521 Greene, OH

Ouest du Québec
53000 L`Orée des Bois, QC
53001 Déléage 2015, QC
53037 Brownsburg – Chatham 2013, QC
53481 St-Janvier, Mirabel, QC
53710 St-Eustache-Est, QC
53775 St-Jérôme, QC
53857 Ste-Thérèse, QC
53881 Senneterre, QC
53936 Val David-Val Morin, QC
53937 Val d'Or, QC

Pacific Central
20086 Elk Grove, CA
20380 San Leandro, CA
20542 Oroville, CA
20545 Chico, CA

Pacific Northwest
32028 Caldwell, ID
32073 Hillsboro, OR
32214 Nampa, ID

Pacific Southeast
15017 Apple Valley, CA
15030 Barstow, CA
15140 Pomona, CA
15440 Monterey Park-Lamp, CA
15650 Palm Desert, CA
15785 South Gate, CA

Pacific Southwest
14029 Indian Wells Valley, CA
14613 Northside Santa Barbara, CA
14842 Encino-Sherman Oaks, CA
14920 Visalia, CA
14923 West Hills, CA
14931 California City, CA
14947 Five Cities-Grover Beach, CA
14978 West Bakersfield, CA
14990 Woodland Hills, CA

South Carolina
22035 Clover, SC
22045 Columbia-Downtown, SC
22098 No Myrtle Beach-N Strand, SC
22175 Charleston-West Ashley, SC
22424 Hope-Blythewood, SC

South Florida
61280 Miami Lakes, FL

South Texas
06021 Bulverde, TX
06073 Fort Sam Houston, TX
06235 San Antonio-Towne Country, TX
06316 North Hays County, TX
06341 Greater Copperas Cove Area, TX
06355 Pearland, TX
06356 Hill Country, TX
26015 Baytown, TX
26117 Huntsville, TX
26220 Pasadena, TX

Southern Wisconsin
09062 Southwest Milwaukee, WI
09117 Monroe, WI
09155 Sauk Prairie Inc., WI
09917 Mazomanie-Wisconsin Heights, WI
09935 Platteville Area, WI

Southwestern Ontario
45005 Aylmer, ON
45013 Tillsonburg And Area, ON
45024 Bothwell-Bothwell District, ON
45028 Bright's Grove, ON
45046 Crediton And District, ON
45054 Delta Alpha Theta-Windsor, ON
45079 Windsor-Forest Glade, ON
45090 Ilderton, ON
45108 Kerwood-Adelaide-Metcalfe, ON
45120 Lambeth, ON
45139 Dorchester-North, ON
45164 Parkhill, ON
45165 Plympton Township, ON
45170 Ausable-Port Franks, ON
45182 Port Stanley, ON
45251 Wallacetown, ON
45272 Mount Bridges And Area, ON

Sud du Québec
52063 Black Lake, QC
52261 Granby, QC
52334 Lac Brome, QC
52465 Magog Orford, QC
52696 St-Cyrille, QC
52837 St-Pierre Baptiste, QC
52991 Wotton, QC

West Missouri
36008 Osceola, MO
36202 Sugar Creek-Inter City, MO

Wisconsin North-Upper Michigan
23044 Chippewa Falls, WI
23075 Green Bay, WI
23104 Merrill, WI
23106 Menomonie, WI
23159 Shawano, WI
23308 Two Rivers, WI
23402 Green Bay-Allouez, WI