



The HOT SHEET

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The HEAT Hot Sheet Newsletter is a publication of the Tucson HEAT Optimist Club which is a member of the Raytheon-Tucson Employees Association Membership (R-TEAM).

Please send your news items to heatoptimistclub@gmail.com

Announcements & Events

1st Thursday - Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
3rd Thursday - Club Meeting, 6:00 PM

*We are now meeting in person at Denny's on Old Vail Road with a hybrid Zoom option.
Email us for more information!*



OCTOBER

- **October 29, 2021:** Mesquite Elementary School Fall Festival. Look for our cotton candy booth! 4:30-8:00 PM

NOVEMBER

- **November 5-6, 2021:** Quarterly Conference, Yuma, AZ
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DECEMBER

- **December 10-12, 2021:** Fourth Avenue Street Fair
- **December 11, 2021:** Kohl's Kids Shopping Spree
- **December 10-24, 2021:** Gift Wrapping daily, Park Place Mall —> Christmas Eve

President's Corner

Welcome to the new Optimist year!

We're pleased to introduce our new Heat Optimist Club Vice President, Laura Vitkus. She will be in a learning position this year as we have big things planned for her in the future! We're also excited about the new OI President, Patsy Garner and send a big "Welcome!" to our new regional Vice President, Cathy Hicks, and Arizona Governor, Butch Miller.

We have an exciting year ahead! We hope to build our club membership in order to help more kids, do more for the community and spread the word of the Optimist Creed. Thanks for all you do to support our club!



Hope you all stay safe and look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely, *Anne McBride, President*

And

Laura Vitkus, Vice President



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“Bringing Out the Best” Thrift Store Opening Soon!

 The 27,500 square foot building on Speedway (5320, 5328, and 5336) is in escrow and should close by December 1. Once that happens, there will be a big “Moving” party to consolidate many storage locations into the new space. If it closes early, we may actually have some sales for this year. Otherwise, the opening should be January 2022. There will be volunteer opportunities and donations will be accepted once open. Contact Esther Hillman or Anne McBride for additional information



Sewing Projects



We sew pillowcases for the children’s hospital and area shelters. [Email us](#) if you would like to help!

OPTIMIST CREED

- 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.

Membership Drive

Can YOU bring in one new member this year?

Friends | Neighbors | Co-workers | Family

You can do it!

Recent Events



HOG 2021—Our first annual HOG golf tournament was a huge success! Thanks to everyone who participated.

Stay tuned for information on HOG 2022!

New Junior Optimist Club! We are excited to be sponsoring a new JOI club at Mica Mountain High School. There are 9 students signed up and they have 5 projects already identified. Way to go!



The HEAT Optimist Club attended the "School of Cool" car show at Empire High School on July 31st.

Getting the word out about supporting our local kids!

Thank you Jim Click and [Millions For Tucson](#) for offering another truck as a raffle/fundraiser for Tucson charities! All funds raised from our ticket sales go directly to our club!



Purchase your raffle tickets today!

[Single Tickets \(\\$25.00\)](#)
[Five for \\$100](#)
[Eight for \\$150](#)

Deadline to purchase is December 10, 2021. Drawing to be held on December 17th. [More Information](#)



Report from Arizona District

2021-22 Youth Contest Topics:

Oratorical Contest and CCDHH: "Staying Optimistic in Challenging Times"

Essay Contest: "How Does an Optimistic Mindset Change My Tomorrow?"

Deadlines to enter are early in 2022.

[Email us for more information!](#)

Welcome New Optimists! Check out the [training video](#)!

Dates to Remember

- **November 6, 2021:** Quarterly Conference, Yuma, AZ
- **May 14, 2022:** Quarterly Conference, Phoenix, AZ
- **June 29-July 2, 2022:** Optimist International Conference, Reno, NV
- **August 20, 2022:** Quarterly Conference, Prescott, AZ

Quarterly conferences are a great way to engage with fellow Optimists throughout the state!

We hope to see you there!!