

About Us

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater/Community Optimist Club was organized to further promote Optimist International's focus of providing hands-on service and being a "**Friend of Youth.**"

Our Club's slogan is "**Connecting Campus and Community.**" With this slogan, we believe that by combining the efforts of University staff and members of the Whitewater community, we can maximize our potential to "**connect**" with area youth and have a positive influence on their development.

We have learned that there is a tremendous need and opportunity to help enhance the quality of life of our youth. We also know that **we** have the potential to impact 35 children per club member. So, we ask you to consider joining our Optimist organization.

We invite you to attend our club meetings to learn more about Optimism. For more information, please contact Dave Halbach at 262-472-5749 or any of our officers.

Club Meetings

Some Tuesdays at 12pm (noon) and

Tuesday Evenings at the Lakefront Pub,
Subject to Change

Optimist Year

October-September

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 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.



UW- Whitewater/ Community Optimist Club

"Friends of Youth"



Easter Egg Hunt, 2014

Originally Chartered: 1981

Officers

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Club Projects



Fishing Derby, June 2014



Breakfast with Santa, December 2014

Learn more about us!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uwwhitewatercommunityoptimists>

Blog: <http://blogs.uww.edu/uwwcommunityoptimist/>

Club Projects

January

Academic Decathlon

February

Trivia Night

March/April

Easter Egg Hunt

May

Rummage Sale

June

Fishing Derby

July

Fourth of July Festival Gyro Stand

November

Youth Appreciation Week

December

Breakfast with Santa

Toys for Kids and Mitten Tree

Ongoing

*Youth of the Month

- *Sponsoring High School Octagon and Middle School Junior Optimist Clubs
- *Supporting Whitewater Unified School District Family Emergency Fund
- *Scholarships for High School Graduates
- *Providing Playground Equipment for Turtle Mound Park
- *Adopt a Highway (2-miles on Hwy 59)
- *Event Ticket Taking