



THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF UPTOWN GREAT FALLS
P.O. Box 462 / Great Falls, Montana 59403

the OPTIMIST

AMS & NW DISTRICT



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MEETING DATE/LOCATION: November 25 at the Pit Stop at 6:30 pm

CONDUCTED BY: President Eric Christian

PRAYER & PLEDGE: Gary McFerrin

SERGEANT AT ARMS: James Rehm

SECRET GREETER: Brian Waranauskas

SECRET GREETER REPORT: **all shook**

GUESTS: Ed (Sue Warren) Violet and Conan (James and Jana Rehm)

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 8

NEW MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 2 **Welcome to Sean Sturges**

Reimbursement form on the website, then give to Jodi Merry.

Uptown Foundation - a position will be coming available for those interested

AJ Blankenship spoke on last week's tour at the Front Brewing operation. Nice turn out, tons of information and great time at the Front Bar afterwards.

In this season of shopping. In your internet search engine, type smile.amazon.com. When AmazonSmile page comes up, you can choose a group to support (the place to pick choice is up in the right hand corner by the Amazon logo). Use the drop down box and enter Uptown Foundation. Every time you purchase something, 1% will go to the Foundation. Make the AmazonSmile page your favorite for Amazon, you won't have to re enter the choice. FYI, won't work from your phone app, just put items in your cart, will work when you use a computer or tablet.

MEETING NOTES: **"IF EVERYONE DOES A LITTLE, A LOT GETS DONE"**

P.R./ MEMBERSHIP: Bev Christian is the recipient of the Optimist Membership pin for bringing in a new member

Optimist International has a President's Pride Report that results in 5 clubs being chosen for \$100 award. Uptown was a winner!!! Thanks for getting the report in Rachel Huotari!!!

STRIPING:

CHRISTMAS TREE LOT: Denny Hanenburg reported that we will need lots of help. **Sign up for shifts.** Lot opens the 27th, Friday. Roger Lesofski would like to see everyone work 3 weekend shifts and 2 weeknight shifts.

If anyone knows of an enclosed truck, please let Pres. Eric or Denny know as soon as possible. Denny and Todd Seeman were recognized for having over 100 hours on the tree lot already. Also a BIG Thank you to everyone who has helped with the unloading and standing of all those heavy trees!!!!

Now to the big news!!! \$37924 in pre sales!!! Teams ran as follows: Roger Lesofski \$4608, Ev Hall \$4575, Matt Ott \$4093, Ronny Grina \$3810, Jodi Merry \$3532, Gavin McCluey \$3224, Dallas Lopez \$2814, Loralie Schroedel \$2655, James Rehm \$2535, John Gregory \$1991, Matt Merry 1439, Shane Neuman \$1410, Stephanie Schnider \$1029 Way to go Everyone!!!

CCC FAMILIES:

PGI/BIKES - Jeff Barnhart

PROGRAM:

JOKE OF THE WEEK: Bob Pancich and Gary McFerrin

OPTIMIST OF THE WEEK: Gavin McCluey, I'm sorry, didn't get a chance to hear you speak. If you have notes, I can revise. Loralie

Next Week: Sean Sturges

UPCOMING:

November 27 - Tree Lot Opens, sign up for shifts

December 2 - Tavern Assoc Annual Dinner, Civic Center 6 pm, table of 8 available

December 7, Monday - Mighty Mo for a CCC event to raise money, come one come all

December 10 - Children's Christmas Party

December 11-12 - Uptown Optimist Electric City Speech & Debate Meet needs judges

December 18 - Adult Christmas Party

December 24 - No Meeting, Merry Christmas!!!

December 31 - No Meeting, Happy New Year!!!

January 8 - Load and Unload equipment for Cascade of Talent, GFHS

January 9 - Cascade of Talent auditions, tech rehearsal and dress rehearsal, GFHS

January 10 - Cascade of Talent, 4 pm, one show, GFHS

BIRTHDAY CLUB: Jessica Malek 11/26 Will Fuller 11/29 Patty Taurman 12/12
Denny Hanenburg 12/17 Tiffany Fuller 12/20 Scott Radford 12/26 Stacey
Murray 12/26

SIDE POT:

Optimist gift:



Officers & Board Members:

PRESIDENT: Eric Christian/ ***1ST VP:*** Travis Harp / ***2ND VP:*** Lane Little

SECRETARY: Rachel Huotari / ***TREASURER:*** Jodi Merry

BOARD MEMBERS: Eric Christian, Travis Harp, Lane Little, John Huotari, Rachel Huotari, Jodi Merry, Stacey Murray, Ike Kaufman, Greg Franczyk, Ev Hall, Denny Hanenburg and Dallas Lopez

Board Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at the Great Falls Transition Center 6:00 PM

Octagon Club meets Tuesday night at 6 pm at the 1st United Methodist. Teenagers and Uptown are all welcome

All newsletter info approved by President Eric Christian