

THE “APPLE CORE”

OPTIMIST CLUB OF APPLE VALLEY Bulletin

P.O. Box 1115

Apple Valley, CA 92307

Multi-Club Pot Luck & Meeting Wednesday evening March 29th beginning at 6:30 pm.

Everyone is invited to a multi-club event hosted by the Hesperia Club at WLG located at 12241 Industrial Blvd. just north of Bear Valley Road. WLG is in Suite 208 located in the building behind the one facing the street in the complex on the east side of Industrial Blvd. Bring some food to share with everyone.

April 2006 is shaping up to be a busy month for our club and participation by all in the activities listed in the Important Dates to Remember listing at the end of the newsletter is needed.

February 2006 Programs:



Feb 9, 2006 – Left Photo: Diane Fuller & Connie Goodwin from Apple Valley Middle School talked about their Renaissance Program designed to celebrate success for earned achievements.

Feb 16, 2006 – Right Photo: Trish Hill, spokeswoman for the Apple Valley sheriff's station talked about the upcoming Children's Safety Fair & Bike Rodeo.



March 1, 2006 (Board Meeting)

Four of the eleven board members were present plus one additional member and one guest. President Tina Olsen conducted an informal meeting as a quorum was not present. Minutes of the previous meeting and the current financial statement were reviewed along with the Calendar of Upcoming Events:

- Chuck reported on the Tri-Star Basketball competition held last week at the Woody Center. There were 47 participants, fewer than last year but a successful event.
- Tom updated us on the upcoming March of Dimes walk and some of his commitments to it.
- Tina showed off some awards she is prepared to share with the club's top recruiters of new members (must be more than one) during the membership drive through the end of May 2006.

We later learned that in addition to some of our members being sick and out of town that Vicki's Mother, Marjorie Lundgren, passed away that evening. Condolences from the club have been shared with Vicki and several members were able to attend the services for Marjorie Saturday, March 4th.

March 8, 2006

Eleven members and a guest and former member, Jim Wheeler, were present.

President Tina called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

Beth led off with an inspirational message and Jean followed leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Tri-Star Basketball – Chuck recapped the event held at the Woody Center on February 22nd. And, Ben who was playing at Disneyworld in Florida was fined because of a missing sheet at the event.

Beth asked for help with an upcoming meeting with the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Ridgecrest/China Lake Optimist Club on March 14th.

A Zone 4 meeting will be at the home of Fritz & Connie Durfee Sunday March 26th beginning at 2:00 P.M. Share Hors D'Oeuvres, drinks and fellowship as we listen to Beth's update from PSED.

Yard Sale at Apple Valley Middle School will be on April 1st. Come early with lots of items.

Community Clean-Up Day - Apple Valley Town Hall, is on April 8th. Cubs from Pack 257 will help with our designated area North of Highway 18 between Dale Evans Parkway and Navajo Road.

Apple Valley Middle School is sponsoring 'A Night to Remember' at the Apple Valley Inn on Saturday evening April 15th. Starting at 6:30 P.M., dinner, entertainment and a silent auction are included for \$20/person. We are hopeful of filling two tables of eight.

Earlier that same day, Saturday April 15th, is our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Sharon is working with the JOOI Club at Vanguard Preparatory School to stuff the eggs and Jack is taking care of the baskets.

Children's Safety Fair & Bike Rodeo – Town of Apple Valley is on April 22nd. Helpers needed for the bike rodeo. Talk to Ben if you can help!

Membership 'Just Ask' Drive is underway through May 2006. Bring a friend to a meeting!

The program for the evening was by Tom Schibusch.

Tom shared a little bit about what was happening at the Apple Valley Inn. Currently special events only will be hosted (50 people or more.)

He filled us in on what's going on with the March of Dimes Walk coming up on April 29th. This the 30th anniversary walk and he is participating in publicity with the media; radio, TV and press.

Plans are being made for a 'Kick off Party' in early April for Tom's team. Want's Optimists to help and share in recognition. Needs support for 'T' Shirts for participants. Club has funds in budget.

Closed with story of how and why he joined the Optimist Club of Apple Valley following their support of his first March of Dimes Walk while he was still a student in Apple Valley Schools.



The meeting was closed with the Optimist Creed.

March 15, 2006 Meeting – Recognition of ESSAY Contest Winners

President Tina opened the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

Following an inspirational and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag members, including our newest member, Jim Wheeler, and guests were introduced.

Ben reminded everyone about the upcoming Community Clean-Up Day on April 8th. He has a sign-up sheet for those who plan to participate.

Beth reported on the meeting with the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce yesterday and indicated that already several new members have been recruited for the Ridgecrest/China Lake Club.

Tina said that club members have been invited to a multi-club event by the Hesperia Club for Wednesday evening March 29th. See the beginning of this newsletter for details.

Program – Recognition of ESSAY Contest Winners

Club Essay Chairperson, Beth Mills, introduced the three finalists out of 14 contestants. They shared their essays based upon the topic ‘I’m Unique Because...’ with the members and guests at the meeting.

Presentation order was determined by a drawing – Bobbie Jimenez led off, with Coral Cullum next and Ashley Gregory finishing up. Following their presentations Beth announced the winners as she and Jean presented a medallion and certificate of appreciation to each contestant.



Bobbie Jimenez
Apple Valley High School
3rd Place



Ashley Gregory
Serrano High School
2nd Place



Coral Cullum
Academy for Academic Excellence
1st Place

Following the awards and announcement that Coral Cullum was also the winner of 1st Place for the Zone 4 competition, the meeting was closed with everyone joining in to recite the Optimist Creed.

March 22, 2006 Meeting

Twelve members and two guests were present.

President Tina called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Tina recapped details for the multi-club meeting hosted by the Hesperia Club next Wednesday evening. See the beginning of this newsletter for details.

Letters about the Club's annual Friend of Youth, OCAV Scholarships have been sent out to High Schools in the area served by our club. The deadline for submissions is May 1st. The Scholarship Committee is working on setting the number of and amounts for this year's award.

Plans for the fast approaching Yard Sale on Saturday, April 1st at Apple Valley Middle School were discussed. Setup will have to be early (sunrise) the day of the sale. Jim Wheeler offered to park his RV in the area as a background for the club banner. Talk to Dan if you have questions.

Tom announced that his March of Dimes Walk Kick-Off meeting will be at the Cadillac Ranch on Thursday evening April 6th starting at 5:00 P.M. Everyone was encouraged to come and bring a friend to join Tom's team.

Beth invited everyone to come to the Zone 4 meeting at Fritz & Connie's Sunday, March 26th, beginning at 2:00 P.M. And, she gave a preview of her report.

The Program for the evening was by Anthony Austin. Introduced by DAD!

Anthony has spent the last eleven weeks in Washington, DC as an intern lobbyist. He described his impressions of the Capitol, some of the dignitaries he met and saw, and the atmosphere regarding lobbying with the current ongoing investigations of improprieties. He also speculated about career choices he would seek.



The pot for the Ace of Spades 50/50 drawing grew to \$448/224. Jack won the draw and pulled the King of Diamonds instead so the quest continues for another week.

Everyone joined in reciting the Optimist Creed to close the meeting.

Important Dates to Remember

03/26/06 – Zone 4 Meeting Sunday afternoon at Durfee's

03/29/06 – Multi-club Meeting – Hesperia Club at WLG, 12241 Industrial Blvd., Suite 208, Victorville.

April 06 – Quest begins for Club Officers for upcoming year

04/01/06 – Yard Sale – Fund Raiser.

04/05/06 – Board Meeting at Lil'Bit Country Café.

04/06/06 – Thursday (5-9 PM) at Cadillac Ranch - March of Dimes Walk Kick-Off Party with Tom.

04/08/06 – Community Clean Up Day – Apple Valley Town Hall.

04/12/06 – **Club Oratorical Contest** - Lil'Bit Country Café.

04/15/06 – **Easter Egg Hunt – Lion's Park, Apple Valley.**

04/15/06 – A Night to Remember – AVMS Renaissance Program Dinner at Apple Valley Inn.

04/19/06 – Regular Meeting at Lil'Bit Country Café.

04/22/06 – Children's Safety Fair & Bike Rodeo – Apple Valley – 8 am. till 2 pm.

04/22/06 – Zone 4 Oratorical Contest – St. Timothy's – Lois Hardy.

04/26/06 – Regular Meeting at Lil'Bit Country Café.

04/29/06 – March of Dimes Walk – Victorville, CA. **Come join and walk with Tom's team.**

05/03/06 – Board Meeting at Lil'Bit Country Café.

05/05-07/06 – PSED 3rd Quarterly

05/10/06 – Regular Meeting – **Program: Respect for Law.**

05/26/06 – **Phat Cat Swinger night at High Desert Center for the Arts Victorville- Fund Raiser.**

05/27/06 – Youth Track Meet – Granite Hills High School.

05/29/06 – **Flags Out/In for Memorial Day.**

June/July – 'Hoosier' Daddy 5K – 10K Run/Relay.

06/04/06 – Festival of Hope – Artesia, CA

06/14/06 – **Flags Out/In for Flag Day**

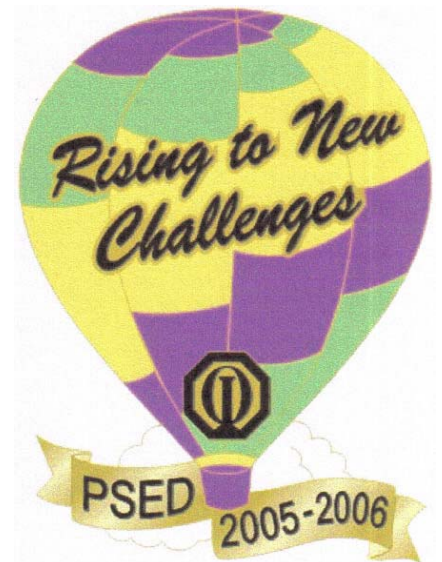
07/04/06 – **Flags Out/In for 4th of July**

07/05-08/06 OI Convention, Nashville, TN

08/11-13/06 – PSED Convention – San Marcos

09/04/06 - **Flags Out/In for Labor Day**

10/18-20/06 – PSED 1st Quarterly





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The 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 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.

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