

## South-East Region Parallel District Conference (#2) May 17-19, 2013 (Agenda in a nutshell)

### Friday May 17

- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Registration  
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. House of Optimism (per district)  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Executive Meetings  
8:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Welcome Reception-hosted by Georgia District

### Saturday, May 18

- 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Registration  
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Breakfast together - IP, IVP, and governors  
8:00 a.m. - 8:25 a.m. OI Junior Golf Presentation PP Mark Shriver

#### 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. **Opening Ceremony**

- o Recognition of Past and Present District and International Leaders
- o Entertainment
- o Keynote address
- o Address Pres. J.C St Onge

#### 10:15 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. **1<sup>st</sup> General Session**

- o Celebration of Growth CIT Sue Creswell
- o Fund Raising Workshop Pres. J.C St Onge

**LUNCH** 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. with Guest Speaker

1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

2:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

MORE CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

3.00 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.

**BREAK**

3.10 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.

MORE CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**DISTRICT BREAKOUTS**

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Dinner together (Atrium)

8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Special activity!

9:30 p.m. -11:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room

### Sunday, May 19

8:00 a.m. - 8.30 a.m.

Non denominational - sharing and thanksgiving

8:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> General Session (Closing)**

- o Idea Exchange
- o The Changing Faces of Optimism
- o Talk Back Live - Panel discussion
- o International Convention Promotion
- o Presentations
- o Closing remarks - Pres J.C & IVP Sonia

## **WORKSHOPS**

### **Celebration of Growth**

What a way to ensure the sustainability of our districts and our international movement! Growth makes such a difference in our personal lives and in the lives of our clubs; our zones; our districts...let's celebrate

### **Fund Raising**

Join President J.C as he shares tips to make your fund raisers not only financially viable but lots of fun, fellowship and a great opportunity to inspire others to join our movement

### **Communication: The personal touch**

Yeah it may seem more efficient to communicate via email, facebook...but shouldn't we think of balancing that act and make the effort to write those thank you notes and mail them; to call to say hello and check what's going on? The personal touch can work wonders...and it will never be obsolete!

### **Communication: The social media/internet**

The way we communicate is changing everyday. New technology and social media provide Optimist clubs with an opportunity to connect, engage and communicate in ways that were not possible five, ten, thirty years ago.

### **Impetus for change in our clubs**

Is your burger stale; your French fries soggy; has your coke lost its fizz? Do your clubs seem to fit this description? Join CIT Nick Prillaman as he discusses ways to get our clubs back on track; vibrant...the place where our volunteers celebrate the pride of belonging...

### **Fellowship and Fun Meetings**

It's time to bring back the Fun and Fellowship! Learn how we can have fun AND send a positive message at the same time! Let's 'deliver the goods!' Let our club meetings be the 'must go to event' on our calendar.

### **Your next steps in Optimist Leadership**

- **Current LTGs**
  - Where are you now? Are you where you ought to be? Let's examine the realization of our goals together
- **LTGs Elect and Presidents Elect**
  - What do I do next?
- **President to presidents (current)**
  - Up close and personal - don't miss this opportunity to rap with the International President J.C. St Onge

### **PGI: Your Passport to Personal Growth and Involvement and your club's success**

The PGI program can help you personally. It can aid in the development of your members and it can lead to the better health of your club, your zone and your district. Come learn how easy it can be!

### **The Changing Faces of Optimism...**

What our volunteers want...

### **Idea Exchange**

Why didn't I think of that? Let's share our experiences and learn from one another: celebrate each other.