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Optimists >>> Move Forward >>> in Development Program

The following Optimists submitted their requirements for achieving Levels VII and X of the Personal Growth and Involvement Program between July 24 and October 30, 2013.

PGI Level VII Recipients

Margaret Allen	NYNE	Linda Ingersoll	MI
Pat Behn	OH	Scott Kaplan	NFL
George Breadon	SWIS	Rebecca Kelly	NE
Thomas Brumbeloe	GA	Robert Kluge	NE
George Cox	SC	Thaddeus Smith	AC
Lola Cumbo	AC	Albert Still	GA
Marino Garbin	SC	Russ Thomas	GA
Charles Hayworth	NFL	Jim Thompson	AC
Tracy Huxley	SWONT	Duane Ullman	STX

PGI Level X Recipients

Daniel Durham	NCE
Carol Hodges	STX
Sandi Holstein	INDS
Joey Richardson	GA
Mary Still	GA
Jim Thompson	AC

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facebook: facebook.com/optimistinternational
twitter: @optimistorg and @optimistcanada
youtube: youtube.com/user/optimistintl
linkedin: linkedin.com/groups/Optimist-International-Club-117333

We have a new Facebook cover to celebrate reaching 5,000 Likes!



Put Your Optimism *on Display...*

Reel OPTIMISM VIDEO CONTEST



The second annual Club video contest asks Members to answer “the greatest thing about being an Optimist is...” There are hundreds of ways to finish that sentence and there are no wrong answers! Just film a short YouTube style video with a smartphone or handheld camera to show what is important to you and your Club.



This contest is co-sponsored by Optimist International and the Optimist International Foundations. The grand prize is a \$1,000 Club grant and all Clubs that submit a video are entered into a drawing for a \$250 grant. All grants are generously funded by the Optimist International Foundations. Start filming your entry today!

Deadline for submissions:
March 15

Entries will be judged based on:

- Original content
- Creativity
- Composition
- Extent to which the topic question was answered

For further details:

www.optimist.org/reeloptimism

Certified Club Builder and Field Representative Certification



Optimist International will be holding a Certified Club Builder and Field

Representative certification course for volunteers who wish to hold these designations. Applicants must have built at least one Optimist Club prior to taking the course. The training will be conducted at the Optimist International headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri.

Certified Club Builders are Optimist volunteers who are trained to build new Clubs using a variety of methods and mentor other volunteers on the process of New Club Building. Certified Club Builders can be requested from Optimist International by Districts to

aid in New Club Building efforts. Training will consist of classroom-style learning, as well as hands-on work on an actual New Club Building effort. This training will be two all-day sessions conducted on April 25 and 26.

Field Representatives are authorized ambassadors of Optimist International who conduct the official organizational meeting when a new Club forms. Training will consist of learning the rules and procedures for bringing in new Clubs. This portion of the course will be held on April 27 from 8am – 12pm.



Optimist International at a Glance

Membership: 90,062*
Total Clubs: 3,113*
Founded: June 19, 1919
 *As of December 3, 2013, figure includes JOOI Clubs

Interested in taking this course?
 Contact the New Club Building department at newclub@optimist.org or at 800-500-8130 ext. 226.