



Optimist INTERNATIONAL

Optimist Club of West Bend



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OPTIMISTICALLY SPEAKING



October 2023



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Subject to change)

INSTALLATION DINNER

Oct 5

5:30 PM: Social and cocktails
6:00 PM: Installation of New Officers
6:20 PM: Dinner

West Bend Moose Lodge

RSVP ASAP via SignUpGenius or to Heidi Sternig

Oct 17

Board of Directors' Meeting

4 pm The Threshold 2380 W Washington St

Oct 19
noon

Club Lunch Meeting

Shop-with-a-Cop

HORIZON ROOM

AT NEW PERSPECTIVE SENIOR LIVING CENTER



Cassie Schmidt Wedding

Saturday, October 28th 2:30pm

Kettlebrook Church, 2378 W. Washington St. West Bend

Oct 31



Nov 2
noon

Club Lunch Meeting

Student of the Month

Badger Middle School

HORIZON ROOM

AT NEW PERSPECTIVE SENIOR LIVING CENTER

Nov 16
noon

Club Lunch Meeting

The Threshold

HORIZON ROOM

AT NEW PERSPECTIVE SENIOR LIVING CENTER

Nov 16

Board of Directors' Meeting

4 pm The Threshold 2380 W Washington St

Nov 23

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Optimist Club of West Bend is now a Boy Scout Troop Charter Organization

At our Club's Lunch Meeting on September 7, we learned that we will be the Chartering Organization for West Bend Boy Scout Troop 796 as well as Cub Scout Pack 3796. We were introduced to Brian Hubbard, the Scoutmaster for Troop 796 who thanked us for our support.



Boy Scout Troop 796 Scoutmaster Brian Hubbard Speaking at our September 7 Lunch Meeting



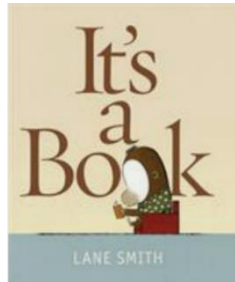
The Optimist Club of West Bend is committed to being a good community partner. One way to do that is to support the activities and events sponsored by the Downtown West Bend Association - check 'em out:

<http://www.downtownwestbend.com/calendar.html>

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At our September 21 Club Lunch Meeting, Terika Koch, fellow Optimist Club of West Bend Member and Youth Services Librarian from the West Bend Community Memorial Library, demonstrated how she reads to groups of young children by actually doing a reading of: “It’s a Book” by Lane Smith.

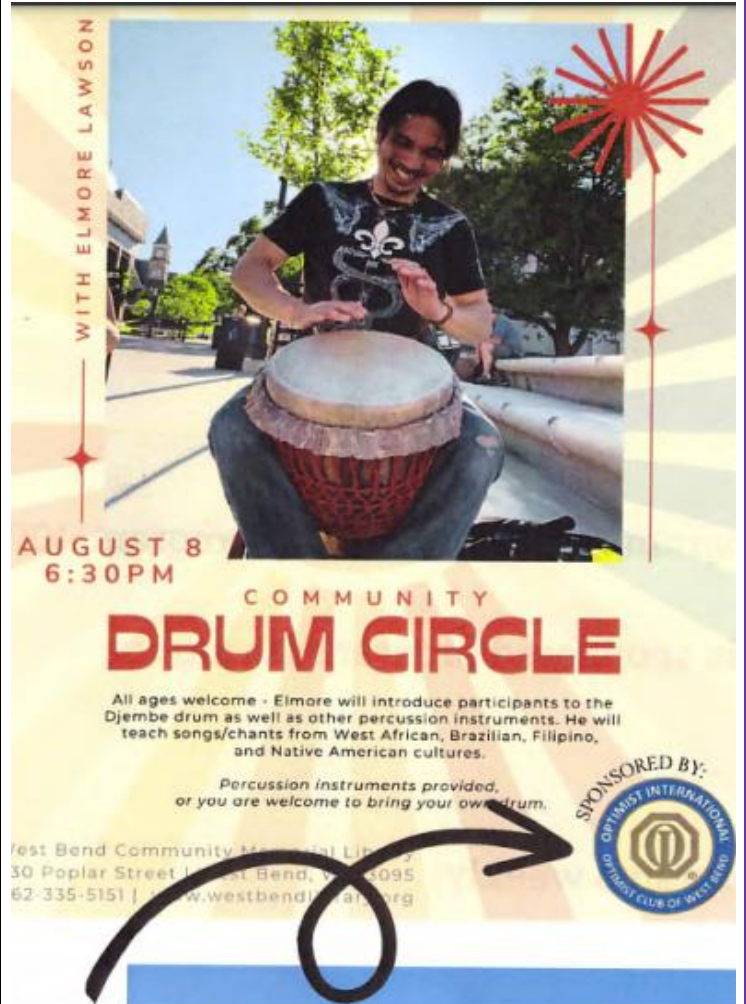


Terika Koch reading “It’s a Book” by Lane Smith.

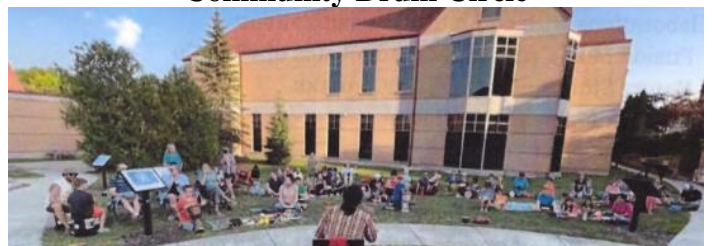


Terika then went on to share many of youth related activities offered by the West Bend

Library, one of which, the community “Drum Circle” was sponsored by our Club.



Summer 2023 Optimists Club of West Bend Community Drum Circle



As we have done in past summers, our Club provided \$250 to the West Bend Library to help support its Summer Programs for West Bend area youth, and we plan to again provide \$250 for the Library’s 2024 Summer Youth Programs.

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INSTALLATION DINNER

West Bend Moose Lodge
October 5 5:30 pm
Cocktails & Socializing
Oaths of Office
Dinner Buffet
Raffle
More Cocktails & Socializing
RSVP ASAP via [SignUpGenius](#) or to Heidi

Optimist Club Nut Sale Fundraiser



October 19 is the deadline to
return orders to Geri at
nuffo56@gmail.com

Nut tins make great holiday gifts!
Orders should be available for pick-up
By Thanksgiving

October Is

National Apple Month

National Apple Month in October promotes the consumption of one of nature's most delicious treats: apples. Since the season is ripe for apples, you need to make sure you have an ample supply of this tasty fruit to snack on as well as the recipes and any information you may need to prepare all the mouthwatering pastries, preserves, and desserts on your wish list. Throughout the month, consider the many ways apples are the enjoyments of family and friends especially



during the upcoming holidays. Whether you enjoy homemade apple butter or fresh-baked apple pies, or simply a ripe apple, all you can delight in the

goodness of the over 200 different varieties of apples available in the United States.

NATIONAL APPLE MONTH HISTORY

In 1905, apple growers across the United States joined together to support an annual observance of a *National Apple Day*. The observance was then joined by other growers, distributors, and retailers to improve awareness of the tasty product they provided to the general public.

Their endeavor that started in 1905, grew into a week and then into a month-long celebration. By 1973, *National Apple Month*



became an annual event that's looked forward to by producers and consumers alike.

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SWIS District Conferences



Our Club's Board of Directors has deemed it important that all of our Club members get the necessary information and are encouraged to attend the Quarterly Conferences of the SWIS District. Our Club will help offset some of the costs of attending.

<https://www.swisdistrict.org/conferences/default.asp>

2023-2024 Board of Directors	
President	Mike Hartwell 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2023
Vice-President President Elect	Laura Eggert 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2023
Past-President	Lance Roell 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2023
Secretary	Greg Harding 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2023
Treasurer	Heidi Sternig 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2023
Director	Pete Lieven 10/01/2021 to 09/30/2023
Director	Matt Muehlbauer 10/01/2021 to 09/30/2023
Director	Maria Gutierrez Gurrola 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2024
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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 of 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

The Writers' Corner

Haunted House



By Sarah Ziman

Rattle-skattle skeletons
clitter-clack each bone



Shrieksome banshees circle
and werewolves howl and moan.

Sh-sh-shake and shiver spectres



weeshly whisk along the
halls, while plumptious
orange pumpkins throw
their shadows on the
walls.

Double-trouble witchy twins
are cooking up commotion
with rosy poison apples
bib-bobbing in their potion.



Black cats hide in shadows
with topaz eyes ashine
whilst Mummies gently
molder in the cellar with
the wine.

SCRITCH SCRITCH SCRATCH!
and RAT-A-TAT-TAT!
Zoiks! Zombies — in the street!
Halloweenies here to party and cackling:
TRICK OR TREAT

