



# ***COWBELL***

*Friend of Youth*

MEETS EVERY FRIDAY NOON AT 4055 INTERNATIONAL PLAZA

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QUADRANT 4, CLUB # 38170

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**May 1, 2019**



**May Program Chair: Stephanie Sullivan**

**Thursday, May 2, 2019 – Optimist Night at the Ballpark, YMCA Sports Complex, 6:15 pm, 4350 Altamesa Blvd.**

**Friday, May 3, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON** Program: Respect for Law presentation by Stephanie Sullivan, Young Texan/Texanne from South Hills HS

**Friday, May 10, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON** Program: "Passport in Time" – Stephanie Sullivan's Digging Adventures

**Friday, May 10, 2019 – TCC Scholarship Applications Due**

**Tuesday, May 14, 2019 – Board Meeting, 6:30 PM, Pulido's Mexican Restaurant, 7601 Hwy 377/Benbrook Hwy. Host: Steve McCoy**

**Friday, May 17, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON** Program: Outstanding Junior Optimist Presentation by JOC Co-Directors Chris Gasca and Nick Renteria

**Wednesday, May 22 – Sunday, May 26 – Concession Stand Duty at Colonial Golf Tournament (13<sup>th</sup> Hole, 14<sup>th</sup> Green)**

**Friday, May 24, 2019 – NO NOON LUNCHEON**

**Monday, May 27, 2019 – *MEMORIAL DAY***

**Friday, May 31, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON Program: Michelle Gammage, Director of the Brain Balance Center**

*TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!*

*Message from President Fred Antonini (from an airport in North Carolina)*

**Thursday, May 2**, come out to the ballgames at Optimist/YMCA Sports Complex, 4320 Altamesa Blvd. (For the "old timers", that is the new and improved former Blue Raider complex near Southwest High School.) Bring your lawn chair or bleacher cushion and **Optimist spirit**. Several of our **PONY baseball teams** will be playing beginning at **6:15 pm**. Watching the Optimist baseball teams, the parents, the siblings and extended families will make you realize what an impact the Optimist Club has on the community. You might even make a visit to the concession stand, keep score, count pitches or run the scoreboard.



***IT HAPPENED LAST WEEK.....FRIDAY, April 26, 2019***

***WELCOME: Fred Antonini***

***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Rashad Alston***



**"MY COUNTRY TIS OF THEE" & "OPTIMIST SONG" led by Tommy Janes and Neil Hunt and assisted by Rashad Alston and Nancy Amos**



*Neil Rashad Tommy Nancy*

**INVOCATION: Don Stegall**

**GUESTS:** Past President Nancy Amos; Member Lisa Forrest brought Robert Turner, Colonial Savings Executive and SSA judge.

**PROGRAM:** 69<sup>th</sup> Annual SSA Awards Luncheon presented by Paul Boudloche

**SCHOLASTICS, SPORTSMANSHIP AND ATHLETIC (SSA) SCHOLARSHIP****HISTORY:**

These scholarships recognize students who are well rounded and have excelled in all three areas during their high school career. This scholarship has been awarded annually, beginning in 1951. There were 8 FWISD high schools then and only one scholarship in the amount of \$250 was awarded.

**PURPOSE:**

The Optimist Club of Fort Worth's **Scholastics, Sportsmanship and Athletic (SSA) Scholarships** are to be given annually to graduating seniors from a Fort Worth ISD high school who exhibit outstanding qualities as scholars, sportsmen and athletes and meet the requirements set out below.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY**

To qualify for the scholarship, the winner must:

1. Have completed academically for all four (4) years in a Fort Worth ISD high school and be in the top 25% of their graduating class;
2. Have maintained an unblemished record for sportsmanship on the athletic field and in contact with coaches, game officials and opposing players and teammates; and
3. Have engaged in athletics for at least two of the last three years.

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**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SSA SCHOLARSHIP FUND:**

- *Jim Ryffel*
- *Dick Fahy*
- *Rose Foundation*
- *Deborah Loneragan*
- *Jim Finley-Finley Resources*
- *Colonial Savings*
- *Multi-State Transmissions-Olson Family*
- \* *Paul Boudloche*
- \* *Stephanie Sullivan*
- \* *Ed Meinen*
- \* *Tommy Janes*

The Optimist Club of Fort Worth was able to present \$27,500 in scholarships by selling Christmas trees each year at Farrington Field parking lot and by the generous donations from private contributors.

SCHOOL	WINNER	LIAISON
Amon Carter-	<b>ASIA YOUNG</b>	Harriet Hunt
Arlington Heights	<b>MICHAEL SOMERVILLE</b>	Ron Gamill
Benbrook	<b>MERCEDES</b>	Steve McCoy
Diamond Hill-Jarvis	<b>HEIME MUNOZ DE</b>	Rashad Alston
Dunbar	<b>JEREMIAH KEYS</b>	Neil Hunt
Eastern Hills	<b>FILGON MORANGA</b>	Fred Antonini
North Side	<b>CARLOS OTERO</b>	Bernard Whitney
Paschal	<b>SAMYAM PANDEY</b>	Ed Meinen
Polytechnic	<b>DEJA WALKER</b>	Ashley Spangler
South Hills	<b>FIDEL GONZALES</b>	Teresa Holland
Southwest	<b>LUIS GOMEZ</b>	Tommy Janes
Trimble Tech	<b>NOEMI BARRIOS RAMIREZ</b>	Dick Fahy
Western Hills	<b>JUSTIN SANTOS</b>	Tracy Allen
Wyatt	<b>SAMUEL BROWN</b>	Ron Traver





**First Place Winner: Naemi Barrios Ramirez**

**Trimble Tech High School - \$5000**



**Second Place Winner: Filgon Moranga**

**Eastern Hills HS - \$3500**

**(Pictured with SSA Judge Robert Turner)**

**Third Place Winner: Fidel Gonzales (Not pictured)**

**South Hills High School - \$2500**

**Fourth through Fourteenth Place Winners**

**\$1500 each**

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**Asia Young with Liaison Harriet Hunt**  
**Amon Carter-Riverside High School**



**Michael Somerville with Liaison Ron Gamill**  
**Arlington Heights High School**



**Heimi Munoz De La Paz with Liaison Rashad Alston**  
**Diamond Hill – Jarvis High School**



**Jeremiah Keys with Liaison Neil Hunt**  
**Dunbar High School**



**Mercedes Blanchard with Terry Headrick**  
(substituting for Liaison Steve McCoy)

**Benbrook High School**



**Carlos Otero with Liaison Bernard Whitney**  
**North Side High School**



**Samyam Pandey with Tommy Janes**  
(substituting for Liaison Ed Meinen)

**Paschal High School**



**Deja Walker with Tommy Janes**  
**Polytechnic High School**



**Luis Gomez with Liaison Judi Janes**  
**Southwest High School**



**Justin Santos with Liaison Tracy Allen**  
**Western Hills High School**





Samuel Brown with Liaison Ron Traver

O. D. Wyatt High School

*Photos by Art Boone, Jr.*

**OPTIMIST CREED:** *Led by Paul Boudloche*

## NEWS AND NOTES

**2019 CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE (COLONIAL) GOLF TOURNAMENT, Wednesday, May 22 through Sunday, May 26.** *There may still be openings for Saturday and Sunday if you would like to work. Stephanie Sullivan has sent out individual registration forms to those who have already signed up. Please return these to Stephanie along with a copy of your drivers license on May 3.*



## 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, 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.*



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