

## OPTIMIST CLUB OF FORT WORTH

### PLANNING CALENDAR

**SEPTEMBER** – Last Friday of September is the usually the Installation of Officers

- JOC (Junior Optimist Club) football season begins. Selection of coaches, coaches' meeting, schedules developed, equipment ordered and/or distributed, football team practices begin and possibly the season starts.

**OCTOBER- Optimist Year Begins**

- JOC football continues
- NTX District Conference
- Youth Appreciation Luncheon honoring Student Council Presidents and/or Senior Class Presidents from each high school
- First of 14 Young Texan/Texannes (YTT) presented (others scheduled throughout the school year)

**NOVEMBER**

- JOC football continues
- Christmas tree sales preparation begins
- Monday before Thanksgiving – trees are delivered
- Prepare and serve Thanksgiving Dinner at Ronald McDonald House
- Friday after Thanksgiving – Christmas tree sales begin

**DECEMBER**

- Christmas tree sales continue until approximately the 21<sup>st</sup>
- JOC coaches begin preparing for soccer season

**JANUARY**

- JOC soccer season begins

**FEBRUARY**

- Optimist International Essay Contest
- Second Quarter NTX District Meeting
- Optimist PONY Baseball planning/sign-ups begin, ages 6-14

**MARCH**

- Baseball season begins
- JOC girls' softball begins

**APRIL**

- Third Quarter NTX Board Meeting
- Scholarship-Sportsmanship-Athletics (SSA) scholarship presentations

**MAY**

- Respect for Law presentation
- Baseball continues
- Outstanding Junior Optimist presentation
- Work concession stand at Colonial Golf Tournament

**JUNE**

- Tarrant County College (TCC) Scholarships presented
- Baseball All-Stars tournament play

**JULY**

- Optimist International Convention
- Community service activity – Tarrant Area Food Bank

**AUGUST**

**SEPTEMBER**

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**Affiliated with Optimist International, North Texas District, Quadrant 4, Club #38170**

**Meets every Friday Noon at 4055 International Plaza**

**Weekly newsletter – COWBELL [www.optimistclubfortworth.org](http://www.optimistclubfortworth.org)**

**MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES**

**JOC: coaching, referring football games, judging Outstanding Junior Optimist contestants**

**Baseball: coaching, keeping score at ball games, running the score board at games**

**High school liaisons: contacting school personnel in selection of Youth Appreciation students, Young Texan/Texanne nominees, SSA candidates, essay contest participants, TCC scholarship applications. (Liaisons will need assistance judging essays and scholarship applications.)**

**Christmas Trees: All members are encouraged to work the Christmas tree lot (selling, serving as cashier, inventorying of trees or just bringing the donuts and hot chocolate).**

**Volunteer: Ronald McDonald House TG dinner, Tarrant Area Food Bank, Colonial Golf Tournament concession stand selling drinks and sandwiches while promoting the Optimist Club**