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Friday, June 5, 2026 – NOON LUNCHOEN, Program: Heath Aucoin, Fort Worth Sports Commission, will speak to us about "Readers become Leaders"

Sunday, June 14, 2026 – Flag Day

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 – Evening Board Meeting at the home of Jimmy Henderson

Friday, June 19, 2026 – JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY

Friday, June 19, 2026 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: TBD

Sunday, June 21, 2026 – FATHER'S DAY! SUMMER BEGINS!

June 29–July 1: Optimist International Convention in Jacksonville, Florida

PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE

By President Steve McCoy

June Edition

Dear Fellow Optimists,

As all of you know, last week was the Charles Schwab Challenge at Colonial Country Club. Thanks to all of you who volunteered to work the concession stand. We couldn't have pulled this off without you. A special shout out goes to Stephanie Sullivan for spending countless hours trying to find people to sign up, **AND**, for working every day of the tournament, including two shifts on Thursday and Friday. And an honorable mention goes out to Terry Headrick for working a shift on Thursday plus double shifts on Saturday and Sunday.

As for our 11th fairway stand, it was tough. We were slammed with a multitude of customers on several occasions. I am not sure how much we will make this year, but I can tell you that both the Spectrum manager and our product supplier told us we were the number one stand in sales compared to all the other stands on the course! This is amazing! In my unbiased opinion most of this can be attributed to the smiling faces and positive attitudes of our Optimists. (Plus, we strived to have the coldest beer on the course. LOL)

Now that our scholarship contests are over and Junior Optimist softball has completed, we are moving into All Star tournaments for Pony Baseball. We will be publishing the various tournament schedules, and I hope you will attend some of the games to show our club's support.

With appreciation, Your President,

Steve McCoy

*(Check out **Optimist Club of Fort Worth Facebook page** for lots of pictures and commentary on the golf tournament.)*

END OF SEASON BASEBALL PICNIC AT Z BOAZ BASEBALL FIELD MAY 30, 2026



OPTIMISTS: TOMMY JANES, JUDI JANES, BASEBALL PRESIDENT ANTHONY MUNOZ, AND NEIL HUNT



ANTHONY AWARDING RINGS...CHECK OUT THE FUTURE BALL PLAYERS... (SO CUTE!)

On a warm Saturday afternoon over two hundred baseball players, coaches, families and friends gathered at Z Boaz Baseball Field for hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the fixin's. At two o'clock Optimist Baseball President Anthony Munoz presented rings to

first and second place teams, All-Stars, and MVP's. Anthony reported that they finished the season with sixteen teams. Now on to All-Star PONY tournament play! Optimists in attendance: former Optimist Baseball Presidents Tommy Janes and Neil Hunt as well as Judi Janes and Fred Antonini.



OPTIMIST FRED ANTONINI AND FRIENDS

NEWS & NOTES

Friday, May 8, 2026 – SCHOLASTICS, SPORTSMANSHIP AND ATHLETICS (SSA) SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

*These scholarships recognize a senior student/athlete from each of the FWISD high schools who is well rounded and has 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. This year we awarded \$31,000 in scholarships to 15 outstanding student athletes. **Kylee Williams** from Arlington Heights HS was awarded \$10,000 scholarship as first place winner. **Anthony Elizondo** from Diamond Hill/Jarvis was awarded \$6000 for second place and third place winner **Savannah Smith** from Paschal received a \$3000 scholarship. The twelve remaining finalists each received a \$1000 scholarship. CONGRATULATIONS!*



Finalists: Benbrook- James Hudson Felker, Carter/Riverside – Emanuel Magana, Dunbar – Laila Spence, Eastern Hills – C’Anne Smith, Northside – Jose Herrera, O.D. Wyatt – Micah Baker, Poly – Jacques Alphonse, South Hills – Pamela Olvera, Southwest – Isabel Reyes, Trimble Tech – Emily Guijosa, Western Hills – Addison Dudley, and Young Men’s Leadership Academy – Kobin Fitzgerald

Friday, May 22, 2026 – NOON LUNCHEON Program: Kintisha Williams, Corporate & Community Giving Manager of Trinity Habitat for Humanity.



Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1976 in Americus, Georgia. The idea was to build homes with families working together with the community. Religious and political differences set aside over a common bond of the dignity of and power of home ownership. Future homeowners are involved in the planning and actual building of their homes. There are various ways to become involved in supporting Habitat. Go to: TrinityHabitat.org for more information. Also, you may donate to ReStore.

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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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