



Welcome to the Roseville Area Optimist Club Newsletter
January | February 2025

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Our Mission - By providing hope and positive vision,
Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS



Friday, February 14th - Luncheon Meeting Speaker The Amazing Hondo

Renowned Magician & Motivational Speaker

Theme - "Magic with a Message"

From Math Teacher to Magician, Hondo's unique journey has taken him from inspiring students to captivating audiences worldwide. Hondo blends sleight of hand, mind-reading, and witty humor into a truly unforgettable performance. It inspires wonder and reminds us that the impossible is often just waiting to be discovered. His performance will leave us feeling optimistic and full of amazement.

[Register HERE](#) - by Thursday, February 6th

Don't forget to bring your items for the hygiene drive on February 14th—see details under the Character Development Initiative below**

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Optimist Day is February 6th
Let's Celebrate at our February 14th luncheon

What is Optimist Day:

Optimist International Clubs and Members celebrate Optimist Day to promote their efforts and bring awareness on how they are making a difference with youth in their community. They do this by wearing something with the Optimist logo and/or hosting events to celebrate the annual day.

****Wear your club pin or club logo to promote our club.
Ask someone to join you for lunch on February 14th.****



**Friday, March 14th - Luncheon Meeting Speaker
Jack Stahlmann**

Theme - "Unlocking Real World Impact"

Jack Stahlmann's informative and educational presentations are built around his experiences in Los Angeles as an actor, producer, director — and of course, a waiter. He's also a seasoned presenter, captivating audiences worldwide with his engaging style and actionable takeaways.

True success hinges on navigating the human element. In this presentation, Jack will share his insights, guiding you through:

- **The Gift of Presence:** Learn to make everyone feel as valued as Clooney commands the room.
- **The Snoop Dogg Shift:** Discover how to adapt and evolve your career, much like Snoop Dogg's remarkable transformation.
- **The Connect:** Uncover simple yet powerful strategies to become unforgettable.

This isn't just theory; it's about unlocking real-world impact. By cultivating 'it,' you'll elevate your connections, boost team morale, and leave a lasting positive impression.

[Register HERE](#) - by Thursday, March 6th

*Our Lunch Meetings are held at the Doubletree Hotel by Hilton Hotel
in Roseville on the 2nd Friday of the Month.
11:15am - 1pm*

Updates on our Initiatives

Character Development Initiative “An Inclusive Caring Community”

We invite you to join us for *Roseville Cares Week*, February 1st – 9th. Roseville Cares is a new initiative spotlighting caring actions in our community and inspiring others to “care it forward.” ** [The Optimists will be assembling kitchen packs for Bridging on on Monday, February 3rd from 11:30am to 1pm in partnership with the Rotary Club.](#) Location – Bridging Roseville, 1730 Terrace Drive. Register [HERE](#) **

Also, support the **hygiene drive!** Bring new, unopened personal hygiene items to the RAOC luncheon meeting on February 14th. We are collecting items for Bridge to Basics. Requested items include body wash, soap, deodorant, diapers, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotions, razors and toilet paper. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, we will use it to purchase requested items.

Questions? Contact Barb Bergseth at bergsethb@gmail.com or 612-419-3619.

Roseville Cares is brought to you by a partnership between *Do Good Roseville* and the *Roseville Area Optimists Club’s Character Development Initiative (CDI)*.



Help Roseville Students Practice Interviewing

The Roseville Area Optimist Club has been working with the Roseville Area Schools to provide volunteers for mock interviews with students. We are looking for more volunteers to engage in college or job interviews with the Fairview Alternative High School AVID students on Thursday, February 6th from 10:30am – 12:15pm.

To volunteer, please register via this [Google Form Link](#)

Mock interviewers are also needed on February 26, 27 and 28th from 10:30am to 12:15pm.

Sign up via this [Google Form Link](#).



Career Speakers Needed

The Roseville high school AVID programs are looking for speakers to talk about their careers on a Monday over the the few months. Sign up via the [Google Link Form](#) and AVID coordinator Anne Barnes will follow up with you.



RAOC Student Essay Contests Dates and Deadlines

Do you know a local talented student under the age of 19 that would be interested in winning some money? Our 2025 Essay and Oratorical contests are around the corner. Prizes are \$500/\$350/\$150.

Categories are:

- 1) Optimist International Essay Contest
- 2) Oratorical Contest
- 3) Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH)

[Contest Information Here](#)

Ringin Bells for Salvation Army



Thank you to all our December bell ringers!!
All shifts were filled and \$\$ money \$\$ was raised for Salvation Army.

Congratulations to our 2024 RAOC winners.

Kerri Kolstad – Optimist of the Year. RAOC Golf & Social director and editor of RAOC newsletter.

Patty Sagert – Distinguish Citation Award as Past President



Join an Optimist Book Club

Enjoy some fun, meet other members, and share the love of books! Each Club meets one week after the Friday Luncheon Meeting at 7:30pm at the Roseville Professional Center.

Wednesday Club - Contact Don Salverda at 651.484.1335

Thursday Club - Contact Dennis Stolp at drstolp@comcast.net

Friday Club - Contact Dave Bartholomay at dave.bartholomay@gmail.com



Upcoming Speaker and Luncheon Meetings

Invite a Friend

Friday, February 14th

Friday, March 14th

Friday, April 11th

11:15am - 1:00pm

Doubletree in Roseville

Register one week in advance at [HERE](#).
