



An Invitation

If you identify with the Optimist Mission, Vision and Creed, you are a good candidate for membership in our St. Croix Valley Optimist Club (Chartered 2024).

We encourage you to learn more about the Optimists and our group.

If you are interested, contact us. Better yet – attend one of our meetings. We meet on the third Wednesday of each month from 11:30am to 1:00pm at the Lowell Inn, Stillwater, MN 55082.

Optimist International Member Invitation

Name: _____

HOME ADDRESS

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS

Firm Name: _____

Type of Business: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business/Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Business Position or Title _____

May we contact you at work: ___Yes ___ No

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Sponsor: _____

Membership in the St. Croix Valley Optimist Club: A one-time \$35 application fee plus \$107.50 quarterly membership dues will be assessed after you are approved for membership by the Club Board of Directors.

St. Croix Valley Optimist Club
P.O. Box 2231
Stillwater, MN 55082

Individuals who have committed sexual offenses against children may be denied membership and/or have their membership revoked.

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St. Croix Valley Optimist Club

*Bringing Out The Best in Youth,
In Our Community, and In
Ourselves*



About Optimist International

Meeting the needs of young people in communities worldwide, Optimist Clubs have been "Bringing Out the Best in Youth, Communities and Ourselves since 1919."

Optimist Clubs conduct positive service projects aimed at providing a helping hand to youth. Club members are best known in their communities for their upbeat attitudes. By believing in young people and empowering them to be the best they can, Optimist volunteers continually make this world a better place to live. There are 75,000 individual members who belong to more than 2600 autonomous Clubs. Optimists conduct 65,000 service projects each year, serving six million young people.

Additional information about the Optimist organization can be found at www.optimist.org

Mission:

By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in young people, their community and themselves.

Vision:

Optimist International will be recognized worldwide as the premier volunteer organization that values all children and helps them develop to their full potential.

"It's a Great Day in the Valley!"

Purpose:

- *To develop optimism as a philosophy of life utilizing the tenets of the Optimist Creed;*
- *To promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs;*
- *To inspire respect for the law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people;*
- *To aid and encourage the development of youth, in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of humankind, community life and the world.*

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 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.