



# JACKSONVILLE JOTTINGS

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**OPTIMIST**  
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*Friend of Youth*

*Optimist International Mission Statement—By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids.*

## Thursday, December 1

General and Board meeting, 7:30 at Dave Ward's. Please join us.

## Saturday, December 10 Shop With A Cop 7:30 am @ WalMart

The spirit of the season starts with Optimists and County Police, WalMart & Outback in providing deserving children with holiday spending money. Our club donated \$1,000 to support 10 needy children. Timonium, Cockeysville, Hereford also donated to serve a total of 110 this year. County Police pick up the children, drive them to Hunt Valley, and help them shop for themselves and their families. The 50 car procession up I83 is impressive.

## Annual Holiday Party. Saturday 12/17/16. Barn 1-3pm lunch.

Bring your family and a dish (let Carol 410-746-0150 or Dave 410-666-0086 know) and a donation to Children's House. Celebrate with your Optimist friends.

## CANCELLED January 5 Board meeting!!!

## Thursday, January 19 Stock Market Challenge Kick-Off 6:30 @ the barn

Help get the flyers out for our club's main fundraiser and enjoy dinner. Then please participate by buying a \$20 ticket—or 2 or 3!



## WELCOME new member Mary Ann Hand.



## Optimist Essay Contest January 15 deadline

Know any students who enjoy writing? The topic is "Chasing Optimism in the Face of Challenges" for students under the age of 18 by Oct 1 with proof of age by birth certificate or passport. 700 to 800 words. The winner from our club will go onto the District competition for monetary awards.

## HOBY 2016 Wrap Up

Carol Applegate brought dinner and HOBY Alum **Marjorie Antonio** from Eastern High School. "The Best HOBY speaker yet" was a member comment. We enjoyed her discussion of how she was chosen, how she felt joining 237 other sophomores at Mount St. Mary's University (shy & a little nervous), why she enjoyed and what she learned from the many speakers and activities. She has increased her volunteer hours and commitments because of the HOBY influence. She wants to return to HOBY next Memorial weekend to join the junior and senior Team Alumni to work behind the scenes.



## Towson University Optimists

They meet every other week. Recent projects were Halloween Trunk or Treat and restaurant fundraisers. Winter plans are set for when they return to college after the holidays. Christina Alms, President.

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## Shopping list for Believe in Tomorrow Children's House FD @ Johns Hopkins Hospital

A 15 room, 2 kitchen residence for families with children receiving cancer treatments

Paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, paper cups & plates, food wrap, baggies.

Can goods-soups, spaghetti sauce, veggies, chili.

Dry goods-noodles, rice or mac & cheese mixes.

Wal-Mart certificates for shopping

Use your imagination to fill their pantry for the holidays! Bring your donations to our Holiday Party Saturday, 12/17, 1-3pm.

