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Central Macomb Optimist Club

BRINGING OUT THE BEST IN KIDS

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Optimist Club Forecast ... “ ... A Great 2008 ! ”

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Central Macomb Optimist Club's 4th annual Christmas Auction on December 13th. Pat Miller & Barry assist Santa

Christmas Auction 2007

The fourth annual Christmas Auction was a huge success. Around 45 were in attendance which included club members, family and friends.

Santa, with the assistance of Pat and Barry were well worth the price of the free admission! President Cindie noted that this trio could auction off ice cubes to polar bears.

The end result was a lot of fun and a record high \$1,187 to assist with the Children's Home Christmas event.

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50/50 Winner: Julie Gola!
Dearborn Ham Winner: Ryan Ewles



Barry's world famous chocolate fountain provided an additional Christmas treat for the Children at Children's Home of Detroit. (Story on page 2)

January Birthdays...

Kathy Vatalaro - 7th

Bonnie Locke - 7th

Karen Tucker - 12th

Leslie Mansoor - 28th

Dan Moss - 31st



Dues: \$10 per month (\$40 new member fee)
Meeting dates: 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month

January 2nd @ 7pm meeting - Hamlin Pub

January 16th @ 7pm meeting - Hamlin Pub

New Members & Guests Welcome!

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**Merry Christmas
& Happy New Year**

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Christmas Auction 2007



Where's Craig ?

Christmas Dinner at Children's Home 2007



Santa and his helper pass out stuffed animals, stockings and gift cards to the children at Children's Home of Detroit in Warren on December 5th.



Santa's Helpers Martin Hardy & George



Ham and turkey dinner with all the trimmings was a Christmas delight for the children the Warren Children's

Children's Home Party a Great Success

About 30 children at the Children's Home of Detroit (in Warren) were appreciative of something they haven't had for a while. A home cooked meal!

A formal dinner with ham and turkey along with all the trimmings. Club members dressed in black with white tops and served the food. This was a first for many of these children... a formal event that included an appetizer table, dessert table and a chocolate fountain with Christmas music in the background.

Santa met with each child and provided them with a stuffed animal, stocking and a gift card! Dot and Donna were commended on helping to coordinate this event at the Children's Home along with members and volunteers.

Club Membership

- Craig Babcock
- Julie Cronin *
- Janet Dunn *
- Brian Eady *
- Isabel Eady *
- Paul Gayan *
- Sara Glover
- Mark Hackel
- Patricia Kerich
- Paul Kowal
- Kenneth Loria
- Sarah Lee-Ellena *
- Dorothy (Dot) Hardy
- Terri Kowal
- Cyndi Lakse
- Elaine Lyon
- Fred Lyon
- Barb Lyon
- Leslie Mansoor *
- Pat Miller
- Karen Monville *
- Donna Onifer
- Richard Paul *
- Rose Pipia
- Keith Rengert *
- Kim Steffen *
- Theresa Thompson
- Karen Tucker
- Kathy Vatalaro
- Cindie Szarek *

30
Charter Members (12)



Central Macomb Optimist Club Activity Calendar

- **RIGHT NOW! TICKET SALES “Wigs 4 Kids Raffle” \$35 each... WITH YOUR HELP WE WILL SELL 350 TICKETS BY JANUARY 3, 2008... MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS !!!!**
- December 25 **Merry Christmas and an Optimistic New Year to ALL!**
- January 2 **Meeting @ 7 pm - Hamlin Pub**
- January 16 **Meeting @ 7 pm - Hamlin Pub**
- February 9 **Dancing to the Decades - at Washington Township Lion’s Hall**
- April/May **Oratorical Contest at JJC - “Why Me? Why Not?”**
- June 25 **WIGS 4 KIDS final draw / Party at Partridge Creek**

The Return of “Dancing to the Decades”

February 9, 2007 - SAVE THIS DATE!



Get Your Tickets



Limited # of Tickets



350 RAFFLE BENEFITTING WIGS 4 KIDS

Wigs 4 Kids helps children who struggle to deal with social acceptance because of physical appearance. By providing custom-fitted, age-appropriate wigs which are individually cut and styled, **Wigs 4 Kids** help kids feel better about their appearance and look more like their peers. **Wigs 4 Kids** main focus is on cancer patients and includes other young people with similar appearance related challenges that cause hair loss such as:



- We will be selling 350 raffle tickets for \$35.00 each.
- Each ticket puts you in all 25 drawings pulled weekly at the Hamlin Pub (22 mile Road and Hayes) for a prize of \$100
- First drawing will be Jan 8, 2008
- Ticket also entitles bearer and a guest to the finale party on June 25, 2008 at Partridge Creek Banquet Center in Clinton Twp.
- Stroll and taste to foods of local restaurants and vendors
- Grand Prizes will be drawn at the finale party
- First Place Grand Prize is \$1000
- 2nd place \$500, 3rd & 4th place \$250, 5th – 8th \$100 and 9th & 10th \$50

Contact Leslie.mansoor@gmail.com 586.634.0762 for tickets



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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 you 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 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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January

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Hamlin Pub (Hayes & 22 Mile)

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