OPTIMIST CLUB OF FORT WORTH

PLANNING CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER – Last Friday of September is the Installation of Officers

 JOC (Junior Optimist Club) football season begins. Selection of coaches, coaches' meeting, schedules developed, equipment ordered and/or distributed, football team practices begin and possibly the season starts.

OCTOBER -- Optimist Year Begins

- JOC football continues
- TexHoma District Conference
- Youth Appreciation Luncheon honoring Student Council Presidents and/or Senior Class Presidents

NOVEMBER

- JOC football continues
- Christmas tree lot preparation begins
- Monday before Thanksgiving Christmas trees are delivered
- Collect and deliver paper goods for Ronald McDonald House
- Friday after Thanksgiving Christmas tree sales begin

DECEMBER

- Christmas tree sales continue until approximately December 12th
- JOC coaches begin preparing for soccer season

JANUARY

• JOC soccer season begins

FEBRUARY

- Optimist International Essay Contest
- Second Quarter TexHoma District meeting
- Optimist PONY baseball planning/sign-ups begin, ages 6-14

MARCH

- Baseball season begins
- JOC girls' softball begins
- SSA scholarship process begins
- Club level OI Essay contest winner's luncheon

APRIL

- Third quarter TexHoma district meeting
- Tarrant County College (TCC) Scholarships presented

MAY

- Baseball continues
- Outstanding Junior Optimist presentation
- Scholarship-Sportsmanship-Athletics (SSA) scholarships presented
- Work concession stand at Colonial Golf Tournament

JUNE

- Baseball All-Stars tournaments
- Optimist International Convention

JULY

• Community service activity – Tarrant Area Food Bank

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

Affiliated with Optimist International, TexHoma District, Zone 5, Club #38170

Meets first and third Friday Noon at 4055 International Plaza, Fort Worth, TX

Bi-weekly newsletter – COWBELL Website: <u>www.optimistclubfortworth.org</u>

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

JOC: coaching, judging Outstanding Junior Optimist contestants

Baseball: coaching, keeping score, running the score board, administration

High school liaisons: contacting school personnel in selection of Youth Appreciation students, SSA candidates, essay contest participants, TCC scholarships applications (Liaisons will need assistance judging essays and scholarship applications.)

Christmas Trees: All members are encouraged to work the Christmas tree lot (selling, serving as cashier, inventorying of trees or just bringing the donuts and hot chocolate).

Volunteer: Ronald McDonald House – donate paper goods, Tarrant Area Food Bank – pack food for distribution, Colonial Golf Tournament concession stand – selling drinks and food while promoting the Optimist Club