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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 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.

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Upcoming Events

May 25—Memorial Day Parade—8AM
May 27—Races at the Fairgrounds
June 1—Meeting—7 PM Craig Ghessi
June 3—Races at the Fairgrounds
June 10—Races at the Fairgrounds
June 15—Meeting—7 PM Garret Miller
June 17—Races at the Fairgrounds
June 24—Races at the Fairgrounds

President's Message

Can you believe that I am drawing a blank this month when it comes to writing this president's message? It might be that I was on vacation last week, soaking up the sun on the beach and eating myself stupid.

From what I've heard, President-Elect Pat "The Celtic Executive" Maley did a pretty decent job presiding over the May membership meeting, even though he had a little trouble getting the rhythm down when the time came to vote on some motions. Oh well, I am sure it was good practice for Pat and that the members at the meeting had a great time picking on him.

I also learned that we've gained another member, Brad Sechler. Please join me in welcoming Brad into the club, and making sure he gets the fire in his belly to become an active Kutztown Optimist. Not that he isn't off to a great start, from what I hear he's committed to three Folk Festival security shifts already. Do you have any friends or family members you'd like to invite to join the club? Bring them out to a meeting or an event!

Speaking of the Festival, its coming fast. Have you signed up for a security shift yet? If not give Ben Haas a shout and let him know which shift you'd like to work.

We'll need plenty of help too with the fairstand during the event. To help with the fairstand, give Ed Doerman a call to see when assistance is needed. Remember, if you can't work the stand during the day, we can always use help after 6 PM cleaning up for the night and preparing for the next day. Stop by after your 9-5 job if you can't make it out during the day, the guys working during the day will be very thankful.

Speaking of the fairstand, have you been out to a Wednesday night race? Andy Schlegel and Mark Prevoznik have been doing a great job managing these fund-raising nights. Give them a shout to see how you can earn a free coffee or two.

Speaking of Andy Schlegel, he's been doing a nice job with getting the shopping spree project rolling. He even hung the banner at Radcliffe's in mid-May. Drive by to check it out and you'll learn why its important not to have any Schmidt's before undertaking such a task. Please help Andy with this important and fun project, he'll need help selling tickets at Radcliffe's on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings, as well as a couple of dates at other locations.

Finally, Summer meetings are here! The first one will begin at 7PM on June 1st at Craig Ghessi's house. June 15th will be at Garret Miller's humble abode, also at 7PM.

Don't know how to get to these member's houses? Don't fret, our newsletter editor and minister of propaganda, Mr. Mike Collins, will be sending out a reminder for the meeting complete with directions. Still can't find them? Give me a call and I'll talk you through the directions.

Thanks everyone for all of your help so far this year, without you we'd get nothing done in our communities. Please have a safe and happy June and don't forget to come out to our meetings and events.



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Wednesday Night Races at the Fairgrounds

Contact Andy Schlegel or Mark Prevoznik if you can help out on Wednesday Nights at the Food Stand. The Stand is a major source of revenue for the Club and even if you can spare an hour or two it would be helpful!

Folk Festival Food Stand Sign Ups & Clean Up

Ed Doermann is circulating the sign up sheet to man the Food Stand during the Folk Festival. Help is needed from June 27th through July 5th. **If you are unable to assist during the daytime due to work commitments, help is always appreciated at the end of the day with cleaning the stand and preparing for the next day.**

Folk Festival Security Sign Ups

Ben Haas is asking for volunteers for Security during the festival. Help is needed from June 27th through July 5th. See Ben or email him ASAP if you can help.

Shopping Spree Tickets Available

Andy and Dan are again manning the Shopping Spree this year. Please see them to get tickets to sell! Sign is up at Radcliffe's and Andy needs help selling tickets on Friday evenings or Saturday mornings!

Summer Meetings

Our first Summer Meeting is Monday, June 1st at Craig Ghessi's house, Craig lives at 19 Winfield Drive, Kutztown 19530. Take Crystal Cave Road to the top of the hill and make the hard right hand turn on to Knittle Road. Winfield Drive is less than 1/4 mile on the left. Summer Meeting #2 will be June 15th at Garret Miller's house, Garret lives at 15022 Kutztown Road, 19530, just down on the left past the Airport Diner. REMINDER: Summer Meetings start at 7 PM!

Letter from the Editor

I changed the format of the first page slightly to accommodate Dan's President's message. Good thing Pat is coming on in a few months otherwise the whole newsletter would be Dan's message!