

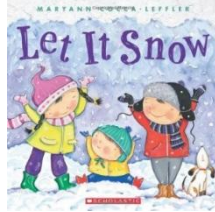


THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF NORTH LIBERTY

CHARTERED APRIL 24, 1973

2014-2015 Officers and Board

President: Mary Jane Sweeney (626-6163)
President Elect: to be determined
Past President: Dale Ingle (626-2302)
Secretary: Barb Dixon (626-2938)
Treasurer: Dave Roberts (626-2949)
Board – Fred Charbon, Neil Davis, Sandra Gay, Margaret Rios, Rita Roberts, and Darlene Smith



January 2015

- January 8:** **Regular Thursday Dinner Meeting**, 6:30 P.M., Pizza Ranch
Speaker: North Liberty Police Department
- January 12:** **Board Meeting**, 6:30 P.M., Darlene Smith's home
- January 22:** **Regular Thursday Dinner Meeting**, 6:30 P.M., Pizza Ranch
Speaker: Caryl Lyons, Secretary State of Iowa for United Nations

February 2015

- February 9:** **Board Meeting**, 6:30 P.M., Darlene Smith's home
- February 12:** **Valentine Party**, 6:30 P.M., Brown Bottle
- February 26:** **Regular Thursday Dinner Meeting**, 6:30 P.M., Pizza Ranch
Speaker: Maxine Webb, Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa

President Mary Jane Sweeney's Message

I want to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

We had a wonderful time at our Optimist Christmas Party. There was plenty of good food and lots of fun with the Chinese gift exchange. A big thank you to Rita and Dave for hosting the party again this year.

Thank you to all who donated money or items or helped with picking up and delivering the food for the Christmas Baskets. The baskets helped over 75 families involving about 182 kids and 105 adults. Sandra and Barb did a great job as co-chairs for this event.

The 42nd Annual Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, March 7th from 7 A.M. to 1 P.M. Set up will be Friday evening, March 6th. Jennie Garner is our new chair for this event and she will

let us know if she needs help. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$2 for kids 10-3 and free for kids 2 and under, or a book of 11 tickets for \$60. If you are in need of tickets, please contact Dave Roberts at 626-2949 or me at 626-6163. Please let Dave know who you have contacted even if they don't buy tickets, as we want to make sure someone else doesn't go to the same business. This is our biggest fund raiser so we need everyone's help on Saturday, March 7th even if it is only for a few hours at a time.

The Valentine Party will be Thursday, February 12th at the Brown Bottle at 6:30 P.M. Hope to see everyone there. Spouses/Significant Others are welcome.

We are in need of a President for next year. Anyone interested should contact me.

Mary Jane Sweeney

Winter Poem

It's winter in Iowa
And the gentle breezes blow
Seventy miles an hour
At thirty-five below.
Oh, how I love Iowa
When the snow's up to your butt
You take a breath of winter
And your nose gets frozen shut.
Yes, the weather here is wonderful
So I guess I'll hang around
I could never leave Iowa
I'm frozen to the friggin' ground!

- Author unknown

Birthdays

January 1 - Linda Russell

January 5 - Barb Dixon

January 29 - Jennie Garner

February 8 - Theresa Maple

February 26 - Melvin Schemmel

Anniversaries

January 6 - Linda Russell