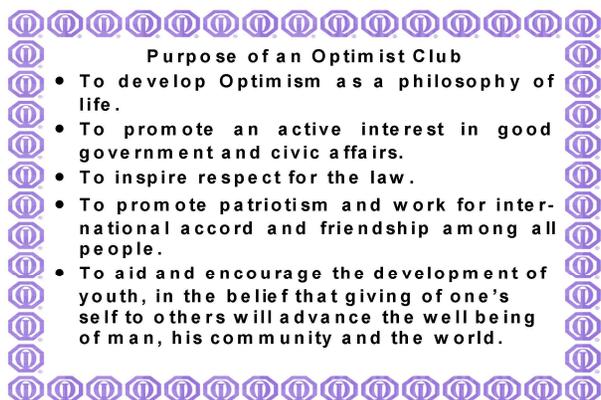


The Optimist Creed

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.

- Optimist International



3rd Quarter District Conferences
April 18, 2026

Indiana South District
Optimist International



2025-2026

“Ripples of Change”

Monica Wallace, Governor

**Kimball International Headquarters
1600 Royal Street
Jasper IN 47546**

Indiana South District
Saturday, April 18, 2026
8:00 – 9:00 am – Registration (Front Lobby)

Past Governor’s Meeting – Arnold F. Habig Board Room

First Morning Session - 9:00 (Heartwood Hub)

Call to Order	Gov. Monica
Invocation	Tony Trimble
Pledge of Allegiance	Veterans
Introductions (1 st Timers, Guests, Clubs)	Gov. Monica
Conference Schedule / Evaluation Forms	LDC Chair Andy Tice

District Board Meeting

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes	DST Kent
Finance Report	DST Kent
Policies and Zoning	Tony Trimble
Adjourn Board Meeting	Gov. Monica

Candidate Qualifications (Lt. Govs. & Governor)	IPG Walt
2026-2027 Lt. Governor Election	IPG Walt
Introduce 2026-2027 Lt. Governors	Gov. Elect Jim
OI International Convention	Paula Reyling
District Convention	Dave Osborne
Club Showcases	
Terre Haute Noon, Indianapolis Downtown, Plainfield, & Jasper	

Break (10:45-11:00)

Second Morning Session – 11:20

Oratorical Contest	Greg Kuhn (Chair)
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Break (11:50-12:00)

Lunch – 12:00-1:25 (Heartwood Hub)

Welcome	Gov. Monica
Invocation	Tony Trimble
Pledge of Allegiance	Veterans
Introductions	Gov. Monica
Lunch - buffet	
Essay Contest Awards	Betsy Burke (Chair)
Oratorical Contest Awards	Greg Kuhn (Chair)
OI Vice President Message	Liz Christman
OI Foundation Report	DFR Mike Novak
Happy Dollars	DFR Mike Novak

Break (1:25 – 1:35)

Afternoon Session – 1:35

DREAM – Optimist International Program	Paula Reyling
Committee Reports	
Tri-Star Basketball, Respect for Law, CCDHH, Junior Golf	
OI Vice President Closing Message	Liz Christman
President’s Incentive Drawing / Door Prizes	Dave Osborne
Closing Message	Gov. Monica
Digital Diary	Darrel Paul / Kent Ryeling
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Upcoming Indiana South District Meetings

40th Annual Convention

August 28 – 29, 2026

Radisson Hotel Louisville: North

505 Marriott Drive, Clarksville, IN 47129