DISTRICT ORATORICAL CONTEST CHAIR

PURPOSE: To plan, promote and conduct the annual District Oratorical Contest Finals at the Third Quarter Conference. To encourage local contests by member Clubs and assist Lieutenant Governors in the planning for the required Zone Contests.

PERSONNEL: The Chair should be knowledgeable about the Optimist Oratorical Contest and be a task oriented, responsible person. Committee members should have an interest in kids and building confidence through public speaking. A good geographical distribution could help with Regional Contests and Club promotion.

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To promote the Club's involvement in the Oratorical Contest.
- To promote the early planning of the Zone Contests and assist the Lieutenant Governors with their individual planning.
- To conduct the District Oratorical Contest in the manner established by Optimist International.
- To be responsible for ordering the official Contest awards for presentation at the District finals.
- To make regular reports to the members and member Clubs on the Oratorical Contest utilizing the District Bulletin, District Website, email or other methods.
- To offer informative presentations and fliers about the Oratorical Contest to the members and Club leadership at quarterly District Conferences.
- To secure qualified judges, timekeepers, and moderators for the preliminary and final Contests at the District level.
- To submit the Zone/Regional/District Entry Form, copy of the speech, Winner's Information Form and a copy of the birth certificate for all District winners to Optimist International by May 15.

ACTION PLANS: As a Committee, urge Club leadership to develop a planned program of conducting the Oratorical Contest annually.

a) What is going to be done?
b) Who is going to do it?
c) When is it going to be completed?