

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION PROGRAM

A two phase orientation program for the new optimist member, to be completed within the first year of membership. Phase 1 to be finished within the first three months. Phase 2 begins at month seven and should be completed within another three months. After the successful conclusion of the Orientation Program, a certificate of completion is to be awarded then or at their One-Year anniversary.

PHASE I (To be completed within month 1 through month 3 of membership)

1. **HISTORY:** Club
District And Zone
Optimist International (Milestones)
2. **OBJECTIVES OF OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL:**
Philosophy Of Optimism
Purposes Of Optimism
Benefits Of Affiliation
3. **OPTIMIST CREED:**
History
First Person Exercise
4. **STIMULATION EXCERSICE:**
Quiz
Lead Club Members In Reciting The Creed In First Person
5. **NEW MEMBER EXPECTATIONS:**
Get Involved With Time And Talents
Attend Meetings (One Club Board Meeting, One Committee Meeting And 60% Of Club Meetings)
Pay Dues On Time
Participate In One Club Activity &/Or Fundraising Project
Be Supportive Of Leadership
Share Friendship With Others
Recruit One New Member Within 90 Days
6. **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

PHASE II (To be completed within month 7 through month 9 of membership)

1. **QUIZ & REVIEW OF PHASE I INFORMATION**
2. **LEAD CREED (Regular Or First Person Version)**
3. **PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES (Club & International Level)**
4. **OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW IN OPTIMISM:**
Personal Growth And Involvement Program
Zone Educational Presentations
District Conference Workshops & Roundtables
Optimist International Convention Back-To-School Workshops
5. **EXPERIENCES BEYOND YOUR CLUB:**
Zone Meetings
District Meetings
District Convention
Optimist International Convention
Inter-Club Visitation
6. **NEW MEMBER EXPECTATIONS:**
Quiz Over Phase II Material
Lead Creed
Participate In Another Club Project &/Or Fundraiser Project
Attend Two "Beyond Your Club" Activities
Report On Educational Event From Above Activity
7. **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**