

To: All Lt. Governors & Club Presidents  
South Texas District- Optimist International

One of the functions of the South Texas District is to develop members to take leadership rolls in our Clubs, Zones and District. Identifying and preparing these members for leadership positions is critical to maintaining a vibrant, growing organization dedicated to serving the needs of our youth.

At the Second Quarter Meeting being held at the Hilton hotel in College Station on February 2-4, 2018, we will be conducting a “Future Leaders” workshop. The workshop is designed to explore the personal benefits and opportunities of leadership within the Optimist organization. Attendance at this workshop is by invitation only and this is where I need your help.

I am asking you to suggest the name of one or two individuals in your club or zone who might benefit from this session. These should be members that have expressed an interest, or you feel may have an interest in accepting or advancing in a leadership role. The District Leadership Team and I have put together a panel to assist in the presentation of this workshop and I feel that those attending will benefit greatly.

Now here is the process to follow. Please take the initiative and submit name, email address and phone number of your candidate(s) to Ed Finn, the District Leadership Development Chair. His email address is [rafterf@hctc.net](mailto:rafterf@hctc.net) and his phone number is (830) 669-2025. He in turn will provide me with this information so that I can send the candidate(s) a personal invitation. We need to move on this as rapidly as possible and need your candidate names before year end.

Please know that I appreciate each and everyone of you and wish you a beautiful and blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas. Thanks for your assistance.

Yours in Optimism,

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Gil Ortiz, Governors  
South Texas District