



Hal Sewell
Optimist International
Vice President

Hal Sewell is a charter member of the Optimist Club of Senoia which was formed in June 1985. He was the charter President from June – September 1985, and also served as President 6 other times since 1985. The Senoia Club was Honor Club each of the years he was President.

Hal also served as Lt. Governor in 1994-1995 and again in 2000-2001 during which his Zone was “Distinguished”.

In 2011-2012, he was asked to serve as the Membership Chair for the Georgia District. Through the help of a LOT of dedicated Optimists in the Georgia District, the District was “Distinguished” and ended the year with a net increase in membership of +68 which was higher than the District had realized for a number of years.

Hal was elected to serve as the Georgia District Governor for 2013-2014. Thanks to the active participation of Optimists throughout the District and the total membership growth of +75, the District earned “Distinguished” status and was the #3 District in all of Optimist International.

Hal served on the OI Membership Committee in 2014-2015, and he was on the OI New Club Building Committee in 2015-2016.

He is currently serving as the Vice President of the Southeast Region for Optimist International. As such, he is proud to be working with the Governors of the Louisiana, Alabama-Mississippi, GATEway, South Carolina, North Florida, South Florida, and Caribbean Districts.

The theme of Hal’s year as Governor was “The smile of a child makes it all worthwhile.” One of his favorite sayings is “The life you lead is the lesson you teach” (Anonymous). Both of these thoughts help to portray how he feels about the importance of membership and service as an Optimist.



The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself ---

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk about 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 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.

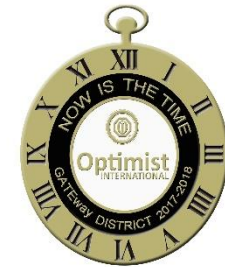
To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

--- Optimist International

Make plans to attend
The Third Quarter Conference
April 27-29, 2018
Courtyard by Marriott
Rome, GA



Second Quarter Conference



Mary Still
Governor

Anita Still
Secretary

Scott Solomon
Treasurer

February 16-18, 2018
Chattanooga Marriott Downtown
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Agenda Second Quarter Conference

Friday, February 16, 2018

- 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM **Registration**
(Lobby)
- 7:00 PM – 10:30 PM **Hospitality Room**
(Lookout Mountain Room)
- 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM **Lt. Governor Meeting**
(Tennessee River Room)
- 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM **Executive Committee Meeting**
(Tennessee River Room)

Saturday, February 17, 2018

- 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM **Registration**
(Mezzanine)
- 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM **First Timers Meet & Greet**
(Lookout Mountain Room)
- 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM **House of Optimism Opens**
(Mezzanine)
- 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM **General Session I**
(Plaza BC)
 - OI VP Address
 - Activities Awards
 - Committee Reports
- 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM **Break/House of Optimism/Committee Chairs**
(Mezzanine)
- 10:15 AM – 11:00 AM **1st Workshop Session**
 - Governor's Fireside Chat (East Room)
 - OIF: The Heart of Optimism (West Room)
 - A&A: Let the Competition Begin (Signal Mountain Room)
- 11:00 AM – 11:10 AM **Break/House of Optimism/Committee Chairs**
(Mezzanine)
- 11:10 AM – 12:00 PM **2nd Workshop Session**
 - GATEway District Website (East Room)
 - Growth-Who Needs It? You Do! (West Room)
 - A JOI-ous Occasion (Signal Mountain Room)
- 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM **Optimist Luncheon**
(Plaza BC)
- 1:00 PM – 1:15 PM **Break/House of Optimism/Committee Chairs**

1:15 PM – 2:15 PM **General Session II – District Board Meeting**
(Plaza BC)

- Roll Call
- Governance Committee
- Fundraising Committee

2:15 PM – 2:30 PM **Break/House of Optimism/Committee Chairs**
(Mezzanine)

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM **3rd Workshop Session**

- The 1-2-3's of New Club Building (East Room)
- This Meeting Will Come to Order (West Room)
- Time Is On My Side (Signal Mountain Room)

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM **Catch a Rising Star**
(Lookout Mountain Room)

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Candidate Qualifications Interviews**
(Director's Room)

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **YaYa Xpress Optimist Club Meeting**
(East Room)

Saturday, February 17, 2018 - Banquet

6:30 PM – 7:00 PM **Reception – Meet & Greet**
(Mezzanine)

7:00 PM **Dinner** (Plaza BC)

Awards Ceremony

Hall of Fame Induction

Raffles/Fines/Door Prizes

Concert – JJ & The Celebration Band
(Plaza BC)

Sunday, February 18, 2018

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM **Devotional Meeting**
(Plaza A)

8:00 AM – 9:15 AM **Breakfast**
(Plaza BC)

9:15 AM – 9:30 AM **Break**

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM **General Session III**
(Plaza BC)

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM **Closing Session**
(Plaza BC)

Spouse/Guest Activities

Friday, February 16, 2018

- 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM **Registration**
(Lobby)
- 7:00 PM – 10:30 PM **Hospitality Room**
(Lookout Mountain Room)

Saturday, February 17, 2018

- 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM **Registration**
(Mezzanine)
- 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM **Tennessee Valley Railroad and Lunch**
(Meet in the hotel lobby)
- 2:00 PM – 6:30 PM **Free Time/House of Optimism**
- 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM **Reception – Meet & Greet**
(Mezzanine)
- 7:00 PM **Dinner** (Plaza BC)
- Awards Ceremony**
- Hall of Fame Induction**
- Raffles/Fines/Door Prizes**
- Concert – JJ & The Celebration Band**
(Plaza BC)

Sunday, February 18, 2018

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(Plaza A)
- 8:00 AM – 9:15 AM **Breakfast**
(Plaza BC)
- 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM **Closing Session**
(Plaza BC)

Youth may attend District Breakfast on Sunday morning. Ticket is required. Purchase at Registration on Friday or Saturday for \$12.00