



# OPTI-TOPICS

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Pres. Bob Martin called on Jim Berry to open today's meeting at the ORC with a prayer of thanks, and to lead the group in the pledge of allegiance. There were a couple dozen of us present to eat pizza and conduct club business. Pres.-Elect Jim Roe passed around a sign-up sheet soliciting monthly program chairmen for his term (Oct. '10 through Sept. '11). Pres. Bob offered to work with these program chairmen to include speakers from those agencies we support via our community service outreach. Checks will be going out to these non-profit organizations this week. He noted Patti's good work in this regard. My information shows 3 open months (Jan., Feb., and Sept. '11). Please contact Jim if you can help him complete his list. Furthermore, Jim is grateful to the member's response in accepting committee head responsibilities; especially Jack Fauble for our Essay Contest, and Jesse Lang for the Oratorical Contest. They both plan early starts in order to maximize participation. Remember, the District scholarship has doubled in size for each, and our club prize may follow suit. The age this year has been extended to 18 years of age, so high school interest is expected to increase. A complete list of committee chairmen will be published once Jim has the ducks in place.

We'll learn at the District Convention, currently underway, who our next District Governor will be. Three are vying for the position, including Lt. Gov. Tom Howell from our Zone. Tom will be succeeded by Charles McCubbins from the HSV Noon Club.

Tom Casteel reported that 112 band instruments have been refurbished and sanitized – and are ready for distribution. He expressed his thanks to those attending his workshop to accomplish this. Tom indicated he could still use a couple more committee members to be points-of-contact with middle school band directors. Al Renz called for a round of applause for Tom's band instrument commitment. We were glad to comply.

Pres. Bob reminded us of a goal he had this year was to organize a new JOOI Club, and that he would like a few members to volunteer to join him in this effort. We've all enjoyed a good year under Bob's leadership, but time is short. Soon we'll be missing those stories, e.g., about faces that ring a bell – and dead ringers.

This week we look forward to hearing of Peter Sathi's extensive travel, and his conclusions from this. Bring a guest.

### CALENDAR

08/26	Thurs, 11:45	DHI	Peter Sathi World Traveler
08/20 thru 8-22	District Convention at Airport Sheraton Hotel		
	Friday 7pm	Fellowship Dinner	
	Saturday 7am	Training, 3pm Convention Session, 7pm Banquet	
	Sunday 7am	Jeremy & Justin Jordan Sing, 9:30 Board Meeting	
09/02	Thurs. 11:45	DHI	Sue Chatam – OSCHER
09/07	Tues. 4:00pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Comm. Bank	Board Meeting

