

December 2009

Dear Community Partner:

The **Orange Coast Optimist Club** is pleased to announce our **Ninth Annual Casino Night fund raising event** on Saturday, February 13, 2010, at the Orange County Buddhist Church in Anaheim. This year's theme, "***The Best of Michael Jackson***" will be most exciting and exhilarating for all! Through active community involvement and business donations, we hope to continue our success in order to generate the funds necessary to help support our youth activities and programs.

OCO is based in Garden Grove and is a local branch of Optimist International. Our mission is to promote the scholastic, physical, moral, and civic development of the youth in our communities. Our Optimist Club works to achieve the Optimist Creed by sponsoring the following programs:

- Basketball teams for almost 500 youth;
- Christmas party for 150 mentally challenged clients at the Garden Grove Hylond Home;
- Scholarships for high school seniors;
- Provide Thanksgiving meals for the needy;
- Easter party for approximately 150 abused and neglected youth;
- Visual Arts and Writing contests, and Oratorical Competition;
- Summer basketball camps; and,
- Conduct Jr. High School Junior Optimist Club and two High School Octagon Service Clubs.

Will you consider being a sponsor for Casino Night and help OCO reach its mission? We understand these are tough times and that any investment should be done thoughtfully. You can be assured that your support will be maximized on our programs and greatly appreciated. Your name will be acknowledged and we anticipate over 700 persons in attendance. This will certainly provide an opportunity to promote your company and your sponsorship will also be listed in our program book provided that evening. You will see on the attached form full detailed benefits from being a sponsor. We certainly encourage all our OCO members and their families and friends to patronize our generously supportive sponsors.

With your support, you can help us reach our goal and meet our mission for the youths of our communities. The goals that we set to help the youth and members of our communities can only be accomplished through donations from community members and businesses like yours. We hope that you believe, as we do, that an investment in our youth is an investment in the future. If we can count on your support, please mail your donation at your earliest convenience. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Gayle Yamada, Sponsorship Chair, at gayleyamada@aol.com or at 714-206-3531. Again, thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Gayle Yamada

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If you would like to donate a monetary or in-kind gift in lieu of a sponsorship, we will gladly accept your donation.