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# The Midnight Log

Bulletin of the **SUNCOAST OPTIMIST CLUB OF SARASOTA**  
North Florida District **www.suncoastoptimist.org** Club #60460

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## Directors

2007-2008

President -

Beth Ramon

1st VP -

Deb Piner

2nd VP -

Rose Johnson

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Janet Jackson

## Club Meetings -

2nd & 4th Thursday  
of each month

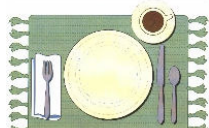
## Location -

Mom's Amish Res-  
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1247 Beneva Rd

SE Corner of Be-  
neva & Bahia Vista.

 Mom's Amish  
Country Cooking



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## Upcoming Meetings

Feb 14 & Feb 28

BOD Mar 6



## UNIFEM Program

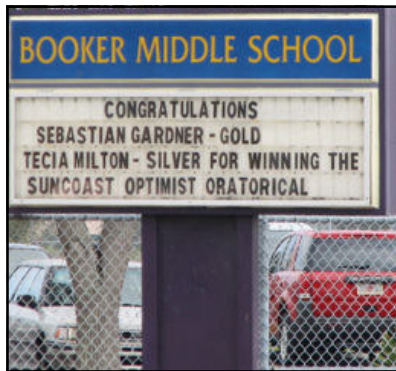


Jessica Oynick & Janet Jarzyn

The guests at the last meeting of the Club, held January 24 at Friendly's, were **Janet Jarzyn**, Learners to Leaders Coordinator for the **Gulf Coast Chapter of UNIFEM, United Nations Development Fund for Women**. She also brought **Jessica Oynick**, a Student Coordinator in their Youth Club at River-view High School. We we're all provided some great information on their organization and even more impressed in Jessica. This young lady speaks four languages fluently, English, Spanish, French and Hebrew. For additional information visit [www.throughwomenseyes.com](http://www.throughwomenseyes.com) or [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org).

## Club Oratorical Contest Winners

The **Suncoast Optimist Club** held our Club level Oratorical Contest on Wednesday, Jan 30 at **The Community Foundation of Sarasota County**. This years topic "**Why Me? Why Not?**" We had 7 participants, 4 girls and 3 boys. The boys winner is **Sebastian Gardner**, the girls winner is **Lauren Robertson**, in addition to representing our club at the **Zone 9** contest on **March 15**, they will both be awarded a \$100 savings bond. The other boy contestants were **Chris Waisenda** and **Nick Bauer**. The other girls contestants were **Courtney Hall**, **Tecia Milton** and **Raven Sellers**. We'd like to thank **Deb Piner** for her hard work in chairing the contest. We'd also like to thank the **Boys and Girls Club of Sarasota**.



Booker Middle School sign announcing the boys winner and girls runner-up. Both are students there.



Boys winner **Sebastian Gardner** and Girls winner **Lauren Robertson**

## Additional Announcements

**Feb 14** - Meeting Guest will be our own **Rose Johnson**. Rose will be talking about her recent trip to Peru, Bolivia and the Amazon River. The Meeting will be at our regular meeting place, **Mom's Amish Restaurant**.

**Feb 23** - McIntosh Middle School "**Florida Ironman**" wrestling tournament, Volunteers will be welcome!

It's time to start thinking about next years Board! If interested in any position contact Janet and volunteer!