



### **Centerville Noon Optimist Club**

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#### **Optimist Club to Sponsor FREE Annual Fishing Derby**

Centerville, Ohio – More than 300 kids assisted by their parents and grandparents will be throwing their lines into two ponds and hauling in hundreds of fish (and a few turtles) on Saturday August 28, 2021. This event is a reschedule from the postponed June event. Once again, the Noon Optimist Club of Centerville is sponsoring their Annual Fishing Derby. And best of all, it is a free event!

This annual event is scheduled to begin with registration at 8 AM at the Washington Township RecPlex at 895 Miamisburg – Centerville Road. Hooks will be baited and the first cast can start at 9 AM. The event concludes at 12 noon. Just look for the crowd of kids.

Children of age 5 – 15 accompanied by an adult are encouraged to attend and bring their fishing rods and reels. Fishing equipment is not provided. Two ponds will be freshly stocked with catfish, bluegill, bass, frogs and an occasional alligator (just joking!) for this fun event. Prizes, awards and free bait will be available. Free food and drinks will also be available on site. Major prizes and cinch sacks will be provided for one and all.

“Optimist Clubs are all about helping children in our communities,” stated club President Debe Dockins. “The volunteers in our club are excited about this event and we want everyone in Centerville and Washington Township to bring their kids and come on out. We will even put the worms on their hooks!”

The Centerville Noon Optimist Club has been supporting the youth of Centerville and Washington Township since it’s founding in 1968. Programs and service projects that the club supports include Avenue of Flags on the five flag holidays. Tee Off for Youth Golf Classic on July 12, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Americana 5K Run and Haunted Trail.

Optimist International is one of the world’s largest service club organizations with almost 100,000 adult and youth members in 3,000 clubs in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Mexico and throughout the world. Carrying the motto “Friend of Youth,” Optimists conduct positive service projects that reach more than six million young people each year.

The Centerville Noon Optimist Club is the largest Optimist Club in Ohio. To learn more about Centerville Noon Optimists please call 937-221-6720, visit our website at [www.centervillenooptimist.com](http://www.centervillenooptimist.com). Or be our guest for lunch on Tuesdays at Yankee Trace.