

## NEWS FROM YOUR ELKS MAJOR PROJECT . . .

### Your Program is Outstanding:

You have an outstanding program. My son improved so much. People who did not see him for months would remark on his marked improvement. My son was always happy to see Hedley (Hedley Uetake, Speech-Language Pathologist) and I liked getting feedback after every session. Your service is outstanding!

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### Preschools and Day Care Centers Appreciate Elks Pediatric Vision Screeners:

Being a member of the Optimist Club I have seen the appreciation of our community when we provide useful and needed services to our youth.

When Teresa (Teresa Schachtel, Pediatric Vision Screener) performed eye exams for 50 kids at the grand opening of our new fire department, reaction from parents and the fire captains were that of pride and appreciation.

She explained the procedure very clearly and performed with professionalism. The kids and parents loved her kind nature. We at the Optimist Club thank the Elks for loaning her important services to us.

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I look forward to scheduling the vision screening each year. It is an important part of our comprehensive assessment of each child and often explains why some children have difficulty completing tasks, become frustrated trying to match colors, shapes, etc., and have behavioral concerns.

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We really enjoyed Candy Zinn's (Pediatric Vision Screener) visit to our school. The children had a lot of fun playing the "pirate game" and talking to Mrs. Zinn. She was extremely kind and patient with all of our children and laughed quite a bit with them. The parents were all very appreciative and feel that it is a valuable tool in their childrens' health and well being. Thank you for allowing her to bring her skills to our school.

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A coin a day so they can walk, talk, see and play!