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## BREAKFAST MEETINGS

Thursdays 7:30 am Lil Chef 101 Brookside Lane Brighton, MI 48116

**EVENING MEETING** 

Third Tuesday each month at 6:00 PM, Location TBD

CHARTERED September 15, 1977

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## **Brighton Optimists Present Check**

Brighton, Michigan – Yesterday afternoon, the Brighton Optimist Club and Eternity Brewing Company presented checks to <u>Severe Weather Network</u> totaling \$1,102 from the September 13<sup>th</sup> euchre benefit. The Severe Weather Network homeless shelter offers long term solutions by connecting people with resources while providing a hot meal and a place to stay where they can weather the storms of their personal lives. They work with local agencies who assist their guests to find permanent housing and gainful employment as well as care for their various other needs.

We hope other community groups and residents will be able to add to this total so that our homeless population will be able to have a safe transition back into affordable housing.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month, the Brighton Optimist Club has a euchre tournament to benefit a different local 501 c3 group at Eternity Brewing. One Hundred percent of the money generated during these euchre nights is split between the designated charity, and the first, second and third place winners.

October's tournament will benefit the I Will Right Now Foundation which helps families fighting through catastrophic and life-altering circumstances. In November, the benefit will raise money for the Torch 180, a nonprofit 501(c)3 food-service training company, providing food-industry training for adults with disabilities.

Since December 2021 the tournaments have generated over \$7,000 in donations to local 501 c3 groups.

Online registration is encouraged to expedite setup. More information can be found at: <u>https://www.BrightonOptimist.org/euchre</u>.

Pictured in attached photo is (L to R, back row): James Argue, Spencer,, Ethan, Ryan and Maddie from Eternity Brewing; (front row) Julie from the SWN, Allen from the Brighton Optimists, Jean from SWN, and Jane from the Brighton Optimists.

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