

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

We are on the worldwide web: [www.sunriseoptimist.org](http://www.sunriseoptimist.org)

**President Dave Ireland** opened the meeting this morning at 6:45. There were 40 in attendance this morning.

**Nick Nickolay** gave the invocation. I could not hear who led the flag salute.

There weren't any guests this morning.

**Ernie Douglas and Marvin Smith** were present for the birthday song this morning. The choir did its normal abnormal job of singing this morning. Marvin suggested that everyone try to start singing at the same time. Ernie in turn, nominated Marvin as choir director.

**President Dave** presented pins for sponsoring new members to the following members: **Frank Henderson, Linda Lanning, and Gary Scarlett.** **Gary Domer** was not present to receive his.

**President Dave** presented an **Outstanding Service Award** to members **Eric & Sharlene Showalter** for their outstanding service as **Building Managers** for the past 2-½ years. This is a thankless job that takes up all of your evenings and weekends, cleaning until all hours of the night, so that the building is ready for use the next day, taking care of the yard, etc. Dave also presented them with a gift certificate to the North Star. The club gave them a much-deserved standing ovation as a thank you also. **A big SOC Thank You to the Showalters.**

There were no committee reports this morning.

The next 50/50 drawing will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in Feb.

There will be a special event at the Great Overland Station on Sunday January 25<sup>th</sup> from 5-9 p.m. There will be a dinner buffet, dancing and a cash bar.

**Whoops:** Someone took home the wrong leather coat this morning. You picked up a

black leather coat that is a 2x instead of a large. It also has a checkbook in its pocket that doesn't have your name in it. Please check your coat to make sure that it is yours. If it is not, then it belongs to Frank Henderson and he is holding yours. You can call Frank at 220-6024 and make arrangements to exchange.

Also, Alan Rose's camera is still at large. It was taken from the building on or about Dec 20<sup>th</sup>. He had been taking pictures of our children's Christmas party. If you know anything about this, please contact President Dave or Alan Rose.

Next weeks program will be Traci Hammes, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal, Seaman High School.

Gary Slimmer introduced Dr. Bill Flanigan, Director of Special Services for Seaman USD 345 and Ms Von Unruh, School to Work Transition Coordinator for Seaman.

Heartland Works and Seaman High collaborate with local businesses and agencies in a job training partnership to provide youth with disabilities and economic disadvantages, the opportunity to explore career options of high interest.

Students complete interest inventories and an interview with Seaman High School/Heartland Works Coordinator and decide on a job site of high interest. An interview is then scheduled with the business manager. Students are paid every 2 weeks by Heartland Works. They are employed in many places, such as Dillions, McDonalds, and many others. Ms Von Unruh had 6 or 7 students with her this morning, each of them told where they worked, what they did, and a little about themselves and how the program has helped them transition from school into a work environment.

Pot winner was Frank Law. Progressive Pot was won by George Ford.

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Meetings: Every  
Tuesday 6:45 AM  
720 NW 50<sup>th</sup> St, Topeka