

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

Celebrating over 50 years of service to Youth & North Topeka!

Judge Frank Yeoman called the meeting to order.

Dan Lill led the invocation.
Rolf Chappell led us in the Flag Salute.

Tyler Mossiman won the ticket drawing.

Roger Barnes won the progressive drawing

We had no birthdays this week so, unfortunately, we didn't have the opportunity to "sing."

Our next pancake feed will be on February 16th. We need your help on that day. We have two shifts. A sign-up sheet was circulated.

Program- - David Burlew, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation Training Coordinator. David told of growing up in the Highland Park area of Topeka. He explained the training program provided by the FBI for local law enforcement programs.

Future Programs-
Next week, February 5th- Rod Garman, North Fairview Elementary school principal and Seaman High School Swim coach. Rod is the "Kansas Elementary School Principal of the Year." He will be accompanied by two of his swim team captains.

February 12th- Barry Feaker, Topeka Rescue Mission Director. Barry will tell us about his new book, "In Darkness a Light Still Shines." He will have books to sell, and autograph.

Also, the "Seaman Student of the Month" will be introduced by principal Ron Vinduska.

February 19th, Beverly Rice, Director of volunteer services, Stormont-Vail Health Care.

February 26th, Recognition of Optimist Essay winners.

On March 5th, we will meet in the "Family Center" at Parker-Price mortuary, 245 NW Independence. The Girl' Optimist Oratorical Contest will be held.

March 12, Boy's Optimist Oratorical Contest will be held. Recognition of the March Seaman High School Student of the Month.

NOTOMA (North Topeka On the Move Association) will meet at 7 PM in the Garfield Park Community Center on Monday, February 11th.

Brady Smith was a guest of Gary Slimmer. He works at Home Depot, he has six children and nine grandchildren. He is retired from the Topeka Police Department.

Our Fifth Tuesday gathering was held in the evening.

Our speaker's father, Bill Burlew, accompanied him. Bill is a retired Kansas Fish and Game warden. He is an alumni of Potwin Grade School, Roosevelt Jr. High, and Topeka High.

The Seaman Community lost a wonderful man this past week. Duane "Blacky" Melvin died. The funeral will be this Thursday. Blacky was born and raised in the Seaman Community, taught and coached in the Seaman schools, played football, basketball at Washburn, played professional baseball, was the original coach of the Seaman Baseball program,

and served in the army during World War Two.

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