

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

Chuck Nicolay announced that Dick Barta has been diagnosed with lymphoma. Keep him in your prayers.

Judge Frank Yeoman called the meeting to order.

Our Chaplain, Richard Sundermeyer, led the invocation.

Tyler Mossiman led us in the Flag Salute.

Dennis Richter won the ticket drawing. Al Ferrell won the progressive drawing

Mike Mathes, Danny Sales, David Damme, and Chuck Sodergren had birthdays this week. We "sang."

Guests were Pete Foster's wife, Kay, Marshall Madill's wife, Jan, and Kip Kelley's son, Cody.

Our pancake feed will be this Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. We need your help on that day. We have two shifts. We especially need help on the second shift. A sign-up sheet was circulated. We also need help on Friday setting up. Meet Friday at the club building at noon and at Dillons at 1:00.

Program- - Barry Feaker, Topeka Rescue Mission Director. Barry told us about his new book, "In Darkness a Light Still Shines." He had books to sell, and autograph. The Mission served over a half million meals last year. Because of community support and donations, they can do it at a cost of twelve cents a meal. They serve 400-700 meals daily. Also, the "Seaman Student of the Month," Ryan Kelley, was introduced by principal Ron Vinduska. Ryan is president of the Debate-Forensics club, and active in the National Honors Society, Spanish Club, Key Club, Math Club, Model UN, Seaman High School Bank, Cross Country, Future Business Leaders of America, and was a Boys State Attendee. Ryan was accompanied by his mother, father, and sister.

Future Programs-  
February 19<sup>th</sup>, Beverly Rice, Director of volunteer services, Stormont-Vail Health Care.

February 26<sup>th</sup>, Recognition of Optimist Essay winners.

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

Our club board meeting will be held next Tuesday.

The Holton Chicken Fry will be held on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Eight Gifts You Can Give at No Cost:

- 1) The Gift of Listening~ .
- 2) The Gift of Affection~
- 3) The Gift of Laughter~
- 4) The Gift of a Written Note~
- 5) The Gift of a Compliment~
- 6) The Gift of a Favor~
- 7) The Gift of Solitude~
- 8) The Gift of Cheerful Disposition~ The easiest way to feel good is to extend a kind word to someone, really it's not that hard to say "Hello" or "Thank You" with a smile!

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