

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

We are on the worldwide web: www.sunriseoptimist.org

President **Richard Maginot** opened the meeting at 6:45 AM.

Dan Lill gave the invocation. **Ernie Douglas** led us in the flag salute.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Osterhaus were the guests of **Gary Slimmer** and **Jeff Montague** was the guest of **Ray Remp**. Jeff promoted the "Blarney Breakfast" which benefits the Capper Foundation. It will be held on St. Patrick's Day.

The weekly drawing was won by **Steve Schiffelbein**. **Greg DeBacker** won the progressive pot.

A "Hunter's Safety" program will be held in our building on March 16, 18, 23, and 25. We need help on concessions. Contact **Marvin Smith**.

Fred Patton and **Duane Reed** had birthdays this week.

We are all encouraged to invite guests to our weekly meetings and recruit new members. Recruit 4 members by Sept. 30th and you receive free International dues for 1 year!

We are placing special emphasis on "To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own."

The Soldier Township Fire Department pancake feed will be held from 6 AM – 11 AM on March 27th in our building. Support a great cause!

We had a great Legislative forum last week.

Steve Schiffelbein announced that the summer Tee-ball, softball, and baseball registration forms have been distributed. Sponsor a team for \$75. Volunteers are needed to coach, work in the concession stand, umpire, and trim grass.

Program- Washburn University head baseball coach, **Steve Anson**. Steve has been at Washburn for 31 years. He talked about the prospects for the coming season, scheduling

problems caused by inclement weather, current and past players, and answered questions.

The Seaman student of the month **Kate Ruoff**, who was accompanied by her mother, was introduced by principal Ron Vinduska. Kate is an amazing young lady! She is currently academically ranked number one in her class out of 266. She is a talented musician, active in her church, serves as a manager for the football, basketball, and baseball teams, and is a leader in numerous other school organizations. Congratulations to Kate!

Future Programs-

Next week **March 16th**- Kansas Speaker of the House, **State Representative, Mike O'Neal**.

March 23rd- **Girls's Oratory Contest – Topic**"Cyber Communications... Progress or Problem?"

March 30th- **Boy's Oratory Contest**– same topic

Do it now!

Around the corner I have a *friend*,
In this great city that has no *end*,
Yet the days go by and weeks rush *on*,
And before I know it, a year is *gone*.
And I never see my old friends *face*,
For life is a swift and terrible *race*,
He knows I like him just as *well*,
As in the days when I rang his *bell*.
And he rang mine but we were younger *then*,
And now we are busy, tired older *men*
Tired of playing a foolish *game*,
Tired of trying to make a *name*.
"Tomorrow" I say! "I will call on *Jim*
Just to show that I'm thinking of *him*."
But tomorrow comes and tomorrow *goes*,
And distance between us grows and *grows*.

Around the corner, yet miles
away,
"Here's a telegram sir," "Jim died
today."
And that's what we get and
deserve in the *end*.
Around the corner, a vanished
friend.

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Tuesday 6:45 AM
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