

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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President Dave Ireland opened this mornings meeting at 6:46 AM. I counted 32 in attendance this morning.

Richard Sundermeyer gave the invocation and **Gary Scarlett** led the flag salute.

Thanks to **Karen Ireland** for getting up at 4:30 AM this morning to provide the delicious breakfast of biscuits and gravy.

Rocky Fund introduced two(2) guests this morning.

John Bloomfield, resides at 29101 Hinerville Road, Alma KS, with his wife Carmen. John is a teacher at Seaman High School, and has enjoyed teaching for 28 years. John says he loves to build anything, and that he loves to garden, barbeque and sing.

Jim Childs, 23387 O Rd, Holton, is married to Candace, and they have two(2) children, Marcus and Olivia. Jim teaches woodworking at Seaman High School, and taught several years with Rocky.

Celebrating a birthday this week is **Lewis "Bud" Cook**, and would have received the Birthday Song from the membership had he been in attendance. And since neither of our guests are celebrating a birthday, the Sunrise choir got a much needed rest.

Both **President Dave Ireland** and **Zone 3 Lt. Governor Kit Kelley** commented on the 3rd Quarter District Meeting held in Manhattan this past weekend April 24th - 26th. Attending from the club were Dave and Karen Ireland, Richard Maginot, Gary Slimmer, Frank Henderson, Charlie Galligher and Kit Kelley. Both said the meeting was informative and entertaining. The highlight of the weekend was the District Oratorical finals on Saturday afternoon. The girl's winner from our club, Molly Ann Gibson won the \$1,500 scholarship awarded to the District winner. Gary Slimmer, District chair for Candidate Qualifications and Credentials, ran the election for Lt Governors for the 2009-2010 year. Elected as Zone 3 Lt.

Governor was Jane Harris, from the Lawrence Breakfast Optimist Club. Frank Henderson lead a PGI module on Time Management, while Kit Kelley and Charlie Galligher presented a program on "Optimist Mentoring".

Steve Schiffelbein announced that there is 6th - 8th grade baseball team that needs a coach. If interested in coaching this team, contact Steve by e-mail: baseball-softball@sunriseoptimist.org. The ball season is just a few weeks away, starting the day after Memorial Day, May 26, 2009. That first week of the season, the schedule will be Tuesday - Friday.

President Dave Ireland reminded all that, weather permitting, a **work day** has been scheduled for the Complex on Saturday, May 2nd starting around 8:30 AM. Work that is on the agenda is general clean-up around the ball diamonds, so bring your weed-eaters, shovels and rakes also the replacement of the roof on one of the dugouts will also be attempted.

Marvin Smith again passed around a sign-up sheet for this summer's concession stand. Help is now needed on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5:30 PM until 8:30 PM. Monday and Wednesday's time slots have been filled. There is also a need for substitute workers.

Gary Slimmer introduced **David Specht**, Assistant Director of the Garfield Park Community Center. David presented information on the Community Center's program called the "After School Club" and in particular a part of the program referred to as "Race for Success". Those in attendance were so impressed with David's presentation, including the entire Club's Board of Directors, except for one member who was absent, that they voted to provide a donation to program.

Pot Winner: Chuck Nicolay. Progressive Pot: #78, Kim Patton

Next Week: Susan Sittenauer and National History Day participants.

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**Meetings: Every
 Tuesday 6:45 AM
 720 NW 50th St, Topeka**