

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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President Dave Ireland opened the meeting this morning around 6:45. There were 38 in attendance this morning.

The invocation was given by **Frank Law** and the flag salute was led by **Gary Scarlett**.

I'm saddened to report that we lost a charter member and long time friend this week with the death of **Jake Fleenor**. Jake was a charter member of our club, which was formed in 1962 and he was club president in 1966-1967. He was almost always present at the meetings, being among the first to arrive. He truly enjoyed being able to work with the children and at all of our club function. We could always count on him to work at the fireworks stand, selling Christmas trees, new club building and any of the youth events, such as tri-star basketball, baseball, bicycle rodeo and the like. He was always ready to fix any plumbing problems that we might have also. He always had a smile and a pleasant greeting for everyone. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Mary Jane and 4 children. Jake was 84 years young. He will be greatly missed.

Gary Slimmer spoke about **Jake Fleenor** this morning. Jake passed away on Saturday, June 27th, 2009. He was 84. Jake served in the army in the Pacific during World War II. He owned Fleenor Plumbing and Heating. Gary shared several stories about Jake and his service to the Sunrise Optimist Club.

Gary Slimmer also announced that he recently visited **Marvin Henry**. Marvin is at the Lexington Park Nursing Home, Room 321. He has had 1 hip replaced 3 times now, due to infection, but seems to be doing better now.

Several members were on the birthday list for this week, but none were present this morning.

Marvin Smith thanked the following for working a rainout game on Friday evening. They were **Mary & Rick Colton** and **Karen and Chuck Nicolay**.

Dennis Richter reminds everyone that the Golf Tournament is July 31st. Door prizes are still needed.

Alan Rose says that help is still needed to make sandwiches for the golf tournament on July 30th at the club building.

Dan Lill thanked **Frank & Gladys Law**, and **Mark Kimsey** for entering every pizza and cookie dough order in the computer. July 23rd is the date for the delivery of these items. We will need a lot of help to distribute these.

Duane Raine announced that they are moving to Pottsboro, Texas to be closer to their children and grandkids. This morning will be his last meeting. We are sorry to lose you, Duane.

Thunderhill Speedway invites all members to participate in a night of racing excitement and a barbeque picnic **on July 18th**. Brisket, hot dogs, burgers, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and an evening of entertainment for only \$ 10.00 per person. Gates open at 5, eat at 6:30, Hot Laps at 7, and races start at 7:30. This will be a FUN Night.

Gary Slimmer introduced Tuck Duncan as our speaker this morning. Tuck is an attorney and also a Lobbyist. He talked about several strategies for property tax assessment.

Next Week's program: Kate Larrison, Topeka Friends of the Zoo, and also Michael Coker, Topeka Zoo Director. A mystery guest (?) TBA.

Dennis Richter won the pot this morning.

No one was present to win the progressive pot today.

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 Tuesday 6:45 AM
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