

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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President Dave Ireland opened the meeting this morning at 6:45. We had over 50 this morning due to a large group of special guests. You will read more about them later.

Richard Sundermeyer gave the invocation and **Frank Henderson** led to flag salute.

BIRTHDAYS:

Dan Lill's birthday is this week and the Midnight Choir sang much to the horror of our guests. We are thankful that there weren't any music teachers in attendance.

GUEST:

Gary Domer introduced **Dale Long** this morning. Dale is a long time barber in North Topeka, owning his own shop, 'Hair Maintenance'. Dale and his wife, Claudia live in Meriden, and have 3 children. Welcome Dale.

Duane Raine introduced **Doug Henkle** this morning. Doug owns Henkle Family LLC. Doug and his wife, Nan, live at 1320 SW 27th St. and have 3 adult children. I believe that this is Doug's 2nd visit. Welcome Doug.

Frank Law and Pres. Dave thanked everyone who worked at the pancake feed last Saturday. There was a very good crowd and everything went very smooth.

Quinton James Berggren was introduced as our **Student of the Month**. Quinton carries a 4.0 GPA and has a class rank of # 1. He like his music and participates in Jazz Band, Symphonic Band, Marching Band, Concert Band, musical "pit", Pep Band as well as Topeka Jazz Workshop, Topeka Youth Wind Ensemble, and so on.

Other activities include Piano Guild, FCA, Baker University Piano Contest, Math Club, SADD, Key Club, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Yearbook, Boys' State, Track, Soccer, State Track Meet, and many others.



Quinton also works as a lifeguard and water safety instructor at Shawnee North Aquatic Center, Soccer Referee at Shawnee North, and has done childcare for a couple from 2003 to present. He has card for, fed, and played with children ages infant to ten years of age.

President Dave recognized **Gary Slimmer** for over 37 years of service as an Optimist. Gary has held about every office in the club, and has been a Distinguished President of our club. Also a Lt. Gov. and then served as Gov. of the Kansas Dist. Gary is currently serving as our program chairperson. Good job Gary.

For the program this morning, **Gary Slimmer** introduced the following **Seaman District Teachers** for achieving the **Teacher of the Year** award at their school. They are as follows:

Joel Wells – Lyman Elementary
Mark Siimoneau – East Indianola
Tonya Campbell – West Indianola
Peggy Kuhn – Pleasant Hill
Cindy Boyles – Seaman Middle School
Kim Zeller – Rochester Elementary
Marlene Taylor – Northern Hills
Debbie Keehn – Elmont Elementary
Cathy DeDonder – North Fairview
Tyler Curtis – Seaman High School
Lisa Roush – Indian Creek
Don Rich – Seaman High School
Ron Vinduska – Kansas Secondary
Principal of the Year.

Gary gave a brief history of each teacher as he introduced him or her. Congratulations to all of them.

Pot winner this morning was **Dan Lill**.

Joanne Kensinger was not present to win the progressive pot.

Program for next week.

Dangerous Damon Reed, local boxer and fight promoter.

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