

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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The late November weather was dark, the rain on us did *drip*. As to the Optimist meeting, we took our Tuesday morning *trip*.

The cheery atmosphere at the meeting, was full of sunshine *bright*. It changed into happy and friendly daytime, what was a world of dark *night*.

President Richard Maginot opened the meeting at 6:45.

Gary Slimmer gave the invocation.

Dan Lill led us in the flag salute.

Kansas District Governor, **Rod Obermeier**, installed new members **Heather Williams** and **Gordon Myers**.

Lloyd Becker circulated a sign-up sheet for helping with Christmas tree sales. **Kieth Bodine** reported that the trees are here and expressed appreciation to those who helped unload the trees and set up the lot. We are all set to go!

We had an estimated \$750 profit at our very successful Pancake feed last Saturday. Thanks to all who helped. We may have another one during the boys season. Special thanks to **Frank and Gladys Law, Charlie Galligher, and Pete Foster** for their leadership.

We need help at our Tri-star basketball competition at 12:30 on Dec. 5th. We also need more team sponsors for our boys basketball program.

The Soldier Township Fire Department Chili Feed will be held at the station from 5PM-7PM on Saturday, December 5th.

We are collecting \$5 - \$10 un-wrapped toys for the Rescue Mission. We need them by Dec. 15th.

Our club has an expense of \$625 for individual pictures of past presidents and others being honored on our new "Hall of Fame." (25 pictures at \$25 a piece) **Voluntary** donations to meet this expense would be appreciated.

We need "Cancer Camp" donations. A list of needed supplies was distributed.

Pictures are now up in our "Wall of Fame." Check it out!

We received thanks for our financial contribution to the Juvenile Diabetes Walk.

President Maginot challenged us to live up to our Optimist Creed. The emphasis this month is on "*Talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.*"

The weekly drawing was won by **Gary Scarlett**. We "sang" happy birthday to **Dan Lill, Steve Schiffelbein, and Brad Nelson**.

Today's program was given by **Jeff Taylor**, owner of PT's Espresso Coffee.

Future Programs:

Dec. 1 – Chris Tuck, Seaman USD 345 Health Director.

The tide had thrown thousands of starfish onto the beach. Unable to return to the ocean, they were dying. Then, a young beachcomber saw their plight and began picking up starfish one by one and throwing them back into the water. One watching his seemingly futile effort observed; "There are thousands of starfish here. You can't possibly throw enough of them back to make any difference." Ignoring the criticism, the young man picked up another starfish and tossed it back into the waves. "It made a difference to that one," he said. That is the way our Youth program works!

A teacher built a temple;
She wrought with skill and *care*;
Forming each pillar with patience.
Laying each stone with *prayer*.
None saw the unceasing effort;
None knew of the marvelous *plan*;
For the temple the teacher built,
Was unseen by the eyes of *man*.

Gone is the builder's temple;
Crumbled into *dust*,
Pillar and grain and arches,
Food for consuming *rust*;
But the temple the teacher built,
Shall endure while the ages *roll*;
For that beautiful, unseen temple,
Was a child's immortal *soul*.

Closed with the Creed


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Meetings: Every
Tuesday 6:45 AM
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