

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

President Rocky Fund called the morning meeting to order at 6:45 a.m. There were about 45 in attendance this morning.

Richard Sundermeyer gave the invocation and **Kyle McNorton** led the flag salute.

Ernie Douglas introduced guest **Bob Zaker** this morning. Bob is Ernie's brother-in-law and lives in Corpus Christi, TX.

BIRTHDAYS:

Roger Barnes and **Kim Borchers** have birthdays this week, but neither one was on hand for us to sing to. I guess that they have heard us before.

President Rocky announced that a form is being sent out to all past presidents. Please fill this out and return it to him as we plan to honor you at a special event this coming spring.

LAST CALL:

President Rocky announced that the annual girls Tri-Star Basketball competition will be held on Saturday, **December 8th**, at East Indianola grade school. This is a pass, dribble and shoot competition, and trophies will be awarded. There is no cost. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. with competition beginning at 10:00 a.m. **At least 8 volunteers are needed. Please call Mike Stock at 246-2263.** If you have not called Mike yet, please do so soon. This is the coming Saturday.

There are still a few openings on the tree lot work schedule that need to be filled. This is one of our major fundraisers so please sign up to help. Call **Lloyd Becker at 246-1182.**

Keith Bodine reported that we received 300 trees this year and so far has sold 120 of them. We still have a way to go with only 3 weeks left. Keith got involved with Christmas tree sales program when he was a member of the Highland Park Optimist Club and continued with it after he joined our club. Altogether he has been doing this for 46 years now.

The pot winner was **Frank Law.** **Dan Carlson** was drawn for the

progressive pot, but was no present so it continues to grow.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 5th, 2008 – Saturday evening.

We are going to kick off the New Year with a social, dinner and gift exchange on **Saturday, January 5th at the Moose Lodge, beginning at 6:30 p.m.** *The gift exchange is intended to be a re-gift or white elephant exchange.* There will also be a band in the main ballroom and also in the lounge for those who wish to dance. Please mark your calendars for **January 5th** and plan to attend. We have not had a social event for some time and are hoping for a good turnout. All members are invited.

District Meeting – Emporia – February 9, 2008

This will be a big event for the Sunrise Optimist Club since **Past President Frank Henderson will receive the Distinguished Presidents Award.** We would like for as many members and spouses as possible to come down and celebrate with Frank and his family. We are going to have a hospitality room for this event so we will all have a place to gather. Please mark your calendars for **February 9th.** Emporia is not that far away and car-pooling is an option. Information on rooms at the Best Western will be made on the next newsletter.

PROGRAM:

Dick Barta introduced **Joe Enneking** as our program this morning. Joe is the chairman of the building committee for the new Mother Theresa of Calcutta Catholic Church. Joe gave information on the new church that is being built on NW 46th Street and NW Green Hills Rd. The first phase of building is a multi-purpose building of 14,00 sq. ft. They have abasement of 7,000 sq. ft. and an upper level of 7,000 sq. ft. They are able to seat 600 for services. They are planning to have a dedication on December 22nd.

Next week, December 11th: Bob Chipman, men's head basketball coach at Washburn University
December 18th: Steve Alexander and Larry Latimer, Seaman Basketball coaches.

