

"Optimist OPTICS"



*"Everything We Do
is for the Kids"*

This Week's Program

February 3rd, 2010

Lacey Norman, Community Relations Coordinator
Visiting Nurse Association

Next Week's Program

February 10th, 2010

Kimberly Moman
Aurora

**Ron Eberhart
President**



Ed Harrison
Memorial
Golf Scramble

Financial Support for:

YMCA
Camp Carson



The head ding-a-ling [read President Ron] Clanged the clanger, and commenced the meeting at 12:10. Being the capable and multi-talented leader that he is, he then led us in the Invocation, Pledge, and Creed! Great job Ron! THANKS! *Returnees* today were Mark Hackert, Larry Lewis, Ken Dennis, and Mean Gene! Mark was back from hospitalization, Ken was out of town, mean Gene was at home sharpening his mean skills, and Larry Lewis is hoping to become more active now that some job restraints have changed! We are pleased that all are back! Welcome! Come as often as you can!

The Sunshine report includes the above info on Mark, but Gary Burk could not be reached for a follow up report. We hope all is well!

- As reported last week, Karen and Tim are hard at work on a NOW meeting [New Optimists Wanted] to be held in March. More details later!
- JOOI is to be started up again on February 1st. Gary will have more info as it develops!
- Da Prez promises more info on Club Visitations soon! He also said that there is an exploratory meeting to be held soon by the Zone 8 Clubs, to plan on putting on a Fund Raiser to benefit the EVSC. This should help in some way to help cushion the blow received when the State reduced the funding for some EVSC programs. A good idea, suggested by Larry Neison.

Roger put on his Sarg hat and collected conscience monies from Ken for a good check up, Mark, who was proud of his daughters [Memorial] basketball achievements, Ron, because the Colts won and will play in the Super Bowl!

Doc's very interesting Medical Moment educated us on Hepatitis. There are three strains, A, B, & C. Some symptoms include loss of appetite, smokers can't stand to smoke, and jaundice. Haiti could suffer a lot of C, because there are no vaccines developed for it. Washing hands, and not using any personal items of others can help to prevent infection. C can contribute to some cancers. Travelers should get all vaccinations available.

Daniel L. Schenk, Ph.D. and Chancellor of Ivy Tech, was assisted by Rachel Rawlinson, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications. Ivy Tech is a State wide Educational system that embraces 14 Regions, 23 Campuses, and offers training at over 100 locations in 75 communities. They are the only State wide College in the Nation, and reach a widely varied student body. They have credit transfer agreements with USI, and offer a wide selection of academic programs. They also, in connection with EVSC, offer 76 dual credit classes. They work with employee education with 8 local companies, including Deaconess, St. Mary's, and Bristol Meyers. They gave thanks to the Downtown Optimist Club for funds we have provided over the years from the Foundation, which have enabled them to provide 14 student scholarships! Great program, Roger!

Bob Levi won the 1/2 pot and graciously donated it back to the Club! Thanks Bob!

Nobody called their Buddies!! Attendance has been DOWN in January! Weather, new year work demands, etc., have contributed, but we must re commit ourselves to Optimism and what we do for Kids! Vow to call your Buddies, attend meetings, and participate!

For the last time!
Ye Ed - Don Julian

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