

Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston
Minutes of Meeting
January 10, 2013

President Rick Coleman called the meeting to order. Sarah led us in prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

Sarah and Y Villarreal	Fay and Jack Hopkins
Russell Shrader	Bob Hogue
Dean Wilson	Letty Dietes
Jack Kellmann	Rick Coleman
Becky Kuykendall	

Rick introduced his guest, Barrett Fischer, whom we had all met before Rick arrived. He is a business associate of Rick's and works for ADP Corporation.

Birthdays for January were announced:

Betty Gower—26th

John Rosenwald—30th

Fay Hopkins announced that she had contacted Natalie Bates, the counselor at MacArthur High, to let her know about the upcoming essay contest. The deadline to apply is February 10 and should be submitted to the District by February 28. Fay will be emailing her the rules and regulations of the contest. Rick will be notifying his grandson who has shown interest in the contest. There is a \$2,500 scholarship to be rewarded.

Becky, Bob, and Rick shared humor.

Rick introduced our speaker from Morgan's Wonderland, Bob McCollough. He gave an informative talk on the improvements

made to the park, it's history, and the new San Antonio Scorpions Stadium located adjacent to the Park. The Scorpions are the only profit-making franchise dedicated to a non-profit cause. Bob also talked about the amenities of the park and its need for volunteers. Monarch Academy, a school for special needs, ages 13-25, has also opened next to Morgan's Wonderland. Our club was especially interested in the Event Center, as we hope to host our Magic Show fundraiser there. It will accommodate 500 people and the fee varies. Becky will be checking into the availability of the Event Center.

After answering many questions about the Park, Mr. McCollough drew Rick's name for the kitty. Rick won \$11.00, which he generously donated back to the general fund.

Following the Optimist Creed, the meeting adjourned at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Kuykendall