

Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston

Minutes of Meeting

January 17, 2013

The following members were present:

Sarah & Y Villarreal Fay & Jack Hopkins

Ed Parnell Dean Wilson

Russell Schrader Thomas Carlucci

Bob Hogue Jack Kellman

Rick Coleman

Guest Lt. Governor John Blackwell and wife Martha

President Rick Coleman started the meeting at 12:00 Noon. Sarah Prayed and guest Lt. Governor John Blackwell led us all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Rick announced January Birthday's: Betty Gower on the 26th and John Rosenwald on the 30th. He also announced that Betty Gower had had foot surgery and would be out for 6 or 7 weeks.

Dean Wilson and Raymond Holmes arrived late and President Rick brought them up to date.

President Rick began a discussion about a Club Newsletter and stated that it would be brought up at the next board meeting. He also discussed the club having a Prayer Request or Thought list for ill or confined members. That will also be discussed.

Sarah informed us that she had spoken to Jake Jacobs and that he is doing well. His wife has a conflict on Thursday that is why they cannot attend the club meetings.

President Rick informed us that he had met with Al Stewart and that Al and his wife are both going blind and that they have been seeing a marvelous sight doctor and that he thought she would be a very good speaker for the club. President Rick was to pass this info on to the Program Chair Thomas Carlucci for him to contact her.

Fay Hopkins read the minutes from the last meeting. A motion was called for and Jack Kellman gave the 1st and 2nd by Dean Wilson. The minutes were approved.

President Rick advised us that he had spoken to Becky and that she had unsuccessfully tried to contact Morgan's Wonderland concerning the use of the Event Center. She assured him that she will continue to try to reach the contact person.

Thomas Carlucci gave an update on speakers. VIA will speak on 2-14-13 and he reminded us all that Tim Derk will be our speaker on 1-24-13.

Jack Hopkins gave humor along with Thomas Carlucci and Bob Hogue.

Our guest speaker, VIA, had to cancel at the last minute but did reschedule, and Ed Parnell had a substitute speaker Tina Kish with NCOA who was supposed to speak to us on how they put together their golf tournament. Well.....she had to cancel at the last minute also. Since we were without a speaker for the meeting, our ever inventive president asked Ed Parnell to tell us about the NCOA Golf Tournament. Ed informed us as best as a nongolf person could, but our consensus was that we should talk to Gene Overstreet. Ed then opened some discussion on the clubs 501C3 and President Rick explained why we need it and what the benefits are. He also stated that he thought that our process for filing was going very well, and we are all hoping that our application will be approved.

Lt. Governor John Blackwell spoke on his clubs golf tournament to be held March 4th at the Golf Club of Texas. He also announced the Super Zone Meeting on January 19, 2013 to be held at Sartenos on IH35 North. Also he provided info about the District Conference on February 15, 16, &17 at the Menger Hotel downtown. Everyone was reminded that this is also the Awards Banquet and our club should be receiving and Honor Award.

With everyone in a chatty mood, we heard about rumors, humor and maybe a few fibs about local and national politicians, newspapers, National TV stations, and local and national Corporations.

Ray Holmes drew the winning ticket and Dean Wilson won \$13.00.

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

Recorded and Submitted for the Honorable Becky Kuykendall

By Fay Hopkins