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Even though the roads are back in pretty good shape we had a sparse turnout of Optimists today. Pres. Jim Roe welcomed about a dozen, including Graham, my grandson who was enjoying another day of – no school. Pres. Jim called upon Reverend Berry for today's prayer and pledge of allegiance.



Since no one showed up with a speaker after we ate, Jim Roe stepped to the podium and gave us an extemporaneous account of his work for NASA in Tokyo about 30 years ago. He addressed several facets of Japanese culture; including eating, rooming, using bathroom facilities, transportation, entertainment and conversations in general. It was a fascinating story. Several members added personal experiences they have had in that country. For an unscheduled program it was one of our most interesting.

Next time we'll meet at the Optimist Recreation Center to conduct business. Hopefully, someone is arranging for the food. Prior to our business meeting the Board will convene on Tuesday, January 18, at 4:00 pm at Gay's Bank.

Today Pres. Jim presented a new membership kit to new member Jack Wolfe. Buddy Beck equipped Jack with a membership pin. Welcome aboard, Jack! Jack and his wife are looking forward to retirement by embarking on a countrywide trip, starting in March.

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Getting closer is our playground fundraiser Saturday, February 5, in the Jaycees building. More on this at next week's business meeting. I'd liked to be informed on who volunteered to get February speakers.

After drawing several names for our attendance prize, Graham finally drew Jim Berry, but he didn't collect much.



CALENDAR

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| 1/18 | Tuesday 4:00 pm | 1 st Commercial Bank |
| | Board Meeting | |
| 1/20 | Thurs. 11:45 | Optimist Recreation Center |
| | Business Meeting - | |
| 1/27 | Thurs. 11:45 | Downtown Holiday Inn |
| | TBA - George Kost | |

Optimistic Quote of The Week

"Nothing you do for children is ever wasted."

Garrison Keillor