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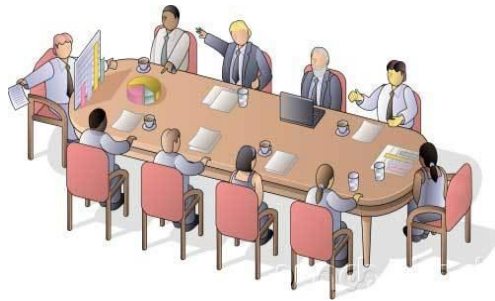
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After the invocation and pledge of allegiance at today's business meeting Pres. Jim Roe extended thanks to the Peppers and Zack for holding a memorable Youth Appreciation Week banquet. Jim added that he and Zack would be

arranging for luncheon speakers June 2 and June 30. If you know of a timely available speaker, contact Jim or Zack.

Al Renz went over the financial report and it was unanimously approved. Tom Casteel reported that middle school spring concerts were going well with many members making our annual awards presentations. He passed out slips identifying band instruments due for cleaning and refurbishment, along with responsible individuals to pick them up and get them to the Optimist Recreation Center.

Al Renz reported on our community service committee activities. The committee recommended the allotted \$20,000 be divided among nine non-profit organizations, with stipulated dollars for each. Many familiar organizations were included, as well as, a considerable ear-mark for tornado relief. Their recommendations were all agreed to and Pres. Roe thanked them for their time and study. Jim then mentioned that Al had organized a successful Regional Oratorical Contest. If you plan to attend the Respect for Law banquet Monday, June 6, and haven't already signed up call Al by June 1.

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Fabiani and others have been meeting with a group from Grace Lutheran with the goal of establishing a new Junior Optimist (JOOI) Club at their school. From a conversation earlier in the day Fabiani said the Principal has an Advisor for about 25 students ready to go. A May 31st organizational date has been set. Fabiani and Al Renz will handle all paperwork and arrange for speakers, food etc. patterned after what was done at Randolph some years ago.

Al Renz said a playground fundraiser is being planned for August. Alberto reported that Saturday, September 10 looks like a good date for the Hawthorne Conservatory pancake breakfast, and the club agreed to support this. Bill Clarke gave his Huntsville Optimist Foundation report, noting that they were meeting later in the day for clarification on some issues.

Jim Roe threw out the idea of a summer picnic. Jack Fauble volunteered to head this up with Buddy, Zack and Jim Roe on his committee. Furthermore, Jack offered to have the event at his place which is only a short distance from Sidney's. Saturday, August 6 was tentatively picked for this afternoon event.



Optimistic Quote of The Week

"Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces us up, snow is exhilarating; there is really no such thing as bad weather, openly different kinds of good weather. "

John Ruskin

CALENDAR

5/26 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

Essay Contest Winners

6/2 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

TBA

6/6 Tuesday 6:30 pm Mayfair Church of Christ

Respect For Law Banquet

6/7 Tuesday 4:00 pm 1st Commercial Bank

Board Meeting

6/9 Thursday **NO MEETING**

6/16 Thursday 11:45 Optimist Recreation Center

Business Meeting - Food Alberto Duarte

6/23 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

TBA - Peter Sahti

6/30 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

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