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President Jim Roe asked Chaplain Sidney Sandridge to lead us in our blessing and pledge of allegiance. There were 20 present today and it was good to see Alfred Adams present. During the meal he probably questioned his coming today. Our waiter tripped and fell and Alfred almost got a complete meal in his lap. Thankfully, everyone survived.

Al Renz announced that the Pancake Breakfast tickets were printed and he would be giving them to Alberto and Fabinani for distribution to First Presbyterian, Hawthorne and our members. Hopefully each of our members can sell at least 10 tickets.

For those who were not present, you may recall our guest on February 3, 2011, Logan McElyea. At that meeting his mother, Tina Cranfill, told us about her 9 year old son's battle with leukemia and his constant trips to St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis for treatments. Today, both his mother and his grandmother were with him and his mother brought us up to date on his progress.

Logan has been having a difficult time and it was obvious that he was not as energetic as he had been in February. He did give us his brilliant smile, but he was not able to speak as eloquently as he did in February. His mother said that he had another 2 years of treatments scheduled.

We have Logan on our prayer list at Ford's Chapel and I hope each of you will put him on your church prayer list and keep him in your prayers as well. In February we had collected \$ 125 which we gave Logan and today Jim Pepper gave him another \$ 300. That won't go far, but we hope it will help a little.

Tom Casteel reminded us that the Band Committee would meet Saturday morning at 9:30 at the Optimist Park Center to inventory and clean as many of our instruments as possible (that saves us money). Even if you are not on the committee you are welcome and you can use it as a PGI requirement.

Jim Roe presented Logan with one of our "Creed" coasters, and even though he got one in February, now his mother has one.

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Jim asked Logan to draw the name for the table prize and he seemed to enjoy doing that. He drew Jack Wolfe's name, but Jack wasn't present. On his next pick he got Buddy Beck. Buddy had gone a long time without winning, but now he has won a couple of times this year. We closed with our Creed.

Al Renz

Optimistic Quote of The Week

" I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination."

Jimmy Dean

CALENDAR

7/91 Saturday 9:00 am Optimist Recreation Center

Band Committee - Inventory - Cleaning

7/11 Monday 4:00 pm 1st Commercial Bank

Board Meeting

7/14 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

Mary Flynn - Hawthorne Conservatory

7/21 Thursday 11:45 Optimist Recreation Center

Business Meeting - Food Alberto Duarte

7/28 Thursday 11:45 am Downtown Holiday Inn

TBA

8/27 Saturday TBA Place TBA

Picnic with JOOI Clubs

9/24 Saturday TBA Central Presbyterian

Pancake Breakfast for Hawthorne Conservatory