

"Optimist OPTICS"

"Helping Kids, Now and for the Future"



Optimist Club of Evansville - Downtown

This Week's Program

Next Week's Program

Mar 11th - Allen Mounts Waterworks, Problems & Solutions Mar 25th - Sean Ferguson Eastland Mall Marketing Director



Our President for the month of February Jeff Olsen rang the bell promptly at 12:10 to a room full of members and guests that were eager to hear what the mayor had to say. The Prez also took care of the invocation, pledge and creed.



There were several guests today. Karen Morris brought John Stumf, Christian Burch, and Mike Pitts. Cheryl and Shannon brought Vicki Simmons, Debra Padgett, and Karen Schmitt. Mark Hackert brought Warren Huffman. Don Julian brought his lovely wife Martha. Ken Dennis brought his lovely wife Sharon. Great job members! Hopefully we can turn these guests into members!

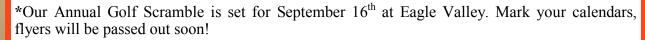


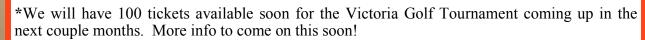
Returnees for the day included Tim, Shaun, Michael, Ken Dennis, Brandon Rooop and probably some others I missed.



Announcements:

*Oratorical deadline is March 3rd. As of right now, we have only one entry. See Karen for any questions.







Sarge was up to his old tricks again today with conscious money from Mark (Anna, his daughter, having a stellar basketball career at USI), Shaun (passed his CPA exam and found out he is going to be a daddy), Emily (Princess), Tim, Doc Bender, Ron, Karen, Cheryl (lost a dear friend earlier in the day), Don, Michal Burk, and Mayor Winnecke. Buddy prizes went to Shaun and



Dan.

Ed Harrison Memorial Golf Scramble

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Ron Eberhart led the induction for 2 new members, John Perkins and Mayor Lloyd Winnecke. John is a Public Accountant for Riney & Hancock. He has been a member for a few months and spearheaded the bell ringing this past December. Mayor Winnecke has been the mayor of Evansville for the past 3 years and has a very optimistic outlook for our city and has shown great leadership for the projects that have been completed during that time. Welcome aboard gentleman!! Mark Hackert was the sponsor for John, great job Mark!! Thanks for taking care of the induction Ron, great job again!!

The program for the day was delivered by Mayor Winnecke. He discussed the State of the City and touched on upcoming projects and accomplishments over the past several years.

- *Economic Development-2,400 jobs have been created/retained the last few years.
- *Mead Johnson is celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year.
- *Fisher Dymanics will be hiring 169 new employees.
- *United Airlines will be offering service in June.
- *There will be an update on the IU Medical School in April
- *City Finances are strong and we were 5 million less in 2014 than budgeted.
- *5000 volunteers helped with Trash Pick Up around the city.
- *200 trees will be planted around Roberts Park on Arbor Day.
- *The sewer and water departments needs to be upgraded real soon, estimated over 600 million to cover the upgrades.

Hope everyone can make it out to our next meeting March 12th, we need everyone's support and attendance.

Until then,

Dan Phillips







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