

"Optimist OPTICS"



*"Everything We Do
is for the Kids"*

This Week's Program

May 12th, 2010

*Tim Tharp - Executive Director
Youth Service Bureau*

Next Week's Program

May 19th, 2010

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**Ron Eberhart
President**



**Ed Harrison
Memorial
Golf Scramble**

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Our highly esteemed President Eberhart returned to our Club this week, rang the bell and called on Bill Simmons to give the Invocation, Pledge and Creed. Nice to have our leader back and nice to have Bill back to "get us going".
GUESTS - Pat Hughes, a new member to be, and Bertie Harrison a possible new member to be also. These folks were brought to us by Emily Baxter.
RETURNEES – Ken Dennis, Larry Lewis, Ron Eberhart, Mark Hackert, Karen Morris and someone I forgot (I think). Anyhow, welcome back!
SUNSHINE REPORT – Don Julian reported on our one wounded warrior, Gary Burk, saying that he was testing his bad ankle but was still not getting around very well. Don also told us that Phil Reisinger, President of the West Side Optimist Club, suffered a second stroke recently and was not doing well.

- President Ron reminded us of our grave visitation program coming up on Saturday, May 29th and asked all who could to participate.
- He also announced that our Club will be celebrating its 89th Birthday next week - so bring a guest and let's celebrate!

Sarge Heathcotte collected "contributions" from various members for various things. Doc Bender's Minute for Medicine today was on the West Nile virus which is spread by mosquitoes and could result in encephalitis; also dengue fever which comes to us from the West Indies and is also very unpleasant and Ebola a disease from Africa that can be fatal. Cheery stuff, Doc!

Back to Sarge Heathcotte and his extreme trivia questions -- all about May 5th (Cinco de Mayo). Some winners, some losers-- as usual.

Emily Baxter introduced our speaker, Stephanie TenBarge, Executive Director of the ECHO Housing Corp. ECHO is housed at Lucas Place and the building provides transitional housing for some 20 families in the Jacobsville neighborhood on the near North side of Evansville. The need for a day care center is critical for the families and children of the area. A center would improve the healthy development and school readiness of homeless/low income children. How can you help? By becoming a giving partner; by including ECHO in your estate planning; by volunteering; by making in kind donations; and by being an advocate.

Half Pot winner – Karen Morris - who graciously returned her winnings

Buddy Prize – Dan Korb called "mean" Gene Melchoirs. A 2\$ bill for each from Bill Simmons. It pays to call your buddy!!!!!!

Thought for the day: The chief ingredient in fad diets is baloney

See you next week on our 89th birthday – bring a guest, call your BUDDY!!

Dan Korb

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