

This Week's Program

Next Week's Program

Our Foundation presented a check to 10 year old Peyton

July 27th — Mo Cato—Junior Achievement	Aug 10th — Gina Gibson & Josey Roth—Evansville Christian Life Ctr

invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag, and the Optimist Creed.

Florida. Ken Dennis, Foundation President, presented the check to Peyton and his dad.

these men to the NOW meeting and following up with them.

Foundation Check Presentation:

Ron Eberhart, Circle of Leader for July greeted the membership and guests. Ron then presented the

It was a great meeting which was well attended. We had several guests including three new people who joined the club. Michael Wall, has rejoined the club, and was present and brought a guest, Chris Gelhausen. Dan Phillips had two guests who also joined the club: Jason Rucker and Joshua Paulson. Also, Buzz Brasel has joined but was not present today. Thanks to Dan for his great effort in inviting

Blackard, and his dad, Jason. Peyton won the Indiana South District Golf Tournament, 10 year old division, a couple of weeks ago. The check will help pay for his registration fee to the Optimist International Tournament, later in July, at the PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach Garden,













Ed Harrison Memorial Golf Scramble





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"Optimist OPTICS"- continued



Announcements: There were numerous announcements.

Camp Carson Visitation: July 20th, Wednesday, we will meet at the camp in Princeton at 11:30am for those who want to take a tour. Meet/park at the lake dam as you enter the camp for a tour of the new building. Those who come later, around 12Noon....park up by the dining hall or lodge. We normally eat at 12:30pm. We will make a check presentation to Mark Scoular at the meeting.

Camp Carson Donation: Note too late to contribute. Bring your check next week or send in to:

Evansville Downtown Optimist Club Foundation P. O. Box 3882 Evansville, IN 47737

The foundation will match up to \$1500. Shaun Kingston, Foundation Treasurer, announced that we had collected \$725.00 to date. We can still match another \$775.00. So, open those pocketbooks.

District Convention: August 5 and 6th. Ron asked members to bring baked goods, i.e. desserts, etc. for the hospitality room.



Board Meeting: Blue and Gold Room, Tuesday, July 19th at 12Noon.

Michael Burk stepped forward as Sarg. of Arms. He asked several trivia questions relating to sports. He really fleeced the group today as no one was able to answer the questions. Jeff Olson won the "half-pot" and donated the money back to the club. Thanks Jeff!!

Our speaker today was courtesy of Dan Phillips. Amos Morris, Executive Director of Mesker Park Zoo, was present and gave an update about the zoo. What was new and some future projects.

Amos, who comes well-qualified to Mesker Zoo, has been director for 7 years. He previously has management experience at zoos in Providence, Rhode Island and Pittsburgh.







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New at the Zoo: Chestnut- breasted Malkoha and Amazon Milk frogs.

Babies: Femaile Langur born on Mother's Day and Takin, Kailash born in February. Future projects include: Carousel and Budgie Aviary. He discussed the carousel from years ago that was across from the zoo. Everyone over the years talked about how they really loved it and would like to see

it return. The zoo wants to purchase a new one and have set a 3 million dollar budget. Also, alongside would be a walk-through interactive budgie aviary. This would be designed to be up close and personal with parakeets. These projects are targeted to be completed by Spring 2017.

Amos also told us about plan for a new restaurant, adding Penguins in 3 years, and bringing back the Lion and Hippo displays in 5 years.

Be sure and come on the 27th as we will induct 2 new members....That's it for todav..... Ron Eberhart, July Newsletter Writer





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