



"Optimist OPTICS"

"Everything We Do is for the Kids"

This Week's Program

Aug 24th, 2011

David Duncan - International Soccer Coach and
High School Teacher in Bethlehem, Israel

Next Week's Program

Aug 31st, 2011

Tiffany Browning
Phoenix University



Ed Harrison
Memorial
Golf Scramble

Financial Support for:

YMCA
Camp Carson



(NOTE: I lost my copy of notes from the meeting and this is written from my fragile memory)

John Campbell called the meeting to order. Ron Eberhart came forward and utilized his SmartPhone to share a prayer with us and then lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and The Optimist Creed.

Bill Simmons had brought a guest who was a retired doctor.

Dan Phillips noted that we have two newly voted in downtown members with us today, Pat Pittman and Milton Norman. There was also a third new member, Sally Olsen. Hope to see all at the meetings in the future.

- During the Board Meeting held on Tuesday, it was discussed that we are again considering moving to holding our meetings every other week, possibly the twice a month. A letter will be going out to the members for feedback.
- Ron Eberhart reported that the Changing of the Guard will be held on Sept 28th at the Kennel Club. The meal will cost \$20 to 25/person. Ken Dennis is coordinating the event at that location.
- Dan Phillips reported that the Annual Golf Outing will be held Sept 14th. We are still in need of golfers, hole sponsors, and donations for giveaways. Contact Dan Phillips for more details.

Sarge duties were taken over by John Campbell. He had two questions and was able to collect from one group. We had to trust him as he made up the questions on the spot. Half-pot was won by Bob Shetler who donated the money back to the club. Many members gave in conscience money, but cannot remember who. Sorry folks.

Tim Deisher introduced our speaker, John Stanley, the Athletic Director at University of Evansville. He worked at Old National Bank before taking over at U of E. His duties involved working with a myriad of people...coaches, players, the university, referees, conference people, fans and more. Each of them has their own take on what should be done. This is a multi-million dollar business and can get very busy. His most recent challenge is the transition from Robert's Stadium to the new FORD CENTER. Seating is set up differently and meeting the demands of the season ticket holders is interesting. Parking has been arranged for the season ticket holders in the parking garage as part of their ticket cost. He feels that the anticipated traffic problem will not be what people expect because of the support of the police to be out in force to direct traffic.

There are many challenges facing athletics today with meeting the needs of the players and meeting the goal of being competitive in all the sports. It is a great job and has been a good transition for him to meet.

Tim Deisher presented John Stanley with DT Pen and framed creed.

Please forgive me for my errors as my memory is a bit faded today..

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