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MEETS EVERY FRIDAY NOON AT 4055 INTERNATIONAL PLAZA

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July Program Chair: Harriet Hunt

NO BOARD MEETING IN JULY

Friday, July 19, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: **Gretchen Bouton** from the TCU Athletic Director's office (Program to be held in ground floor training room.)

Friday, July 26, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: **Robin Carson**, Audiologist



August Program Chair: Ron Gamill

Friday, August 2, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: **Jim Palmer** – Palmer Retirement Consultants

Friday, August 9, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: **Julie Lovett** – TCU Silver Frogs

Tuesday, August 13, 2019 – OCFW BOARD MEETING, Host: Don Stegall

Friday, August 16, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: TBD

Monday, August 19, 2019 – First Day of School, FWISD

Friday, August 23, 2019 – NOON LUNCHEON, Program: **Darien George**, Author of Broken Handoff

Friday, August 30, 2019 – NO NOON LUNCHEON due to LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

IT HAPPENED LAST WEEK.....FRIDAY, July 12, 2019

WELCOME: President Fred Antonini presided.

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION: Three new members were inducted into the OCFW: John Donaldson, Courtney McLaughlin and Corey Troxell. Welcome!



Corey Troxell with Paul Boudloche

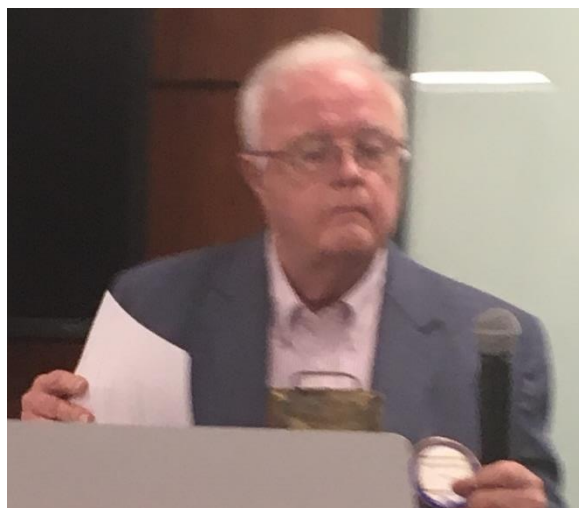


*Courtney McLaughlin, Duke Troxell, Corey Troxell
(with Craig Verwers in the background)*



John Donaldson

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Dick Fahy

PROGRAM: NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION Program Chairperson Dick Fahy organized and prepared an orientation program to give new members an overview of the activities and structure of the club. The program will enable new members to determine what programs are of particular interest to them. First, Dick gave information about the actual **structure** of the club and its affiliation with district and international Optimist clubs.

Second, Paul Boudloche presented information about the **SSA** (Scholarship Sprotsmanship and Athletics) scholarship program. Steve McCoy then gave information about the **TCC** (Tarrant County College) **scholarships** awarded annually.



Steve McCoy

Next, Neil Hunt told about the history and operation of our **baseball program for ages 6-14. New co-directors, Chris Gasca and Nick Renteria, of the JOC (Junior Optimist Clubs) told about the 14 elementary age Junior Optimist Programs and opportunities to participate.**



Neil Hunt



Nick Renteria and Chris Gasca

Ron Gamill, who serves on the board of directors of the Young Texan/Young Texanne Foundation, also introduced members old and new to the YTT program. Essay chairperson Fred Antonini talked about the Ol Essay Contest.



Ron Gamill



Fred Antonini

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NEWS AND NOTES

- ❖ Thanks to Neil Hunt for providing pictures from the meeting and the baseball tournament. Also, thanks to Kris Traver-Thompson for pictures from the Food Bank.
- ❖ PONY Regional Tournament was this past weekend played at PYBSA complex in Saginaw. The FWO Mustang team (10 U) was one of two undefeated teams in the 12 team tournament going into the finals. They were eliminated in the finals but played well.



❖ *In the PONY Regional Tournament, the FWO Bronco team (12U) was the runner-up.*



Special thanks to Neil Hunt for his continued dedication and hard work as president of the OCFW baseball program. No one will every know how many hours he has put in chasing down coaches, locating parents for required signatures, recruiting players, keeping score, watching games, keeping statistics and rankings and being the #1 cheerleader for FWO baseball. Thanks for all you do Neil. You are a treasure.

- ❖ *Tuesday, July 16, several members of the OCFW worked at the Tarrant Area Food Bank packing food for distribution. A good time was had by all...except Ron Gamill. From what I hear, Ron fell and banged up his arm. Hopefully he is OK so he can keep the checks coming.*



Karen Moser, Stephanie Sullivan, Carson Meinen, Kris Thompson, Debbie Gamill, Ron Gamill, Miriam Antonini, Fred Antonini, Ron Traver and Rashad Alston



Can you find the difference? Answer: New member Courtney McLaughlin is in this picture.



THE OPTIMIST CREED

Promise yourself...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all of your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, work only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.



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