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Luncheon Meetings
Tuesday 12:00 Noon
LUBY'S FIESTA
ROOM
911 N. Main
downtown

January 25, 2011



Scott Ackerson

VP Transformational Services

“Update on Haven for Hope”

Outstanding Youth - Justin Bryan

Boerne-Samuel V. Champion High School

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Guests included: Guest Speaker Dr. Bruce Leslie Monaco and Ismael Rodriguez, Francis Tarrillion and Mike Irizarry from Alamo Community Colleges, Outstanding Youth Zane Narro and his daughter of Paul Tarrillion, and Patty Cherniss spouse of Bob Cherniss. mother Lourdes Herera, Counselors Cynthia

Getting to Know Your Community College



Dr. Bruce Leslie
Chancellor Alamo Community
Colleges

Dr. Bruce Leslie, Chancellor of the Alamo Colleges presented facts to the club on the Alamo Community Colleges.

Alamo Colleges are the largest institution of higher education in South Texas. The colleges had a 2010 fall enrollment of 62,211 students, 9000 taking dual credit, and 31,345 continuing education. They are the best economic value for higher education. In district the cost for 12 semester hours costs \$819.

The Alamo Colleges excel at what they do. They graduate 296 nurses per year, have business partnerships with Toyota, Rackspace, Caterpillar, AT & T, USAA, Medtronic, Southern Folger Steel, Lockheed Martin and many others. San Antonio College's First Responders Academy educates fire science students and offers continuing education certification for firefighters throughout

South Texas. St. Phillip's college's Allied Health Programs include Radiology, Physical Therapy, Respiratory Care, Sonography, Surgical Technology and others. Palo Alto College is a key training provider for Toyota and its suppliers. Northwest Vista College has cutting-edge training programs in digital game development and educational robotics. Northeast Lakeview College Accelerated Technology Training Center offers certification in Cisco, Microsoft, Project Management and Linux Red Hat. Ninety-eight percent of the 684 graduates of the Alamo Academies continue in higher education or jobs and have been awarded \$1,026, 000 in scholarships. The Alamo Colleges are successful in graduating and transferring students to universities.

For more information on the Alamo Colleges log onto www.alamo.edu

Outstanding Youth



Outstanding Youth
Zane Narro

The World's Greatest Optimist Club had the honor of presenting Zane Narro as an Outstanding Youth. Zane attends Alamo Heights High School. His Mother Lourdes Herera accompanied him.

Zane successfully completed an internship and enrollment in Aerospace Academics; he has played football all four years in high school, and actively assists in the care of his grandparents.

Zane's goal is to enlist in the Air Force and attend college, eventually earning a Bachelor's Degree and obtaining his Airframe and Power Plant license.

Zane says his childhood was not easy, having to deal with his parents separating and going through a divorce. He constantly switched schools until his mother remarried and Zane permanently enrolled in the Alamo Heights School District. His



mother and grandparents are the ones responsible for pushing him to the place he is now. Zane said, "He gives thanks to God, his mom, counselors and the school for helping him achieve this award".

His school counselor Cynthia Monaco said, "last spring the high school took 20 students to the Alamo Area Aerospace Academy for a tour of the facilities. They wanted to give the students an opportunity to be able to participate in a program that would offer courses and experiences that were not available at the high school. The students had to be bright enough to pass the Accuplacer while also having great study skills, as they would be attending St. Phillips College and Alamo Heights High

School. Zane chose to submit an application and was accepted. He has been attending the Academy in the morning and Alamo Heights High School in the afternoon, an exceptional feat as he is also playing football. Zane is truly one of our most outstanding seniors.

President Stan Winchester presented Zane with the Outstanding Youth Plaque and gifts. Congratulations Zane, We wish you much success in your future.



Helen Jacobs

Essay Contest

The Optimist Club of San Antonio would like to invite students to participate in our annual Essay Contest.

The Essay Contest is sponsored by Optimist International to give young people the opportunity to write about their own opinions regarding the world in which they live. The approach can encompass a young person's personal experience, the experience of their country

or a more historical perspective. In addition to developing skills for written expression, participants also have the opportunity to win a college scholarship!

The guidelines require that contestants be under age 19 as of December 31 of the 2010-2011 school year. Club winners advance to the District contest to

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Mark Your Calendar, Bring your Sweetheart

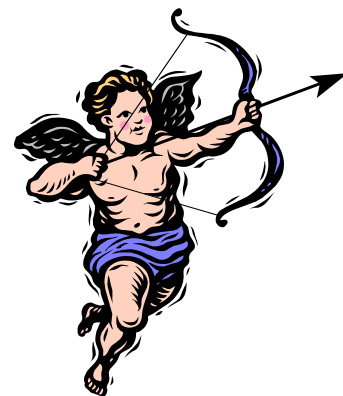
February 8, 2011

Optimist Evening Meeting

**Apple Annie's
2177 Military Hwy
San Antonio, TX 78213**

**Featuring The Chandler Players
A Readers Theatre Group
Will perform two skits.
Cost is \$20 per person**

**Please sign up to attend at the
registration desk.**



The Joker is Wild!
Pot as \$352.00



David Luschen
Drew the
King of Clubs



Membership Options
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Includes the cost of Lunch
\$54.00 Monthly
\$162.00 Quarterly
\$648.00 Annually

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No lunches included
\$37.50 Monthly
\$112.50 Quarterly
\$450.00 Annually

The Optimist "Pot of Gold" really does exist!

And here's how **you** can claim it:

- For **every** 5 new members that you add to our club, your name will go into the drawing at the end of year.

Remember: *Charter members of a new forming club don't count.*

GOOD LUCK and don't forget to "Just Ask" everyone you meet!

This pot currently contains \$1200 (Winner Takes All) big ones!

Optimist Calendar

Tuesday, January 25, 2011

Update on Haven for Hope - Scott Ackerson
Outstanding Youth - Justin Bryan Boerne Champion High School

Tuesday, February 1, 2011

Jim Battenberg, Rackspace Hosting- Cloud Marketing

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Evening Meeting - Apple Annie's

Tuesday, February 15, 2011

TBA
Host Essay Contestant
Board of Directors Meeting 1:00 pm

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Planning for the Rest of Your Life" - Ginger Cave - Friends of Hospice, Christus Santa Rosa

Tuesday, March 1, 2011

TBA

Tuesday, March 8, 2011

TBA
Board of Directors Meeting 1:00 pm

Tuesday, March 15, 2011

TBA

Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Optimist Lunch at the Bridge

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 compete for a \$2,500 college scholarship. The District-level scholarships are funded by the Optimist International Foundations. District winners are entered into the International Essay Contest, where a panel of judges selects a first-place winner. The international winner will receive an engraved

plaque and recognition in The Optimist magazine.

The Topic is: "How My Education is the Key to a Successful Future" the Deadline for receipt of the Essay by our club is February 10, 2011. Please contact Andrea at andrea@optimistclubsa.org for an application.

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

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

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL

"In order to become good in anything, the only talent you need is motivation"

--Unknown

WGOC 2010-2011 Committees

Mark Werner, VP

Youth Activities

Essay Contest	Ron Palermo (c), Al Sanders
Slam Dunk Basketball Scholarships	Brandon Parrott (c), Rob Glenn (C), Jim Hollerbach, Ron Hamilton, Duane Westerman, Mike Villarreal, Al Sanders
Boysville Christmas Shopping	P. Greeman (C), Tom & Nancy Carnes, Jim Hollerbach, Morgan Matson, Al Sanders, Kelly Van Burkleo, Don Hand
Scholarship Luncheon Oratorical Competition	Jim Berry (c), B. Johnson (c), Al Sanders, Jeff Marsh, John Pickles, Stan Winchester
JOOP Clubs	Stan Winchester
Outstanding Youth Awards	J. Berry (C), Bob Cole

Community Relations

Childhood Cancer Project	Helen Jacobs (C), Connie Linville, Jim Berry, Al Sanders
Campus Bike Awards & Citywide Bike Rodeo	M. Werner (c), David Luschen, Connie Linville, Jeff & Mary Marsh, Al Sanders
GOLD Seminar Publicity & Promotion	Mark Werner, Stan Winchester

David Luschen, VP

Finance	Steve Jett (c), Jim Hollerbach
<u>Program</u>	
Speakers	Jim Hollerbach (c) Stan Winchester, Patsy Greeman, Al Sanders, Bill Johnson
Respect for Law	Rocky Aranda, Tom Carnes
<u>Fellowship</u>	
Greeters & Sign-in	Al Sanders (c), Russ Greiner, G. Greiner, Leroy Muehlstein, Jim Keyes
Greeters & Songs	Harland Huntoon, P. Greeman
<u>Membership</u>	
	Connie Linville ©, Stan Winchester, Don Hand, Jeff Marsh, Morgan Matson, John Pickles
New Member Orientation	Morgan Matson (C)
New Member Induction	Don Hand (C)
By-Laws & Constitution	Mike Villarreal, Patsy Greeman
Directory	Andrea Meador
Bulletin/Newsletter	Andrea Meador
<u>Fundraising - Everyone's Responsibility</u>	
Golf Tournament	Jeff Marsh (c), Harland Huntoon, Tom Trimble, Stan Winchester, Leroy Muehlstein, Randy Wilson Bill Johnson
Bowl-a-Thon	Matthew Honeycutt (c), David Luschen, Kelly Van Burkleo, Jeff Marsh, Bob & Patty Cherniss



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