Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston Minutes of Meeting December 13, 2012

President Rick Coleman called the meeting to order. Sarah led us in prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

Sarah and Y Villarreal Russell Shrader

Jack and Fay Hopkins Bob Hogue

Pam and Ed Parnell

Rick Coleman

Letty Dietes

Thomas Carlucci

Jack Kellmann

Missy Bonner

Barbara Brice

Becky Kuykendall

Betty Gower Dean Wilson

December birthdays were announced:

Becky Kuykendall 8th
Don Kuykendall 26th
Missy Bonner 27th
Jack Hopkins 30th

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Thomas moved they be approved. Dean seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the minutes stand approved, as read.

Announcements:

Don Kuykendall is in hospital with issues from high blood pressure and kidney failure.

The Christmas party is ready to go this Saturday. Barbara said Tim wants us out of the hall by 2:30. Ed said he'd talk to Tim about this. We're expecting 180-200 people. Alamo Heights Club donated \$600 to help with the party. Rick asked that all members pay \$10, whether they eat or not.

Thomas is waiting on confirmation from future speakers from the Buckhorn Saloon, Institute of Texas Cultures, and SAFD.

Humor was provided by our usual comics: Ed Parnell, Bob Hogue, and Rick Coleman.

Thomas introduced the speaker for today: Jack Fishman, the CEO of the San Antonio Symphony. He gave a very interesting talk about the Tobin Center, formerly the Municipal Auditorium. It opened in 1926 and cost \$1,200,000. It is built in Spanish Colonial Revival Architecture as a tribute to the Veterans of WWI. There will be major improvements in the building in acoustics, pre-function space, and will be a state- of-the-art venue. The building is expected to be completed by Fall 2014.

Jack Hopkins won the drawing of \$18.

Thomas Carlucci won the popcorn donated by Letty Dietes.

Letty won her jar of popcorn that she so generously has donated.

Following the Optimist Creed, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Kuykendall