



The Sunriser February 6, 2008

Calendar of Events

Meetings at
Trinity United Methodist Church
3737 S. Peoria

- 2/13 Sue Smith, PA
Matters of the Heart
- 2/20 Four Way Test Speech Contest
- 2/27 Kim Carter
Fusion Center Coordinator
Homeland Security
- 3/5 Don Wasson & Phyllis Scroggs
On Their Trip to Nigeria

Other Events

2/7, 5:30 p.m. Sunrise Foundation Meeting
at Carol Orr's

News Roundup

Family of Rotary.

- **Phyllis Scroggs** attended the 1/29 meeting with a brace on her wrist.
- **Art Rasher** reported that he was heading for New Orleans and Mardi Gras — pray for him!

Valentine's Party Is Coming. Sunrise's Valentine's Dinner and Party will be held on Tuesday, February 12th, starting at 6:30. The event will be held at Camp Loughridge on West 71st St. The 2/6 meeting will be your last chance to get you check in.

Mission to Honduras. David Dyson, Paul Mikes, and John Arruda have had their Volun-

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NOTE: Send your announcements, events, ideas, or other items to johnhill@cox.net, or call John Hill at 808-0987. Thanks!

Sunrise Financial Wizards Offer Investment Advice

Our 1/30 meeting featured a panel of Sunrise's financial wizards — **Doug Horton, Art Rasher, Rich Orvis,** and **Steve Care** — who spoke about the current economy and investments.



Doug Horton spoke about real estate. He said that the local real estate market has been steady in recent years.

"It really wasn't that bad a year."

Doug Horton

He conceded that performance figures for 2007 were down from 2006. He pointed out, though, that 2006 was a record year and that 2007 still qualified it as the 3rd best year in Tulsa's history.

Doug feels that now is a good time to invest in real estate. It's a decent time to sell and a fantastic time to buy. Mortgage rates are low and prices are already a bargain. A good selection is available, with a lot of opportunity in lower priced properties.

"We should be furious about the way the government has managed our money."

Art Rasher

Art Rasher says that we are in a recession, which makes this the best time to buy equities.

What should you do?

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teer Service Grand application approved. They will be heading to Honduras soon.

Drilling in Nicaragua. Mickey Moore is back in Nicaragua drilling water wells. He is sending Phyllis Scroggs detailed reports.

Badge Update. Carolyn McGhay requested that all Sunriser who have attended new member training, but still wear red badges should alert her. She also reported that another new member training class will be held soon.

Cancellation Policy Reminder. Sunrise meetings and other activities will be cancelled on bad weather days when the Tulsa Public Schools are closed. Watch your media for the school closings.

Tax Information. At the 2/30 meeting Joy Ondracek circulated letters with information on each Sunriser's contributions to the Sunrise Foundation during 2007. These deducted the fair market value of any auction items won with donations. Contact Joy with any questions.

Investments, Continued

- You must have a goal
- Be ready to tolerate risk
- Know your holding period

Consider the top 10% of your portfolio as "throwaway money" that you can expose to risk. Have a strong foundation as the base of your portfolio.

Art predicts a long recession because financial institutions are willing to tolerate big losses.

He also predicts that the market will take a hit if there is a change of party at the White House.

Rich Orvis offered the two investment rules in the sidebar below.

"There are two rules.

- 1 Buy Low - Sell High**
- 2 When the market is down, don't sell — no exceptions!"**

Rich Orvis

He said that the people who hold their investments longer tend to do better.

He recommends a diversified portfolio and pointed out that this means you must periodically re-balance your portfolio as the values of the different sectors shift.

Steve Care's turn at the panel came last and found that previous speakers had already made most of his points. Steve did tell an amusing brick story. Not Rich Orvis' brick story, but a different one.

