

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

Celebrating over 60 years of service to Youth & North Topeka!

The weekly Tuesday morning meeting of the Sunrise Optimist Club met at the Sunrise Optimist Event Center.

President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 17 club members and guests Tim McCoy and Jason Lambrecht attending. Gary Slimmer gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS:

Dennis Richter and Lee Wallace, September 7. The birthday choir rested.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Football starts September 10 with 600 players, ages 4 to 3rd grade play flag and 4th-6th grades play tackle. Games will be at the middle school and two high school fields. Volleyball has 10 teams for 1st – 6th grades. Golf has 15 kids from Kg to 3rd grades.

The Optimist Event Center has internet connectivity. Network name is Sunrise Optimist and password is SOC-Guest.

Tim McCoy joined the club. He graduated from Seaman in 2001 and Washburn in 2006. He works for Countrywide Realty.

Optimist Family Picnic, October 22, hosted by Lee Wallace.

Optimist Essay (February) & Oratorical (March) competitions: club volunteer needed to work with USD 345 staff who will recruit and prepare students.

HME development is on hold waiting for approval to post 20 mph speed limit signs near the tunnel under Highway 24.

“Annual Made from the Heart Holiday Craft Fair,” 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, November 5, Optimist Event Center, features original hand-crafted gifts. Concessions available.

Program: Jared Swafford, high school football coach

In his second year as head football coach, the league had changed team participants. There are 115 players on the Seaman teams. The team usually runs the ball with stressing team speed and explosive play. Offense usually shotgun and spread. He brought two team captains who are both seniors elected by their peers. Coach Swafford is a Perry native. He attended Emporia State and completed teacher certification courses at Fort Hays State. He has three children, ages 4, 7 and 9.

Upcoming Events:

September 13: Tim Nussbaum, Seaman Head Soccer Coach & 3 Captains

September 20: Charlie Galligher, Sunrise Optimist Board report

September 26: Brad Wilson, USD 345 Seaman Superintendent at the Viking Grill

President Quote:

“Most people, who fail in their dreams, fail not from lack of ability but from lack of commitment.”

- Zig Ziglar

