

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

The Tuesday morning meeting of the Sunrise Optimist Club was at the Sunrise Optimist Event Center. President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 20 club members and guests attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Ernie Douglas, January 20; Robert Uphaus, January 23. The choir sang a great rendition for Ernie & Hannah Schreiner.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next meeting, Tuesday evening, starting at 6 pm, January 24, Viking Grille (steak night). Meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

Pancake feed on January 28, 7:00 am – Noon. Load up supplies at the Optimist Event Center at noon, Friday, January 27. Volunteers needed for morning (6-10 am) & late morning (10 am-1 pm).

Winter basketball league started January 14 at one gym with 201 players. Registration is open for all sports: Spring & Summer golf, volleyball, and baseball.

Club Secretary/Treasurer: Charlie Galligher would like to step back from some of the duties as the Club's Secretary-Treasurer. He is willing to mentor someone in the position.

January 31, after breakfast meeting: Volunteers (Tuesday's Troopers) to cut down dead trees on

north edge of complex property.

**Program:** Student of the Month Mr. Joshua Snyder, principal at Seaman Middle school, and Dr. Laura Lyons, principal at Seaman High School, presented awards.

**Lydia Dreher, Seaman middle school**  
She is a leader and shows respect and responsibility for academics and sports. She attended Logan elementary. She is active in volleyball, basketball, track and club softball (pitcher).

**Hannah Schreiner, Seaman High School**  
She is the Clipper editor, FFA president, FBLA state qualifier who is a farm kid raising animals. She intends to be a teacher or agronomist and will attend K-State. Importantly, she stood up to wrong behavior at the school.

Dr. Lyons listed various student accomplishments last week: 1<sup>st</sup> place, Boys swim team; 1<sup>st</sup> place Girls wrestling; Debate, 2 teams qualified for state; 3 students awarded \$1,000 scholarship from Living The Dream. There are 21 curriculum Career Pathways to prepare graduates as workforce ready in a variety of careers.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**January 24:** Viking Grille meeting, David Ralph, principal at Northern Hills Elementary

### **President Quote:**

"The time is always right to do what is right."

- Martin Luther King, Selma, AL

