

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 Optimist Event Center. President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 24 club members attending. Jason Lambrecht gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

The club welcomed Mary Smith and DeeDee Reedy to the club meeting.

BIRTHDAYS: Charles Galligher, February 8. Charlie was there and appreciated the choir's rendition of the birthday song.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunrise Optimist Club's Board meeting: 5:45 pm, February 21.

Thank you letter from Optimist International Foundation noting lifetime giving from our club totaled \$16,046. February 24-25 is quarterly District meeting in Overland Park, held in conjunction with the West Missouri District.

Winter basketball league ends this weekend. There is now only one web page, www.sunriseoptimist.org, for all club information, e. g. registration for all sports: Spring & Summer golf, volleyball, and baseball.

Easter egg hunt is scheduled for April 8 at the Sports Complex. Donations of wrapped candy are requested.



Secretary/Treasurer: We need a member to take over Charlie's position as club treasurer & club secretary.

Program: Optimist Essay Contest, chaired by Tim McCoy

Essay Theme: Who is an everyday hero that brings out the optimism in you? Club winners advance to the District contest to compete for a \$2,500 college scholarship. After both contestants read their essay about their dads as their heroes, Tim announced the winner.

1st Place winner: Brie Weiler-Reedy
Brie is a Seaman senior who has participated in FFA, volleyball and has coached and refereed Optimist leagues. She plans to attend Baker University and become an elementary school teacher and coach.

2nd Place: Lindsey Smith
Lindsey is a Seaman senior who has participated in NHS, FBLA, volleyball, baseball & basketball. She plans to attend KU and major in business.

Upcoming Events:

February 14: Rep. Dan Hawkins, Speaker of the Kansas House

February 21: Students of the Month

February 28: Evening Meeting at Viking Grille

President Quote:

"Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome."

- Booker T. Washington