

# 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 Event Center. President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 21 club members attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** David Jackson, November 7. He was there and our singing is improving!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Scooters coffee shop is being built on former North Topeka Blvd location of Hudson Oil and Heidelberg Café. Meadowlark Square will have 39 lots off of Button Road north of NW 46<sup>th</sup> Street.

Football championship games on November 5, same day as Winter basketball leagues. Dennis Reedy won national recognition from Dick's Sporting Goods for his role in youth athletics.

Christmas tree lot will be set up beginning at 3:30 PM, November 12th. Trees will be delivered on November 17<sup>th</sup>, Sales begin on "Black Friday". Volunteers have begun signing up on-line.

"Annual Made from the Heart Holiday Craft Fair," 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, November 5, Optimist Event Center.

[CraftFair@sunriseoptimist.org](mailto:CraftFair@sunriseoptimist.org) Volunteers needed to help vendors bring in their product, 3:00 – 8:00 pm, on Friday November 4th.



Club fundraiser: Holiday Mini Sessions  
15 minute photo sessions, \$49  
[www.galleryportraiture.com](http://www.galleryportraiture.com)

Pay 2022-23 Optimist club dues!

Check out the calendar at the revised club website: <https://sunriseoptimist.org/>

**Program:** Pam Evans, Family Service & Guidance Center (FSG)  
She thanked the club for providing productive activities for youth.

The \$7.9 million Youth Crisis & Recovery building is located near other FSG services at SW 6<sup>th</sup> & Frazier. Construction will be completed next Fall on a two-story building which will have 24 beds: 16 for crisis intervention & 8 for substance abuse. The Center will add 28-day maximum treatment. In Kansas, there are 10 beds for substance abuse. Before Covid-19, the number of youths served was increasing and the severity of mental health and substance abuse increased more during Covid.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**November 8:** Irene Haws, Community Blood Drive & other activities (meeting at Bradley's Corner Café on election day)

**November 15:** Becky Nioce, Shawnee County Register of Deeds

### **President Quote:**

"Life is like a 10-speed bike. Most of us have gears we never use."  
- Charles Schulz

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*Holiday Craft Fair*



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**9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Sunrise Optimist Event Center**  
**720 NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Topeka**

(North across NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street from Seaman High School)

*Give Original Hand-Crafted*  
*Gifts for the Holidays*

**FREE ADMISSION**

**Concession Stand Available**

(Operated by Sunrise Optimist Club members)

[www.sunriseoptimist.org](http://www.sunriseoptimist.org)

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(See Reverse side for list of Vendors)

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**Original Hand-Crafted Vendors:**

Julie Hall

Beads by Barbara

Recreations by Dawn

September Seventeen

DD Designs

Better with Lights/Inspiration

Ma's Handmade Krafts

Tangled Creations

Cowboy Prairie Dust

Lou E Doll

PB & J Jewels

Crocheted by K

High Plains Ironworks

TK Creations

Stitch in Time

Gooseberry Lane

Church Lane Wood Crafts

Quilts4Me

Creative Crazy Crafter

Decorative Painting by Karen

Cletus Linenberger

Crocket by Sharon

Duct Tape Creations by Jodi

Brynnleys Scrunchies

Remebees

N & N Tie Dye

Retro by Sheryl

Comfy Quillows & More