

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 19 club members attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Dan Lill, November 17; Steve Schiffelbein, November 19. Steve was there and our singing is improving!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

David Jackson reported that Simplot Grower Solutions purchased the former Wagner Mud Jacking business. Simplot is an international food & agriculture company whose founder invented frozen French fries. The Jeff West Junction/Max Mart in Meriden was sold for \$1.4 million.

Basketball games are in 2nd week from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm. 220 kids are registered. Next session may require two gyms with possible addition of teams from Silver Lake & Jeff West.

Christmas tree lot was set up November 12. Volunteers have begun signing up on-line to sell 235 trees. Trees will arrive 10:00 – 11:00 am, Wednesday, November 16. Lot will be setup to begin sales on “Black Friday”, November 25th.

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

Program: Becky Niece,
Shawnee County Register
of Deeds

She is a Topeka native who met her husband at Washburn University. She has 4 children. She was educated as a teacher.

She held the county position for 9 ½ yrs. In 1855, there were 33 counties in Kansas. In 1858, the Register of Deeds was established. Prior to USDs, school records were also kept. Books, paper, microfilm and digital records are stored. Digital records started in the 1970s & total 2.4 million images. Veterans can record their DD-214 discharge record there for free. Four staff are located in the county courthouse. Back up data systems are located in Iowa and New Jersey. In 9 years, there have been 5 property fraud investigations. Free property fraud alerts are available by signing up at
www.PropertyFraudAlert.com

Upcoming Events:

November 22: Students of the Month for Seaman Middle & High Schools

Tuesday, November 29: Evening meeting at Viking Grille: Penwell Gabel presentation, reminder this meeting is on Tuesday evening, NOT Monday!

December 8: Roger McEowen, Washburn University School of Law - taxation

President Quote:

“Success doesn’t come from potential.

Success comes from production.”

- Unknown

