

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

The Tuesday evening meeting of the Sunrise Optimist Club was at the Viking Grille. President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM with 15 club members attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: No one volunteered a birthday this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No Monday evening meeting in December. In 2023, evening meetings will be on Tuesdays.

Tuesday morning breakfast is prepared by David Jackson. Free will offerings for breakfast which exceed the cost of food is donated to the club. Many thanks to David and Charlie Galligher who starts the coffee bar before David arrives.

Fall basketball league ends in 2 weeks. For Winter league, Logan and Northern Hills grade school gyms will be used. On-line registration deadline is December 10 for players from 1st – 6th grades.

Christmas Tree Sales: 65 trees sold with 235 delivered. Dale, Don & Lloyd have worked the lot with help from student volunteers so far.

“Miracle on Kansas Avenue” Christmas parade: Dennis purchased magnets as decorations for his truck. The magnets don’t work on aluminum alloy truck metal! His wife

and daughter will wear Snow person & Grinch costumes.

December 15: Community Christmas party with Toys for Tots gifts for kids in foster care.

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

Program: Funeral Pre-planning, Tara Constantino & Emily Powell, Parker Price Mortuary

Why advance planning? In the same way as planning for retirement, weddings & vacation trips, funeral plans ease the emotional and financial stress when death occurs. Pre-planning answers 44 of 88 decisions ahead of time. Planning includes how you want to be remembered, identifies vital statistics, selects type of service & chooses type of burial. Keep this information in a place where others can access it easily.

Upcoming Events:

December 6: Roger McEowen, Washburn University School of Law – taxation

December 13: Matt Tinsley & Craig Cox (Seaman basketball coaches & players)

December 20: Student Awards, Seaman High and Middle Schools

President Quote:

“If a man hasn’t discovered something that he will die for, he isn’t living.”

- Martin Luther King, Jr

