

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 6:35 PM with 19 club members attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: No club member birthdays this week but Datha McNorton had a birthday recently & we sang to her.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

North Topeka news: Dave Jackson reported that neighbors' petition prevented zoning approval for six duplexes north of Soldier Creek on the west side of Rochester Road. Topeka City Council must approve zoning change.

Tim McCoy reported that the club's essay and oratorical winners did not attend the Kansas District Optimist third quarter meeting in Emporia. The club's oratorical winner will receive a \$500 scholarship though. For contributions to the OI Foundation at a \$20 per member average, the club received a year and amount patches for the club banner.

Youth volleyball is finished. Baseball registrations are open to May 1. Baseball coach meeting is also May 1. USA Football planning a state level tournament in November.

Summer concession stand will need 2 volunteers each night.

Dave Jackson, Frank Yeoman, Tim McCoy & Jason Lamprecht volunteered as a committee to study future ownership of the Optimist Sports Complex and the written agreement with USD 345 and are in the discovery phase of gathering information.

Playground equipment will be moved from the former Indian Creek elementary to our large playground in May. 4-H club will remove plastic buckets and mulch the new trees.

Club officer election is May 16. All positions are open. Tim McCoy agreed to be President and Corey McPherson has volunteered to be secretary-treasurer.

July 28, 37th Annual Bob Cutter Golf Classic at Great Life Lake Perry.

Program: Sunrise Optimist Endowment Association scholarship winners:

1. Gentry Babcock – Allen Community College to start & major in veterinary medicine
2. Ella Foxhaven – KSU
3. Jaxon Kramer – University of Arkansas, older sister plays softball there and major in graphic design & marketing

Endowment Association started in 1984 & thus far have awarded 151 scholarships totaling \$61,700.

Upcoming Events:

May 2: Jay Monhollon, Seaman softball coach
May 9: Rick Brading & Scott Peterson, Seaman track coaches

