

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

BIRTHDAYS: Ed Albert, August 16; Michael Smith, August 21. Ed was present and did a great job directing our choir, but we stopped half way through!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Football will have weigh-ins Sunday afternoon, August 27, and Monday evening, August 28. The high school athletic booster club decided not to have concession stand during our football games. Dennis is looking for alternate.

Christmas trees have been ordered based on type of 250 trees sold last year.

Club golf tournament raised \$17,000 to date.

October 3, Installation of Club Officers at our Event Center. Catered dinner provided by the club starts serving at 6:30 pm. Free will donation expected. RSVP by September 22.

North Topeka News: David Jackson reported that one residential building permit was issued recently for NW 52nd. The property at 911 N. Kansas, which is owned by Jerry Glasgow & David jointly, will be donated. Highway 24 improvement

project is moving along with traffic redirected to access roads. The City Council agenda tonight includes voting on the zoning change for new apartments located on the east side of Rochester Road and ground just north of Soldier Creek.

Program: Doug Fehr, USD 345 Resource Officer

He started college at Cloud County and played baseball. He graduated from Washburn University and has 4 children.

He has been Shawnee County sheriff for 26 years and worked in several different positions. His most recent job has been school resource officer (SRO) at county high schools. USD 345 has 4 certified law enforcement officers on staff. The sheriff dept has maintained SROs in county high schools despite staffing shortages. During summer, school districts have drills and include the SWAT officers. For the reported active shooter incident at Hayden high school, 120 officers from various units responded. Seaman high school has over 100 security cameras. Vaping in restrooms and disruptive classroom behavior are common incidents.

Upcoming Events:

August 22: Matt Miller, KSNT Chief Meteorologist, 6:00 pm at Viking Grille
August 29: Charles Galligher, Sunrise Optimist Board report


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 Meetings: Every
 Tuesday 6:45 AM
 720 NW 50th St, Topeka