

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

After dealing with adverse weather conditions the past two weeks, resulting in cancellation of morning Club meetings, the Sunrise Optimist Club was able to meet in the evening at the Vikings Grille. President Tim McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM with 23 club members and guests present. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Marvin Smith, 1/13; Ernie Douglas, 1/20; Robert Uphaus, 1/23; Ben Schreiner, 1/24. None were present, so we did not get to hear if our singing voices improved over the lay off!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunrise Optimist Pancake Feed to benefit the Winter Basketball Program, is scheduled for Saturday, February 3, 2024 at Logan Elementary School. Sign up sheet was available. If you can help with delivery of supplies and equipment to Logan Elementary, please be at the Event Center on Friday, February 2nd at 12:30 PM. There are two shifts on Saturday, February 3rd: 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM and 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Quarterly Kansas District Newsletter for January was distributed.

Sports Complex News: Proposed Purchase Agreement and Lease Agreement has been distributed to Board members.

Optimist Essay Contest:
February 6
Optimist Oratorical
Contest: February 13

Optimist Club Board meeting: 5:45 pm, February 13, 2024. The Purchase and Lease Agreements will be discussed as well as filling the unexpired term of Board member Alan Rose.

Program: Kyle McNorton, 50th District State Representative stepped up to be the program. Kyle reviewed the early days of legislative session with the passage by the Senate and House of a tax cut plan. Kyle outlined what is in the plan: A 5.25% flat tax on all earnings over \$6,150 for individuals or \$12,300 for married couples, indexing the standard deduction to increase with inflation, an additional \$50 to the \$2,250 personal exemption tax credit per dependent, eliminating income tax on Social Security benefits, exempting the first \$100,000 from state property taxes, ending all state sales tax on food. Kyle says he see no Medicaid expansion this year, as it will not come out of committee.

Upcoming Events:

January 30: Students of the Month from Seaman Middle School and Seaman High School

February 3: Pancake Feed for Winter Basketball program at Logan Elementary School, 8:00 AM – Noon

February 6: Optimist Essay Contest

February 13: Optimist Oratorical Contest

February 17: Bean Feed, 5:00 PM, Sunrise Optimist Event Center

President's Quote: "Every strike brings me closer to the next home run."

- Babe Ruth



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PRESENTS A

PANCAKE FEED

Featuring

All the pancakes you can eat!

Also serving: Sausage links, juice, coffee and milk.

TO BENEFIT THE

Winter Basketball Program

Price: \$5.00/each

Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:00AM – 12:00 Noon

Logan Elementary School

1124 NW Lyman Road

Support Sunrise Optimist Basketball!

**Games at Logan Elementary School
every Saturday starting at 8:00 AM.**

1st & 2nd Grade CO-ED

3rd & 4th Grade CO-ED

5th & 6th Grade CO-ED