

# 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 Tim McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 18 club members present. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** No birthdays this week.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ham & Bean feed, Saturday, March 2; Many thanks to all those who provided food to share.

Mike Bates introduced Curt Lewis as a guest for the last time as Curt has turned in his membership application. Welcome to the Club, Curt!

Registrations for volleyball & golf for middle school kids are open and followed by baseball. Easter Egg hunt is 3:00 pm, Saturday, March 30.

Irene Hawes sent thank you card regarding the club's participation in the Blood Drive on February 2.

**Program:** Trent Oliva, Seaman High School head baseball coach

Seven senior players came to the breakfast meeting. Each participated in other sports, e.g. football and basketball. The number of players is 8 seniors, 9 juniors, 12 sophomores and 18 freshmen. One senior will play college baseball.

There are 23 scheduled games and half will be played on natural surface. The first league game is March 22 at Hummer Sports Park vs. Topeka West. Wichita is farthest location.  
<https://seamanathletics.com/teams/3803774/baseball/varsity/schedule>

The league has many talented teams. Last year, the baseball team tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the league but came in second as a result of the tie breaker rule.

The team will travel together for Spring break trip but are not allowed to scrimmage with another team according to KSHAA rules.

**Upcoming Events:**

**March 12:** Eric Rucker, former State Senator and Shawnee County Commissioner

**March 19 at Bradley's Corner Cafe:** Students of the Month

**President's Quote:** "The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts."

- Marcus Aurelius

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**SUNRISE OPTIMIST**  
**NORTH TOPEKA**  
Meetings: Every  
Tuesday 6:45 AM  
720 NW 50<sup>th</sup> St, Topeka

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