

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 Tim McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with 14 club members present. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Keith Bodine, October 27; Frank Yeoman, October 27; Rick Kendall, October 30. Following the raucous rendition of the birthday song, Frank Yeoman started a new tradition with a check equal to his age and to be deposited in the Sunrise Optimist Endowment Association's account for scholarships.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

At funeral service for Ray Droge, Gary Slimmer handed Ray's three sons the Dime-A-Day pin in recognition for his many years of service to the club. His sons promptly placed the pin on Ray's clothing.

Football teams will have playoff games next weekend and final games on November 4. Basketball will also start on November 4 with 22 teams, over 200 players (half in 1st/2nd grade league). Coach volunteers & team sponsors are not filled yet.

Pancake Feed fundraiser is December 2. Christmas Trees, "Trees for Tots," ordered and sign-up via club's website.

The Annual "Made from the Heart" Holiday Craft Fair is Saturday, November 4, at the Sunrise Optimist Event Center.

The club's Negotiation group met with USD 345 on October 23 regarding purchase of Sports Complex. Utilities needs to be clarified.

Program: Tony Mattivi, KBI Director

He was born in Colorado Springs as an Air Force brat. He learned that college required you to be awake and sober for success. He met his wife in law school. His work experience includes many years prosecuting cases in Kansas, Baghdad (Chemical Ali), Guantanamo, and USS Cole bomber. The KBI was founded in 1939 with support from bankers (armed robberies) and ranchers (cattle theft). Now, the KBI has 3 satellite labs (KCK, Great Bend, Pittsburg) and a major lab at Washburn University. Priorities are violent crime, public corruption, internet crimes against children and fentanyl. The cartels find fentanyl to be very profitable and very cheap to make. Deaths are result of poor quality. Public awareness, e. g. parents and youth, is critical. Snap Chat is the social media marketing tool for the cartels.

Upcoming Events:

October 31: Cynthia Coufal
Certified Life Coach

November 7: Meeting at Bradley's café,
Walt Darling, Commander/American
Legion Post 400

President's Quote: "It's never too late to be what you might have been."

- George Elliot (pen name for Mary Ann Evans)



Volunteers Needed



Christmas Tree Lot:

SET UP LOT
NOV 11, 3:30-5:30

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- CHRISTMAS TREE LOT
- GOLF TOURNAMENT
- PANCAKE FEEDS
- COOKIE DOUGH/FROZEN PIZZAS
- SUMMER BALL CONCESSION STAND
- COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS
- COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT

UNLOAD TREES/SET UP
NOV 16, TIME TBA

SALES BEGIN
BLACK FRIDAY
NOV 24, 1:00-7:30

SHIFTS AVAILABLE
NOV 24-DEC 18
MON-FRI, 4:00-7:30
SAT, 10:00-3:00 & 3:00-7:30
SUN, 1:00-6:00

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
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SCAN TO REGISTER:



ALL OF THE FUNDRAISERS ARE MANNED BY VOLUNTEERS OR THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. THE CHRISTMAS TREE LOT IS ONE OF THE LARGEST FUNDRAISERS THAT WE DO AND WE NEED HELP TO MAKE IT HAPPEN AS IT IS A TIME SENSITIVE ENDEAVOR.

TREES FOR TOTS



Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Club/Team: _____

Signature: _____

DATES AVAILABLE:

NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER:

MAIL OR BRING REGISTRATION TO:

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Topeka, KS 66617

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