

# 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 25 club members and guests present. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Don Pekrul, May 6. We sang heartily and Don recorded it!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Sports news:** Volleyball players are improving each week. Baseball coaches meeting is May 1. Summer session for golf is accepting registrations.

Concession stand volunteers will be needed 5:30-8:30 pm, Monday through Thursday.

Recognition letters and certificates from the Optimist District Governor for recruiting new members were given to Dave Jackson (10 new members) and Mike Shepherd (one new member).

**North Topeka News:** Dave Jackson reported that the Cotton O'Neil building next to Kaw Valley Bank will become Pediatric Associates. That Other Place, 2125 North Kansas Avenue is expanding. The Fuzion School of Dance that was located in the same building as That Other Place has vacated so That Other Place is utilizing that space for adding a clothing line. The now closed Hardee's at 2300 North Topeka Blvd. has been sold to a Salina

investor/developer. It had been rumored that Brahm's had been looking at that site, but they need space that has 2 ½ acres for their operation.

**Sale of the Sports Complex to USD 345 Seaman school district is completed. Volunteers needed for committee charged to recommend investment of revenue from Sports Complex sale.**

All Topeka area service clubs are sponsoring a Blood Drive, June 28, 1:00-6:00 pm, at Westridge Mall.

Optimist Club Board meeting is May 14.

**Program:** Kyle Seevers, Seaman Girls' Soccer Coach

Coach Seevers has both boys and girls soccer teams. He has coached soccer for 11 years. Seaman's 5A league usually has the state competition winner. In a game, which has no timeouts, a mid-fielder runs 7 miles. Five Seniors attended and represent student athletes. All had college plans with majors including biochemistry, biology or sports medicine in addition to athletics.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**May 1:** Rick Rineberg, Seaman Golf Coach

**May 14:** Rick Brading & Scott Peterson, Seaman Track Coaches

**President's Quote:** "You do not find the happy life. You make it."

- Thomas S. Manson, former president, LDS

