

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

BIRTHDAYS: Craig Wright, June 25; Rolf Chappell, June 28; Rick Woodbury, June 30. Rolf asked us to sing in his absence. We called him at the Optimist baseball concession stand and sang heartily.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

All Topeka area service clubs are sponsoring a Blood Drive, June 28, 1:00-6:00 pm, at Westridge Mall. Donors receive a Royals T-shirt and 2 tickets to a Royals baseball game.

38th Bob Cutter & Alan Rose Sunrise Optimist Club Golf Tournament, July 26. 34 teams signed up with only 2 more teams needed. Hole sponsors cost \$115 and two holes cost \$200.

Dave Jackson reported that Yingling's intent to build a Morton building can proceed now that the city has finished a sewer line connection.

Nominations for 2024-25 Club Officers: President Tim McCoy opened the floor for nominations. Corey McPherson accepted nomination for club Secretary/Treasurer. Dave Jackson accepted nomination for board position. Lloyd Becker expressed interest to continue as a board

member if needed. Election is July 9.

Optimist Summer Cookout, 5:00 pm, Saturday, July 20: RSVP by July 17. Burgers, brats and hot dogs will be served. Members urged to bring a side dish or dessert. Spouses welcome. **BYOB.** Donations beyond cost of meats will go to support club activities.

The metal door at the southwest entrance to the Optimist Event Center will be replaced with glass door. Funding comes from current Optimist budget, not income from sale of Sports Complex to USD 345.

Program: Mike Kagey, Shawnee County District Attorney

Mr. Kagey graduated from St. Mary's high school, met his wife while working as waiter at Olive Garden, and completed law school at Washburn. He became a prosecutor to create a safer community for his kids. He also is competitive and enjoys winning. The DA office has created a task force on trafficking and another to prevent youth from committing violent acts.

Upcoming Events:

July 2: Zach Jowers, U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet

President's Quote: "Optimism with some experience behind it is much more energizing than plain old experience with a certain degree of cynicism." - Tywla Tharp (dancer, choreographer)





THE SUNRISE OPTIMIST CLUB INVITES YOU TO A

SUMMER COOKOUT

720 NW 50th | July 20, 2024 | 5:00 PM

An evening cookout of burgers, brats and hot dogs with friends. If you enjoyed our spring Ham & Bean feed, join us again and bring a friend!

Members, please bring a side or dessert. Spouses welcome. BYOB. Donations beyond the cost of the meats will go to support the club.

