

## **Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club**

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

The Tuesday mornning 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. Brad Wilson gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS**: No birthdays to celebrate this week.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

38<sup>th</sup> Annual Bob Cutter/Alan Rose Golf Classic, July 26th. Theresa Rose reported \$17,250 profit and she thanked all the volunteers. Linda & Bruce Lanning headed up preparation of sack lunches on Friday morning and thanked 11 volunteers who made 170 sandwiches in 50 minutes. Our thanks to Linda & Bruce who successfully prepared the setup for the volunteers.

Board meeting 5:45 pm on August 13.

Player registration for the club's sports programs are moving along: football, golf, volleyball & basketball.

Remodeling at the club's Event Center includes widening entrance sidewalk, installing glass doors at the entrance and upgrading the kitchen. Extra dirt is needed for the front sidewalk.

North Topeka News: The man who sells produce in the parking lot of the former Moose building will relocate to the former gas station on the northeast corner of Paramore and North Kansas Avenue. He will be selling serendipity

sweet corn this weekend. Brian Yingling's building on NW Elm Row will be adding a golf simulator in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. Could be possibly used as a fundraiser. The Hoyt's Truck Center on north US 75 & NW 17<sup>th</sup> is adding a storage building.

**Program:** Melinda Field, Blacksmith Event Center in Silver Lake

Melinda is from western Kansas and graduated from Colby high school. She came to Topeka to attend a nursing school. However, she ended up working 30 years in all phases of apartment management and retired in July 2019. Friends, who previously owned and wanted to sell the former Blacksmith building, encouraged her to buy it and operate an event center. The red building has capacity of 80 persons and features a very well-stocked bar. Food is provided by a caterer. Ample parking is provided on both sides of the main street in downtown Silver Lake. She also provides event planning services for retirements, birthdays etc.

## **Upcoming Events:**

August 6: Meeting at IHOP, 551 NW US Highway 24, Trey Burton on Alzheimer's

<u>August 13</u>: Rocky L. Barlow, Old Abe Camp #16 SUVCW, Program on the Civil War.



President's Quote: "You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."

- C.S. Lewis (British writer, lay theologian & scholar)