

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

The regular Tuesday morning meeting of the Sunrise Optimist Club was at the Sunrise Optimist Event Center.

President Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 18 club members attending. Don Pekrul gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: No birthdays this week!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Potluck & Pitch Tournament, July 25, at the Optimist Event Center. Bring your spouse, friend and side dish. Club will provide burgers & brats. Meet & Greet at 6 pm, Potluck at 6:30 and 5 pt Pitch Tournament from 7 – 9:00 pm. RSVP to Kyle McNorton, 785-286-2701.

Thanks to Rolf Chappell and volunteers who staffed baseball concessions.

Fall line-up includes golf, volleyball and football for youth leagues.

36th Annual Bob Cutter Golf Classic at Lake Perry, Friday, July 29

July 28, 5:30 pm Load supplies

July 29 7:00 am Make sandwiches

8:00 am Set up at golf course

Closing down

Board meeting: July 19, 5:45 pm, Gary Domer's office.

Playground equipment for t-ball diamonds was moved this weekend from former Indian Creek school.

Thanks to community volunteers & club members and the USD 345 school district.

Check out the web site for our Event Center at

<https://sunriseoptimisteventcenter.com>

Program: Dennis Dinwidde, Director of Conservation & Education, Topeka Zoo and Conservation Center

Friends of the Topeka Zoo now operate the zoo, not the city. Dinosaurs Live (22 animatronic creatures) helped increase attendance 50%. On Thursdays in July, the zoo will be open until 8:00 pm due to high temperatures. The \$7.5 million Giraffe & Friends exhibit will open this Fall. It will be a multi-species exhibit. Giraffes must be careful not to injure a leg as this will lead to their eventual death in the wild. The migration of monarch butterflies from Mexico to Canada takes seven generations and the same number on the return migration. Several conservation programs are in place at the zoo:

1. Sumatra Tiger breeding
2. Giraffe breeding
3. Monarch butterfly tagging
4. Ornate box turtle survey
5. Black footed ferrets

He is a native of Oklahoma City and former teacher.

Upcoming Events:

July 19: Optimist Convention report,

Charlie Galligher

July 25: Pot luck & Pitch Tourney

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Bring a Spouse,

Bring a Friend,

Bring a Side.

Potluck & Pitch

Sunrise Optimist Event Center

Monday July 25th

6:00 Meet & Greet

6:30 Potluck Dinner

7 – 9:00 5-point Pitch Tournament

Optimist Club will provide Burgers and Brats

To make sure we have enough, please RSVP to Kyle

Text: 785-633-1492 – Email: kyle.e.mcnorton@gmail.com

If enough interest, we will have beginner/learning table(s)

PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR OUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY