

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

Celebrating over 50 years of service to Youth & North Topeka!

President Ernie Douglas rang the bell and called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM. Al Ferrell gave the invocation. Then we all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Marvin Smith was not present to experience the choir.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dan Lill and Leana Cox presented a \$500 check to the club from Penwell Gabel. The club was chosen by a vote of Penwell Gabel staff for its annual charity donation.

Board Meeting, January 9, 5:15 pm.
Vacancy on the board – vice president.

Program: January 9, 2018

Student of the Month: Natalie Ford is NHS president and participates in debate, Model UN, band (cello player), community service projects and cross country.

Jobs for American Graduates (JAG): Mike Monaghan, Seaman high school principal, presented information for Craig Rocastle who is JAG coordinator and also high school soccer coach. Mr. Rocastle is an experienced pro soccer player. High school student data identified 35 at risk students based upon grades, behavior points and unexcused absences. These students receive individual mentoring to intervene with circumstances impacting success in the classroom and post-secondary plans. JAG

is funded by at risk education funds and started at Seaman high school in the Fall 2017. Two examples included a student experiencing homelessness and another opioid addiction.

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Looking Ahead:

January 16: Nancy Goodall, Senior VP for Core First Bank, Ten Biggest Estate Blunders

January 23, Joe Huerter, lawyer, Bill of Rights according to Maybery RFD

Drawings this week:

Weekly: Lloyd Becker

Progressive: #65 Gary Slimmer

President's Quote:

“Love the art in yourself and not yourself in the art.”

- Constantin Stansilavski

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