

# 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. Lloyd Becker gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Robert Uphaus, January 23; Ben Schreiner, January 24. The Birthday Choir sang for the father of a Student of the Month recipient.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Baseball registration starts January 31

February 4 Breakfast meeting moved to Hiway 24 IHOP.

February 7 & 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Kansas District Optimist meeting, Manhattan. Former KSU coach, Bill Snyder, will be keynote speaker, 9:30 am, February 8.

February 15 is tentative date for Winter pancake feed at Logan.

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, first graduating class for USD 345: June 6 and 7, 2020.

**PROGRAM:** Students of the Month and Nate McAlister, Seaman Museum Preservation & History Day program

**Students of the Month:**  
Taegen Loy is accomplished cross country athlete and honors student. His approach to running has changed from a goal based on time to place finished. He may attend St. Mary college in Leavenworth.

Trent Powell participates in the robotics club, now a class, with a weekend

tournament on January 25, starting at 9:00 am. He has organized Viking United which is a Key Club program pairing Key Club members with students with disability participating in competitive athletic events.

Both students developed a documentary for History Day competition on William D. Matthews who owned a restaurant in Leavenworth and who served as the first black officer during the Civil War.

Mr. McAlister reported that a Seaman student was one of 15 high school students nationally to participate in a D-Day commemoration this summer in France. He will research a soldier killed in the battle and read his memorial at the event.

Mr. McAlister with the help of 5 students will be managing the Seaman Museum. He received a \$21,000 grant from the state to digitize materials.

### **Looking Ahead:**

**January 28:** Optimist Board monthly report

**February 4:** IHOP for breakfast

**February 11:** Doug Schmitt, Soldier Township Fire Department

### **President's Quote:**

“One smile can start a friendship. One word can end a fight. One look can save a relationship. One person can change life.”

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The Future iServe

**Second Quarter District Optimist Meeting Agenda  
Friday Feb 7 and Saturday Feb 8**

**Friday: Holiday Inn**

7:30 P.M. – Executive Committee Meeting

**Saturday: First Presbyterian Church**

8:00 – Registration

9 AM – Opening Session

Flag Ceremony

Prayer

Welcome from Mayor Usha Reddi

Toast to all Nations

9:20 – Governor Rod Obermeier

Welcome Guest

First Timers

9:30 Keynote – Bill Snyder

10:15 – Break

10:25 – District Objective

10:35 – Online Registration/Pay Pal Ruth Nelson/Charlie Galligher

11:05 – Awards Foundation Rep Gary Slimmer

11.15 – Essay Marlene Natoli

11:25 – JR Golf Kit Kelley

11:35 - CCC Ruth Nelson

11:50 OI Convention Kris Kirkes

12:00 – Lunch

1:15 – Regional VP Remarks/Awards Program Dwight Pollard

2:00 – District Leadership Presentation Kris Kirkes

2:45 – Break

2:55 – Minutes Q1 Mary Griffin

3:05 -Accountability Q1 Deb Newton

3:15 – Membership Dale Fox

3:45 OI VP Remarks

3:55 - Governors Remarks

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**Kansas District - Optimist International**  
**2nd Quarter District Conference**  
**Feb. 7th - 8th, 2020**  
**Manhattan, Kansas**



**Meeting Place:** First Presbyterian Church  
 801 Leavenworth Street  
 Manhattan, KS 66502

CONFERENCE FEES:	QUANTIT	COST	TOTAL
<i>This fee does not include lunch. It covers the cost of room rental and conference material</i>		\$10.00	
<b>OR</b>			
<i>Covers the cost of room rental, conference materials and lunch</i>		\$15.00	
We will be joined by Middle America VP Dwight Pollard			
Keynote speaker will be Bill Snyder.			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Club &/or District Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Club &/or District Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Guest Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Any Children Attending? Name(s) & age(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please note any special dietary/physical needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you will be attending your FIRST District Meeting:

Please return Registration forms to:

**Kansas District Optimist**  
 14767 S. Alden St  
 Olathe KS, 66062

**Please return this form by: Jan. 31st, 2020**

Please arrange for your overnight accommodations directly with:

**Holiday Inn At The Campus**  
 1641 Anderson Avenue  
 Manhattan, KS 66502  
 785-539-7531  
 Rate: \$105 + taxes

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To receive this Special Optimist Rate mention Group Code KAN, reservations must be made by:

**1/17/2020**