

# 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 recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Gary Slimmer, March 15; Alan Rose, March 16; Mark Fink, March 17. Gary & Alan appreciated the soulful sound!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Optimist Board Meeting, 5:30 pm, March 12.

Who Wants to be Sunrise Optimist Club President? Eligible to travel to Louisville, KY for International Optimist convention this summer.

Optimist baseball registration began January 31 <http://www.playsunrise.org>

**Shawnee County Hunter Education,** March 19, 21, 26 & 28, Optimist Activity Building. Attendance at all four evening classes is required.

**PROGRAM:** Lee & Susan Wallace, basic pistol safety & concealed carry Lakeside Security Training Classes, [www.lakesidesecuritytraining.com](http://www.lakesidesecuritytraining.com)  
Conceal Carry training: March 30 & May 18, \$75  
Basic Pistol training: April 13, \$75

Training includes one hour firing range practice and proper use of guns (7 hrs). Women are the most cooperative but recent military are not. Persons are encouraged to bring their own gun and become

knowledgeable of proper usage. One of Lee's sayings: Always load your brain before you load your gun. Know your gun & be able to load without looking & speedily. Know your ammunition because specific type is required. Practice shooting.

Lee is a NRA Member and former military Drill Instructor. He doesn't provide legal advice. Federal & state laws conflict on gun ownership & usage. Background checks can be completed within 5 minutes in most cases. He supports background check requirement and completion of training course but doesn't agree with open carry without a permit.

The person's use of a gun is the problem rather than gun ownership. Felons have easy access to guns through the black market or theft.

### **Looking Ahead:**

**March 19:** Tim Collins, Seaman High School, Girls Soccer Coach

**March 26:** Optimist Oratorical contest (co-ed event)

### **Drawings this week:**

Weekly: Jeff Hurst

Progressive: #71 Dave Stotts

**President's Quote:** "The wide world is about you: you can fence yourselves in, but you cannot forever fence it out."

- J.R.R. Tolkien

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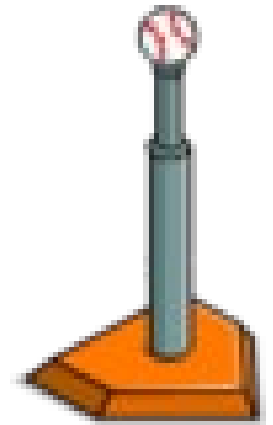
**Registration is now open for Sunrise Optimist Summer Ball programs!**



**Baseball**



**Softball**



**Tee-ball**

**All registrations for baseball/softball/tee-ball will be handled ONLINE.**

**Forms will not be sent home from school with students.**

**Registration is now open! Go to:**

**<http://www.playsunrise.org>**

**Hurry! Registration closes Sunday, April 7th!**



**Please like our Facebook page:**

**<http://www.facebook.com/srosommerball/> to stay abreast of current events and communications about the program.**

**Questions - comments, contact us at:  
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## **Summer Baseball/Softball/T-ball Program**

### **Team Sponsor Registration**

**Friend of Youth Since 1962**

Purpose of the Optimist Club: To develop optimism as a philosophy of life; to promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs; to inspire respect for law; to promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people; to aid and encourage the development of youth in the belief that the giving of one's self in service to others will advance the well-being of man, his community and world.

Each year, local businesses and individuals sponsor teams in this league and provide opportunities for all youth, regardless of their ability to pay, to participate in this program. If you are interested in sponsoring a team, please complete this form and mail payment to:

**Sunrise Optimist Club**  
**c/o Dennis Reedy, 4013 NW Rochester Road, Topeka, KS 66617**  
**Deadline: April 20, 2019**

[ ] \$100 - your name (no logos) will be placed on the front of each player's shirt for one team and you will receive a team photo at the end of the season. Number of teams you would like to sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like your company logo to appear on our website as a featured sponsor, please be sure to include you Website URL below!

Name as you want it to appear on Tshirt (please print or type):

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Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website URL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note name of player or coach if you have a team preference\*:

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\*Every attempt will be made to ensure your name appears on the team shirts for which you designate; however, this is not possible in all cases.

**OPTIMISTS BRINGING OUT THE BEST IN YOUTH,**  
**IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND IN OURSELVES.**