

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

The meeting was called to order by President Judge Frank Yeoman.

Words of wisdom from our president: "Energy and persistence conquer all things." – Benjamin Franklin

The invocation was led by Pastor Justin Jamis. Karen Ireland led the flag salute.

Dale Long, Pete Foster, and Lloyd Becker had birthdays this week. We "sang."

The weekly drawing was won by Gary Slimmer. The Progressive drawing was won by Michael Smith.

The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our club will be held on Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Plan to attend this celebration! Invitations have been sent out and planning sessions are proceeding. A historical document is being prepared and will be distributed to all who attend that evening. We especially want all of our current members to attend, as well as those in the past. Put this event on your calendar and presidents are asked to bring scrapbooks etc. to show.

May 29<sup>th</sup> will be our next 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday event. Plans are under way.

A nominating committee is being formed. Volunteers would be appreciated.

The Hunter's Safety program is being held in our building on Tuesdays, March 20 and 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursdays, March 22 and 29.

Program- Optimist essay winners. Thanks to Fred Patton for heading this project up, and to Seaman teacher, Julie Bervert, for her help in getting the 63 entrants.

Topic- "How my optimism has benefited my community"

Results:

1<sup>st</sup>- Joey Sodergren

2<sup>nd</sup>- Zach McGinty

3<sup>rd</sup>- Quincy Rayls

Joey (Joseph Charles) will now move on to the state contest.

Future Programs-

Next Week April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Stephanie Moore, Seniors helping seniors.

April 10<sup>th</sup> - Susan McDonald, Jayhawk Area on Aging and Seaman Student of the month.

April 17<sup>th</sup> - Steve Bushnell, Seaman baseball coach, and Jay Monhollon, Seaman softball coach.

April 24<sup>th</sup> - Dawn McWilliams, CPO Boy's and Girl's clubs of Topeka.

May 1<sup>st</sup> - Cammie Landholm, Sunflower Health Care Hospice.

Attitude- by Charles Swindoll

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play the one string we have, and that is our attitude...I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our Attitudes.

Closed with the creed.

