

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: "Nurture your minds with great thoughts, to believe in the heroic makes heroes." Disraeli

The invocation was led by Richard Sundermeyer."
Charles Nicolay led the flag salute.

Bud Cook had a birthday this week. We "sang" a belated Happy Birthday to Gary Domer.

The weekly drawing was won by Steve Shiffelbein. The Progressive drawing was won by Sydney Hayes.

Troy Sundermeyer was a guest of his dad, Richard. Troy is serving in the Navy.

Program- Dawn McWilliams, CPO Boy's and Girl's clubs of Topeka.

Future programs-
May 1st- Cammie Landholm, Sunflower Health Care Hospice.

Both our boy's and girl's oratory contestants took first place in the state contest this past week in Emporia. Josh Wisler and Marissa Meis each won \$2500 scholarships to the college of their choice. Congratulations to them and their Seaman Debate-Forensic coach David Ralph!

Alan Rose announced that the 26th annual Bob Cutter Golf Classic is scheduled for Friday, July 27. Plans are underway to make this a quality golf tournament with plenty of prizes, raffle items, and surprises. Make plans to get your foursome together to play. There are also plenty of volunteer opportunities. Contact Alan Rose for more details.

Our summer baseball, T-ball, and softball programs are in the final stages of planning. The T-ball alone has 58 coaches! Steve can still add more to the rosters. Sponsors are still needed.

Dan Lill needs help the week of May 29th to hand out the pizza and cookie dough forms. The players will have three weeks to sell the pizza and cookie dough. Pick-up day will be on Thursday, July 19th. The delivery truck will arrive at 4 PM. Help is needed to unload the truck and assist with getting the material to the players.

This Saturday will be a big day for our club. We are celebrating fifty years of service to the community. It all begins at 6 PM in our club building. Over 130 have registered. A wonderful meal will be served and everyone will receive a comprehensive written history of our club. Notebooks of the various presidents over the years will be available to look at. The Seaman show choir will perform. Past presidents will be given an opportunity to say a few words.

Our club was chartered on May 22, 1962 with 36 charter members. It was sponsored by the Topeka Downtown Club. It met at the Holiday Inn hotel on highway 24. At the organizational meeting, Roland Nelson made the motion, seconded by Bill Vawter, to proceed with the formal organization of the club. A motion was made by Jim Kuhn, seconded by Carl Grimes that the club shall be known as the Sunrise Optimist Club of North Topeka. Annual dues were set at \$20 a year, payable quarterly. The club voted to have breakfast meetings at 6:45 AM each Tuesday of the week at the North Topeka Holiday Inn. The charter members included several professional educators from the Seaman School district and

individuals connected with the Industrial school of boys. This set the stage for a close working relationship with the Boys School and the Seaman School District.

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