

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

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

Ernie Douglas called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM. Gary Slimmer gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Ron Vinduska, June 20.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Summer Baseball, Softball and T-ball registration began June 8 with over 500 participants. The fund raiser is on-line at <https://www.shopfund.com/>. The concession stand need 3 workers each night to include sanitizing the public restrooms. There will be limited offerings due to COVID-19 public health restrictions; no hot dogs, nachos and canned soda/Gatorade.

Student of the Month: Eva Noble is an honors student, all city & all league swimming, drum major with the marching band (trombone player) and wind ensemble (clarinet), performed at the Topeka Civic Theater and Seaman theater productions, several youth advisory groups (Topeka Youth Commission, Kansas State Dept of Education) and completed internship shadowing assistant principal at Logan. She plans to attend Emporia State and major in political science and education.

Optimist International Virtual Convention, June 27 & 28,
3 hours/day, \$35
registration with Kansas District pays registration for first 100 members that register at <https://www.optimist.org/convention>

SUNRISE OPTIMIST
NORTH TOPEKA
Meetings: Every
Tuesday 6:45 AM
720 NW 50th St, Topeka

PROGRAM: Mike Monaghan, Seaman High School Principal

Schedule changes at the high school allowed additional 40 minute period to be used as career planning time, take another elective and morning or afternoon student assemblies.

Vaping was added to the school's random drug testing which is very accurate based on hair follicle. Last year, 98% parents opted in for drug testing. Disciplinary reports have declined. Graduation on August 2 which includes recognition of students (3% of graduates) accepting military positions.

Except for a few students, continuous learning during the pandemic was accomplished because all students and faculty use Macbook Air computers.

Artificial turf was replaced on the football field (warranty repair. After participating in the original I-70, now Centennial sports league, since 1960 Seaman will leave to realize cost savings in scheduling and competition parity levels with teams in the United Kansas Conference League.

Looking Ahead:

June 23: Optimist Board report
June 30: Breakfast at IHOP

President's Quote:

"A healthy man is a successful man."

- French proverb

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