

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

We are on the worldwide web: [www.sunriseoptimist.org](http://www.sunriseoptimist.org)

A good crowd of nearly 40 members and guests were in attendance at the Brickyard Barn Inn this morning as **President Rocky Fund** began the meeting at 6:40 AM.

**Richard Sundermeyer** gave the invocation and **Rocky Fund** led the flag salute.

Back for another visit was **Randy Adams** who brought along his wife, **Karen**. As you may recall from last week's newsletter, Randy and Karen live in Marysville, Ks. and he is in Topeka this summer as a Driver's Education instructor at Seaman.

Several members invited their spouses to the meeting this morning to experience the unique and historic **Brickyard Barn Inn** and enjoy the delicious breakfast prepared by Scott & Truanna Nickel. They included **Gary & Barb Slimmer, Rick & Mary Colton, Duane & Norma Reed, Ernie & Norma Douglas, and Chuck & Myra Sodergren**. Also visiting again this week were **David & Christina Pekral** son and daughter of member **Don Pekral**. They also had family friend **Omar** (sorry didn't catch his last name), who is from **Morocco**, with them. **Omar** was a foreign exchange student a couple of years ago and has returned to Kansas to attend one of our community colleges.

**Gary Slimmer** introduced **Scott Nickel** who reviewed some of the history of the **Brickyard Barn Inn**. Built in 1927, from a design by a class of Agriculture students at Kansas State University, it operated as a full fledged dairy for the first 27 years of its life. It was transformed into a private residence in 1976 and became a Bed & Breakfast in 1993. There are three guest rooms, with queen sized beds, and all have private baths. The Brickyard Barn Inn is a popular location for weddings and receptions, private dining experiences for any occasion, private corporate retreats, family reunions, and celebrations of all types. The Inn has had guests from all across this country as well as the world, including Japan, Canada, Australia, Germany, England, South Africa and now Morocco!

**Clyde McNorton** is celebrating a birthday this week! So the Sunrise choir sang (?) birthday wishes to him. The change in venue did not enhance the singing abilities of the choir.

**Alan Rose** announced that the golf tournament is coming up July 25<sup>th</sup>, and that he finally had the informational flyer and registration forms available. Information about the **Bob Cutter Golf Classic** is included with this newsletter. Contact **Alan** if you need more forms or visit [www.sunriseoptimist.org](http://www.sunriseoptimist.org) for more information. He says that he has some really great prizes for this year. Everyone should be getting ready for this!

**President Rocky** reported that the board meeting scheduled for tonight, June 17<sup>th</sup>, had been cancelled and that the Board would next meet on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Steve Schiffelbein** reports that it keeps raining and rained-out games are made up on Friday evenings if possible. So if you are not busy on this Friday evening stop by the concession stand and lend a helping hand.

**Dan Lill** reported that the order forms for the pizza/cookie dough sales will be collected on June 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 26<sup>th</sup>, and possible on June 27<sup>th</sup>, depending on the weather. **Dan** would like to have some help in collecting money and verifying the order forms.

There were no "pot" winners this morning.

### COMING UP

**June 24<sup>th</sup>** – Bette Allen, Executive Director of the Great Overland Station. Presentation of a plaque to the **District Optimist Oratorical Winner, Lydia Gibson**.

**July 1** – Jane Metzger, Director of Meals on Wheels.

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**NORTH TOPEKA**  
**Meetings: Every**  
**Tuesday 6:45 AM**  
**720 NW 50<sup>th</sup> St, Topeka**