

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: Eric Shulz, July 22; Paul Wurtz, July 24.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Cutter Golf Classic, July 31: Fifty raffle tickets at \$20 each will be sold for a driver valued at \$600. Breakfast burritos will be sold.

Fall football may be delayed to Spring due to COVID. Dennis Reedy observed safety protocols at the Shrine bowl.

12th Annual Optimist Childhood Cancer Golf Tournament, Friday, August 7, 7-7:45 am registration, 8:00 am gunshot start, <https://ksoptimist.org/Golf> 913-669-3388

Kansas Optimist District Convention, August 21-23, Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka: Registration deadline is August 15. \$20 registration fee includes all meals due to district savings on minimal travel to international convention.

PROGRAM: Kristen O'Shea, Republican candidate for Kansas Senate

She returns to our club breakfast meeting as a candidate. For 3 years, she has enjoyed the freedom of running her own small business providing strength development and training for business and groups. She has experienced the negative impact of COVID-19 on

her business income which has two employees and her.

Previous experience includes city mayor position at Girls State, KSU sorority president and employment at the Topeka Chamber of Commerce (Heartland Visioning).

Her decision to get involved in politics and the role of government is driven by the realization that there's a greater risk in staying silent even though she prefers holding back.

Her campaign flyer states: supports common sense taxation and transparent, accountable government, support for small businesses, fully fund education through classroom investment and student-based outcomes, protecting life & liberty. (pro-life, 2nd amendment rights).

To prepare for her campaign, she has met with Senate Republican leadership and studied several issues. She is pro-life and supports 2nd amendment rights. Unemployment compensation that is greater than employment wages is not sustainable. She has not formed an opinion on KanCare expansion and appreciates that Kansas has studied other state efforts.

Looking Ahead:

July 28: Optimist club Board report,

July 14 meeting

August 4: IHOP meeting

President's Quote:

"To build a better world, start in your community."

- anonymous

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Meetings: Every
Tuesday 6:45 AM
720 NW 50th St, Topeka