

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: Kim Patton, August 12; Ed Albert, August 16. We sang our best for Ed Albert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Cutter Golf Classic, July 31: About \$7,300 raised to support club youth activities. Thanks to all the helpers and golfers who participated.

12th Annual Optimist Childhood Cancer Golf Tournament, Friday, August 7, Our club was a hole sponsor.

Fall football registration is progressing. Fans will be asked to wear masks at the games. Basketball registration began also.

Christmas trees have been ordered. A former club member, Raymond G. Remp, died August 3.

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. Friday night picnic will be held at our Activity building.

Board meeting, 5:15 pm, August 11.

PROGRAM: Mike Monaghan, Seaman high school principal, USD 345

High school graduation was held August 2 with 95% graduates attending. Summer activities included weight training, volleyball and soccer practices. Driver's education was broken into 3 groups of 45 students with driving sessions going throughout daylight hours.

USD 345 school board approved a hybrid attendance model for Kg- 12th grade. Half of students will attend 4 classes each day for two days, e.g. A-K surnames attend Monday & Tuesday, L-Z attend Thursday & Friday. Wednesday will be study sessions and guided work by teachers. 300 students chose virtual/remote attendance. Twice each week, students will check in with teachers.

Fans will be asked to wear masks at athletic events. Debate and music sessions done virtually. The Fall student play performance will be a radio play. By October 1, 2020 the district will assess whether to return to pre-COVID 19 normal.

School meals will maintain social distance and sanitation procedures. Meals can be picked up.

Looking Ahead:

August 16: Dusty Nichols, Shawnee County Emergency Manager

President's Quote:

"Men build too many walls and not enough bridges."

- Joseph Fort Newton

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