

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. Steve Schifflbein gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

BIRTHDAYS: Richard Barta & Michael Smith, August 21; Don Troth, August 23, Curtis Henderson, August 24.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Breaking NEWS! Incoming club president is Kyle McNorton. His dad was club president 29 years ago. Thank you and congratulations!

Nominations for vice-president and board members are open. Vote scheduled on Sept 8.

Starting August 27, Boys Club/Girls Club may be using the Activity Building, weekdays, 7 am – 6 pm, as a site for childcare due to the revised USD 345 schedule. USD 345 expects a larger number of students in childcare as it continues its relationship with BC/GC. Tuesday morning breakfast club meetings will change to alternate location. On October 7, USD 345 will revisit its decision about COVID schedule.

Gary Slimmer is selling raffle tickets for an autographed KC Chiefs football. Raffle on Sept 15. Proceeds for the Optimist International Foundation.

PROGRAM: Dusty Nichols, Shawnee County Emergency Manager

He joined Emergency

Management function in 2015. The incident command structure follows the protocols developed after Sept 11, 2001. He heads up a multi-person team to manage the community health response to COVID-19. He thought his leadership for response team would last 18-24 months (he hopes) rather than the few months maximum for disaster response events. He qualifies his response to questions as his guidance is good for 12 hrs. There is no evidence what percentage of community infection qualifies for “herd immunity.” There is evidence of re-infection.

In the Air Force (1987-2010), he managed hazardous materials. On stage at the Topeka Civic Theater, he has performed in 23 shows. He claims that anyone may have the hidden talent for acting.

Looking Ahead:

August 25: Board Report, August 11 meeting

September 1: IHOP meeting

President’s Quote:

“Know when to tune out. If you listen to too much advice, you may wind up making other people’s mistakes.”

- Ann Landers

Closed with the
OPTIMIST CREED.

