

HIGHLIGHTS

Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

We are on the worldwide web: www.sunriseoptimist.org

President Dave Ireland opened the meeting this morning around 6:45. The attendance was about 36 this morning

The invocation was given by **Lloyd Becker** and the flag salute was led by **Dennis Richter**.

The club sends its condolences to **George Bates & Mike Bates and his family** in the loss of their wife and Mother.

Dan Lill announced that we will have a "Wall of Honor" dedication along with the annual **installation dinner** on Sunday, Sept 27th, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Dennis Richter announced that his son, **Matt**, is leaving for Iraq for the 5th time. Please keep him in your prayers.

The flag dedication in front of the building will be held on Sept 13th at 4 p.m. Cake and punch will be served.

There will be a work day Saturday morning, August 29th at 8:00 a.m. We will need a pallet and we will be taking down the outfield fence on T-2 and other things. Fence wires are all cut loose for the most part. Please come and help!

The pot winner this morning was **Rocky Fund**. **Jeff Hurst** would have won the progressive pot, however he was not present.

NOTICE

This past July the delegates at the Optimist International Convention voted to increase international dues by \$10. Effective October 1, 2009 annual dues payable to Optimist International will be \$59.62 per member. The club also pays annual dues to the Kansas District at a rate of \$13.00 per member. The total of dues and fees paid to affiliates is \$72.62. Presently annual club dues are \$80.00, and the club has been offering an early payment discount of \$5.00 if paid by October 31st. Under the present dues structure this leaves only

\$7.38 or \$2.38 per member to operate the club. Club operations include: awards to members, office supplies, postage, incorporation fees, expenses to send officers to conferences and conventions for training, speaker gifts, guest meals, and other administration and membership expenses.

It is with the above in mind, that the club's Board of Directors recommends to the membership that the Article X – Revenue, Section 2: of the Club's Bylaws be amended to read:

"Annual dues shall be \$100 per member, payable in advance except that if a member pays in full by October 31st of each year such member shall be privileged to deduct from the payment of dues, \$10 as an early payment discount. Dues are also payable on a semi-annual (\$50) or quarterly basis (\$25). The annual dues of new members joining between October 1 and September 30 of any Optimist year shall be \$72 or \$6/month on a pro rated basis. Fully paid life members shall be privileged to deduct from payment of dues the amount equal to the dues payable by the Club to Optimist International for each member."

We also need to elect new members to the board of directors. The candidates are as follows: **Jan Todd, Gary Domer, George Ford, Marvin Smith and Rocky Fund**.

To date, we do not have a candidate for president-elect, so be thinking about who might be a good president for 2010-2011. This should be someone who has some experience with the club and its programs. **Please plan to attend this very important meeting.**

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Blake Pierce, Seaman High School Head Football Coach and assistant Coach Mike Lincoln. They had 4 players with them. They were Jacob Hurla, Spencer Vanderbogart, Steve Cooksley and Chase Serrault.

Closed with the Creed.

