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### *Officer Ryan New, Peculiar Police Department*

The Club presented a plaque honoring Officer Ryan New of the Peculiar Police Department. The plaque reads:

RAY-PEC SUNRISE OPTIMIST CLUB  
AWARDED TO  
*OFFICER RYAN NEW*  
PECULIAR POLICE DEPARTMENT  
On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025

For his quick & lifesaving action when reporting to a call on 10/21/2024 where he found a man who had his lawn mower rolled over on him in a pond where he found him unresponsive, and with other assistance he was able to free the man from under the mower and began CPR where the man regained consciousness and fully recovered later in the hospital.  
**Job Well Done!**



L to R: Mike Sanders, Officer Ryan New, Tom Circo, Chief Don Shepherd.

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## THE OPTIMIST CREED

### Promise Yourself

To be **SO STRONG** that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk *health, happiness and prosperity* to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that **THERE IS SOMETHING IN THEM.**

To look at the **sunny side** of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to **work** only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the **success** of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the **GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS** of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance *at all times* and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have **NO TIME TO CRITICIZE OTHERS.**

To be too large for worry, to noble for anger, to strong for fear and **too happy** to permit the presence of trouble.

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

**You will see your Optimist friends at these events!**

6/24 – Evening meeting, Camp Quality Kids Cancer Treatment, Johnny's Tavern

7/1 – Morning meeting

7/8 – Morning meeting

7/15 – Chief Wilson and Officer Honoree from Raymore Police Department

7/17 – THURSDAY, Serving spaghetti Dinner to Camp Quality Kids, RSVP

7/22 – Progressive Dinner evening with Raymore Chamber, RSVP



### New-Collar Jobs

The concepts of Blue-Collar Jobs and White-Collar Jobs are well-known. However, there is now an emerging category known as New-Collar Jobs. What exactly are New-Collar Jobs, and what connection do they have with volunteerism? As members of the Optimist Club, we understand the advantages of membership and the valuable connections made through volunteering.

Recently, Renee Kerckhoff and Mayor Kris Turnbow have contributed their time as volunteers at the Summer School program held at the High School. They have served as Subject

Matter Experts (SME's) for Juniors who are writing essays on significant topics such as Terrorism and Nuclear Energy, addressing how these events and industries have shaped the contemporary world. On June 26th, students will present their essays at the Performing Arts Center.

To explore the relationship between Volunteerism and New-Collar Jobs further, please visit our blog entry on the new website at:

[www.raypecsunriseoptimists.com](http://www.raypecsunriseoptimists.com) and locate the corresponding blog that matches the image above.