

# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newsletter of the Sunrise Optimist Club

**Celebrating over 50 years of service to Youth & North Topeka!**

Kyle McNorton called the meeting to order at 6:45 AM with 20 members attending. Dennis Reedy gave the invocation. Then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Eric Schulz, July 22; Paul Wurtz, July 24 but the choir rested.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

David Jackson provides hot breakfast with proceeds exceeding supply costs donated to club.

**July 30 Bob Cutter Optimist Golf Classic, Lake Perry Country Club VOLUNTEERS are needed!!** Volunteers needed on July 30 and 5:30 pm, Thursday, July 29, to organize items for each player, icing drinks etc. No sack lunch but taco bar when round is completed. 29 teams registered. Alan Rose has worked on this event for 35 years.

Baseball is over but golf instruction continues and golf may repeat in the Fall. Helmet supplier found for football league. Coach meeting on July 26.

Trees at the Sports Complex: 4-H club will begin planting trees in mid-September.

Volunteer needed to find guest speaker for club meetings. Gary Slimmer is retiring from this position.

Hunter Safety, August 4 & October 6: concessions will be provided.

Check out the web site for

our Event Center at

<https://sunriseoptimisteventcenter.com>

**Program:** Matt Miller, Chief Meteorologist at KSNT

Forecasts take into consideration customer expectations, e.g. snow forecast must be more precise, i.e. each person's neighborhood for timing and amount vs. summer rain forecast for scattered rain etc. Computer models allow for changing one of multiple variables to determine a more accurate forecast. Jet stream location and speed changes: faster in winter so forecast is most accurate for 3-5 days vs. 7-10 days in summer.

Average weather data is based on 30 previous years. There have been slight changes in the timing of Spring and Fall frost dates in Kansas. KSNT has 4 weather persons who try to tell the truth and not use the worst scenario for predictions.

Matt teaches a meteorology class in the physics department at Washburn University.

**Upcoming Events:**

**July 26, Viking Grille, 6:00 pm order meal &/or drinks – meeting called to order at 6:30 pm: James McKee, railroad history**

**August 3, Bradley's Café, 6:00 am: Trent Oliva, Seaman Baseball coach**

**President's Quote:**

“Diamonds are only lumps of coal that stuck to their job.”

- B.C. Forbes

