

Teamwork—Flying Together in Optimism

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday, November 28, 1998 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. Meet at the church for coffee, hot chocolate, orange juice, donuts, and fellowship. After a brief Club meeting we will adjourn to setup the Community Christmas Tree. The meeting will start at 7:20. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were eighteen members and one guest present. Past President LES HARVEY presided. The attendance pot was awarded to ALLEN HENDRIX. The 50/50 was awarded RICHARD VORTHMANN.

Birthday greetings were sung to IRV LARSEN for which he contributed a dollar for the youth fund. The HARVEYS had to pay double for their 47th anniversary, but they got to tell two stories about their wedding.

Sgt.-at-Arms BOB HIBBARD collected from several members without their pins.

LES indicated that there would be participants in the Optimist Essay competition this year. Also, plans for conducting the Optimist Oratorical contest at the Treynor schools are being developed.

LES noted he was trying to setup a 7th and 8th grade boy's basketball tournament on the first Saturday in March.

This coming Saturday the Club will set up the Community Christmas tree donated by Brooks Schild. The Scotch pine of about 15-ft height will be cut from Brooks' front yard and transported to the Treynor Superette parking lot. A flat bed truck or trailer is needed to transport the tree across town. We will also need a few ladders, some tools to trim the tree branches, the tree base, posts, wire, rope, etc. to set it up. More lights may be needed, as the tree is larger than those of past years. MILLI HARVEY indicated she had some tree decorations to offer. Arrangements for electrical hookup will be made with the

Andersens. We may need to borrow a timer from a Club member.

A FOCUS ON ACHIEVEMENT

Amy Menke, a resident of Treynor, spoke to Club members about her work as guidance counselor and registrar at Kaneshville High School in Council Bluffs. Amy, who has worked at several schools in this region during her educational career, said the environment at Kaneshville is unlike any other school. Students are busy with their course work while at school. The students have to maintain a B grade to remain in school, which has a limited enrollment, and they have to reregister each month. Kaneshville is a public school, but it is an alternative to traditional high school. Students there have access to day care for their children if needed. Amy explained that students could choose to attend classes in morning, afternoon, or evening to accommodate work schedules or family responsibilities. This schedule can be changed from month to month. Kaneshville may be the last chance or the only chance for some students to obtain their high school graduation certificate and they are diligent to accomplish this goal. Amy noted that there is much individualized instruction and different students in a class maybe studying different levels of a subject such as math in a manner analogous to a one-room school atmosphere.

CALENDAR

- Nov. 28 Club meeting followed by setting up of Community Christmas Tree.
- Dec. 5 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Dec. 14 Board Meeting?
- Dec. 12 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Dec. 18 Spaghetti Dinner (tentative).
- Dec. 19 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Dec. 24 Club meeting?

BIRTHDAYS none

ANNIVERSARIES WARD CHAMBERS

P.S. "Say, Dad, did you go to Sunday school when you were a little boy?"
 "Yes, son, regularly."
 "Well, I'll bet it won't do me any good either."