

Optimist Club of Treynor
NEWSLETTER

Teamwork—Flying Together in Optimism

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Club Officers for '98-'99		Board of Directors		Past Presidents	
President	Kevin Underwood	'97-'99	'98-'00	Gene Grell, '84-'85	Al Strohbehn, '91-'92
Int. V. Pres.	Bob Hibbard	Irv Larsen	Marsha Underwood	Tom Ryan, '85-'86	Larry Kramer, '92-'93
Ext. V. Pres.	George Schneider	Keith Denton	Bill Stephens	Fritz Holst, '86-'87	John Klein, '93-'94
Sec./Treas.	Richard Vorthmann	Larry Kramer	Gerald Forristall	William Burris, '87-'88	Kenneth Graham, '94-'95
Past Pres.	Les Harvey			Charles Branham, '88-'89	Keith Denton, '95-'96
				Jim Clausen, '89-'90	Ed Underwood, '96-'97
				Larry Kramer, '90-'91	Les Harvey, '97-'98

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, January 2, 1999 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. Meet at the church for coffee, hot chocolate, orange juice, donuts, and fellowship. KEITH DENTON is arranging a program. The meeting will start at 7:20. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were eighteen members and one guest present. President KEVIN UNDERWOOD presided. The attendance pot was awarded to KEITH DENTON. Not sure if he arrived in time to collect it. The 50/50 was awarded to KEVIN for the second time. And they say it doesn't pay to be president.

KEVIN had a recent birthday for which he was appropriately serenaded.

RICHARD VORTHMANN reported a gross of over \$700 from the Spaghetti Dinner. That makes it the best ever. Of course it wouldn't happen without the special efforts of RICHARD and LuEttA VORTHMANN, and GEORGE and Lillie SCHNEIDER. We owe them a special thanks. Of course the many pie bakers contributed greatly to the success of the dinner. And, more than twenty Club members helped to make the dinner run smoothly.

VIRGIL HOLST announced the Christmas Food Basket project was a surprise to the recipient and gratefully received.

REMINDER: Reservations for the 40th Anniversary celebration of the Council Bluffs Optimist Club are due by Jan. 4. It is sure to be a fun time. This is the club that formed our club 15-yr ago. Contact KEVIN or RICHARD regarding reservations.

NOTES FROM THE RECENT BOARD MEETING

Six members met at GEORGE'S residence on the 16th to discuss Club business. Last minute

Spaghetti Dinner plans were reviewed. Expenditures of \$150 for Cub Pack rechartering, \$60 (\$1/youth) for January Swim Day, and \$50 for Christmas Food Basket were approved. The activity calendar was discussed. A summer picnic format for our 15th Anniversary Celebration was proposed if reservations at the Treynor Park shelter could be obtained. The need for a fund raising raffle in 1999 was debated without conclusion.

THE YEAR OF PASSION

Coach, Steve Owens, spoke about the very good season just completed by the Treynor Football Cardinals. They were District 10 Champions and played through the quarterfinals of the state competition. Steve thought their success could be attributed to very good team defense with the coaching of good assistant coaches, and players with a dream for success and passion to overcome adversities. Steve, in his 5th year as Treynor football coach and 11th coaching year, noted this was the first time to experience losing a player by death. Perhaps the team played with greater focus as a consequence of this experience. Next year, Steve noted, eight players will have to be replaced. He expects a bigger offensive line then. Steve commented that when the high school addition is completed the old wrestling room is slated to be the new weight room. This will provide a larger area for athletics to work on physical conditioning.

CALENDAR

- Jan. 2 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Jan. 9 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Jan. 9 Council Bluffs Club 40th Anniversary.
- Jan. 16 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Jan. 16 SISCO planning meeting.
- Jan. 24 Swim Days at Lewis Central Pool.

BIRTHDAYS 12/31 JEFF NELSON
 ANNIVERSARIES 1/1 BOB HIBBARD

P.S. Mike is a great hunter and he had a wonderful hunting dog which he bragged about all the time. Mike invited his new neighbor, Pat, to go hunting with him. They went to the lake. Mike shot a duck and sent the dog after it. The dog walked on the water—right straight out—got the duck and walked it back. Mike shot another one, and the dog walked out and retrieved it too. Pat didn't look surprised or anything.

Mike said, "What do you think? Didn't you notice something funny about that dog?"

"Well," Pat exclaimed, "I noticed that dam water spaniel of yours can't swim!"