



Vision 2000 of Optimism



"Lighting the Way" in the Iowa District, Zone 4

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, December 18, 1999 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. JIM CLAUSEN has arranged for Treynor Coach Jerry Christensen to present a program. Meet at the church about 7 a.m. for donuts and fellowship. The meeting will start at 7:20. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting 19 members and one guest were present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to JOHN KLEIN, but alas, he was not at the previous meeting and could not collect. The next winner is sure to get a nice amount. Will it be a Christmas present for someone? GERALD UNDERWOOD won the 50/50. Looks like the UNDERWOODS are back in the game. BOB HIBBARD found several missing pins and levied appropriate fines.

RICHARD VORTHMANN announced assignments for the Spaghetti Dinner. Thanks to the effort of twenty or so members and the planning and preparation by RICHARD, we had a most successful Spaghetti Dinner Tuesday evening. A special thanks to RICHARD, LuEtta, ROGER and BILL VORTHMANN and to GEORGE and Lillie SCHNEIDER for their super cooking effort. Also thanks to all who contributed dessert pies.

LES HARVEY circulated a copy of the Botna Valley Reporter that had a front-page photo of the Cub Scouts and families at the Community Christmas Tree decoration. There were also Optimists in the middle of the crowd handing out ornaments for the Cub Scouts to place on the tree.

GENE led a thank you from all the members to BOB for refinishing the podium. It looks like a new one again after fifteen years of dings and scratches were sanded away.

LES asked for volunteers to help with crowd control and to usher attendees at the upcoming Elementary School musical program at the Treynor High School auditorium next Monday, December 20. Be there at 6:15 p.m. The program starts at 7 p.m.

Members decided to order a few Optimist vests for use by members at volunteer events. Individuals

can order them as well (about \$10) to use during meetings and sponsored events. It is a good place to keep pins and avoid the wrath of BOB. Let RICHARD know soon if you want a personal vest.

DEVELOPING A TEAM ATTITUDE

Head Baseball and Football Coach, Steve Owens, spoke about his program for boy's sports at Treynor High School. Steve reviewed the records of the baseball team of last Spring and the football team of this Fall. Although winning is important, Steve acknowledged, he stated his emphasis is on helping individual students develop. He has several points he stresses in the sports programs. First, Steve explained, is the importance of a team effort versus the individual effort. Second is to develop a personal mental discipline and emotional maturity to endure under stress. Third is to assume and practice leadership in upper classes. Fourth is to establish a goal setting mindset. And fifth, is to develop a habit of having positive personal expectations for life achievements. These principles followed and developed by individuals, Steve explained, result in a winning team attitude and record. Steve thanked members for the many things done by the Optimist club for Treynor students and for support of athletics and help at home football games.

CALENDAR

Dec: Silver Creek 4-H Club Can Collection.

Dec. 15 Can sorting, 3:45 p.m.

Dec. 18 Club meeting, program by Jerry Christensen.

Dec. 25 No Club meeting.

Jan: After-the-Prom Committee Can Collection

Jan. 1 Club meeting, program TBA.

Jan. 25 Zone 4 meeting, Underwood 7:30 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS 12/2 GERALD FORRISTALL
12/16 KEVIN UNDERWOOD
12/31 JEFF NELSON

ANNIVERSARIES 12/15 RICK HORTON

P.S It was baking day and mother was being assisted by her ten-year-old daughter.

"Paula," she said, "open the oven and see if that coffee cake is baked. Just stick in a knife and see if it comes out clean."

Paula returned in a few minutes and said, "Mom, the knife came out so clean I stuck in all the other dirty knives."

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