

*Vision 2000 of Optimism***"Lighting the Way" in the Iowa District, Zone 4****Club Officers for 1999-2000**

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H**NEXT CLUB MEETING**

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, January 1, 2000 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. Meet at the church about 7 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship and a toast to two-aught-aught. A self-appointed committee is planning breakfast preparations to kick off the new year. Their qualifications are yet to be demonstrated. The meeting will start at 7:30. There will be opportunity to recollect about the past and prognosticate about the future. Bring a guest and maybe a swatter in case we find some Y2K bugs running about.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting 21 members and one guest were present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to BILL VORTHMANN, who qualified to put it in his pocket. This he could not have done if it was all in quarters. Ask him what he got for Christmas. Our guest Jerry Christensen won the 50/50.

The editor overlooked the recognition of birthdays the previous week for GERALD FORRISTALL and KEVIN UNDERWOOD. Their choral birthday greetings were suitably rewarded by contributions to the youth fund.

With saddened heart we learned of the passing of Roger Trede December 15. Roger was a long time and dedicated member of our Club since 1990 until his illnesses prevented him from being an active member the past year. A memorial banner patch is being obtained in Roger's name through contributions to the Optimist Foundation. If you haven't already done so, give your contribution to RICHARD VORTHMANN.

RICHARD reported a net of about \$450 from the Spaghetti Dinner.

JOHN KLEIN reported that plastic bags for cans and plastic bottles were available at \$.19 each from the company that picks up the cans. The purchase of a 250 ct. roll was approved. He noted that more cardboard boxes are needed to contain glass bottles dropped off at the Can Kennel. RICHARD reported an accumulative collection of over 57,000 cans and bottles with a value of over \$2800 has been realized from the Can Kennel the past seven months. The Silver-Keg 4-H Club received over \$800 for their efforts in November, a record level of monthly

redemption. JOHN stated the last can sort for the December collection for the Silver Creek 4-H Club is planned Wednesday, December 29 at 3:45 p.m.

LES HARVEY announced he is anticipating Treynor student participation in the Optimist Essay contest and the 7th grade class was planning to participate in the Optimist Oratorical competition.

REMINDER: Let RICHARD know if you want an Optimist vest. He will be sending in an order soon.

TEACHING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Jerry Christensen spoke to Club members about his work as the Treynor Jr./Senior High Basketball Coach and Driver's Education Instructor. Jerry is also counselor of students and a bus driver, but that is another story. Jerry stated there are about 35 boys participating in the basketball program this year and the teams are getting off to a good start. There are several challenges to the players, Jerry noted. One is to be an example of good sportsmanship to opponents not so inclined and to learn that poise and self-control can win the game. Everyone is anticipating the opening of the new gym to allow better practice schedules for each team.

Jerry presented an overview of the new Iowa graduated driver licensing system that has been in effect this past year. This new system allows an instruction permit at age 14 after 30-hr of class and 6-hr of driving; an intermediate license at age 16 with driving restrictions; and a full license at age 17 after the student fulfills all the requirements at each prior level. Jerry indicated he has to keep his driving class enrollment at 50 or less in order to complete all the classroom and driving time.

CALENDAR**Jan-March: After-the-Prom Committee Can Collection**

Dec. 29	Can sorting, 3:45 p.m.
Jan. 1	Club meeting, review of plans.
Jan. 8	Club meeting, program TBA.
Jan. 25	Zone 4 meeting, Underwood 7:30 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS	12/31 JEFF NELSON
	1/19 CHRISTINE McCLELLAN
ANNIVERSARIES	12/15 RICK HORTON
	1/1 BOB HIBBARD

P.S The young couple walked into the car dealer's showroom and they were taken back by the suggested price of a compact car.

"But that's almost the cost of a big car," the husband exclaimed.

"Well," said the salesperson, "if you want economy, you got to pay for it."

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