

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

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**NEXT CLUB MEETING**

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, February 19, 2000 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. RICHARD VORTHMANN has arranged for Pastor Charles and Berni Bickle to present a program on their experiences during travels in Argentina, South America. The meeting starts at 7:20. There will be a breakfast served starting at 6:50 a.m. Bring a guest.

**REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING**

At the last Club meeting 20 members and three guests were present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to VIRGIL HOLST who is nearly always present. So, it starts over again. TIM GREINER won the 50/50 drawing.

The rest of the February birthdays were recognized as greetings were sung for LARRY KRAMER and RICHARD VORTHMANN. They each donated A dollar to the youth fund. Also, the anniversaries of RICHARD and LuEtta and GERALD and Geraldine FORRISTALL were recognized. This added a little more to the youth fund!

JOHN KLEIN announced the next can sorting with the After-the-Prom Committee would be Wednesday at 2 p.m. Thanks to BILL STEPHENS and LARRY KRAMER for mounting the new sign on the Can Kennel. Special thanks to MIKE SCHMID for donating the sign backing material for the names of the organizations receiving the can and bottle redemptions each month.

GENE announced that BOB HIBBARD has sponsored several new members to the Club. After some discussion it was decided to have a special meeting to induct all the new members together and invite other prospective members as well. Plans are to have this at The Rose on Sunday, February 27. All Club members and significant others are invited to attend. Invite a friend to join us. If you need to explain why, remind them about the AP news story in the Omaha World Herald last week under the headline "Optimists Found to Live Longer."

Kelsey Volkens attended the Club meeting with her mother Jodi. Kelsey expressed thanks from the Silver Creek 4-H Club for use of the Can Kennel last fall. She explained the club was planning a community project with the funds.

Jodi is president elect of the Treynor Music Boosters organization. She explained the plan for sending all students in the school music programs

on a school trip in March 2001. For fund raising she asked for the use of the Can Kennel. Her request was approved for the month of June. The Can Kennel is now reserved through November of this year.

JOHN noted the participation at the recent Swim Day matched the previous high. The Club approved sponsoring another Swim Day in March.

**HUNTER EDUCATION NEEDED EVEN MORE**

Joe Pestotnik of Treynor is an Officer of the Fish and Wildlife Service of the US Dept. of Interior and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. His job is to enforce the federal and state laws and rules for management of fish and wildlife resources. Joe explained how the fish and wildlife management programs operate on funds from special taxes on firearms and ammunition and license fees for hunting and fishing. These taxes and fees are always subject to political debate and change which affects public hunting and fishing experiences. Joe also is a teacher. He has taught hunter education courses for many years, but feels the need is greater for each new generation. Joe encouraged the Club to consider sponsoring a youth team to the Hunter Education Challenge held at the Iowa 4-H Camp grounds each July. It provides the participants many outdoor experiences in a spirit of competition and learning.

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

Feb. 19	Club meeting, program by Charles and Berni Bickle
Feb. 20	Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet.
Feb. 26	Club meeting, program TBA.
Feb. 27	New Member Induction Dinner, The Rose, 6 p.m.
Mar. 4	Club Meeting, program TBA.
Mar. 16	Club Scout Pine Wood Derby, Elementary School, 6:15 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS	
2/5	LARRY KRAMER
2/12	RICHARD VORTHMANN
2/13	ED UNDERWOOD
2/13	GARY FUNKHOUSER
ANNIVERSARIES	
2/1	GERALD FORRISTALL
2/9	DAN SCHNEPEL
2/23	RICHARD VORTHMANN

P.S. Teacher: Now Judy, how many fingers do you have?  
Judy: Ten.

Teacher: If you lost four of them in an accident, what would you have?  
Judy: No more piano lessons