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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, May 6, 2000 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. Coffee, juice, and rolls will be available at 6:30 a.m. The meeting starts at 7:20. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting 17 members and two guests were present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to KEVIN UNDERWOOD. It certainly filled a pocket in his jeans and was enough to pay for his registration at the upcoming District meeting. JIM CLAUSEN won the 50/50 drawing. He didn't say what he was going to do with it.

GENE introduced his guests, his wife and daughter, Erika and Deniz

GENE led the new member induction of KEVIN ELWOOD and asked him for a few remarks about his work and family. This is the second year for KEVIN to be the Elementary School Principal. KEVIN started his career in education teaching the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. After five years he switched to elementary school administration. This is his fifth year working in school administration. KEVIN and his wife, Shana, have two young boys ages 2 and 4. Shana is also working in education as a counselor at Glenwood schools. KEVIN and Shana once lived in Glenwood where he was a member of the Optimist club there. KEVIN said he was happy to be able to return to working with Optimist club members.

LES HARVEY reminded everyone about the Youth Appreciation Banquet coming up next Sunday at The Rose restaurant. The dinner will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. We will order dinner from the menu. If you plan to be there you must let LES know by this coming Thursday so the room can be set up properly. All twelve youth selected for recognition and their families are expected. The Treynor Teacher of the Year and Oratorical Contest winners will also be our guests. Optimists, please plan to wear your name badge, but not your Optimist vest.

GERALD FORRISTALL spoke for all that helped with the tree planting project at the Elementary School last Friday. He complimented JOHN KLEIN for instructing the students about Arbor Day, explaining the trees chosen for planting, and demonstrating the method for planting.

A special thanks to JOHN for organizing it all. This was the first phase of a landscaping project for the school grounds developed by JOHN. JOHN said to expect to plant trees on the other side of the driveway next time. Thanks also to GERALD, VIRGIL HOLST, GENE SERAN, GEORGE

SCHNEIDER, BOB HIBBARD, KEVIN, JERYL, and MARSHA UNDERWOOD, LARRY KRAMER, and MIKE SCHMID for digging holes and helping the students set the nine trees.

LES announced that the Jordan Tiarks won the Regional Optimist Oratorical contest in Council Bluffs last Saturday. Jordan is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Treynor Elementary School and is sponsored by our Club. He will now compete in the Iowa District contest against three other contestants for a \$1500 scholarship.

Club members reviewed twelve senior scholarship applications. The top three candidates were selected and will be announced at the High School Commencement program.

LARRY, KEVIN UNDERWOOD, LES and MILLI HARVEY, BOB HIBBARD, and RICHARD VORTHMANN are planning to attend the Iowa District Optimist 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter meeting in Marshalltown next Saturday.

The last can and bottle sorting for the Treynor Girl Scouts is this Wednesday at 7 p.m. Optimists start your can collections. May is for our scholarship fund. With more resources we can offer more scholarships.

LARRY reported the enthusiastic presentations by the Underwood Youth Club members at the recent Zone 4 meeting in Treynor. Eight high school students reported on their experiences and expectations during their first month of club organization. They very much want to meet with youth in other communities to help start more Optimist Youth clubs in western Iowa.

CALENDAR

- May: Can Collection for Optimist Scholarships
- May 3 Can and bottle sorting, 7 p.m.
- May 6 Club Meeting, program TBA.
- May 6 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter District Optimist Meeting, Marshalltown, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- May 7 Youth Appreciation Banquet, The Rose, 6:30 p.m.
- May 11 Bike Safety Day, Elementary School, 3:45-5 p.m.
- May 13 Club Meeting, D.A.R.E. program
- May 13 Track meet gate, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- May 20 New Club officer report due to O.I.
- Jun. 3 Alternate Club Meeting, 7 p.m.
- June: Can Collection for Treynor Music Boosters

BIRTHDAYS 5/11 KEITH DENTON

ANNIVERSARIES 5/29 BILL MATTHEW  
(# recognized to date)

P.S. There has been little real progress in the last 6,000 years of history. It took Noah 40 days to find a parking space.

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