



International Pres. Bill Teague Governor Dale Robertson, 712-566-2820 Lt. Governor Mike Abbott, 712-366-6256 Club Officers for 2002-2003 Club Number 40-109

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FRIDAY OF YOUTH

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning March 29, 2003 at St. Paul's Lutheran church. KEITH DENTON has arranged for Eva Denton to speak about her interests in psychology. Coffee, juice, and rolls will be available before the meeting, which starts at 7:20 a.m. Invite a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were 25 members and five guests present. Pres. GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. Michaela Abbott led the devotional prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to GARY GUTTAU. The 50/50 was awarded to LARRY KRAMER.

We welcomed MIKE ABBOTT'S daughter, Michaela and Charles and Marilyn Leaders, Mel Hursey, and Terry Torneten as guests.

Pres. GARY asked for all those using disposable cups to put a quarter in the Youth Fund. Michaela coerced her dad into contributing \$2 to the fund for reasons you will just have to ask MIKE.

Pres. GARY circulated a certificate of recognition from the Scout Council of 46 years of sponsorship of the Treynor Cub Pack. Our Club has been their sponsor since 1984. The presentation was made at the recent Cub Pack Blue and Gold Banquet to recognize advancements of Cub scouts.

Thanks to BOB HIBBARD, THERESA FAHRENKRUG, and JERYL, MARSHA, and KEVIN UNDERWOOD for helping to sack cans and bottles last Wednesday. The Can Kennel was overflowing again.

Lt. Governor MIKE announced the Zone 4 Oratorical Contest would be held at the Methodist Church in Griswold on April 26 at 10 a.m.

Pres. GARY noted our club oratorical contest would be held Thursday March 27 at 1 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

JOHN KLEIN noted the Last Dance community event at the Legion Post is in a couple of weeks. Some help is needed throughout the event to collect contributions for supper and Community Service Center furnishings.

MILLI HARVEY reminded everyone that had signed up for the sophomore class fund raiser Theme Brunch which is next Saturday at the high school. Bring your umbrellas. The theme is April Showers.

LARRY announced he was attending the charter dinner of the new Optimist club in Ottumwa, Iowa.

BILL STEPHENS asked for the youth fishing project committee to meet briefly after the Club meeting.

Pres. GARY announced the invitation from the Underwood Optimist Club to attend their 20th anniversary celebration May 10.

JOHN K described plans for an Arbor Day tree planting project with elementary students. He has found a source for trees. He is looking for more sponsors of the dozen or so trees to be planted near the football/track field. The date in April hasn't been decided, yet.

P.S. After several months of married life, the glamour wore off and the young couple went to see a counselor. After talking with the couple for a while, the counselor suddenly swept the woman into his arms and kissed her passionately.

"Now," said the counselor. "This is the treatment your wife needs—Monday, Thursday, and Saturday, at least."

"OK," replied the husband. "I can bring her in here on Thursday and Saturday nights, but Monday is my bowling night."

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LARRY noted the deadline for advance reservations for the Optimist International President's Visit meeting is April 1. The meeting will be at the Amana Holiday Inn on April 12.

PRESERVING THE MEMORIES

The Carstens 1880 Farmstead, located near Shelby, Iowa, is a special place in Pottawattamie County that takes you back through the past century to experience the agrarian life of Iowa's past. Charles Leaders, Mel Hursey, and Terry Torneten are board members of the Carstens 1880 Farmstead non-profit volunteer organization. Charles explained the farmstead is an 80-acre working farm exhibit with machinery, tools, and entire farmstead dating from the 1880s to the early 1900s. On the first weekend after Labor Day each year then have a special public event called Carstens Farm Days. The 21st Farm Days event will be held on September 6 and 7 this year. At the 20th anniversary Farm Days last year, Charles noted there were over 250 antique tractors, trucks, cars and other equipment pieces brought by owners to exhibit and demonstrate. The Carstens Farm Days grows each year with several thousand visitors. This year there will be a special recognition of Allis Chalmers tractors and equipment according to Charles. Mel stated the purpose of the memorial farmstead was to preserve and to educate. Each year hundreds of youth tour the farmstead to observe the methods of the past used to grow food and fodder. Terry noted volunteers can always find tasks to work on to keep the farmstead in good shape through the year.

CALENDAR

Jan.-Mar. Can Collections for After-the-Prom Committee

- Mar. 25 Election for school expansion financing authority.
Mar. 27 Club Oratorical Contest, High School Auditorium, 1 p.m.
Mar. 29 Club meeting, program TBA.
Mar. 29 Theme Luncheon at Treynor High, 11:30 a.m.

Apr. Can Collections for Cheer Leaders

- Apr. 5 Club meeting, program by Gina Fricke. Board meeting after Club meeting.
Apr. 5 Highway cleanup with Junior Optimists, 9:30 a.m.
Apr. 5 "Last Dance" at Legion Hall, 6 p.m.
Apr. 12 Club meeting, program by Iowa State legislators Gerald Jones and Hubert Houser.
Apr. 12 Optimist International President's visit to Iowa, Amana Holiday Inn, 6:30 p.m.
Apr. 12 Junior Treynor Women rummage sale, Elementary School, 8 a.m.-12N.
Apr. 19 Club meeting, program by Iowa District Governor Dale Robertson.
Apr. 22 Highway clean up with the Cub Scouts.
Apr. 26 Zone Oratorical Contest, Griswold, 10 a.m.
May 10 20th Anniversary Underwood Optimists.

Birthdays

- 3/2 JERYL UNDERWOOD#, 3/2 WARD CHAMBERS
3/8 GEORGE SCHNEIDER#, 3/11 KENNETH GRAHAM
3/20 JON JACOBSEN

Anniversaries

- 3/4 GENE SERAN, 3/8 KEITH DENTON#
3/15 JEFF NELSON # recognized to date.

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