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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning May 1, 2003 at the Treynor Community Center. A short meeting is planned before the community "Join Hands" project starts. The meeting starts at 7:20 a.m. Invite a guest.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETINGS

At the 4/17 Club meeting there were 22 members present. Pres. JERRY HEMPEL opened the meeting by leading the pledge. RICHARD VORTHMANN led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to STEVE IRVIN, but he couldn't collect it. The 50/50 was awarded to JIM CLAUSEN.

TIM GREINER put a dollar in the Youth Fund in recognition of his daughter, Danielle, who won the Club O.I. Essay contest. Pres. JERRY added a dollar for the recent high school track team accomplishments.

LARRY KRAMER contributed a vinyl gas grill cover for auction. He even got to auction it in the absence of member 'auctioneer' JEFF JORGENSEN.

Pres. JERRY called for nominations for officers for next year. Three board members and two vice presidents are to be nominated. Vice President and Pres.-Elect JEFF J. will move up to president. A new pres.-elect candidate is needed. The election needs to be competed in early May. Let Pres. JERRY or Nomination Chair GARY FUNKHOUSER know soon of your interest in serving as a leader of our Club.

LES HARVEY announced the 2004 Youth Appreciation Celebration plans are in motion. Reservations are needed for attendees of the dinner event at Zion Church on May 2.

Pres. JERRY asked for help at track meet parking on April 19 and 20.

The Bike Safety Day is scheduled for May 20. A worker sign-up sheet was circulated.

VIRGIL HOLST noted the need to rake parking lot gravel from the grass areas around the Community Center before the grass can be mowed. TIM GREINER recruited several boy scouts to complete the task.

GARY GUTTAU announced the Fish Iowa project is scheduled on May 15 and 22. The first session is a skills learning time and the second session is a 'fishing olympics' for 5th and 6th grade participants.

At the 4/24 Club meeting there were 29 members present. Pres. JERRY opened the meeting by leading the pledge. JOHN SCHMITT led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to Pres. JERRY. The 50/50 was awarded to MILLI HARVEY.

There were several contributions to the Youth Fund for recent happenings. TIM (\$1) for his son placing in a track event the first time. Pres. JERRY (\$1) for his son winning a 400 m track event, and KEITH DENTON (\$2) for his son and daughter getting job offers. Also, MIKE ABBOTT contributed (\$4) for his daughter receiving National Honor Society recognition, a United Way Volunteer Award, a Profiles in Excellence Award, and being selected for a NASA Summer High School Apprenticeship Research Program (8 weeks, with stipend and expenses at Univ. of Michigan). MIKE also contributed 2 dollars for our not singing a birthday greeting to him.

JEFF J. auctioned 1 lb. of coffee courtesy of MJ Java of Omaha and a certificate good for a free oil change from Eddy's Fast Lube of Council Bluffs.

P.S. I used to think I was poor. Then they told me I wasn't poor. I was needy. Then they told me it was self-defeating to think of myself as needy. I was deprived. Then they told me that underprivileged was overused. I was disadvantaged. I still don't have a dime. But I have a great vocabulary

Jules Feiffer

TERESA FAHRENKRUG announced the rescheduled highway cleanup with the cub scouts would be on Sunday afternoon, May 2, at 2 p.m.

LES announced results of the Club and Zone Optimist International Oratorical Contest. Emily Eitmann and Josh Oman were winners at the Club contest. Emily also won at the District contest and will be competing in the Region contest on May 1. Thanks to LES and LARRY for conducting the Club and Zone contests. Special thanks to all judges who assisted.

LES circulated a reservation sign up sheet for the upcoming Youth Appreciation Celebration. Twelve youth will be honored plus communication contests winners and 'Teacher of The Year' will be recognized. If you haven't made your reservation, you need to let LES know ASAP. There will be a set up at Zion Church at 2 p.m. in preparation for the dinner/celebration.

JOHN KLEIN reported that 19 trees were planted by 49 5th graders plus adults from Trees Forever, Master Gardeners, Miller Tree Nursery, the school staff, and Club members. Thanks to JOHN, LARRY, KEITH, VIRGIL, GARY G, TIM LARSEN and BOB HIBBARD for pitching in. Special thanks to JOHN for setting it all up.

GARY G circulated a worker sign-up sheet for the Fish Iowa project. Many volunteers are needed each of the two dates.

JOHN noted the next can and bottle sorting is Wednesday the 28th. It's cans and bottles for Optimist Scholarships next month.

Thanks to BOB, LARRY, and GARY F. for helping with the parking at track meets the past week.

JOHN reminded all that the annual Baby Sitting/Child Care Clinic for 5th graders and older will start on May 4. Remind your kids and grandkids about the opportunity. This is a joint project with the Junior Treynor Women.

GARY F noted that many hands are needed during the "Join Hands" project on May 1. Major focus will be on the TRA pool house painting with overflow help for the American Legion flagpole painting. Bring painting equipment including stepladders.

CALENDAR

April Can Collections for Music Boosters

Apr. 28 Can and bottle sorting, 6 p.m.

May Can Collections for Optimist Scholarships

May 1 Club meeting.

May 1 'Join Hands Day', Treynor youth and adult work day, 10 a.m.

May 1. Regional Oratorical Contest, Wilson Jr. High, 10 a.m.

May 2 Highway clean up with cub scouts, 2 p.m.

May 2 Youth Appreciation Celebration, Zion Church, 6:30 p.m.

May 4 Baby sitting clinic after school.

May 8 Club meeting, program TBA.

May 11 Baby sitting clinic after school.

May 12 Can and bottle sorting.

May 15 Club meeting, program TBA.

May 15 Fish Iowa, Part 1, Elementary School, 9 a.m.

May 15 3rd Quarter Iowa District Conference, District Oratorical Contest, Des Moines.

May 18 Baby sitting clinic after school.

May 20 Bike Safety Day, Elementary School, 3:30 p.m.

Birthdays

5/11 KEITH DENTON, 5/20 KELLY SUTHERLAND

5/21 STEVE IRVIN, 5/22 LINNEA WHITE

Anniversaries

5/29 BILL MATTHEW

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