



# The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

Iowa District, Zone 3, Club Number 40-109

2004-2005: *I Believe!* ----- *Leaping Above Expectations*

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## Board Members

2003-2005	2004-2006
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### NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning June 11, 2005 at the Treynor Community Center. KEITH DENTON has arranged for Pastor Alan Hardy to speak about his recent tour of duty in Afghanistan. Invite a guest.

### REPORT OF PREVIOUS CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 6/4 there were 21 members and six guests present. Pres. JEFF JORGENSEN presided and opened the meeting by leading the pledge. LARRY KRAMER led the devotion prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to ARLYN NORRIS. The attendance pot was awarded to WARD CHAMBERS, but it was not claimed.

Steve and Jane Fancher, Georgia and Ross Denton, and Kaylee Huddle were introduced as guests.

Several contributions to the Youth Fund were received from members with special announcements and recognitions. The 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of ARLYN and Wanda NORRIS was recognized. This summer is also the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ordination of ARLYN. GARY GUTTAU announced this was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of graduation from Treynor High, and VIRGIL HOLST announced this was the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his graduation. JERRY HEMPEL contributed in recognition of his son's graduation from Treynor High and his track achievements at state competition. TIM GRIENER contributed a generous amount to cover all the recent news photos and stories about recognitions and achievements of his daughter and son.

Pres. JEFF turned the tables and asked all users of non-disposable cups and mugs to contribute a quarter to the Endowment Fund.

Pres. JEFF noted there was an error in the May 31 Newsletter and it would cost members at the next meeting if they can't find it.

Recent Treynor High graduate, Kaylee Huddle thanked Club members for offering her an Optimist Scholarship. She is planning to attend Iowa State and study business. Other recipients of Club scholarships were Amanda Bryant, Justin Clausen, Eric Hempel, and Andrew Mass.

Thanks to Pres. JEFF, GARY and CHAD GUTTAU, STEVE IRVIN, JIM CLAUSEN, KELLY SUTHERLAND, BOB HIBBARD, JOHN KLEIN, and LARRY KRAMER for working at the Can Kennel last week.

Pres. JEFF reminded members that the Garage Sale in partnership with the Cub Scouts was coming up next Saturday. Please get your contributions to him before then.

LARRY presented an update on the Horse Show preparations. Everything has been arranged but the weather. More volunteer commitments are needed as well as home-made pie contributions. Call him right away to say how you can help.

LARRY announced the placement of pea gravel around the new playground equipment would begin on Monday and continue each day until the task is finished. Several workers are needed each evening (about 6:30 p.m.) to level out the piles placed by skid loader around the playground equipment.

Pres. JEFF auctioned two envelopes with gift certificates from the Golden Corral in Council Bluffs. The certificates were obtained by JOHN K.

### REPORT OF BOARD MEETING.

Nine Board members plus one Club member met to discuss Club business. Treasurer RICHARD VORTHMANN reported club assets of about \$6900 and Endowment Fund of about \$1500. Minutes of the previous Board meeting were reviewed. STEVE IRVIN reported that five \$300 scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors at Treynor High. Applications for the use of the Can Kennel were received from the Treynor Varsity Cheer Leaders and the Girl Scouts. The Cheer Leaders were approved to use the Can Kennel in July and the Girl Scouts were approved for August. Pres. JEFF noted he was still working on plans for auxiliary can and bottle collection sites. The nominations committee reported that a nominee for club president for next year had not been named, yet. This was holding up the election of the slate of officers. Expenses were reviewed. LARRY asked for ideas regarding a dedication and celebration program at the new playground site sometime in July.

### BENEFITS FROM THE CREIGHTON ILAC MISSION

Dr. Stephanie Denton recently graduated from the Creighton University physical therapy program. Stephanie reported that she participated with fourteen other students as an intern in the mission effort of Creighton with the Institute for Latin American Concerns (ILAC). Last April Stephanie traveled to the Dominican Republic and lived in the ILAC facilities there. Stephanie explained that she joined the other interns to volunteer their expertise at several private and governmental group homes, clinics, hospitals, and orphanages in the Dominican Republic. Stephanie said they were asked to stay with a village family for a few days to learn about their culture and living conditions. The lack of good potable water and sufficient waste water treatment results in problems with parasites in many of the native people, Stephanie noted. Sometimes tradition or ignorance leads to ineffective, non-appropriate, or even no treatment to resolve health problems, especially of the young. While the interns were able to contribute much to the treatment methods for physical problems, Stephanie said she came to value more her living conditions and the medical resources available here in the U.S. Thus, the interns come to realize that they might receive the most from the ILAC mission.

### CALENDAR

#### June Can Collections for Silver-Keg Feeders 4-H

- Jun. 11 Garage Sale with Cub Scouts, 8 a.m.
- Jun. 11 Club meeting, program by Alan Hardy.
- Jun. 12 Horse show, Malvern, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Jun. 18 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Jun. 15 Can and bottle sorting, 6 p.m.
- Jun. 25 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Jun. 29 Can and bottle sorting, 6 p.m.

#### July Can Collections for Varsity Cheer Leaders

#### Birthdays

- 6/9 LES HARVEY,
- 6/20 DAN SCHNEPEL
- 6/22 KEVIN ELWOOD

#### Anniversaries

- 6/1 KEVIN ELWOOD,
- 6/5 STEVE IRVIN,
- 6/26 LARRY KRAMER,
- 6/28 MICK GUTTAU
- # recognized to date
- 6/3 ARLYN NORRIS#
- 6/15 STEVE CHAMBERS
- 6/27 GENE GRELL

P.S. A wildly excited man ran into the police station shouting, "I need help! A man just stole my car."

"Did you see him?" asked the desk officer.

"No," he said, struggling for breath, "but I got the license number as he pulled away."

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