



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned at 7:20 a.m. Saturday morning September 30, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. LES HARVEY has arranged for Eric Allen to speak about Treynor's champion Little League team. All members are encouraged to bring a guest.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 9/23 there were 23 members and two guests present. President-elect GARY GUTTAU opened the meeting by leading the pledge. LARRY KRAMER offered a devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to guest Lilli Schneider. The attendance pot was awarded to DENNY WHITE.

Contributions to the Youth Fund were received from TERESA FAHRENKRUG and BOB HIBBARD for their birthdays. GUTTAU added a dollar to comment on recent travel to California.

Thanks to GUTTAU, JOHN KLEIN, KATHY and JOHN SCHMITT, RICHARD VORTHMANN, BOB HIBBARD, LARRY KRAMER, and JIM CLAUSEN for working at the football gate and parking. The next game at home on 10/4 is home coming. Several workers will be needed then. The Home Coming Parade theme for this year is movie sound tracks. GUTTAU asked for a committee to work on float plans. Also, High School Principal JOEL BOHLKEN has asked for assistance with traffic control during the parade time on Main Street.

JEFF JORGENSEN reported about twenty cub scouts and a half dozen parents gathered for the highway cleanup project last Saturday. BOB HIBBARD and RICHARD VORTHMANN also helped. JORGENSEN noted there were over seventy cub scouts registered at the recent sign up.

Pres.-elect GUTTAU noted the next can and bottle sorting with the cub scouts is Wednesday the 27th after school at 3:45 p.m. He asked for a volunteer to supervise the Can Kennel program and arrange for monthly club assistance to the groups using the facility.

DICK BABER reported on attendance at the Lamoni Optimist Club meeting. He attended along with guests from the Osceola Club. LARRY KRAMER reminded everyone to reserve October 28 for the Charter Presentation Banquet at Lamoni.

LES HARVEY noted the St. Paul's Road Rally for Youth is scheduled on Sunday, October 1. Assistance is needed during the afternoon at the rally stop near the Can Kennel.

Pres.-elect GUTTAU asked for a volunteer to chair of the Punt-Pass and Kick project. He noted he would be attending officer training from the Iowa District leaders in Underwood next Saturday.

GETTING THE MAIL OUT

Treynor Postmaster Maureen Gadbois spoke to Club members and guests about mail delivery services around

P.S. "To get ahead in this organization," the department manger told her employees, "you've got to do more than show up for work. We need to see some enthusiasm for what you do. Start getting excited about getting up in the morning. Enjoy enthusiastic times with our family, and, for goodness sake, do everything on your job with enthusiasm."

Three days later, one of her employees showed up two hours late for work. Looking at her watch the supervisor asked, "Is this what you consider coming to work enthusiastically?"

"Let me explain," the embarrassed employee responded. "I jumped out of bed with enthusiasm, sang enthusiastically in the shower, enthusiastically ate my breakfast, and then gave my wife an enthusiastic good-by kiss-----and well, that's why I'm late."

the area. Gadbois has been postmaster for about four years. Since this time a rural delivery route has been established that now has 275 deliveries and covers 108 miles. Gadbois noted that Treynor residents that live over ¼ mile from the post office can request residential delivery at a curb side post box. The establishment of the rural delivery was a big task. It was made up from twelve previous routes and required hundreds of zip code changes. Rural route changes are needed to serve the increasing population. There are fifty-two routes from the Council Bluffs post office. Gadbois predicted there could be a second Treynor rural route in the future with proposed delivery changes along southern sections and new housing development north of Treynor. After the route mail is sent out the mail for the postal boxes in the post office is finished so that it is available for pickup after 11 a.m. Gadbois explained she now has a part-time postal clerk working with her in addition to the route carrier.

Gadbois said mail fraud, mail box safety and security are ongoing issues. Postal service experience with mail fraud has led to the need to check personal identification for certain transactions. Gadbois encouraged anyone with suspicious mail to report it to her. This includes evidence of fraudulent use of the mail. For the security of mail and the safety of the rural mail carrier mail box owners should have intact boxes with a door that will close and a working flag. Rural mail boxes and the 911 residential signs are for different purposes and should not be combined.

CALENDAR

September Can Collections for Cub Scouts

- Sep. 27 Can and bottle sorting, 3:45 p.m.
- Sep. 30 Club meeting, program by Little League Coach Eric Allen.

October Can Collections for Silver-Keg 4-H Club

- Oct. 1 St. Paul's Youth Road Rally, 12:30 – 5 p.m.
- Oct. 4 Home coming parade. Football home coming game with Woodbine.
- Oct. 7 Club meeting, program by Keith Mehlan.
- Oct. 14 1st Quarter Iowa District Optimist Conference, Des Moines, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Oct. 14 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Oct. 28 Lamoni Optimist Club Charter Presentation Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Community Center.

Birthdays

- 9/9 ARLYN NORRIS#, 9/10 MILLI HARVEY#,
- 9/16 JOHN KLEIN#, 9/18 DOREEN MAYBERRY#
- 9/19 BOB HIBBARD#,
- 9/20 TERESA FAHRENKRUG#,
- 9/30 TIM GREINER

Anniversaries

- 9/26 BILL VORTHMANN
- # recognized to date