



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

Iowa District, Zone 3, Club Number 40-109

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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 January 27, 2007 at the St Paul's Lutheran Church. JUDY GUTTAU has arranged for Brad Tiarks, owner of Bradley's Florals, to speak. All members are encouraged to bring a guest.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 1/20 there were 27 members and one guest present. President GARY GUTTAU opened the meeting with the pledge. DENNIS WHITE offered the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to JOHN KLEIN. The attendance pot was awarded to KELLY SUTHERLAND, but it couldn't be collected.

Birthday greetings were sung for DENNIS WHITE and JOHN SCHMITT as they each added a dollar to the Youth Fund. SCHMITT added another dollar for his son's retirement from the Army National Guard. Pres GUTTAU put in a dollar in recognition of the speaker's daughter who scored several three-pointer shots in the final game of the conference tournament. GERALD FORRISTALL put a dollar in the Youth Fund to tell about the swearing in ceremony for his son, Greg, at the Iowa Legislature. JUDY GUTTAU added a dollar to say the speaker is also an excellent loan officer at TS Bank.

MILLI HARVEY noted the completion of the new Can Kennel facility and led a round of applause for everyone who helped with it. JEFF JORGENSEN displayed a banner he had prepared to note the \$50,000 achievement.

JORGENSEN noted the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby is coming up on the 26th and 27th at the Elementary School. There is a car weigh in on Friday at 6 p.m. and additional weigh in and racing starting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday. JORGENSEN circulated a volunteer sign up to help with the weigh in and car judging. He noted that about seventy cars are expected and they will be using a new four lane track for the racing.

JORGENSEN also announced the Club sponsored spaghetti dinner would be held at Zion Church on Friday, February 2. Some help is needed for preparation and to serve the dinner.

JUDY GUTTAU announced a community benefit dinner for the family of Caitlin Query on February 4 at the Treynor Community Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pres. GUTTAU described plans for the fund raising event for the Treynor Highway Welcome Sign project. A community basket ball competition between those who live north of Highway 92 and those who live south of the highway will be held at the high school on February 10 from 4 to 8 p.m. Participants of all ages are encouraged. A series of ten minute games between like age groups ranging from elementary to seniors is planned. The accumulative scores of all the games will show at the end who has the bragging rights. There is no cost to enter a team. Russ Maguire will register the teams and develop the game schedule, so contact him soon about your interest. The gate fee will be a contribution to the sign project by cash, check, or pledge. Concessions including Godfather's Pizza will be available. Several volunteers will be needed to conduct the games and monitor the school facilities.

Pres. GUTTAU presented several proposals regarding plans for Treynor Days for 2007 with respect to the date and involvement of our Club. The discussion will resume at the next meeting.

A REPORT FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

Russ Maguire is Chief of the Treynor Fire Department. He is one of twenty five volunteers who work hard to provide excellent fire protection to Treynor and the surrounding community. Maguire explained their district territory is essentially four townships, about 100 square miles, around Treynor. He noted that when there is a fire there is excellent mutual aid form nearby fire departments. This was demonstrated recently at the fire at St. Paul's Lutheran Church when the early morning fire was put out in time to minimize damage to the structure. Maguire noted there is a good breadth of experience among fire department members. There are fourteen EMTs, one EMTI, and 3 Paramedics. Eleven have Fire Fighter One ratings, the same as Council Bluffs firemen. The volunteers are very committed to being well trained and performing in a safe manner. Last year, Maguire stated, there were 130 calls to the department. Eighty percent were rescue calls and the rest were for fires. According to Maguire the Treynor Fire Department is independently funded by tax levy, grants, donations, solicitations, memorials, and emergency service billings. Their most recent large purchase was a new tanker truck in 2003. An upcoming challenge is to upgrade all the radio communication so there is better communication between various law and fire protection services.

CALENDAR

January Can Kennel contributions for After-the-Prom.

- Jan. 26-27 Cub Scouts Pine Wood Derby.
- Jan. 27 Club meeting, program by Brad Tiarks.
- Jan. 31 Can and bottle sorting at the Can Kennel, 6 p.m.

February Can Kennel contributions for Octagon Club.

- Feb. 2 Spaghetti Dinner, Zion Church
- Feb. 3 Club meeting, program about the Council Bluffs, Charles Laken Campus development, breakfast served by Silver-Keg 4-H.
- Feb. 4 Community Benefit for Caitlin Query family, Treynor Community Center, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Feb. 10 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Feb. 10 North-South Basketball Challenge, high school, 4-8 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Club meeting, program by Kevin Elwood and Joel Bohlken..
- Feb. 24 Club meeting, program by Tim Larsen.

Birthdays

1/19 DENNIS WHITE#, 1/24 JOHN SCHMITT#

Anniversaries

(none)
recognized to date

P.S. Discovering the leak in the bathroom, the lawyer's secretary called the plumber, who fixed it in a manner of minutes. The bill however was substantial, so substantial that the lawyer called to complain. "You weren't here for more than ten minutes," he said, "and I don't charge that much for an hour."

"I know," responded the plumber sympathetically. "I didn't either when I was a lawyer."

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