



# 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 July 7, 2007 in the Community Center. LES HARVEY has invited Dr. Tom Atteberry to talk about orthopedic surgery. All members are encouraged to bring a guest and the public is invited.

### REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETINGS

At the club meeting on 6/30 there were 17 members and 3 guests present. President GARY GUTTAU opened the meeting with the pledge and GARY FUNKHOUSER led the devotion prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to DOREEN MAYBERRY. The attendance pot was awarded to Pres. GUTTAU, but could not be collected.

2007 Treynor High graduate Travis Miller thanked club members for the scholarship awarded to him. Miller is planning to attend Wartburg College in Waverly, IA. Miller said he wants to play football for the Knights and become a physical fitness coach.

Bernelle Bonar, wife of our guest speaker, was introduced as a guest.

Thanks to RICHARD VORTHANN and JERRY HEMPEL for working with the baseball team at the recent can and bottle sorting. July Can Kennel activities will be with the youth wrestling program.

DICK BABER explained a proposal for area Optimist Clubs to sponsor a room at the Charles E. Laken Human Services Campus Center to be built in Council Bluffs. This will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Pres. GUTTAU noted an invitation to our club was received from the Griswold and Underwood Optimist Clubs to attend the Charter Presentation Banquet of the new Atlantic Optimist Club on July 28 at the Atlantic Country Club. Reservations are required by July 14.

LARRY KRAMER invited members to ride with him to visit the Atlantic Club at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> where he is presenting a program about Can Kennel operations. We will leave the Treynor Community Center parking lot at 6:30.

Pres. GUTTAU circulated a sign up sheet for volunteers to work at the Westfair gates on July 26. Six workers are needed for shifts from 12N to 3 and from 3 to 6.

Treasurer JEFF JORGENSEN auctioned a couple of garden produce coupons from the garden of LARRY KRAMER. KEITH DENTON won the bid. Maybe he has already looked over the fence at what's in the garden. More coupons are available for future auctions.

### AMERICAN LEGION ACTIVE IN TREYNOR

Bill Bonar is a past Post Commander and a fifty year member of Treynor's Lamar Hartje American Legion Post. Bonar, who served in the Korean War, described some of the history and listed many of the

activities of Post 725. The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic, mutual-help, war-time veterans organization. It is a community-service organization which now numbers nearly 3 million members -- men and women -- in nearly 15,000 American Legion Posts worldwide. Bonar explained the Treynor Post was activated after World War II and named for the first young man from Treynor to die from injuries during that war, Lamar Hartje. Bonar noted the American Legion is primarily a fraternal organization to support veterans and look out for their treatment and welfare. But, it is also a social group that supports youth and community through many activities. The Treynor Post sponsors the Treynor Boy Scout Troop, a new youth trap and skeet team, Boy's State and Girl's State participation, senior scholarships, student letters to active military, and US flag information to elementary students. Bonar listed some of the Treynor Post community activities such as an inventory of equipment such as wheel chairs, walkers, etc.; color guards at sports events, funerals, and parades; periodic US flag disposal; holiday US flag street displays; Veteran's grave flags; and Veteran's Day programs. Bonar noted the Post gave their property to the city of Treynor in exchange for the right to meet in the new Community Building. They also purchased tables and chairs for their meeting room and equipment for the kitchen to facilitate meetings and fund raising fish fries. Bonar expressed thanks to the community for support of their fish fry events. Our Optimist club meets in the room furnished by the Legion Post. Bonar noted the digital sign in front of the Community Center was purchased by the Post. A future project being discussed is a memorial to all who served in the military defending our country. Current Post leaders are Commander Don Bowerman, Vice Commander Jerry Lustgraaf, and Vice Commander Graig Korkow.

### July Can Kennel contributions for youth wrestling program.

- July 7 Club meeting, program by Dr. Tom Atteberry, Miller Orthopaedic Clinic. Board meeting after club meeting.
- July 14 Club meeting, program by Bill Orr, coach of Treynor Skeet and Trap Team.
- July 21 Cynthia Hess, Attorney, Immigration and tax law.
- July 28 Aaron Poland, Treynor Recreation Association.

### August Can Kennel contributions for Girl Scouts

#### Birthdays

- 7/14 WES NELSON, 7/14 GARY GUTTAU
- 7/23 JERRY HEMPEL, 7/27 JIM CLAUSEN

#### Anniversaries

- 7/14 JEFF JORGENSEN, 7/22 STEVE IRVIN
- # recognized to date

P.S. An army veteran, while passing through a small town, saw amazing evidence of expert shooting. On trees, walls, fences, and barns were numerous bull's-eyes with the bullet hole in the exact center. He asked around to find the shooter. The expert turned out to be a young boy with his first BB gun. "This is most wonderful shooting I've ever seen" said the veteran. "How in the world do you do it?" "Easy as pie," the boy replied, "I shoot first and draw the circle afterward."

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