



# 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 November 11, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. JOHN KLEIN has arranged a field trip to Santa's Children Workshop in Macedonia, IA. after our Club meeting. JOHN KLEIN said we are expected at Santa's Children Workshop at 8:30 a.m. for a 30-min tour. All members are encouraged to bring a guest.

### REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 11/4 there were 23 members and two guests present. President GARY GUTTAU opened the meeting by leading the pledge. LARRY KRAMER offered a devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to program speaker THERESA FAHRENKRUG. The attendance pot was awarded to WES NELSON, but it was not collected.

GERALD FORRISTALL contributed to the Youth Fund in recognition of his grand daughter's use of agricultural knowledge in investigative work for her employer. Pres. GUTTAU and KEVIN UNDERWOOD contributed in recognition of the advance of the Treynor girls volley ball team to the state tournament. JERRY HEMPEL added a dollar to recognize the great play put on by Treynor high students.

Thanks to RICHARD VORTHMANN, JOHN KLEIN, KELLEY SUTHERLAND, and LARRY KRAMER for working at the Can Kennel with the Silver Keg Feeders 4-H Club.

LARRY KRAMER reported that planning is ongoing for a community fund raising activity for the highway welcome sign project. The high school facilities have be reserved for December 9.

Pres. GUTTAU described the fun time at the Lamoni Club Charter Presentation Banquet. About 40 attended including several club and Iowa District representatives in addition to Lamoni club members. DICK BABER and LARRY KRAMER were recognized as 'Key Club Builders of Excellence' along with Past Iowa District Governor Jim Boyd of Urbandale and Joanne Cox from the Osceola club. BOB HIBBARD and JOHN KLEIN were also recognized for their club building efforts. In addition to organizing the banquet, our club gave the Lamoni club a name badge case, an American flag, and a carrying case for club banners. Through silent auction of items brought by visiting optimists and 50/50 raffle over \$500 was collected for the Lamoni club youth fund.

STEVE IRVIN described the need for adult volunteers at Treynor Schools to assist 7<sup>th</sup> graders to improve reading skills. This effort is needed during the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> school periods. Let him know if you or someone you know is interested in helping with this request.

Nine Board members met after the Club meeting to discuss Cub business. Todd Gordon was dropped from membership as requested. Treasurer JEFF JORGENSEN reported Club assets of \$8323 including a \$3535 grant for Can Kennel rebuilding. The Endowment Fund balance of \$1767 was reported. Expenses were discussed and approved. STEVE IRVIN reported a meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>

with interested groups was scheduled to discuss a common application format for all local senior scholarships. A motion to support the attendance of Jeff Schnepel at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership conference was approved (\$150). A special Board meeting to discuss funding raising options was scheduled for the 18<sup>th</sup>. IRVIN reported the Octagon Club agreed to drop the high way clean up project because it was difficult to schedule. He noted the club meets weekly at 7:45 a.m. on Wednesday, except the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month. Participation in the community fund raising activity for highway welcome signs scheduled on December 9 was discussed.

### IT'S NOT THE WINNING, BUT THE PROCESS

Steve Owens, Head Football Coach and teacher at Treynor Junior/High School, spoke about the recent season and expectations of coaches, players, parents, and spectators. Owens said he anticipated coaching challenges because the team was relatively young with new players learning the skills and experienced players assigned to new positions. The season required more teaching and coaching than most years of the past thirteen years as coach, Owens noted. And the seniors and team captains did a good job keeping the spirit and momentum going during practices and games. Owens stated the senior players were most unselfish in their interactions with younger players. This contributed to successful team efforts and makes playing more fun for all. Turn overs and penalties hurt the outcome of several games, but the team put in a good effort with a good attitude. Owens stated he appreciates the support from the school staff and administration, the team members and coaches, and the community and spectators attending games.

### CALENDAR

#### November Can Collections for Honor Band.

- Nov. 11 Club meeting followed by a program at Santa's Children Christmas Village, Macedonia, IA.
- Nov. 15 Can and bottle sorting.
- Nov. 18 Club meeting, program by Bob Cryne, US Dept. of Justice, about the Saddam Hussein trial.  
Board meeting after Club meeting to discuss fund raising activities.
- Nov. 25 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Nov. 29 Can and bottle sorting.

#### December Can Collections for Honor Band.

### Birthdays

11/8 MICK GUTTAU, 11/25 KATHY SCHMITT

### Anniversaries

11/22 LES & MILLI HARVEY, 11/22 JOHN KLEIN  
11/25 WARD CHAMBERS, 11/27 ROCKY SAAR  
# recognized to date

P.S. A young vice-president was appointed by the bank board to replace a retiring president and founder. With fear and trepidation, he made an appointment to visit with the grouchy retiree to seek his advice. "Mr. Clark, I need your counsel. How can I possibly be successful in your job?" The elderly man looked over the top of his wire rim glasses. "Young man," he growled, "these two words are the key to your success—RIGHT DECISIONS!" "Thank you, sir. But how can I make sure I am making the right decisions?" "EXPERIENCE. Experience will insure you make right decisions." replied the retiree. A long silence followed. "That is helpful," said the young man, "but how do I get the right experience?" The elderly man stood, grasping the hand of the aspiring executive, he looked him directly in the eye, smiled, and responded, "WRONG DECISIONS."

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