



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

F The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned March 8, 2008, 7:30 a.m. at the Treynor Community Center. DICK BABER has arranged for a speaker to tell about ISecureTrac, an Omaha company offering a personal monitoring service. Club members are encouraged to bring a guest and the public is invited

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETINGS

R The Optimist club met February 23 with 19 members and one guest present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge. RICHARD VORTHMANN offering the devotional prayer.

I The 50/50 was awarded to CHAD GUTTAU. The attendance pot was awarded to WARD CHAMBERS, but it was not collected.

E The 64th wedding anniversary of RICHARD and LuEtta VORTHMANN was recognized as he made a contribution to the Youth Fund. JIM CLAUSEN added a dollar since his youngest child is now age 21. Pres. WILLENBORG added a dollar in praise of the girls and boys high school basketball team efforts. GARY GUTTAU recognized the outstanding drumming skills of Treynor High student David Miller through a contribution to the Youth Fund. LARRY KRAMER added a dollar for being on the radio for an interview regarding the highway welcome signs project.

N STEVE IRVIN circulated thank you notes from Treynor Elementary students for our support of a recent school assembly program.

D The Optimist club met March 1 with 13 members and two guests present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge and offering the devotional prayer.

O The 50/50 was awarded to BOB HIBBARD. The attendance pot was awarded to BILL MATTHEW, but it was not collected.

F JOHN KLEIN introduced his brother Alan as guest.

Pres. WILLENBORG contributed to the Youth Fund for accomplishments of Iowa State seniors. KRAMER offered for auction a tee shirt produced to note the opening of the Bluffs Run Casino in 1995. JIM CLAUSEN thought it was worth five dollars.

Y Thanks to GARY FUNKHOUSER and KRAMER for helping the Junior Optimists at the Can Kennel last Wednesday. KLEIN noted that he talked to the Red Oak Optimist Club about how we constructed a new structure for the Can Kennel. They have a facility which they want to shelter from the weather.

O KRAMER reported on the outcome of the North-South Basketball Challenge. Contributions and pledges totaled nearly \$5 thousand for the Treynor Welcome Sign Project. Contributions are now within a thousand dollars from the estimated cost. Thanks to all optimists who participated in the event along with many other organizations.

U Pres. WILLENBORG announced a Board meeting next week.

T P.S. Three boy scouts knocked at the door of Barney's house. "We're having a raffle for poor widow Johnson," They said. "Will you buy a ticket?" "Can't do it, boys," Barney replied. "My wife wouldn't let me keep her even if I won."

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THE SALVATION ARMY--A CHURCH ON A MISSION

Captain Joel Aurthur is minister of The Salvation Army of Council Bluffs, a church originating in England with a 240 year old mission of charity. Aurthur explained each Christmas holiday season, The Salvation Army engages in the tradition of "staffing the kettles" to promote the plight of the needy in Council Bluffs and surrounding Pottawattamie County. With the money it raises plus United Way contributions and government grants it supports the organization's programs for the rest of the year. Aurthur further explained The Salvation Army provides valuable services such as rent & utility assistance, prescription assistance, and food through our food pantry. During the holidays children receive gifts through our Toy shop. Clothing, food and other items are donated to individuals, families and senior citizens receive gifts and visits. The Salvation Army of Council Bluffs assists over 5000 people during the holiday season. If you want to learn more about volunteer opportunities call (712) 328-2088.

IOWA BLACKHAWKS READY FOR '08 SEASON

Tony Doremus, Sales Marketing Director for the Iowa Blackhawks professional arena football team of Council Bluffs, spoke to club members about the development of the Blackhawks team in recent years. The Blackhawk team began with an 8-man pickup team about eight years ago. Since then other regional teams have organized and become members of the American Professional Football League. The Blackhawks now play in a regional five team Division including teams in Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska. According to Doremus the playing season of six home games starts May 3 at the MidAmerican Center in Council Bluffs and runs to July 12. Doremus stated that 8-man arena football is quick and high scoring and exciting to watch as it is played on an indoor field half the standard football size. The 25 member team is planning to sponsor a youth football clinic and has a goal to develop youth sports facilities in Council Bluffs.

CALENDAR

March Can Kennel contributions for Honor Choir

- 3/8 Club meeting, program by ISecureTrac.
Board meeting after the club meeting.
- 3/12 Can and bottle sorting.
- 3/15 Club meeting, program by Midwest Performance Flyers of radio controlled aircraft.
- 3/22 Club meeting, program TBA.
- 3/26 Can and bottle sorting.
- 3/29 Club meeting, program TBA.

April Kennel contributions for Music Boosters

Birthdays

- 3/2 Ward Chambers, 3/11 Kenneth Graham
- 3/20 Jon Jacobsen

Anniversaries

- 3/4 Gene Seran, 3/8 Keith Denton
- 3/15 Dick Baber, 3/15 Jeff Nelson
- # recognized to date