



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 22, 2008, 7:30 a.m. at the Treynor Community Center. KEITH DENTON has arranged for Matt Konz to tell about his experience as a Ranger with the 101st Airborne at the beginning of US military presence in Iraq. Club members are encouraged to bring a guest and the public is invited

Pres. WILLENBORG announced the Treynor Days Planning Committee has asked our club to work with the Kiddy Parade, Bingo, and 50/50 raffle activities. Treynor Days are scheduled June 27-29.

FLYING MODEL AIR CRAFT IS YEAR ROUND FUN

Larry Puls, President; Howard Hough, Secretary; and Lynn Sehr, Past President of the Cobra R/C Club of Council Bluffs demonstrated to club members that flying model aircraft can be done indoors as well as outdoors. Puls explained that in the past few years there has been great advancement in batteries, electric motors, and servos to power model aircraft. These developments have trickled down from the space exploration industry. In particular batteries have much more power per unit weight than a few years back. Puls noted that these developments are being applied to radio controlled model aircraft which then allows indoor flying. As a consequence radio controlled (R/C) flying can be done year round and makes the hobby much more fun. Puls stated the Cobra Club members meet every week in a church facility to fly their models. The club has an outdoor flying facility south of Council Bluffs off I-29. There, Puls explained, they are hosting a major "fly in" sanctioned by the American Modelers Association on September 20-21 this year. One forth scale WW-I aircraft will be featured. The public is invited to view the aircraft and flying skills.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

I The Optimist club met March 15 with 16 members and 10 guests present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge. GARY GUTTAU offered the devotional prayer.

E The 50/50 was awarded to DICK BABER. The attendance pot was awarded to JERRY HEMPEL, but it was not collected.

N The 50th wedding anniversary of DICK and Betty BABER was recognized as DICK contributed to the Youth Fund. BILL VORTHMANN added a couple dollars to recognize his membership in the Angus Association and the selection of his niece at ISU as Big 12 Freshman Basketball player. GARY FUNKHOUSER added a contribution to recognize the Treynor team as second place Quiz Bowl participants behind Audubon in the recent multi-school competition. JIM CLAUSEN got the word he will be grandpa again so he made a contribution. We'll look for a later contribution as well. GARY GUTTAU offered a contribution to the Youth Fund for the information about our Club placed in the Treynor Schools Newsletter. Pres. WILLENBORG added a dollar to introduce his daughter Katie and her fiancé, Grant Nordby.

F Jeri Schnepel and four Treynor High juniors; Scott Plumb, Jeff Schnepel, Mellissa Bryant, and Shannon Smith, representing the After-the-Prom Committee, accepted a check in the amount of \$1,371.10 for their work at the Can Kennel during December and January.

Thanks to KEVIN and MARSHA UNDERWOOD, BILL and RICHARD VORTHMANN, JOHN KLEIN, GARY FUNKHOUSER and LARRY KRAMER for assisting the Honor Choir at the recent can and bottle sorting.

Pres. WILLENBORG announced the Zone meeting at Griswold Methodist Church on Monday at 7 p.m.

JEFF JORGENSEN invited club members to the upcoming Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet on Sunday the 30th at 3 p.m. at the Treynor Community Center.

GARY FUNKHOUSER noted the local Optimist Oratorical contest will be conducted on Tuesday the 18th at 12:30 p.m. at the high school. He also stated that Optimist Essay winners have been selected and will be recognized later.

A variety of air craft are powered by electric motors. Hough demonstrated a helicopter that is remarkably similar to a full scale machine in the degree of flight control. Hough noted he has flown about every kind of aircraft model there is during his 60 years of pursuing his hobby. Sehr demonstrated the flying of a wing flapping model of a dragon fly insect. Sehr noted this can be purchased for about \$50 and is very safe and fun for youth. Puls added that computer based flight simulators are very good for training prior to actually flying models, especially those which are more expensive.

CALENDAR

March Can Kennel contributions for Honor Choir

- 3/22 Club meeting, program by Matt Konz.
- 3/26 Can and bottle sorting, 5:45 p.m.
- 3/29 Club meeting, program TBA.
- 3/30 Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet, Treynor Community Center, 3 p.m.

April Can 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

H P.S. After celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, Clem and Sara were lying in bed reflecting on the day's happenings and their long and successful marriage. "Do you remember, dear, when you used to be so romantic and nip at my ears?" Sara asked. "Sure do, honey," Clem replied. "Please do it again," Sara said. "OK" Clem said, hopping out of bed. "Where are you going?" Sara asked. Clem replied, "To get my teeth."