



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 May 10, 2008, 7:30 a.m. at the Treynor Community Center. JOSH GUTTAU has arranged for ISU Extension Beef Specialist Darryl Busby to speak about the status of beef feeding and the influence of ethanol production. Club members are encouraged to bring a guest and the public is invited.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

The Optimist club met May 3 with 18 members and eight guests present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge. JOHN SCHMITT offered the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to DENNIS WHITE. The attendance pot was awarded to CHAD GUTTAU.

GARY FUNKHOUSER offered a contribution to the Youth Fund to brag about his grandson living in North Carolina, a high school junior who is accomplished on the guitar and has been accepted in a School of Arts for additional training. JEFF JORGENSEN added a contribution for the great start on the neighborhood Flag Project.

Thanks to FUNKHOUSER, KEVIN UNDERWOOD, RICHARD VORTHMANN, and GARY GUTTAU for assisting at the Can Kennel last week.

Treynor High students RJ Jensen, Jenna Purdy, Lee Volkens, and Emily Eitmann were present to accept a check for their work with the Can Kennel in March. These students were selected to join the Honor Choir from SW Iowa, and they will be touring and performing in New York City during the first week of June. The Honor Choir will be performing locally before their tour on June 3 at Iowa Western Community College.

JOHN KLEIN reported the largest number of students participating in the annual Baby Sitting Clinic.

KLEIN also reported the first baseball Pitch-Hit-and-Run activity was a great success with thirty four youth participating. Thanks to KLEIN, JORGENSEN, Pres. WILLENBORG, KIRK and RICHARD VORTHMANN, KEVIN and MARSHA UNDERWOOD, and LARRY KRAMER for helping the organizer, Eric Allen, and his assistants.

Pres. WILLENBORG announced the scholarship committee selected six applicants to be offered club scholarships.

Pres. WILLENBORG reminded everyone about the Farewell Dinner for the Kramers at The Rose tonight.

Funkhouser asked for some assistance at the Youth Appreciation Celebration on Sunday afternoon.

Six Board members met after the club meeting to projects and financing. Treasurer JORGENSEN reported available funds of \$3800 and an Endowment balance of \$3262. Motion was approved to offer six \$300 scholarships this year. The Flag Project status

was reviewed. The order for flags will be submitted after review of number of applications in the coming week. The need for fund raising this year was discussed as the Flag Project will not provide net funds until next year. JORGENSEN noted the Junior Optimist Club Optimist International dues need to be paid.

CALL THE AMBULANCE FOR A HEART ATTACK

Barbara Roenfeld, Kristen Ostenso, and Pat Sturm from Allegent Health Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs, visited our club to describe the program goals and work ongoing at the hospital to provide world-class health care for SW Iowa. Roenfeld, recognized as one of 100 Great Iowa Nurses, is Interim Operations Leader of Patient Care. Ostenso works at Mercy Hospital Foundation development. Sturm is the physician's liaison between the hospital and area medical offices. Roenfeld explained that Mercy Hospital is recognized for their fast response time to heart attacks which is about half the national average time to treatment. She noted it is very important to get fast treatment for a heart attack. According to Roenfeld the fast response is due to development of quick response teams at the hospital, training of EMS field personnel, and providing ECG equipment to EMS stations in the area. Ostenso noted that seed money from Foundation donors led to the placement of this medical equipment in ambulances throughout Pottawattamie County which sends vital ECG data to the hospital from patients while on the road to the hospital. Roenfeld noted this level of service to heart attack victims has garnered attention from other hospitals across the country asking how they can get such fast treatment times.

May Can Kennel contributions for Boy Scouts High Adventure trip.

May 10 Club meeting, program by Darryl Busby, ISU Beef Extension.

May 14 Can and bottle sorting.

May 17 Club meeting, program by Chad Graeve, Hitchcock Nature Center.

May 24 Club meeting, program by Pete Tulipana, Heartland Family Services.

May 28 Can and bottle sorting.

May 31 Club meeting, program by Steve Owens, Treynor Schools anti-bullying program.

June Can Kennel contributions for IA Music Ambassadors

Birthdays

5/11 KEITH DENTON, 5/20 KELLY SUTHERLAND

5/22 LINNEA WHITE

Anniversaries

5/27 BOB ABBOT, 5/29 BILL MATTHEW

recognized to date

P.S. The four-year-old farm boy was walking through the grocery store when his mother noticed he was sucking his thumb. She said, "See that fat man over there at the end of aisle? If you don't stop sucking your thumb you, you'll be just like him." Wandering around the store, the young boy spied a pregnant lady and went up to her and said, "Pardon me, lady. I don't know your name but I know what you've been doing."

It seems that this will be the final edition of the club Newsletter by this editor as the move to NE is underway. Pres. Willenborg will give it a try. Be easy on him and give him the details he needs for subsequent reports. Thanks for the opportunity. Larry Kramer

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