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Report of Recent Club Meeting

President Dick Baber opened the Optimist Club meeting on July 18 and led the pledge of allegiance. Dale Willenborg gave the opening prayer. There were 19 members and three guests present. Gary Funkhouser and Keith Denton contributed jokes. Jeff Jorgensen contributed to the Youth Fund eek Notes will be provided to students at ISU this fall. Jeff Jorgensen and Check Nielson celebrated their wedding anniversaries. Dick Baber contributed because his two brothers were accepted to go on the Honor Flight to Washington DC on August 11. Richard Vorthmann has a new granddaughter. John Klein had a son and daughter graduate from college. Theresa Fahrenkrug also contributed to the Youth Fund.

The Optimist Club held a barbeque at the Treynor Recreation Association Clubhouse on Friday, July 15 at 6:00 p.m. About 30 people attended, including 8 guests. There was plenty of food and the musicians played until 8:30 p.m. Surplus charcoal and condiments from the barbeque were auctioned at the Saturday meeting, bringing in \$18.

On Thursday, July 23, the Optimist Club will assist with taking tickets at the county fair at Westfair from noon until 6:00 p.m. Additional help is needed.

Chuck Nielson won the 50/50 drawing. Larry Kramer won the attendance drawing but did not collect.

Can Kennel sorting was Wednesday, July 15. Several Optimist members helped, as well as future Optimists Kylee and Eavely Dykes.

Pottawattamie County Community Foundation

Dawn Hovey from the Pottawattamie County Community Foundation spoke about the foundation. It began in 2007 with four members with the purpose of promoting philanthropy in the county and to help donors. A community foundation provides tax benefits because the IRS gives an additional 20% tax benefit for endowments, in addition to the normal charitable tax deduction.

The Pottawattamie County foundation gives grants twice a year, in March and September. The maximum grant is \$2500 and can be given to any charity. They are affiliated with the national Council of Foundations and can receive legal advice there. However, community foundations cannot lobby.

The Iowa West Foundation is funding operation of the Pottawattamie County Community Foundation for five years. They are also providing matching funds for up to five years for endowment funds.

The foundation also has a Strengthening Neighborhoods Grant program. The purpose of these grants is to promote positive relationships among residents in neighborhoods in Pottawattamie County. The grants can be up to \$500 to residents or up to \$5000 for organizations.

CALENDAR

July proceeds for the Can Kennel will be for the Treynor Optimist Club Youth Programs.

July 29, Wed, 6:00 p.m. – Can Kennel sorting

Birthdays

7/14 Gary Guttau (recognized), 7/23 Jerry Hempel, 7/27 Jim Clausen

Anniversaries

7/14 Jeff Jorgensen (recognized), 7/22 Steve Irvin, Chuck Nielson (recognized)

Speakers

July 25 -

Programs

July – Josh Guttau
 Aug 1 and 8 - Bob Abbott
 Aug 15 and 22 - Tim Greiner
 Aug. 29 - Mick Guttau
 Sep – Les Harvey
 Oct – Gary Funkhouser
 Nov – Steve Irvin
 Dec – Jim Clausen

PS: Everybody knows about the **Fujita Scale** which measures the power of tornados. But nobody really knows what all those types of twisters do to COWS. So here is the MOOJITA Scale...

- M0 Tornado - Cows in an open field are spun around parallel to the wind flow and become mildly annoyed.
- M1 Tornado - Cows are tipped over and can't get up.
- M2 Tornado - Cows begin rolling with the wind.
- M3 Tornado - Cows tumble and bounce.
- M4 Tornado - Cows are AIRBORN.
- M5 Tornado - S T E A K !!!