



Club Officers for 2008-2009

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2007-2009	2008-2010
John Klein	Judy Gutttau
Bob Hibbard	John Schmitt
Denny White	

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Report of Recent Club Meeting

President Richard Baber opened the Optimist Club meeting on January 10 and Jeff Jorgenson gave the opening prayer. There were 14 members and one visitor in attendance. Judy Gutttau won the 50-50 drawing.

The club will have a white elephant gift auction next Saturday. Bring any unneeded Christmas gifts or other items to auction.

The club celebrated John Schmitt's upcoming birthday on January 24 with a birthday song. Richard Vorthmann contributed to the Youth Fund to brag about his new grandchild, born at 18 lbs, 14 oz. Dick Baber contributed because he had an article published in the newspaper about the new Crescent Optimist Club that is being organized. They have 17 people ready to sign up and need 25 to organize the club.

The club is planning a spaghetti dinner for Friday, January 16 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Zion church in conjunction with the Audubon basketball games. Proceeds will be used for youth activities and scholarships. Dinner will include spaghetti, drinks, vegetables, bread, pies, and bars. Everyone's help is needed.

Saturday, January 24, the Morning Club in Council Bluffs will celebrate their 50th anniversary at the MidAmerican Center. Everyone is invited. Social hour is 6:00-7:00. The dinner is 7:00-8:00 and costs \$25. Reservations are due January 14. The program begins at 8:00 p.m.

The Optimist Club held their monthly board meeting on January 10. Eight board members were present. The board approved the Dance Team for the September can kennel, the Silver Keg Feeders 4H for October, the Cub Scouts for November, and the Jr. Optimist Club for March 2010.

The Treynor Optimist Club will host an Oratory Contest for 7th graders in March. The Board approved gift certificates to the Rose for judges. The winners will go to the Zone contest on Saturday, March 21.

Social Responsibility

McKenzie Ring was the speaker at the Treynor Optimist Club on 10 January. She is the Social Responsibility Coordinator for Doll Distributing, which distributes Anheuser-Busch beers, Corona, Samuel Adams, and 180 Energy Drink (a brand of energy drink made by Anheuser Busch). Mrs. Ring is from

Underwood. She volunteered to provide free bags to the Optimist Club for can and bottle redemption.

Since 1982, Anheuser Busch has spent \$750M on responsible drinking. Doll Distributing spent over \$14,000 in 2008 on responsible drinking. Much of that funding goes toward education. Education starts in the home. The emphasis is on personal accountability for actions.

Doll Distributing has provided 200 identification books to bartenders in 2008. The books have examples of all state IDs and information about how to recognize and what to do with fake IDs.

In surveys of 13-17 year olds, 71% of them say their parents have influenced them about drinking. 6.9 million "Family Talk" books about how to talk to children about drinking have been distributed in the US since 1990. Anheuser Busch also has a speaker's bureau that includes eight different speakers who have talked to 2.9 million youth in the US.

Anheuser Busch also produces "College Talk", a book about drinking in college that is distributed through local wholesalers to parents and/or schools that request them. Anheuser Busch and its team of 600 wholesalers worked with 103 organizations on preventing drinking in 2007. Consumer Awareness and Responsibility Programs began in 1989.

CALENDAR

The December and January Can Kennel contributions will be for the Post Prom Committee. Total collections are \$67,140 through October 2008.

16 Jan – Spagetti Dinner, 5:00-7:00 at Zion Church

Speakers

17 Jan – Abbie Crawford & Deann Over - Cookie Crumbs

24 Jan – Pastor Alan Hardy – Surge in Iraq

Birthdays

1/19 Dennis White

1/24 John Schmitt

Anniversaries

None

Programs

January - Keith Denton

February – Gary Gutttau

March – Chad Gutttau

April – Dale Willenborg

May – Richard Vorthmann

PS: A grizzled old man was eating in a truck stop when three very large, leathery bikers walked in. The first walked up to the old man, pushed his cigarette into the old man's pie and then took a seat at the counter. The second walked up to the old man, spat into the old man's milk and then he too took a seat at the counter. The third walked up to the old man, turned over the old man's plate, and then he took a seat at the counter.

Without a word of protest, the old man quietly left the diner. Shortly thereafter, one of the bikers said to the waitress, "Humph, not much of a man, was he?"

The waitress replied, "Not much of a truck driver either, he just backed his big-rig over three motorcycles."