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Treynor Baseball

Bob Mantell spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on August 26 about this past season's baseball. He played baseball at Thomas Jefferson in



Council Bluffs, graduating in 1986 and for Creighton, graduating in 1990.

Bob said that this was the best year in the history of the program at Treynor, with a 32-5 record. This is the 10th year in a row that they were conference champs and they were ranked in the top 10 all year. At the end of the season they were

ranked 2nd.

The Treynor team had 21 boys on the roster, with 6 seniors, 4 juniors, 2 sophomores, 4 freshmen, and 4 8th graders. They were 17-1 in the league and lost to Underwood by only one run. They had 4 All State players. The JV team was 8-8.

Bob started coaching Treynor in 2006. Before that they had won the conference championship last in 1991. Nolan Mantell (class of 2013), Kent Poncelow, and Bob Daley were the assistant coaches this season. Bob Daley was the main driver in building the clubhouse.

There were six seniors on the team, all starters. Brett Daley is going to the University of Central Arkansas to play Division I baseball. Kendrick Umphreys will be a pitcher at the University of Nebraska. Tyler Radcliff was a three year starter and will go to the University of Iowa. Griffin Kline will also be at the University of Iowa. Jason Cox

will play baseball at IWCC. Peyton Peterson is going to Metro Tech Community College to become a police officer.

Daley and Umphreys participated in the All Stars tournament on the Small West team. There are 4 All Star teams with a total of 64 youth participating and the Small West team won the tournament.

This year they put in new fence slats, finished the clubhouse, put up a wall of fame in the clubhouse, and extended the dugout. The dugout extension cost \$10,000, paid for through fundraising. They need new batting nets and some field improvements.

The main challenge for baseball are competing activities in the summer. Iowa is the only state with summer baseball, to avoid conflicts with other sports.

Bob said that the new pitching rules affect the game significantly. Basically, a 11th or 12th grader can only throw 110 pitches in a game before sitting out for 4 days. 8-10th graders can only throw 90 per day. Some teams had to forfeit games because of overuse of pitchers. Treynor has a lot of pitchers, so they were minimally affected. They start working on pitching mechanics in January and have 6-8 youth capable of pitching. Bob Mantell was a pitcher in college.

Meeting Minutes

Kirk Vorthmann conducted the meeting of the Treynor Optimist Club on August 26. The meeting began with humor and a prayer after the pledge of allegiance.

Dale Willenborg won the 50/50 drawing. Judy Guttau won the attendance prize. There were 13 members and 1 guest at the meeting.

Judy Guttau celebrated her birthday. Gary Funkhouser celebrated his wedding anniversary.

Gary Guttau contributed to the Youth Fund because he attended the anniversary get-together of the East Pottawattamie County Soil Conservation District. Kirk Vorthmann recognized

the outstanding band and dance teams at the football game last night. Gary Funkhouser recognized the two youth who went to HOBY this year, Jerry Jorgenson and Alora Nowlin and the great thank-you letters they sent. Bill Vorthmann saw the eclipse and Gary Guttau went to St. Joseph to see the eclipse.

For community news, the JOI Club may be receiving a \$25,000 grant from State Farm. They were fifth on the scoreboard for the 40 clubs receiving the award. They plan to use the money for Tristin's Trail on the Cardinal Core property.

Ken Graham, Dee Guttau, Bill Vorthmann, John Klein, Gary Guttau, and Chad Guttau helped with can kennel sorting on August 23 for the Silver Creek 4-H Club.

There was a short discussion about having a float for Homecoming on October 6.

Calendar

- Sept 2, Sat – Put up flags, 8:00 a.m.
- Sept 6, Wed – Can sorting for Silver Creek 4-H
- Sept 20, Wed – Can sorting for Studio 7 Dance team

Birthdays

- Aug 11 – Chad Guttau (recognized)
- Aug 23 – Judy Guttau (recognized)
- Sep 22 - Dee Guttau
- Oct 17 – Marsha Underwood
- Oct 29 – Bill Vorthmann

Anniversaries

- Aug 13 – Jerry & Barb Hempel
- Aug 25 – Gary & Julia Funkhouser (recognized)
- Sep 26 – Bill & Ann Vorthmann
- Oct 13 – Dale & Dianne Willenborg

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Bob Mantell accepted the Can Kennel check for the Baseball team.



Next Saturday there will not be a speaker at the Optimist Club so we can put out flags for Labor Day.

Oct 17 – Dennis & Kay White

Speakers

- Sept 2 - No speaker for Labor Day weekend. Put up flags.
- Sept 9 - Pastor Jordan Campbell (probably about Zion daycare)
- Sept 16 - Mark Brandenburg (county recorder)
- Sept 23 - Pastor Chuck Meyer (Lutheran Church)
- Sept 30 - Terry Bahl (bicycle ride across USA)

Programs

- September - Ken Graham
- October - Gary Guttau
- November - Mick Guttau
- December –