

## **Capturing Kids Hearts**

Steve Irvin spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on September 21 and talked about the new program at Treynor community Schools, "Capturing Kids Hearts." The program involves all the teachers in the school system, elementary, middle school, and high school.

The program has a teaching relationship model called EXCEL. EXCEL stands for:

E = Engage

X = X-plore

C = Communicate

E = Empower

L = Launch

In a survey, 97% of the faculty agreed that the program was worthwhile. Steve also mentioned that all staff members are now required to wear name tags at school. The doors entering the school are locked at 8:30 in the morning for security reasons.