

## Teamwork—Flying Together in Optimism

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### NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, May 15, 1999 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. Meet at the church for donuts and fellowship. The meeting will start at 7:20. Bring a guest.

### REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were twelve members present. President KEVIN UNDERWOOD presided. There was no attendance pot nor 50/50 drawing since the Club materials were in the back of LES HARVEY'S car and LES was out of town

JOHN KLEIN distributed copies of the certification list of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders who completed the 1999 Baby-sitting Clinic lead by the West Pottawattamie County Extension Service staff. A total of 37 youth completed the course comprised of four educational sessions. The Junior Treynor Women's Club aided our Club in the sponsorship of this project. JOHN noted that this was the largest class of graduates since our Club started the project, which is held every other year. Thanks to JOHN for making the arrangements.

KEVIN reported a large attendance of about 88 at the recent Youth Appreciation Celebration. The Treynor Teacher of the Year is Renae Nerem who teaches the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Optimist International Essay Contest Winners, Christina Coffman and Ian Wolfe, and Oratorical Contest winners, Teresa Brooks and Brian Leber, were recognized. The honored students nominated by the Treynor teaching staff were: 7<sup>th</sup> grade - Lindee Donahue and Andy Temeyer, 8<sup>th</sup> grade - Christina Bloom and Andrew Miller, 9<sup>th</sup> grade - Tricia Potter and Brian Vanecek, 10<sup>th</sup> grade - Mandy Danker and Daniel Saar, 11<sup>th</sup> grade - Stacie Francker and Mitchell Vorthmann, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade - Brittney Schroeder and Joe Chambers. Jody Bintz, Loess Hills Area Education Agency Consultant, presented a program about the challenges and importance of technology in our future.

There was not enough response to sponsor a pre-season little league baseball tournament. The rainy April and early May limited team preparations.

The roadside cleanup project has not been rescheduled, yet. JOHN noted the Highway Department has recorded that we have picked up, with a lot of help from the Cub Scouts, 124 bags of litter since starting the project in 1992.

KEVIN has thrown the net a little wider for Club officer nominees. The final nominees will be voted on at the next meeting.

BOB HIBBARD announced the can collection project is starting as soon as the dog kennel fence can be set in place to receive the cans. A collection site will be located at the South end of the Legion/Back Nine parking lot near the Treynor Hardware building. JOHN is preparing informational materials to let the community know about our project to collect cans and bottles for deposit redemption throughout the year. Groups that have been conducting can drives in certain months of the year can continue their efforts in the future using the collection area we are establishing.

Sec/Treas. RICHARD VORTHMANN noted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Iowa District meeting was scheduled next Saturday. Those who plan to attend will be treated to the finals of the District Oratorical Contest.

### NURSING IS A REWARDING CAREER

Club member, MARSHA UNDERWOOD, spoke about her career as a nurse. This year MARSHA will be celebrating her 25<sup>th</sup> year as LPN at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs. MARSHA currently works with a five-person team in the Endoscopy room where they perform procedures on about 130 patients per month. While insurance companies are pushing for more outpatient procedures, MARSHA noted they have 22 beds in their department for in-patient care. MARSHA is responsible for many details of preparing patients for procedures; tending to them after procedures; assisting doctors; and maintaining supply inventories. She enjoys working with the Endoscopy team, but dislikes the ever-changing forms to be completed for hospital records.

### CALENDAR

- May 15 Club meeting, program TBA.  
Officer election.
- May 15 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Iowa District Meeting,  
Des Moines.
- May 25 Meth. Awareness Community Meeting,  
Treynor HS Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- May 27 Farm Safety Day, Elementary School  
1 p.m.
- May 29 Club meeting, program TBA

BIRTHDAYS 5/11 KEITH DENTON  
 ANNIVERSARIES none

P.S On the way to hospital a nurse was hitting a pretty fast pace. She failed to heed the stoplight on the corner. The law officer caught up with her in the next block. He asked her, "Doesn't that red light remind you of something?" "Oh, yes," replied the nurse, "someone wants the bed pan."

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