

NEWSLETTER

Teamwork—Flying Together in Optimism

Club Officers for '98-'99	Board of Directors		Past Presidents	
President Kevin Underwood	'97-'99 Irv Larsen	'98-'00 Marsha Underwood	Gene Grell, '84-'85	Al Strohbehn, '91-'92
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Past Pres. Les Harvey			Charles Branham, '88-'89	Keith Denton, '95-'96
			Jim Clausen, '89-'90	Ed Underwood, '96-'97
			Larry Kramer, '90-'91	Les Harvey, '97-'98

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

Saturday morning, July 24 at 7:20 A.M. with donuts, coffee, orange juice, and fellowship from 6:45 A.M. Don't miss out on the latest local news and discussion of world problems.

Milli Harvey has scheduled Joanne Topolski who has been a missionary in India since 1991 and she works with the program: "Youth With A Mission" to share information with us on this experience. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

President Kevin Underwood presided and 19 members were present. Dan Schnepel's name was drawn for the attendance pot but he was not present to collect. Virgil Holst had the lucky number in the 50/50 drawing.

Members voted to give \$20 toward expenses of the Talented and Gifted Workshop for elementary school students at Oakland.

Larry Kramer reminded members of District Convention August 5 thru 8 at Burlington, IA.

Can-Kennel Co-coordinator John Klein told the group the Cub Scouts would sort cans August 3, the end of their month. If you want to help, be there at 7 P.M. He said the Scouts and the Cub Scouts agreed to allow the date to be Aug. 3.

Les Harvey told members Ken Hummel was having an open house reception at the Lewis Township Fire Hall to celebrate his 75th birthday. Ken was a major factor in starting of Club about 15 years ago and he will be District Governor in 2 years.

Larry Kramer will be needing help on administrative details for the August 15 Horse Show at Westfair and reminded members to make that date a priority to work all or part of the day.

Treasurer Rich Vorthmann reminded members dues are due for the July, Aug., Sept. quarter. (\$12.50)

A CONSTANT REMINDER TO MEMBERS: Each of us has a responsibility to help maintain membership levels. Share your good fortune of Optimist Membership with a friend. INVITE HIM/HER TO JOIN US!

YOUR OFFICERS encourage you to plan to be present with family at the East Park for the Jr. Treynor Women/Optimist Club picnic and softball game, in the early evening.

DON'T FALL FOR A TELEPHONE LINE

Milli Harvey introduced Les Harvey who provided the program dealing with telemarketing fraud and various scams.

—Con artists doing business over the phone swindle more than a BILLION dollars a year from thousands of unsuspecting Americans who fall prey to seemingly tremendous offers. These people are criminals and they come into your house via the telephone or by knocking on your door.

—Les shared a video tape produced by AARP lasting 15 minutes which documented experiences of numerous victims of telemarketing fraud and it featured testimony by a prison inmate who was convicted of telemarketing fraud who was quite candid about his operations and procedures.

MAJOR MESSAGE: If we are to stop these criminals WE MUST ALL GET INVOLVED even a little. IF YOU GET A CALL OR SOMEONE KNOCKS ON YOUR DOOR AND YOU SUSPECT FRAUDULENT INTENT, GET ALL DETAILS POSSIBLE AND REPORT TO EITHER IA Attorney General at (515) 281-5926 or the National Fraud Information Center at 1-800-876-7060. Even the tiniest bit of information could help authorities come up with a pattern which could lead to arrest and conviction.

—POINTS TO REMEMBER: The longer you talk, the more likely the criminal is to trick you.

—If the offer sounds TOO GOOD TO BE REAL, IT PROBABLY IS. Hang up!

—Les is available to provide this program to groups. Call (712) 487-3836.

—ALSO FOR MORE INFO ON "The Vial of Life" call Les.

CALENDAR

July 24—Meeting Program by Joanne Topolski, YOUTH WITH A MISSION

July 31—Meeting Program, Meagan Beattie shares info on the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference for students.

August— Boy Scout Can-Kennel Month.

August 5-8—Burlington, IA Dist. Conv.

August 7— Treynor Jr Women/Optimist Picnic and softball. East Park.

August 15 SISCO Horse Show—Westfair.

Aug. 28 (?) 15th Club Anniv. Celebrtn.

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