



*Vision 2000 of Optimism*



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**NEXT CLUB MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, March 18, 2000 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. LES HARVEY has arranged for Rhonda Matthew to speak about R & B Wellness (with assistance from BILL). Coffee, juice, and rolls will be available at 6:30 a.m. The meeting starts at 7:20. Bring a guest.

**REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING**

At the last Club meeting 19 members and 1 guest were present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to new member JERRY HEMPEL, but it was not claimed. DOREEN MAYBERRY won the 50/50 drawing.

BOB HIBBARD collected fines for missing pins again. If you lost your pin, SEC. RICHARD VORTHMANN can order you another.

JOHN KLEIN reminded everyone that the 2<sup>nd</sup> winter season Swim Day is coming up next Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup>. All Treynor youth are invited to pick up a pass at the Elementary School or Treynor State Bank sometime during the week and be at the Lewis Central Pool at 1 p.m. The Botna Valley Optimist Club is also participating in this activity.

JOHN received permission to nominate our Optimist Club to the "Earth Team" as recognized by the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Road cleanup and tree planting activities will be featured on the application, according to JOHN.

LARRY KRAMER announced the Bike Safety Day activity was scheduled on Thursday May 11 after school at the Elementary School playground.

JOHN noted the Baby-Sitting/Sibling-Care Seminar has been organized again this year with the assistance of the Treynor Junior Women. Mary Kouris, Pott. County Extension Service, will instruct youth during four Mondays starting March 27. Instruction will be after school in the Treynor High School Home Economics Room from 3:45-4:15 p.m. All youth of grades 5 and up are welcome. Treynor Junior Women will supervise and assist Mary in the instruction.

**ONE MILLION M&MS**

Dawn Soloth is 7<sup>th</sup> Grade English teacher and the Talented And Gifted (TAG) program coordinator in Treynor Schools. She has been very busy in her first teaching year at Treynor supervising 19 different classes in the School-wide Thinking Enrichment Program (STEP). Dawn explained that students have to be nominated for TAG to

participate in the enrichment classes and activities. They have to have qualities of ability, creativity, and commitment as recognized by their class work for other teachers. They also have to be self-motivated to finish projects when they may have only 1 hour per week class instruction. Dawn noted TAG projects might involve the whole class, a small group, or an individual student. A thinking project Dawn used for lower grades to conceptualize large numbers was to determine how much volume is needed to contain one million M&M candies. An added challenge here was to keep them from disappearing during the estimation.

**CALENDAR**

**Jan-March: After-the-Prom Committee Can Collection**

- Mar. 15 Can and bottle sorting, 2 p.m.
- Mar. 16 Club Scout Pine Wood Derby. Elementary School, 6:15 p.m.
- Mar. 18 Club Meeting, program by Rhonda and BILL MATTHEW, R & B Wellness.
- Mar. 19 Swim Day #2, Lewis Central Pool, 1-4 p.m.
- Mar. 25 Club Meeting, program by Rus Maguire and Bryce Strohbehn, Treynor Fire and Rescue, Community Building plans.
- Mar. 27 Start of Baby Sitting Clinic.
- Mar. 29 Can and bottle sorting, 2 p.m.
- Mar. 30 Club Oratorical Contest, Elementary School, 12:40 p.m.

**April: Girl Scouts Can Collection**

- Apr. 1 Club Meeting, program by Jean Armstrong, R.N., Family and Community Health Resources.
- Apr. 8 OI President's Visit, Amana Holiday Inn.
- Apr. 15 Zone 4 Oratorical, Treynor.
- Apr. 25 Zone 4 Meeting, Treynor.
- Apr. 29 Regional Oratorical, Council Bluffs.

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 3/2 WARD CHAMBERS
- 3/2 JERYL UNDERWOOD
- 3/8 GEORGE SCHNEIDER
- 3/11 KENNETH GRAHAM

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3/3 CHRIS & MINDI ESLINGER
- 3/4 GENE SERAN
- 3/8 KEITH DENTON
- 3/15 JEFF NELSON

P.S. One rancher was talking to another. "What's the name of your spread?" asked the first. "The XWK Circle Q Bar S," replied the second. "How many head do you have?" "Well," the second rancher answered, "only a handful. Not many survive the branding."