



Vision 2000 of Optimism



"Lighting the Way" in the Iowa District, Zone 4

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FRIENDS OF YOUTH

NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning, August 26, 2000 at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church. 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 there were 19 members and 2 guests present. President GENE SERAN presided. The attendance pot was awarded to KEVIN ELWOOD but it was not claimed. The next winner may need an escort to the bank. GERALD FORRISTALL won the 50/50.

Sergeant-at-arms BOB HIBBARD called for a showing of Optimist member pins. Several members were embarrassed out of a quarter.

Birthday greetings were sung to our senior Club member, VIRGIL HOLST and the anniversaries of TIM GREINER (20-yr) and JERRY HEMPEL (17-yr) were noted as they each contributed a dollar to the youth fund.

LES HARVEY called attention to the full page listing in the Gazette of the Treynor school activity calendar for the new school year. It makes a handy reference for planning Club activities with the youth. LES raised the question if any group was planning to sponsor a community forum for the five School Board candidates before the election in September. No plans were offered. Should our Club organize an open meeting with the candidates?

JOHN KLEIN reported several items regarding the Can Kennel. The Botna Valley Optimist Club is working to establish a can and bottle collection point in Carsen. However, this is in a different "bottling zone" than Treynor and our collection service cannot service Carsen. Alternatives are being considered. JOHN said the Underwood Junior Optimists were interested in starting a can and bottle collection project in Underwood and he sent them the information on our project. According to JOHN, KMA radio wants to interview him about our project. The broadcast of interview is planned Monday the 28th at 9:10 a.m. LARRY KRAMER noted that at the recent District meeting he gave a copy of the project information to the Solon, IA optimist club as they were looking for a new fund raising project.

VIRGIL reported the sidewalk wall painting project would be discussed with the Treynor art teacher soon to determine how this project might be accomplished. VIRGIL also reported the flag lighting project was on

hold until cooler temperatures coincided with the time he had available to work at mounting and wiring the lights.

[Editor's note: Belated thank you to RICHARD for notes of the previous meeting for the Newsletter.]

JUST LOOK FOR THE YELLOW BUS

Erin Sudmann is a senior at Treynor High. She had the wonderful experience of being selected to the Iowa Ambassadors of Music group and touring seven European countries this past July. Erin was one of 250 choir group members. There were also 250 band members. According to Erin the Iowa Ambassadors is the largest state representation. Erin said the two-week tour started in London England, traveled through France, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Italy, and ended in Germany. The 500-member group was divided up into groups of 50 and each was assigned a bus. Her bus was the yellow bus. Erin explained that that they had a tight schedule of concerts and performances at various cities along the travel route. They also had time to see a lot of the sights along the way. Erin said the most scenic area to her was the Alps in Switzerland. Her most memorable time was in Paris France, she noted, because she had her 18th birthday the day she toured the Eiffel tower. The most disappointing part of the trip was the weather. It rained nearly every day of the trip! Some of the outdoor concerts were canceled because of the weather.

CALENDAR

- Aug.: Can Collection for Boy Scouts.
- Aug. 26 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Aug. 30 Can sorting with Boy Scouts, 7 p.m.
- Sept. 2 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Sept. 5 4th Quarter Zone Meeting, Griswold, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 9 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Sept: Can Collection for SW IA Honor Band

- BIRTHDAYS 8/1 CRAIG McCLELLAN
- 8/15 JOAN MARTIN
- 8/16 VIRGIL HOLST #
- ANNIVERSARIES 8/9 TIM GREINER #
- 8/13 JERRY HEMPEL #
- 8/18 RICHARD SAAR
- 8/25 GARY FUNKHOUSER
- (# recognized to date)

P.S. Two farmers were discussing their status in life. "I started out on the theory that the world had an opening for me," one man said. "And have you found it?" the other farmer asked. "Well, yes," replied the first. "I'm in the hole now."