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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning December 7, 2002 at **Zion Congregational Church**. JOHN KLEIN has arranged a program by Eagle Scout Matt Trotter and Scoutmaster Rich Weekly to speak about Eagle Scout achievement. Coffee, juice, and rolls will be available before the meeting that starts at 7:20 a.m. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the Last Club meeting on there were 22 members and 1 guest present. Pres. GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. LES HARVEY offered the prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to JOHN KLEIN. The 50/50 was awarded to Pres. GARY.

The wedding anniversary of KEN and Linda GRAHAM was recognized. KEN added a dollar to the Youth Fund. Pres. GARY noted the abundance of styrofoam cups in use and called for a quarter assessment by St-at-Arms BOB HIBBARD.

LES announced he had sold all the Newsletter ad space.

Thanks to BOB, BILL STEPHENS, JOHN, and LARRY for helping the Honor Band parents and students at the recent Can Kennel can and bottle sorting. The collections for December are slated for the Boy Scout Troop.

GENE GRELL announced that the Elementary School had requested assistance with ushering at the upcoming Christmas Program on December 12. Helpers need to be there by 6:30 p.m. wearing an Optimist vest or shirt.

TERESA FAHRENKRUG reminded all of the Cub Scout activities planned this Thursday. The Pack will gather at Zion Church at 6:30 p.m. They will then proceed to the Community Christmas Tree and add decorations. From there they will sing Christmas Carols around Treynor, and end up at Zion for hot chocolate. Optimist members are encouraged to join in the activities.

Thanks to BOB, LARRY, GARY, RICHARD VORTHMANN, and JEFF JORGENSEN for stringing lights on the tree.

JOHN proposed a fund raising project tied to Treynor High basket ball games. Pres. GARY suggested a review by Principal JOEL BOHLKENS.

Pres. GARY reminded Board members and project chairs that the December Board meeting will be held after the Club meeting. Agenda items will

An Iowa District Award Newsletter include, but are not limited to membership, Spaghetti Dinner, and new fund raising projects.

DON'T SWEAT IN THE ALASKA WINTER

R ev. Alan Hardy, Pastor of Zion Congregational Church, spent four years as Army Chaplain stationed at Fort Wainwright located next to Fairbanks, Alaska. Alan explained some of the unique experiences living in this northern climate. Ft. Wainwright is a major troop post of about 8000 soldiers plus families in a strategic location in central Alaska. It is also an important arctic survival training ground for the military. Alan stated the seasons of spring and fall are hardly two weeks each. The summer and winter seasons are long and guess which Alan likes best. The best description of winter in central Alaska offered by Alan is 'interesting.' It is like nothing else in the lower states he said. The record low at Fairbanks is -60F and he has experienced working in -50F. In this temperature extreme outside work is limited to 15-minute periods. The extremely cold air contains no moisture and can severely desiccate any exposed skin. Alan explained that your clothing had to be adjusted to your exertion level so that you did not work up a sweat. This could lead to loss of insulation and dangerous exposure. Alan recalled his worst experience was getting his sinuses frozen from too much cold exposure.

CALENDAR

- **Dec. Can Collections for Boy Scouts** Dec. 5 Cub Scout Christmas caroling/tree decorating, starting
- at 6:30 p.m. Zion Church. Dec. 7 Club Meeting, program by Eagle Scout Matt Trotter and Scoutmaster Rich Weekly.
 - Scoutmaster Rich Weekly. Board meeting after Club meeting.
- Dec. 11 Can and bottle sorting.
- Dec. 12 Elementary School Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m.
- Dec. 14 Club Meeting, program by Dr. WARD CHAMBERS.
- Dec. 21 Club meeting and Christmas gift exchange, program by Dave and Bev Brandt.
- Dec. 28 Club meeting, program by Jan Williamson
- Jan.-Mar. Can Collections for After-the-Prom Committee
- Jan. 7 Spaghetti Supper, Zion.
- Jan. 18 Cub Scout Pine Wood Derby.
- Jan. 20 Zone 4 Meeting, Avoca

Birthdays

- 11/8MICK GUTTAU #11/25KATHY SCHMITT
- Anniversaries
- 11/6 KENNETH GRAHAM#
- 11/15 JOHN KLEIN #
- 11/21 LES and MILLI HARVEY #, 11/25 WARD CHAMBERS
 - 5 WARD CHAMBERS # recognized to date.

P.S. The old man thought his wife was going deaf, so he came up behind her and said, "Can you hear me, sweetheart?" No reply. He came closer and said it again. No reply. He spoke right into her ear and said, "Can you hear me now, Honey?" His wife said, "For the third time, yes."

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