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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning May 3, 2003 at St. Paul's Church. CHAD GUTTAU has arranged for Hershel Reed to describe the Council Bluffs YMCA program. The meeting starts at 7:20. Invite a guest. There will be a Board meeting after the Club meeting.

REPORT OF PAST CLUB MEETINGS

At the Club meeting of 4/19 there were 26 members and two guests present. Pres. GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. ARLYN NORRIS led the devotional prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to DAN SCHNEPEL, but it was not collected. The 50/50 was awarded to TERESA FAHRENKRUG.

Thanks to Julia Funkhouser and Diane Clausen for preparing breakfast. Pres. GARY introduced Iowa District Optimist Governor Dale and Barbara Robertson from Underwood.

Contributions to the Youth Fund were collected from several members (and guests). MIKE ABBOTT contributed \$2 for not singing birthday greetings to him. JERRY HEMPEL contributed a dollar because his sons keep getting in the papers for their sports and scholarship achievements. Governor Dale and Sec./Treas. Larry Kramer were accused for making the Optimist International President's Visit and Award Dinner run too long. So, each contributed a dollar. MIKE produced photos of RICHARD VORTHMANN and KEVIN UNDERWOOD doing a little dozing during the award presentations. That cost them each a dollar. RICHARD was alert in time to collect an award of Master Sec./Treas. for last Optimist Year. He also collected banner patches for Optimist International Foundation contribution at \$10 per member level, third place in the District Awards & Achievements scoring, and for a Community Project Awards report. MIKE also received a banner patch for Honor Club during his presidency last year.

WES NELSEN announced a project to collect hats and bandannas during the month of May to be given to Camp Quality. This is a part of our Club C.C.C. (Childhood Cancer Campaign) efforts.

JOHN KLEIN thanked the sixteen Club members who helped with the very successful Arbor Day project with the elementary students.

LARRY KRAMER announced the Scholarship Committee had completed the choice of three senior scholarship recipients. The committee recommends that the Board double the scholarship amount.

Pres. GARY distributed a schedule of activities for the Treynor Days Celebration on June 28-29. Our club is again scheduled to run the Bingo tables, but we won't have to do it under a tent this year as all the activities will be in the new Community Service Center building.

KEVIN ELWOOD reminded everyone to mark May 14 on their calendar to help with the Bike Safety Day after school.

MIKE announced the next meeting of Zone 4 clubs is scheduled on Thursday May 1 at Community Church of Christ in Underwood at 7 p.m. A candidate for Lt. Governor of Zone 4 for next year is being sought.

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JERRY had to put another dollar in the Youth Fund for continued publicity for his son's achievements. (He is looking forward to the graduation of the oldest son)

P.S. One farmer talking to another remarked, "My son is majoring in both economics and applied physics at college. It's not a very useful combination, but it does explain how he can spend money at the speed of light."

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Pres. GARY circulated a photo published of our Arbor Day tree-planting project with the elementary students. KEVIN U. and BOB HIBBARD each contributed a dollar for being in the photo. A thank you note from the elementary school was circulated.

LES HARVEY circulated a reservation sign-up sheet for attendance at the 2003 Youth Appreciation Celebration. This is scheduled this coming Sunday at Zion Church. This is a special time when twelve Treynor students are recognized for their citizenship, and winning student essay and oratorical creations are presented. An educator of the year is also recognized. The meal cost is \$10. Contact LES A.S.A.P. if you haven't signed up.

LES also distributed information on the Optimist Junior Golf program.

Thanks to Pres. GARY, LES, JOEL BOHLKEN, JUDY GUTTAU, RICARD, and ALLI VANROEKEL for helping with the gate at recent Treynor track meets.

Thanks also to BOB, LARRY, JOHN K., TERESA FAHRENKRUG, and JEFF JORGENSEN for working with the Cub Scouts to clean up along Highway 92 east of Treynor.

THE SEEDS ARE GROWING IN THE IOWA DISTRICT

Governor Robertson spoke of the exciting weekend he and Barbara had during the visit by International President Bill Teague. Two new optimist clubs were formed, one in Waukee and one at Dunlap called Boyer Valley. There now are new clubs in three communities to create projects to serve youth which have not been served. Governor Robertson pointed out his goal is for 12 new clubs and efforts are underway in other Iowa District communities to form more clubs. The Governor's theme is related to apples and planting seeds. His motto is 'You can count the seeds in an apple, but you can't count the apples in a seed'. Governor Robertson has been very active in spreading 'seeds of Optimism' throughout the Iowa District. More youth and communities will benefit from the service of Optimists as a result of his efforts.

KEEPING THE BIG TRUCKS ROLLING-SAFELY

Jay Thornton described his work as an Iowa Dept. of Transportation Motor Vehicle Enforcement Officer. With a vehicle mechanics background Jay has no problems identifying mechanical and safety faults on semi-trucks. Officers logged over 54 thousand inspections in 2000 and issued about 42 thousand citations for violations. Jay described how the IDOT was testing weighing systems to check trucks in motion on the highway.

CALENDAR

- April Can Collections for Cheer Leaders**
- Apr. 30 Can and bottle sorting, 5:30 p.m.
- May Can Collections for Optimist Scholarships**
- May is hat/bandanna collection month for Camp Quality**
- May 1 Zone meeting, Underwood, 7 p.m.
- May 3 Club meeting, program by Hershel Reed.
Board meeting after Club meeting.
- May 3 1st Fish Iowa session, Elementary School, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- May 4 Supt. GARY FUNKHOUSER Recognition, 1 - 4 p.m.
- May 4 Youth Appreciation Celebration, Zion Church, 6:30 p.m.
- May 10 Club meeting, program TBA.
- May 10 20th Anniversary Underwood Optimists.
- May 14 Bike Safety Day, Elementary School, 3:30 p.m.
- May 17 3rd Quarter Iowa District Conf., Des Moines. 8:31 a.m.
- May 17 2nd Fish Iowa session, Lake Arrowhead, 9 a.m.-2p.m.
- June 15 SISCO Horse Show, Malvern, 9 - 5.
- June 28 Treynor Days-Optimist Bingo.

Birthdays

5/11 KEITH DENTON

Anniversaries

5/13 CHRIS and MINDI ESLINGER, 5/29 BILL MATTHEW
recognized to date.

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