

The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER



Club Number 40-109

2003-2004: CAN WE BE OPTIMIST?

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YES WE CAN!

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning February 21, 2003 at the Treynor Community Center. LES HARVEY has arranged for STEVE IRVIN to present a video about Treynor Schools prepared for the state educational review The meeting starts at 7:20 a.m. committee. Invite a guest.

instructions. Applications were approved for Silver-Keg 4-H in March and Music Boosters in April. It was noted that the auctions for the Dues Fund had already met the goal for this year, and other goals should be established. The Board agreed to maintain an Endowment collection can at the Club meeting sign-in table. Final letters will be sent to members lagging in dues payments. Member actions to be taken at the next Board meeting.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were 25 members and three guests present. Pres. JERRY HEMPEL opened the meeting by leading the pledge. JOHN SCHMITT led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to JOEL BOHLKEN, but it was not collected. The 50/50 was awarded to GARY GUTTAU. At least he kept in the family!

Gary Underwood and Sport Hummel were introduced at guests.

JIM CLAUSEN contributed a dollar to the Youth Fund in recognition of his son's success at wrestling. GREINER contributed a dollar for his son's photo in the press regarding an art award. Pres. JERRY also put in a dollar in recognition of the JAZZ Band success. HARVEY suggested everyone put in a quarter for the good publicity in the Council Bluffs Nonpareil about the Can Kennel.

LES HARVEY explained he submitted information on meeting programs scheduled, but he received an interview about the Can Kennel. This was reported in the February 9 issue. An editorial about our Club activity with the Can Kennel was published the next day.

Treas. MIKE ABBOTT displayed a leather binder used to keep a record of Club endowment contributions. Gary Underwood contributed a check to the endowment in memorial to his father, ED.

It was agreed to wait on the can and bottle sorting until the snow and ice melted some.

Pres. JERRY announced the Octagon Club fundraiser with the paper airplane throw resulted in \$260 received. JEFF JORGENSEN auctioned to spirited bidding a \$30 gift certificate from Julio's Tex-Mex Grill plus two adult and two child passes to the Henry Doorly Zoo, both in Omaha.

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Terry Hummel is Emergency Management Coordinator for the Pott. Co. Emergency Management Agency. Terry explained his office is under the purview of the county Emergency Management Commission, which is made up of all mayors, the Board of Supervisors, and the Sheriff. The Commission is responsible for homeland security, emergency preparedness, emergency response, disaster recovery, and hazard mitigation. Terry further explained the County Commission is governed by the lowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division, which reports to the new, national U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Besides informing the public about the local Emergency Management Agency, Terry said he has been heavily involved on grant applications to receive the Homeland Security funding for local purposes. New equipment is being distributed at strategic locations around the county to fulfill the Emergency Management Commission responsibilities for public safety and security. Terry noted that there is a great deal of cooperation throughout the Omaha-Council Bluffs area to meet the needs for emergency preparedness. For example thirteen hospitals and about forty agencies work together as the Omaha Metro Medical Terry emphasized that we each have Response System. responsibilities for emergency preparedness. We can support local volunteer fire and rescue units. We can join Community Emergency Response Teams to supplement the professional responders. We can be more aware of surroundings and unusual activities. We can be prepared for emergencies at home. We can pay more attention to state and national legislation.

REPORT OF THE BOARD MEETING

Nine Board members were present to address several of business. The Board approved the establishment of an Endowment Fund as a sub-account of the Treynor State Bank Community Foundation. The Board further approved establishment of a five member Club Foundation Board composed of current and past presidents and the treasurer. The concept of associate membership was not approved. The Can Kennel use application procedure was reviewed. Recent applicants have not included samples of advertisements per the

CALENDAR

Feb. Can Collections for Optimist Contributions to Youth **Activities**

Feb. 21 Club meeting, program by STEVE IRVIN presenting the school video prepared for the state educational review

Feb. 28 Club meeting, program by Elementary Principal TIM LARSEN on building progress.

Birthdays

2/5 LARRY KRAMER#, 2/11 ROGER VORTHMANN, 2/12 RICHARD VORTHMANN, 2/13 GARY FUNKHOUSER **Anniversaries**

2/1 GERALD FORRISTALL#, 2/6 JON JACOBSEN, 2/9 DAN SCHNEPEL, 2/23 RICHARD VORTHMANN # recognized to date

Jimmy and Cathy are newlyweds in the honeymoon suite on their wedding night, and Cathy's in the bathroom. As Jimmy is getting undressed, he says to himself, "How am I going to tell her? How am I going to tell my new wife that I have the world's smelliest feet?" Then he throws his socks under the bed.

Cathy walks out of the bathroom, and, too chicken to face her, Jimmy runs past her and goes into the

Cathy sits on the edge of the bed and says to herself, "How am I going to tell him? How am I going to tell my new husband that I have the world's worst breath? I've got to tell him." Just then Jimmy walks out of the bathroom. Cathy runs up to him, gives him a huge wet kiss, pulls back and says, "Honey, I've got something to Jimmy says, "Yeah, I know. You just ate my socks." tell you."

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