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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning March 27, 2003 at the Treynor Community Center. JON JACOBSEN, Trust Officer at Treynor State Bank, will speak about the application of trusts. The meeting starts at 7:20 a.m. Invite a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were 26 members and one guest present. Pres. JERRY HEMPEL opened the meeting by leading the pledge. BOB HIBBARD led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to TERESA FAHRENKRUG. It took her quite a while to count it. The 50/50 was awarded to BOB.

Several members noted that KMA Radio announced GARY FUNKHOUSER would receive an award during the state boy's basketball tournament. That motivated GARY to put a dollar in the Youth Fund. Maybe we will hear more about this from him next week. LES HARVEY added a dollar to note the Treynor representation in the Iowa Western Community College All Star basketball games. TIM GREINER added a dollar for his daughter's photo in the news regarding the Treynor Pop's Concert.

Treas. MIKE ABBOTT announced a meeting Sunday the 28th at the Treynor Community Center to discuss with all groups a strategy for raising funds for new playground equipment. MIKE thanked KEITH DENTON for hauling flagpoles from the former Abbott Airport Parking lot to the Treynor City Park. KEITH noted they were more like 10 meter long, not 10 feet as he expected.

Thanks to KEVIN and JERYL UNDERWOOD, JERRY HEMPEL, MILLI HARVEY, and JOHN KLEIN for helping the 4-Hers with the can and bottle sorting last week.

MILLI announced she was issuing the last call for reservations for the After-the-Prom Theme Luncheon next Saturday. MILLI said the theme would be 'God Bless America.'

TIM GREINER announced there were about forty youth participating in the Treynor Swim Day. Thanks, TIM for setting this up.

Pres. JERRY noted the Endowment Board was scheduled to meet after the Club meeting.

Pres. JERRY announced the Red Cross Bloodmobile would be stationed at Treynor High School on Wednesday the 31st from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HEAR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

Sharlene Pekny, a licensed and certified Audiologist, has working for over twenty years to restore hearing to those in need. According to Sharlene about 10% of the US population has some degree of hearing loss. And, an even greater incidence of hearing loss is anticipated in the future when today's youth become older. Excessive audio volume at entertainment and sporting venues and personal music players today can be expected to lead to hearing loss unless ear protection is used. Sharlene noted that some hearing loss is expected due to natural aging, but there are also occupational and environmental sources of hearing loss. We can minimize all sources of hearing loss but the effects of aging by using some type of earplugs or sound attenuators. Hearing is a vital communication in the world around us, Sharlene stated. Personal hearing aid devices are designed to restore hearing loss, and Sharlene explained there have been great changes the past five years as the devices have been converted to digital technology. A hearing test is needed to assess the degree of hearing loss. There are generally three classes of hearing aids. The more advanced hearing aids can amplify certain frequency ranges and filter other frequencies with a dynamic response to one's environment.

CALENDAR

March Can Collections for Silver-Keg 4-H Club

- Mar. 27 Club meeting, program by JON JACOBSEN.
- Mar. 27 After-the-Prom Committee Theme Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., High School.
- Mar. 28 Park playground funding planning meeting, Treynor Community Center, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 31 Can and bottle sorting, 6:30 p.m.

April Can Collections for Music Boosters

- Apr. 3 International OI Pres. Visit, Amana Holiday Inn. (also makeup of 2nd Quarter District Conference)
- Apr. 3 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Apr. 10 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Apr. 14 Can and bottle sorting.
- Apr. 15 Highway cleanup with Cub Scouts after school.

Birthdays

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

3/20 JON JACOBSEN

Anniversaries

- 3/4 GENE SERAN#, 3/8 KEITH DENTON#
- 3/15 JEFF NELSON

. # recognized to date

P.S. While sports fishing off the Florida coast in Key West, a tourist capsized his boat not far from shore. He could swim, but his fear of alligators kept him clinging to the overturned boat. Spotting an old beachcomber walking along the shore, the tourist shouted, "There wouldn't be chance be any alligators in these waters?!" "No," the old man hollered back, "haven't been any for years!" Feeling relieved, the tourist started swimming leisurely toward shore. About halfway to the shore he hollered again at the old man, "Say, how'd you get rid of the gators, anyway?" "We didn't do anything," the old beachcomber said. "The sharks got 'em"