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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning November 1, 2003 at Treynor High School. LES HARVEY has arranged for a breakfast meeting with the high school football team and coaches. The Club meeting will start one hour later than normal at 8:20 a.m. The breakfast will start at 9 a.m. Invite a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were 25 members and 1 guest present. Pres. JERRY HEMPEL opened the meeting by leading the pledge. VIRGIL HOLST led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to ED UNDERWOOD, but it was not collected. The 50/50 was awarded to JUDY GUTTAU.

There were several occasions this past week for club members to contribute to the Youth Fund for bragging rights. TERESA FAHRENKRUG noted her son has been on an undefeated football team at Treynor since the 7th grade. Pres. JERRY'S son made a notable play at the last game. Also GEORGE SCHNEIDER'S grandson make two touchdowns. GENE GRELL announced he had new twin grand daughters born in Urbandale, IA. LARRY KRAMER recounted his experience at the first Grandparents Day with his grandson in kindergarten at Lincoln, NE.

JEFF JORGENSEN again conducted a Member Dues Auction of items brought by Club members. A penny pincher nick-knack, a Home Depot purchase credit, an antique Treynor State Bank rain gage, and 'boot saver' were purchased in spirited bidding. Not sure everyone got what they wanted. If you want to know about the "boot saver" ask VIRGIL.

LES HARVEY announced the arrangements for the next Club meeting. A breakfast will be prepared at Treynor High School for the football team and coaches and all Optimists and guests. Since the team will be getting home quite late Friday night, the breakfast will start at 9 a.m. Pres. JERRY called for the Club meeting to begin an hour later than usual at 8:20 a.m. in the high school Commons. After breakfast everyone will adjourn to the auditorium where the game film will be reviewed by coaches and players.

JOHN KLEIN reminded all that the last October can and bottle sorting for the Honor Choir group will be Wednesday the 29th at 6:30 p.m.

LARRY reported on the Iowa District Conference. The Community Project Awards report submitted by our Club for the District competition was awarded first place. This was our joint project with the high school Octagon Club. LARRY noted this project described the two charity fund raising projects using paper airplanes at half time during basketball games. Thanks to GARY FUNKHOUSER, WES NELSON, GENE G. and JOHN K. for helping with

P.S. A farmer and his wife were boarding their first flight and were a bit nervous. Prior to takeoff, a flight attendant walked back through the aisles handing out tiny travel kits to passengers. When she reached the farm couple she handed them a pack of bubble gum. "Here," she said, "this will keep your ears from popping at high altitudes."

As the couple departed the plane, the farmer called the flight attendant aside and said, "Thanks for the gum—but how do we get this darn stuff out of our ears?"

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the project report. It now will be entered in the Optimist International competition among Districts.

LARRY said the past Optimist year was notable because there was a net increase of 182 optimists (about 7%) in the Iowa District. This reversed a trend of decreasing membership the past several years. The late word from Optimist International is that Governor Dale Robertson led the District to a Distinguished Honor year, the first time since 1996. At the conference BOB HIBBARD was recognized with a three-member pin for his recruitment efforts. LARRY awarded the pin to BOB for Past Governor Robertson.

GARY GUTTAU announced he was lining up the November programs and LES said he would handle December. Let them know if you have some ideas.

A motion was approved to purchase pizza for the football team after the last regular season game.

FOR THE KIDS

MICK GUTTAU was a Cobra helicopter pilot during the Vietnam War. MICK shared a few stories of his experiences in training and on the battlefield with his military buddies. MICK said they truly believed in their mission in Vietnam and everyone was always concerned with those in trouble around them. A tee shirt MICK saw at the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC said it best with the slogan "If you need me I will come." Some of the more pleasant memories, MICK explained, were those concerning the children. He particularly remembered Christmas day on the airbase with children from a local orphanage. MICK said it made it easier to be there fighting the Viet Cong with the realization that they were fighting for a better future for the Vietnamese children. Mick noted he wrote a letter home to JUDY every day and they have a trunk of 700 letters, which might be transformed into a book some day.

CALENDAR

- Oct. Can Collections for Honor Choir**
- Oct. 29 Can and bottle sorting, 6:30 p.m.
- Nov. Can Collections for Boy Scouts**
- Nov. 1 Club meeting at High School, program by Steve Owens.
- Nov. 8 Club meeting, program by JOHN SCHMITT.
Board meeting after Club meeting.
- Nov. 12 Can and bottle sorting.
- Nov. 15 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Nov. 22 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Nov. 26 Can and bottle sorting.
- Dec. Can Collections for After-the-Prom Committee**

Birthdays

10/17 MARSHA UNDERWOOD#, 10/29 BILL VOTHMANN

Anniversaries

10/2 ALLI VANROEKEL, 10/5 TIM LARSEN#,
10/25 DALLAS WHITNEY
recognized to date.