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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning November 29, 2003 at the Treynor Community Center. LES HARVEY has arranged for the program to be presented by the Treynor US Post Office supervisor. The meeting starts at 7:20 a.m. Invite a guest.

REPORT OF LAST CLUB MEETING

At the last Club meeting there were 25 members and four guests present. Pres. JERRY HEMPEL opened the meeting by leading the pledge. RICHARD VORTHMANN led the devotion prayer. The attendance pot was awarded to JERYL UNDERWOOD, but he couldn't collect (quite unusual). The 50/50 was awarded to KEVIN UNDERWOOD.

The 28th wedding anniversary of JOHN and Carol KLEIN was recognized after a little prompting to JOHN. He put a dollar in the Youth Fund. As a consequence of Treynor High winning a state football title (the first since 1979), there were many contributions to the Youth Fund in recognition of the community, coaches, and players. Pres. JERRY, TERESA FAHRENKRUG, JIM CLAUSEN, MIKE ABBOTT, KEVIN U., VIRGIL HOLST, GARY FUNKHOUSER, RICHARD, and JEFF JORGENSEN. Guest, Scott Hill also contributed, as he was the only one present who was on the 1979 champion team.

V. Pres. JEFF auctioned a couple of restaurant dinner and movie certificates. At first the bidding was a little slow until JOHN K. spoke up. JOHN K. eventually won the bid. He wouldn't admit it was an anniversary gift.

Thanks also to BOB H., LARRY K., RICHARD and BILL VORTHMANN, and GEORGE SCHNEIDER for stringing lights on the Community Christmas Tree last week. There is a Cub Scout Pack activity on December 4 to sing Christmas Carols and decorate the Christmas tree. Optimists are invited to participate.

JOHN K. reported many helpers worked at the Can Kennel with the Boy Scouts to finish the can and bottle sorting in less than 30 minutes. JOHN K., GARY and CHAD GUTTAU, KEVIN, MARSHA, and JERYL UNDERWOOD, LARRY KRAMER, GENE GRELL, TIM GREINER, LES and MILLI HARVEY, and BOB HIBBARD were all helping. The next sorting is planned on December 3 to close out the Boy Scout collection month.

Heather Williamson and her mother Jan were recognized as guests. Heather reported on her 14-da trip this past summer to Arizona and New Mexico with a group of about 30 youth, which were part of a People-to-People Youth program. From her descriptions and photos it was clear she had a great experience visiting natural wonders of the Southwest US.

Pres. JERRY circulated a letter from Treynor School Superintendent KEVIN ELWOOD that expressed thanks

P.S. A young lady came home from a date looking sad. She told her mother, "Jeff proposed to me an hour ago."

"Then why are you so sad?" her mother asked.

"Because he also told he was an atheist. Mom, he doesn't even believe there's a hell!"

Her Mother replied, "Marry him anyway. Between the two of us, we'll show him how wrong he is."

for our work during the football season to receive gate fees and assist with parking.

VISION TREYNOR

Scott Hill and Jay Myers spoke to Club members about plans to improve the Little League facilities and swimming pool in Treynor. They have been working with an ad-hoc committee of concerned parents to explore options to meet current and future recreational needs of the Treynor community. Scott explained that discussions a 'town hall meeting' led to a group called 'Vision Treynor' to pursue the Little League field and swimming pool issues. Scott noted that with the expansion of Treynor school buildings, Little League field playing space has been reduced. He also noted that the Treynor Recreational Association swimming pool was built in the '60s and is at the end of its life expectancy. The pool is subject to leakage and mechanical failures at any time that would force its closure. Phase I of the Vision Treynor plan is to determine the feasibility of Little League ball fields and a new swimming pool. Jay explained an architectural firm could study the demographics and topography, obtain public opinion, appraise the current pool and prepare proposals for a swimming pool and ball fields. The expected cost of this feasibility study will be about ten thousand dollars. Contributions for this project can be made to the Treynor Foundation at Treynor State Bank. After a plan is prepared by the architectural firm it can be used to support grant applications seeking resources to construct the planned facilities. Meanwhile, Scott noted they have a plan to expand and develop the Treynor East Park ball field to Little League standards upon approval by the city council. If this plan is approved Vision Treynor would like Optimists to help install the improvements.

CALENDAR

- Nov. Can Collections for Boy Scouts
- Nov. 29 Club meeting, program about the post office.
- Dec. Can Collections for After-the-Prom Committee
- Dec. 3 Can and bottle sorting.
- Dec. 4 Cub Scouts Caroling and Christmas tree decorating
- Dec. 6 Club meeting. program by Dr. Alan Kricsfeld.
- Dec 13. Club meeting, program by KEVIN ELWOOD, JOEL BOHLKEN, and TIM LARSEN.
- Dec. 20 Club meeting, program by Kati Knowles

Birthdays

- 11/5 GENE GRELL#, 11/8 MICK GUTTAU#
- 11/25 KATHY SCHMITT#

Anniversaries

- 11/11 TERESA DONNEY 11/21 LES & MILLI HARVEY,
- 11/22 JOHN KLEIN#, 11/25 WARD CHAMBERS

recognized to date.

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