



# The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

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### NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning March 4, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. RICHARD VORTHMANN has arranged for Treynor High School Principal JOEL BOHLKEN to speak. The meeting begins at 7:20 a.m. Bring a guest.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER asked for volunteers to lead the arrangements for the upcoming Zone meeting of local Optimist clubs, and to lead the organization of a bike safety activity for elementary youth.

### LOOKING AHEAD

Treynor Community School Superintendent KEVIN ELWOOD spoke of the challenge of planning for the facilities and staff to teach an expanding population of students. Last school year there were nearly 650 students in the Treynor schools, the total has been increasing annually about 20 students the past few years and this trend is projected forward. ELWOOD discussed the need to expand the Treynor school class room facilities to accommodate the progress of increasing student numbers especially at the junior and senior high levels in the near future. The last expansion of facilities was recently completed at the elementary level. ELWOOD said the school administration and school board are diligently working on plans to expand the junior and senior school capacity to meet the anticipated need. Also, ELWOOD noted, the open outdoor grounds for athletic practice fields, marching band practice, physical education classes, and baseball and softball need to be renovated and expanded. Expansion of parking for school activities is greatly needed. These changes require additional land area, ELWOOD explained, and the school board is considering options. However they are limited by state rules on the bonding capacity to finance physical growth of facilities.

### REPORT OF PREVIOUS CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 2/25 there were 23 members and one guest present. President GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. JOHN SCHMITT led the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to MICK GUTTAU, but JUDY GUTTAU thought it might have been her ticket. The attendance pot was awarded to JUDY, but it could not be collected.

GEORGE SCHNEIDER was welcomed back. He was accompanied by his son Alan who resides in Minnesota.

Contributions to the Youth Fund were received from JIM CLAUSEN and JERRY HEMPEL in recognition of the 19<sup>th</sup> birthday of each of their sons. JOHN KLEIN added a dollar to recognize the achievements of the Treynor High Jazz Band. LES HARVEY added a dollar to recognize the achievements of Treynor High speech students at state competitions. MICK GUTTAU added a dollar to tell about a recent reunion of the 24<sup>th</sup> Medical Company which was held in Lincoln, NE. GUTTAU served as a helicopter pilot for the evacuation unit in Vietnam. The unit has since served in Desert Storm and is now being sent to Iraq. GUTTAU noted that there seemed to be a lot of "old folks" at the reunion.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER reminded everyone of the Treynor Swim Day scheduled on Sunday afternoon. BOB HIBBARD and JOHN KLEIN said they would be at the swimming activity.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER announced the can and bottle sorting by Club members would be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 1.

JUDY GUTTAU asked for program coordinators for the months of September and October.

Thanks to MILLI HARVEY for attaching the recognition patches to our Club Honor Banner.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER announced that the winning Optimist International essay at our Club level had been selected by three judges from the top five student compositions. The winning essay has been sent to the District level competition.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER noted that there was a Treynor Days Committee meeting on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup>. BOB HIBBARD indicated he could attend.

### CALENDAR

#### February Can Collections for Optimist Youth Contributions

Mar. 1 Can and bottle sorting, 5 p.m.

#### March Can Collections for Treynor Music Boosters

- Mar. 4 Club meeting, program by Joel Bohlken.
- Mar. 11 Club meeting, program by Jerry Christensen.
- Mar. 15 Can and bottle sorting.
- Mar. 18 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Mar. 25 Club meeting, program by Hubert Houser.
- Mar. 27 Zone meeting, Zion Church, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 29 Can and bottle sorting.

#### April Can Collections for Boy Scouts High Adventure Trip

#### 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 DICK BABER, 3/15 JEFF NELSON
- # recognized to date

P.S. A man attending a seminar on interpersonal relationships became convinced of the need to begin showing appreciation for others. His family seemed like a good place to start, so on his way home, he picked up a dozen long-stem roses and a box of delicious chocolates. This was going to be a real surprise, and he was excited to show his wife how much he appreciated her. Arriving home, he walked up to the front door, rang the doorbell, and waited for his wife to answer. Immediately, upon seeing him she began to cry. "What's the matter honey?" asked the confused husband. "Oh it's been a terrible day," she responded, "first Tommy tried to flush his diaper down the toilet, then the dishwasher quit working, Sally came home from school with her legs all scratched up from falling on the playground, and now ....now you come home drunk."

