



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

Iowa District, Zone 3, Club Number 40-109

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning May 27, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. LES HARVEY has arranged for Treynor High School graduate Michelle Johnson to speak about her writing award and her father Tom to speak about his work at Iowa Western Community College. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF PREVIOUS CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 5/20 there were 25 members and three guests present. President GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. ARYLN NORRIS led the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to JIM CLAUSEN. He said he was feeling lucky before the drawing. The attendance pot was awarded to JERYL UNDERWOOD, again. He won it last week also. Wonder who is really lucky?

Ron Zimmerman and Irv Larsen were welcomed as guests. They are father and grandfather respectively of our guest speaker Matt Zimmerman.

STEVE IRVIN contributed a couple dollars to the Youth Fund for the group to forgo singing birthday greetings to him. KEITH DENTON added a dollar to recognize how everyone kept his birthday party a surprise the previous couple weeks. He had a large crowd of family and friends at the party to encourage him on to many more years. JIM CLAUSEN contributed a dollar to announce that his daughter has taken a CFO job in Omaha and will be moving the family from Des Moines to the local area. LARRY KRAMER added a dollar to announce that his daughter was accepted into a UNO graduate program for accelerated training of special education teachers.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER thanked the fifteen Club members and one spouse for their efficient efforts at the recent can and bottle sorting.

Club officers for the next Optimist year beginning in October were elected by the members present. The officers are as follows:

- President, GARY GUTTAU
- Vice President and President Elect, DALE WILLENBORG
- Vice President, JON JACOBSEN
- Secretary, TERESA FAHRENKRUG
- Treasurer, JEFF JORGENSEN
- Past President, GARY FUNKHOUSER
- Board members (2005-2007) JOHN KLEIN, BOB HIBBARD, and LARRY KRAMER
- Board members (2006-2008) STEVE IRVIN, DENNY WHITE, and GERALD FORRISTALL

Pres. FUNKHOUSER reminded members about the Zone meeting in Griswold Monday evening. He also announced that he had copies of the Club Bylaws available.

DICK BABER noted that work on new club building at Lamoni was ongoing with the efforts of Iowa

Optimist Governor Jim Boyd and three local very interested persons

ARLYN NORRIS circulated the weekly meeting prayer sign-up again to fill in a few more spaces through the summer.

Ten Board members met to discuss Club business after the regular meeting. Monthly Can Kennel use requests were approved through February 2007. A contribution of \$300 was approved for the Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby track. A thank-you card from Camp Quality was reviewed. The possibility of a Boy Scout taking on the reconstruction of the Can Kennel as an Eagle Scout project was discussed. The need for additional weekly help to set up for Club meetings was discussed.

STUDYING ABROAD IN LONDON

Matt Zimmerman of Treynor just finished his sophomore year at Central College in Pella, IA. He chose to participate in the extensive Central College Study Abroad program during two and a half months this summer. Zimmerman stated that one quarter of Central College students participate in this summer program, and it is so well organized that students from other US colleges and universities enroll in it. Zimmerman said that after talking to some class instructors and other student participants he decided to study abroad in London, England. He explained that he will be getting 6 hr. of credits, half from course studies and half for an internship position at the British Parliament. Zimmerman noted that usually political science majors were selected for the Parliament internships, but he is a business management, marketing, and communication major. In London, Zimmerman said he would be staying in a residence owned by the college with seventeen students, only three from Central College. He is the only one to be an intern at Parliament; others will be interns for businesses or institutions. Zimmerman stated that he would be working for the representative to Parliament from the Cotswold district of Britain, and expects to be very involved with communications ranging from phone calls to researching speeches. During the time there Zimmerman plans to tour several British attractions and visit Germany, Switzerland, and the Netherlands. We look forward to a report of his experiences at the end of summer.

CALENDAR

May Can Collections for Optimists Scholarships

May 27 Club meeting, program by Tom Johnson, financial officer at IWCC, and his daughter Michelle, who received a national award for writing.

May 31 Can and bottle sorting, 6:30 p.m.

June Can Collections for High School Baseball Field

Birthdays

5/11 KEITH DENTON#, 5/20 KELLY SUTHERLAND
5/21 STEVE IRVIN#, 5/22 LINNEA WHITE

Anniversaries

5/27 BOB ABBOTT, 5/29 BILL MATTHEW
recognized to date

P.S. The secretary was leaving the office when she saw the CEO standing by the paper shredder with a piece of paper in his hand. "Listen," said the CEO, "this is a very important document. Can you make this thing work?" The secretary turned the machine on, inserted the paper, and pressed the start button. "Great," said the CEO as his paper disappeared inside the machine. "I just need one copy."

