



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

Iowa District, Zone 3, Club Number 40-109

Governor Jim Boyd Cell 515-707-3956

Optimist International President Michel Listenberger, 269-683-2020



Club Officers for 2005-2006

President	Gary Funkhouser	487-3343
V. Pres., Pres. Elect	Gary Guttau	487-3248
V. Pres.	Jon Jacobsen	487-3193
Secretary	Teresa Fahrenkrug	487-3675
Treasurer	Richard Vorthmann	487-3342
Past President	Jeff Jorgensen	487-3355

Board Members	
2004-2006	2005-2007
Steve Irvin	John Klein
Arlyn Norris	Bob Hibbard
Denny White	Larry Kramer



June 6, 2006

Vol. 22 No. 34

F
R
I
E
N
D
O
F
Y
O
U
T
H

NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned Saturday morning June 10, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. JEFF JORGENSEN has invited feature writer of the Council Bluffs Non-Pareil, Tom McMahon to speak. Bring a guest.

REPORT OF PREVIOUS CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 6/3 there were 26 members and four guests present. President GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. RICHARD VORTHMANN led the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to JERRY HEMPEL. The attendance pot was awarded to JOHN SCHMITT, but it could not be collected.

Lilli Schneider, Ester Fraiser, and Zone 3 Lt. Governor Raymond Butt were welcomed as guests.

LES HARVEY put a dollar in the Youth Fund in appreciation of the recent Club publicity. He also contributed a dollar for his birthday this week. BOB ABBOTT also has an early June birthday. He contributed a dollar for that and another for his wedding anniversary in May. ARLYN NORRIS also added a dollar for his anniversary. Pres. FUNKHOUSER and JERRY HEMPEL each added a dollar in recognition of the good efforts of the high school girl's soft ball team.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER thanked the many helpers at the last can and bottle sorting. June can and bottle redemptions will go toward a new batting cage on the baseball field.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER presented a request from Iowa Optimist Governor Jim Boyd for volunteers to work at Camp Quality one day during the period June 21-25. This camp serves youth who have cancer and their siblings. It is located at a church camp facility near Springbrook State Park. Specific work needs are in the kitchen and serving areas. Let Pres. FUNKHOUSER know if you can volunteer for a day at this special camp as soon as possible.

LARRY KRAMER reported that a meeting is scheduled at the Treynor Community Center on Tuesday, June 20, 7 - 9 p.m. to unveil two proposals for roadside welcome signs for Treynor. All Treynor area citizens are invited to drop by during the meeting period to look at the two designs and vote for their preference.

Club members approved a \$50 contribution to the Personal Computer TAG camp for 5 - 8th grade students held at Riverside Elementary School in Carson. Approximately 70 students participate from four area school districts.

Pres. FUNKHOUSER noted that Treynor Days are scheduled August 19 and 20. Our Club is again

P.S. A man called the local fire station one night and asked, "Is this the Fire Department?" "Yes," he was told. "Listen," said the man. "I've just moved here, and I've spent a lot on the flower beds and garden. I hired men to..." "Where's the fire?" interrupted the station officer. "...dig out the old stuff and lay out new lawns and beds. The lawn alone set me back..." "Is your house on fire?" yelled the officer. "No," the man said, "but the one next door is, and if anybody gets in touch with you about it, I don't want clodhoppin' firefighters draggin' hoses all over my new garden, see?"

hosting the BINGO activity. He asked for help in arranging for BINGO prizes.

TALK RADIO PROVIDES COMMUNITY SERVICE

Tom Becka spoke to Club members and guests about his work at talk radio. As a radio personality at KFAB in Omaha, Becka hosts a talk radio show each afternoon. He explained he directs his show to issues of personal concern to listeners. Becka maintains that talk radio today is a community resource and is a substitute for the family discussions around the kitchen table or the neighborhood discussions on the front porch of years past. Talk radio also provides a service of announcements and weather. While his target audience is the age 25-54 group, split between male and female, Becka noted his audience is about 60% male and over 30. Becka explained that he always wanted to be in broadcasting as a youth. He started his career at the radio station at UNO. His gift of talk has led him to the work of talk radio. Becka explained he prepares for his afternoon show by reading several news sources, scanning TV news, and conversing with friends and associates. The broadcast media is changing Becka noted. It is becoming more interactive and more global. In the near future radio broadcasts will be available on the internet. But, global communication originates from a specific location and there is a need for local emphasis to be of interest. Becka stated he wanted to broaden his media work to become a writer. He said the 'cool factor' of his work is interviewing well know personalities. The issue of what should be broadcast is always at the forefront of each show, Becka noted. He feels the public right to know defines our society and he prefers to error on the side of the First Amendment.

CALENDAR

June 10	Club meeting, program by Tom McMahon. Board meeting after the club meeting.
June 14	Can and bottle sorting.
June 17	Club meeting, program by Elwin Taylor
June 20	City sign vote meeting, Community Center, 7-9 p.m.
June 24	Club meeting, program by Stu Dornan
June 28	Can and bottle sorting.

Birthdays

6/5 BOB ABBOTT# 6/9 LES HARVEY#
6/20 JEFF JORGENSEN, 6/22 KEVIN ELWOOD

Anniversaries

6/1 KEVIN ELWOOD, 6/3 ARLYN NORRIS#
6/5 STEVE IRVIN, 6/15 STEVE CHAMBERS
6/26 LARRY KRAMER, 6/28 MICK GUTTAU
recognized to date

