



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 at 7:20 a.m. Saturday morning September 23, 2006 at the Treynor Community Center. LES HARVEY has arranged for Treynor Postmaster Maureen Gadbois to speak. All members are encouraged to bring a guest.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETINGS

At the Club meeting on 9/9 there were 27 members and two guests present. President GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting by leading the pledge. DENNIS WHITE offered a devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to RICHARD VORTHMANN, who traded JERRY HEMPEL for the ticket. The attendance pot was awarded to JEFF JORGENSEN.

Treynor Girl Scout Leader Jenny Hecker was introduced and received a check for \$661.55 from Can Kennel proceeds in July. The next can and bottle sorting will be with the Cub Scouts Wednesday the 13th at 1:45 p.m. after school.

Birthdays of MILLI HARVEY, JUDY GUTTAU, and ARLYN NORRIS were recognized as they each put a dollar in the Youth Fund.

JEFF JORGENSEN announced the Cub Scouts are planning a highway clean up activity Saturday the 16th starting at 10 a.m. They need a couple of pickups and drivers to assist.

At the Club meeting on 9/16 there were 24 members and three guests present. Past President JEFF JORGENSEN opened the meeting by leading the pledge. RICHARD VORTHMANN offered a devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to DALE WILLENBORG. The attendance pot was awarded to WES NELSON, but it was not collected.

Guests Mike and Mindy Houlihan were introduced. Mindy is Youth Pastor for St. Paul's Lutheran Church. She described plans for a Road Rally for Youth planned for October 1, 12:30 – 5 p.m. One of the ten task stations of the road rally will be near the Can Kennel where youths will do apple bobbing in a tub of water. Optimist volunteers were asked to help monitor this station.

Several contributions to the Youth Fund were received. DENNY WHITE is a new grandpa. DALE WILLENBORG'S parents celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. DOREEN MAYBERRY and JOHN KLEIN had birthdays. MICK GUTTAU had to pay a dollar for inferring that JUDY was older because she already had a birthday.

Past Pres. JORGENSEN thanked LES and MILLI HARVEY, RICHARD VORTHMANN, and LARRY KRAMER for helping him work at the Can Kennel with the Cub Scouts. There were nearly thirty in action and the sorting went very fast. JORGENSEN noted that over 60 cub scouts signed up at registration this year.

LINNEA WHITE announced the flower bed around the flag pole at the Community Center was being redesigned. A berm is to be constructed around the base of the pole and flowers replanted. She could use some assistance (487-3062).

JORGENSEN auctioned several items contributed by Jean Hibbard.

REMINDER: Several helpers are needed to work at the gates and at parking during the home football game this Friday the 22nd. Start around 6:15 p.m.

P.S. This guy's father dies, and he tells the undertaker he wants to give his dad the very best. So they have the funeral, and the undertaker sends him a bill for \$16,000 which he pays. The next month he gets a bill for \$85 and he pays it. The next month he gets another \$85 bill, the next month another. He calls up the undertaker. The undertaker says, "Well, you wanted the best for your dad, so I rented him a tux."

SOFTBALL COACH SPEAKS ABOUT SEASON

First grade teacher JoEllen Travis is also Head Coach for the girl's softball team. This past season was a very good one as the team came within one win from getting into the state tournament. Travis stated that only two team members graduated, so the prospects are good for next season. Over half of team members were named to All Conference teams and some were honorable mention on State teams. Coach Travis said the pitching was outstanding during the season and both regular pitchers will be back next season. Additionally, there could be a third good pitcher coming up. With so many summertime opportunities, Travis noted, she is never sure who will choose to play softball. However, the next season should provide some excitement for all.

A REPORT FROM THE MAYOR

Treynor Mayor Charles Killion spoke to Club members and guests about city administration issues addressed by the City Council. Killion stated work has begun on new housing development north of the city limits. The first phase of fifty homes is planned the next twelve months. There could be a couple hundred new homes within ten years. The current water and sewer facilities are adequate Killion noted. Treynor has about 300 homes at present and the city has capacity to serve twice that number before major infrastructure changes are needed. Another water well is planned north of town and the sewer treatment system can be expanded. Killion stated the city is in good financial shape. Last year revenues exceeded expenditures. Treynor has a Triple A bond rating and is paying off bonded indebtedness on schedule. From the 1% Local Option Sales Tax, the City has received \$1.5 million over the 11 year history of the tax. This has been used for tax relief (30%), water systems (20%), sewer systems (20%), general fund (20%), and storm sewers (10%). Killion said the City will likely continue to contract with the county for law enforcement and Iowa Waste Systems for waste pickup as these services are satisfactory overall. The City has a consulting firm to assist with planning for future growth. State limitations on indebtedness restrict city actions to facilitate development.

CALENDAR

September Can Collections for Cub Scouts

- Sep. 22 Football home game with Guthrie Center.
- Sep. 23 Club meeting, program by Treynor Postmaster Maureen Gadbois.
- Sep. 27 Can and bottle sorting, 3:45 p.m.
- Sep. 30 Club meeting, program by Little League Coach Eric Allen.

October Can Collections for Silver-Keg 4-H Club

- Oct. 1 Youth Road Rally, 12:30 – 5 p.m.
- Oct. 4 Football home coming game with Woodbine.
- Oct. 28 Lamoni Charter Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Community Center.

Birthdays

- 9/9 ARLYN NORRIS#, 9/10 MILLI HARVEY#,
- 9/16 JOHN KLEIN#, 9/18 DOREEN MAYBERRY#
- 9/19 BOB HIBBARD, 9/20 TERESA FAHRENKRUG,
- 9/30 TIM GREINER

Anniversaries

- 9/26 BILL VORTHMANN
- # recognized to date

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