



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 February 10, 2007 at the Treynor Community Center. DICK BABER has arranged for Ty Schenzel to speak. He is Exec. Director of the Hope Center for Kids in Omaha. All members are encouraged to bring a guest.

GARY FUNKHOUSER noted a Board meeting is planned after the next Club meeting.

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

Kelly Sears and Nancy Schulze are working hard to inform everyone about The Charles E. Lakin Human Services Campus planned in Council Bluffs. They provided an overview of the nearly six block project area to be used for the campus construction, which will begin in a few months. Sears is Executive Director of Boys and Girls Clubs in Omaha, and Schulze is Acting Director of MICA House and Director of Heartland Family Services both in Council Bluffs. These organizations plus the Salvation Army and American Red Cross are part of this effort to provide better services to the Council Bluffs area. Sears explained that this collaborative effort of five social service entities is unique and has taken two years to develop. Schultz explained the different buildings to be constructed on the campus. MICA House will move to new facilities doubling its capacity to provide for families and single women who are temporarily homeless. Red Cross and Salvation Army will benefit from expanded and shared facilities. According to Sears the primary benefits of the new campus facilities will be improved client services, and cost savings in social program collaboration and construction. The project cost is nearly thirty four million dollars including an endowment of five million. Sears said funding has come from many sources. The major source has been the Charles E. Lakin family (twelve million dollars). Other funds have come from foundation grants, and business, church, community group, and individual contributions. According to Sears the remaining fund raising goal is a little over five million. She said they are looking for about half million from a community campaign running through this spring. Sears said their motto is 'Together Everyone Achieves More', and representatives of the collaborating organizations would like to speak about the campus project to any community group. She can be reached at (402) 342-1600.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

At the Club meeting on 2/3 there were 22 members and 13 guests present. Past President GARY FUNKHOUSER opened the meeting with the pledge. BOB HIBBARD offered the devotional prayer.

A round of thanks was given to members and leaders of the Silver-Keg Feeders 4-H Club for providing a great breakfast before the meeting.

The 50/50 was awarded to JEFF JORGENSEN. The attendance pot was awarded to JUDY GUTTAU, and it took her awhile to count it.

The Silver-Keg Feeders 4-H members were presented with their check for \$587.60 for use of the Can Kennel last October. Those present to accept the check were Ryan, Laura, and Kattie Hempel, Clare and Ellen Campbell, Jordan Lammert, Avery Umphreys, and Michaela Meis.

The next can and bottle sorting will be on Tuesday the 13th at 3:30 p.m. Thanks to GARY and CHAD GUTTAU, JEFF JORGENSEN, RICHARD VORTHMANN, LARRY KRAMER, and JOHN KLEIN for helping at the last sorting.

Birthdays of DICK BABER and LARRY KRAMER were recognized. BABER put a dollar in the Youth Fund for that and another one to tell about his good fortune of winning of part of the Power Ball lottery in a partnership. LARRY also added a couple dollars to also tell about his new grandson born on the 1st. JUDY GUTTAU put in a dollar for a recent news photo regarding TS Bank services. JIM CLAUSEN put in a dollar and noted his son made the Dean's List at collage. Someone in the back row asked if it was the good list! LES HARVEY put several dollars in the fund to note past and upcoming activities. He recently presented a program about military veterans to 29 members of the Carter Lake Optimists. HARVEY explained a proposal to keep all U.S. flags at half mast for servicemen killed or missing. He noted a photo in the news about elementary student who sent letters to servicemen. On February 28 hospital volunteers are traveling to Des Moines to meet Governor Culver and legislators. Others are welcome to join them.

JEFF JORGENSEN sincerely thanked everyone who helped with the Spaghetti Supper, especially RICHARD VORTHMANN, JUDY GUTTAU, and TERESA FAHRENKRUG for tending to details.

GARY FUNKHOUSER read a thank you note from the high school Jazz Choir for helping at the state competition held at Treynor last week. RICHARD VORTHMANN and LARRY KRAMER also helped. The Treynor choir was the only one to receive a number one rating from all judges. FUNKHOUSER noted that Optimist Essay and Oratorical contests are planned for Treynor students.

LARRY KRAMER asked for a few more helpers to work at the upcoming North-South Basketball Challenge scheduled Saturday the 10th, 4 to 8 p.m. Hall monitor and 50/50 raffle workers are especially needed.

P.S. Two weeks after Paisley's transfer into the advertisement department, his old boss got a phone call. "You told me Paisley was a responsible worker!" yelled the furious department head.

"Oh, he is," she confirmed. "In the year he worked in my department, the computer went down five times and had to be completely reprogrammed, the petty cash got misplaced six times, and I developed an ulcer. And each time, Paisley was responsible."

CALENDAR

February Can Kennel contributions for Octagon Club.

- Feb. 10 Club meeting, program by Ty Schenzel, The Hope Center for Kids.
Board meeting after the Club meeting.
- Feb. 10 North-South Basketball Challenge, high school, 4-8 p.m.
- Feb. 13 Can and bottle sorting, 3:30 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Club meeting at St. Paul Church, program by Kevin Elwood and Joel Bohlen.
- Feb. 24 Club meeting, program by Tim Larsen.
- Feb. 28 Can and bottle sorting, 6 p.m.

Birthdays

- 2/1 DICK BABER#, 2/5 LARRY KRAMER#,
- 2/12 RICHARD VORTHMANN,
- 2/13 GARY FUNKHOUSER

Anniversaries

- 2/6 JON JACOBSEN, 2/23 RICHARD VORTHMANN
- # recognized to date

