



# 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 7:30 a.m., August 11, 2007 at the Treynor Community Center. There is no scheduled speaker because of the number of members who cannot attend. All members are encouraged to bring a guest..

### REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

At the club meeting on 8/4 there were 22 members present. President GARY GUTTAU opened the meeting with the pledge. JOHN KLEIN led the devotion prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to RICHARD VORTHMANN. The attendance pot was awarded to CHAD GUTTAU.

RICHARD VORTHMANN put a dollar in the Youth Fund to brag about his grand daughter who won Reserve Champion Lamb at the Cass County Fair.

LES HARVEY circulated a greeting card for club members to sign that is to be given to JERYL UNDERWOOD, a dedicated member who is suffering from cancer and is now residing at Oakland Manor Nursing Home.

Thanks to all the workers who helped the youth wrestling group at the Can Kennel. They included BOB HIBBARD, RICHARD VORTHMANN, JEFF JORGENSEN, BILL VORTHMANN, JOHN KLEIN, LARRY KRAMER, and Dee Gutttau, standing in for Pres. GUTTAU.

Pres. GUTTAU noted that he, BOB HIBBARD, and LARRY KRAMER and his wife, Sharon, attended the Charter Banquet for the new Atlantic Optimist Club which is lead by some very enthusiastic ladies.

Invitations were recently received for two other new club celebrations, August 11 at Clear Lake and August 12 at Clarinda.

LARRY KRAMER presented to members a proposal to change the Iowa District Optimists Bylaws to allow scholarships be given to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of the District Oratorical Contest. This will be discussed at the upcoming District Convention in Waterloo, Iowa on August 18. Kramer indicated he would attend the convention and would pass along club member opinions.

Pres. GUTTAU reported on the Treynor Days committee discussions of August 1. Some changes to the order of activities were proposed. The 'Treynor Trot' run/walk will be on Sunday morning instead of Saturday. This will include 5 and 10K runs on L55 across the hills north of town. Julie Buckelew and Stephanie Carley are leading this activity, but they need some help. Also two Bingo sessions sponsored by our club are planned, one in early afternoon and one before the evening music and dance. Our club will also be selling 50/50 raffle tickets through out Saturday. Early Saturday afternoon there will be a Fireman Water Fight which will include community teams, also. Some activities are still being planned or need leadership. The next organization committee meeting is the 8<sup>th</sup>. Many community groups are sponsoring activities during Treynor Days. Be sure to put it on your calendar to help.

Seven Board members met after the regular club meeting to discuss club business. Treasurer JEFF JORGENSEN reported club assets of \$5600 plus an endowment of \$2000. Senior scholarships and recent Can Kennel receipts are to be paid from the asset balance. JORGENSEN reported LES HARVEY was nearly finished with Newsletter

P.S. The young man was rather shy, and after she had thrown her arms him and kissed him for bringing her a bouquet of flowers, he jumped up and grabbed his hat.

"Oh, don't go," she said, as he made for the door. "I didn't mean to offend you."

"Oh, I'm not offended," he replied. "I'm going for more flowers."

advertisement sales. Can Kennel use applications were approved for Treynor Music Boosters for April 2008 and Iowa Ambassadors of Music for June 2008. DALE WILLENBORG proposed a month of the Can Kennel be reserved for multiple small groups or individuals seeking funds for separate activities. This will be discussed at a later date. The Treynor Day activity schedule was reviewed. A proposed fund raising activity called the Avenue of Flags was presented by WILLENBORG and LARRY KRAMER. This will be discussed in more detail at a later date.

### WHERE DID THE SUGAR CANE GO?

TIM GREINER has had the opportunity to visit Hawaii a couple of times in recent years to attend medical conferences. This provided opportunities for him and his family to take in many of the unusual and appealing sights of our island state. In addition to the different flora and fauna found on the Hawaiian Islands, GREINER found the change of culture, particularly the shift from sugar cane production to cultivating tourists during the past eighty years interesting. GREINER explained that the old water aqueducts and canals that used to be used to move water from the rainy side of the islands to the drier areas for sugar cane irrigation are now used by tourists for mountain tubing recreation. Mountain tubers have to wear head lamps because there are many tunnels through which the water flows. GREINER noted that sugar cane production began in the early 1800's and increased to 1 million tons in 1932, and it has been decreasing since then. C&H Sugar (California and Hawaii) was once a strong cooperative producing raw sugar in Hawaii and refining it in California. It sold out in 1993. The growers of sugar cane that are still in Hawaii use large machinery to collect the cane from the fields, a process that used to be very labor intensive. Brazil is now the largest producer of sugar cane.

### August Can Kennel contributions for Girl Scouts

- Aug. 8 Treynor Days Committee, City Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 11 Club meeting.
- Aug. 11 Clear Lake Optimist Club Charter Banquet.
- Aug. 12 Clarinda Optimist Cub Charter Banquet.
- Aug. 15 Can and bottle sorting.
- Aug. 17-19 Iowa District Optimist Convention, Waterloo, IA
- Aug. 18 Club meeting, program by JoEllen Travis.
- Aug. 22 Treynor Days Committee, City Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 25 Club meeting, program TBA.
- Aug. 29 Can and bottle sorting.

### September Can Kennel contributions for Cub Scouts.

Sept. 15-16 Treynor Days.

### Birthdays

8/11 CHAD GUTTAU, 8/23 JUDY GUTTAU

### Anniversaries

8/9 TIM GREINER, 8/13 JERRY HEMPEL

8/25 GARY FUNKHOUSER

# recognized to date