



The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

F The next meeting of the Optimist Club of Treynor is planned January 26, 2008, 7:30 a.m. at the Treynor Community Center. This will be a special meeting for guests to learn about Optimist International and what the Treynor Optimist Club does in the local community.

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETING

R The Optimist club met January 19 with 20 members and two guests present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge and offering the devotional prayer.

I The 50/50 was awarded to JEFF JORGENSEN. The attendance pot was awarded to DOREEN MAYBERRY, but it could not be collected.

E A contribution to the Youth Fund was received from BILL VORTHMANN in recognition of his niece being selected as basketball Rookie of the Week at Iowa State University. KEVIN UNDERWOOD added a dollar as he was taped by a TV camera man while at a local high school basket ball game. JERRY HEMPEL and GARY FUNKHOUSER each contributed in recognition of the high ratings received by the Jazz Band and Choir at WIC competition. Pres. WILLENBORG announced his daughter is planning a wedding in August as he contributed to the fund. LARRY KRAMER contributed to celebrate the first week of full-time paid teaching for his daughter.

N Orien Hodges, founder of Santa's Children Christmas Charity, Macedonia, Iowa, accepted a check for \$653.35 from Pres. WILLENBORG. Santa's Children was the recipient of redemptions from cans and bottles deposited in the Optimist Can Kennel last November. Hodges noted these funds would be used for local purposes. Hodges said the charity efforts have been very busy distributing donated new books and clothing valued at about six hundred thousand dollars to recipients in Iowa and other states. He invited anyone to visit their operations at Macedonia and to help sort and box materials for distribution.

D KRAMER noted that the proposal by Iowa Governor Culver to increase the deposit on cans and bottles was generating much controversy according to the press. Club members expressed approval with part of his request to include other drink containers in the deposit law, but not the part regarding the deposit increase.

O JOHN KLEIN announced plans for the Optimist Super Swim Day. He said the event for all Treynor youth and parents will be held at the Lewis-Central pool starting at 1 p.m. on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3. HyVee has donated a cake to celebrate birthdays especially for Elementary Principal Tim Larsen. Our club will pay for the two dollar youth entry fee.

F JEFF JORGENSEN announced plans for the Cub Scout Pack Pine Wood Derby on the 25 and 26th. On Friday the track will be set up about 6 p.m. and practice laps can be run until about 8:30. The races will begin on Saturday with weigh-in at 8:30 and start at 9 a.m. Several Optimist volunteers are needed to

help with logistics of weighing, judging and handling race cars during the event.

KRAMER encouraged club members to bring guests to the meeting next Saturday to learn about Optimist International and how they can be part of our club activities in the Treynor community.

JUDY GUTTAU asked for volunteers to be ready for the Spaghetti Supper on February 1. Serving will start at 5 p.m., but preparation is needed before then. Let her know how you can help. 487-3481

IWCC IS CONTINUING TO GROW

Dr. Dan Kinney, President of Iowa Western Community College (IWCC), described to club members the recent developments on campus and plans for future growth. According to Kinney, IWCC enrollment has grown 29% mainly due to on-campus student housing. Another housing unit is under construction and one more is planned. Kinney noted that education at IWCC is more economical than at major state universities and campus administrators have been working for efficient transfer of course credits. The approval of the recent bond issue will allow for expansion on the healthcare program, Kinney explained, to meet the acute needs for nurses and health technicians. While IWCC is graduating 72 nurses per year, the need in SW Iowa is 410, Kinney noted. The new and expanded facilities will include hospital labs, surge technician lab, para-med lab, and dental hygiene lab with current technologies plus general purpose class rooms, all to be operational in 2010. Kinney explained that expansion of the culinary arts program is planned to enlarge the kitchen and dining rooms. That will include a change of the library facility also perhaps to a cyber-library setting with more electronic text files and fewer book shelves. Expansion of the Arts Center is planned to facilitate productions. With student growth and technical developments there will always be a need to address educational programs, class room space, student housing, and eventually parking, Kinney noted, and this is a challenging, but exciting part of campus administration.

CALENDAR

January Can Kennel contributions for After-the-Prom Committee

- Jan. 26 NOW Club meeting.
Pine Wood Derby, Elementary School, 8:30 p.m..
- Jan. 30 Can and bottle sorting, 6 p.m.

February Can Kennel contributions for Junior Optimist Octagon Club.

- Feb. 1 Spaghetti Dinner, Zion, 5 – 7 p.m.
- Feb. 2 Club meeting, program by IA Agriculture Dept. Sec. Bill Northey.
- Feb 23 Club meeting, program by Captain Joel Pearson, Salvation Army.

Birthdays

- 1/19 DENNIS WHITE#, 1/19 JOHN SCHMITT

Anniversaries

- none
- # recognized to date

H P.S. Teacher: "Tom, if you had one dollar and asked your father for another dollar, how many dollars would you have then?" Tom: "One dollar." Teacher: "You don't know your arithmetic, do you Tom?" Tom: "You don't know my father, do you teacher?"

