



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 February 23, 2008, 7:30 a.m. at the Treynor Community Center. CHAD GUTTAU has arranged for Captain Joel Arthur to speak about Salvation Army operations. Club members are encouraged to bring a guest and the public is invited

REPORT OF RECENT CLUB MEETINGS

The Optimist club met February 9 with 20 members and one guest present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by leading the pledge and offering the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to GARY GUTTAU. The attendance pot was awarded to JOSH GUTTAU.

Contributions to the Youth Fund were received from JOHN SCHMITT, LARRY KRAMER, GARY FUNKHOUSER, and RICHARD VORTHMANN for birthdays. JOHN KLEIN offered a contribution for the great efforts of the high school trap shooting team, and Pres. WILLENBORG added a contribution for the Treynor high jazz band and choir achievements.

Treasurer JEFF JORGENSEN noted a few members have not paid dues up to date, so if this describes you, get in touch with our treasurer soon.

KRAMER described preparations for the upcoming North/South Basketball Challenge. He asked for club volunteers to sign up to help with the fund raising event for highway welcome signs.

STEVE IRVIN reported on the recent elementary school all day assembly to teach against drugs and violence. He noted many high school students helped with the event and they had a great experience with younger students.

Seven Board members met after the club meeting to discuss club business. Treasurer JORGENSEN reported \$5600 in assets plus about \$3250 in the endowment. A motion was approved for up to \$100 expenses to host the Zone meeting. A proposal by JOHN KLEIN to try to reschedule the Treynor Swim Day at another facility was not approved. A motion for \$50 to help support purchase of a mass spectrometer by the AEA was approved. GARY GUTTAU volunteered to chair the annual Bike Safety program.

The Optimist club met February 16 with 20 members and three guests present. President DALE WILLENBORG opened the meeting by

leading the pledge. KEITH DENTON offered the devotional prayer.

The 50/50 was awarded to KEN GRAHAM. The attendance pot was also awarded to KEN GRAHAM, but it couldn't be collected.

Thanks to DEE GUTTAU for bring cinnamon rolls to share.

GARY GUTTAU contributed to the Youth Fund for the good effort of Treynor wrestlers.

Thanks to Pres. WILLENBORG, RICHARD VORTHMANN, LARRY KRAMER, STEVE IRVIN, and GARY FUNKHOUSER for working with the Junior Optimists at the Can Kennel.

A WORD FROM OUR U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

Congressman Steve King, Representative of the Iowa 5th District, spoke to club members about issues of concern facing our nation. As a member of the House Agriculture, Small Business, and Judiciary committees King has a responsibility to create legislation reflecting lowan values. Main issues according to King include agricultural and energy policies, rural businesses sustainability, maintaining family structure, taking care of veterans, government fiscal responsibility, and national security. As the presidential debates continue until election this fall, King noted, quality of life issues such as health care, Social Security, tax reform need to be discussed in depth to arrive at specific measures to enhance our quality of life from the present into the future. Our elected leaders will make decisions affecting our future. King stated it is important that Supreme Judge appointments uphold all of our constitutional values. This is important for the destiny of our country as is following the laws presently established including those pertaining to immigration.

CALENDAR

February Can Kennel contributions for Junior Optimist Octagon Club.

- Feb 23 Club meeting, program by Captain Joel Arthur, Salvation Army.
- Feb. 23 North-South Basketball Challenge, Treynor High Gym, 4-8 p.m.
- Feb. 27 Can and bottle sorting, 3:45 p.m.

March Can Kennel contributions for Honor Choir

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

P.S. Little Eddie wanted \$100 so badly he decided to pray about it. He prayed for several weeks with no results, so he wrote a letter to God. The post office finally forwarded the letter to the White House. The president chuckled and ordered \$5 sent to the boy. The boy, delighted that his prayers had been answered, even if only in part, wrote a thank-you note to God but added a P.S. message: "I noticed you routed my letter through Washington and, as usual, the bureaucrats deducted 95%."

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