

# The Optimist Club of Treynor, IA **NEWSLETTER**

Iowa District, Zone 3, Club Number 40-109
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Club Officers for 2008-2009

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Secretary	Dale Willenborg	366-6815	Linea White	Judy Guttau
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**Report of Recent Club Meeting** 

President Dick Baber opened the Optimist Club meeting on May 30 and led the pledge of allegiance. Dennis White gave the opening prayer. There were eleven members and eight guests present. Dale Willenborg contributed to the Youth fund for the good picture of Jeff Jorgensen at the memorial dedication. Arlyn Norris contributed for his 37<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 3. Bill Vorthmann won the 50/50 drawing. Les Harvey won the attendance drawing, but did not collect.

Dale and Dianne Willenborg took pictures at the Elementary school Tuesday morning to celebrate 10 years and \$70,000 collected by the can kennel. Pictures are posted on the website, treynoroptimist.org.

Richard, Bill, and Kirk Vorthmann, Gary & Chad Guttau, Gary Funkhouser, and Linea White helped with can sorting on May 27. Next month the can kennel will support the St. Paul Youth Programs.

Crystal Husz, Brittni Donahue, and Cassandra Boyer picked up their scholarship checks.

The Optimist Club will hold its Board meeting next Saturday. The members voted to continue meeting at the TRA, but the June 13 meeting will be at the High School. Jnelle Keysor will provide breakfast and a tour of the new kitchen.

### Wings of Hope - Cancer Support

Carolyn Etinger has been with Wings of Hope for eight years. On July 13 she will be a 15 year cancer survivor.

Wings of Hope is a cancer support center serving Southwest Iowa since it was incorporated in 1994. It's goals are to help people wherever they are on the journey to recovery and to help them become survivors and thrivers.

Wings of Hope runs a Hope Chest Renewal Room at 427 E. Kanesville Blvd, Suite 202, in Council Bluffs. They are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until noon and by appointment by calling 325-8970. They provide wigs and hats, cancer information, survival kits, and cancer support free of charge to cancer patients. The survival kits include

comfort items (pillows and lap blankets), written information, and other necessities.

Wings of Hope provides four different support groups that meet monthly. They also have a learning program, called Healthy Survivor, to enhance the lives of cancer victims. They provide counseling services for individuals and families.

For funding they hold three fundraisers each year and receive several grants. Their next fundraiser is a Golf Tournament on July 10 at Bent Tree. They are distinct from the American Cancer Society, because all Cancer Society money goes for research while Wings of Hope only provides local area services.

Wings of Hope received about 800 contacts last year. They are staffed with two part-time employees. For more information see their website at www.wingsofhope.org.

#### **CALENDAR**

The June Can Kennel contributions will be for St. Paul Youth Programs.

June 13 & June 27, Wed. Time TBD – Can Kennel sorting

## Birthdays

May 22 - Linea White

June 5 - Bob Abbott

June 9 - Les Harvey

June 16 - Dale Willenborg

June 20 - Jeff Jorgensen

June 22 - Kevin Elwood

#### **Anniversaries**

May 27 - Bob Abbott

May 29 - Bill Matthew

June 1 - Kevin Elwood

June 3 - Arlyn Norris (celebrated)

June 5 - Steve Irvin

June 15 - Steve Chambers

June 26 - Larry Kramer

June 28 - Mick Guttau

## Speakers

June 8 – Anne Gramkow

June 13 – Jnelle Keysor – at High School

#### **Programs**

June - Linea White, Kevin Elwood

July - Josh Guttau

P.S. Did you hear about the banker who was arrested for embezzling \$100,000 to pay for his daughter's college education? As the policeman, who also had a daughter in college, was leading him away in handcuffs, he said to the banker, "I have just one question for you. Where were you going to get the rest of the money?"

A student was standing near the college mail room with a package in her hands and a depressed look on her face. Her friend came and said: "What's the matter? You look pretty sad for getting a package from home." The student replied, "My dad played a cruel trick on me. I wrote and asked for \$200 for a dictionary, and he sent me a dictionary."