

The Optimist Club of Treynor, 1A **NEWSLETTER** www.treynoroptimist.org

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President	Dick Baber	322-8074	Board Members		
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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 June 6 and led the pledge of allegiance. Steve Irvin gave the opening prayer. There were 17 members and 3 guests present. Keith Denton and Gary Funkhouser contributed jokes. Steve Irvin contributed to the Youth Fund for his wedding anniversary. Dick Baber, Mick Guttau, and Gary Guttau contributed for bragging rights. Gary Guttau won the 50/50 drawing. Bill Vorthmann won the attendance drawing.

Miranda Smith and R.J. Jensen attended the meeting to receive their scholarship checks. Miranda Smith is in the process of deciding which of three colleges to attend for and eventual degree in genetics. R.J. Jensen is going to Doane College to major in vocal and instrumental music. He will volunteer the week of June 11-16 at Camp Quality in Bellevue, NE. The mission of Camp Quality USA is to establish and sustain nationwide community-based camping experiences and ongoing support programs for children with cancer and their families.

The Optimist Club Board met after the general meeting. The board approved a motion to combine the club endowment fund and the scholarship fund and use the money exclusively for scholarships. They also voted to pay the IT Club \$500 for can kennel receipts. For one can pickup in February there mysteriously were no cans, so only \$256 was collected versus \$600-\$700 most months.

Planning continues for a 25 year celebration of the Treynor Optimist Club in September and for Treynor Days on June 19-21. Help will be needed for Bingo and the 50/50 drawings on June 20. The club would also like to hold a barbeque in July.

NOTE: There will not be a club meeting on Saturday, July 4, because of the Holiday.

Anne Gramkow

Anne Gramkow, a first year teacher at Treynor, spoke about her teaching and sports experiences at Treynor. She teaches life sciences, advanced biology, and other

subjects. She also assists with freshmen girls' basketball, weightlifting, throwing for track, and is an umpire for girls' softball. She currently holds the fourth place honors in Western Iowa high school all-time girls track for the discus.

Anne is working on her Master's degree from Doane College. She likes teaching in middle school and embraces the concept of making a community with your classroom. Therefore, students work at tables in her room and need to ask questions of team members before asking her.

This year the weightlifting girls earned second place in a weightlifting competition. Weightlifting will help girls build tone to their muscles. It also makes them better at rebounding and shooting in basketball.

For life sciences she has major projects in the human body, an insect project, and studying tree leaves. They also dissect a field pig.

CALENDAR

June proceeds will be for St. Paul Youth Programs.

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June 17 & July 1, Wed. - Can Kennel sorting
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Birthdays June 5 - Bob Abbott June 9 - Les Harvey June 16 - Dale Willenborg June 20 - Jeff Jorgensen June 22 - Kevin Elwood Anniversaries June 1 - Kevin Elwood June 3 - Arlyn Norris (celebrated) June 5 - Steve Irvin (celebrated) June 15 - Steve Chambers June 26 - Larry Kramer

June 28 - Mick Guttau

Speakers

June 13 – Jnelle Keysor – at High School Programs

June - Linea White, Kevin Elwood July – Josh Guttau

The Normandy Landings were the first operations of the Allied invasion of Normandy, also known as Operation Neptune and Operation Overlord, during World War II. The landings commenced on June 6, 1944 (D-Day), beginning at 6:30 British Double Summer Time (UTC+2). In planning, D-Day was the term used for the day of actual landing, which was dependent on final approval.

The assault was conducted in two phases: an air assault landing of American, British and Canadian airborne troops shortly after midnight, and an amphibious landing of Allied infantry and armored divisions on the coast of France commencing at 6:30. There were also subsidiary 'attacks' mounted under the codenames Operation Glimmer and Operation Taxable to distract the German forces from the real landing areas.

The operation was the largest single-day amphibious invasion of all time, with 160,000 troops landing on June 6, 1944. 195,700 Allied naval and merchant navy personnel in over 5,000 ships were involved. The invasion required the transport of soldiers and materiel from the United Kingdom by troop-laden aircraft and ships, the assault landings, air support, naval interdiction of the English Channel and naval fire-support. The landings took place along a 50-mile (80 km) stretch of the Normandy coast divided into five sectors: Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno and Sword.