



Club Officers for 2008-2009

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Secretary	Dale Willenborg	366-6815
Treasurer	Jeff Jorgensen	487-3355
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Report of Recent Club Meeting

President Dick Baber opened the Optimist Club meeting on June 27, led the pledge of allegiance, and gave the opening prayer. There were 16 members and four guests present. Gary Funkhouser, Gerald Forristall, Dale Willenborg, and Keith Denton contributed jokes. Judy Guttau, Chuck Nielsen contributed to the Youth Fund.

Check Nielsen was approved as a Board Member.

The Optimist Club is planning a barbeque at the Treynor Recreation Association Clubhouse on Friday, July 15 at 6:00 p.m. This will be a summer social and all members and prospective members are invited to join the activities. The Optimist Club is also asking the community for their ideas on a new community project, such as a new city swimming pool, new community sports fields, or other community improvements.

There will be a board meeting after the July 11 meeting. There is also an Optimist Club Zone meeting in Atlantic on Thursday, July 16. On Thursday, July 23, the Optimist Club will assist with taking tickets at Westfair from noon until 6:00 p.m.

Mick Guttau won the 50/50 drawing. Jeff Nielsen won the attendance drawing but did not collect.

The speaker for the July 11 meeting has not been determined, but Dawn Hobey from the Pottawattamie County Community Foundation will be the speaker on July 18.

9 Principles, 12 Values

Dawn Klein and Brian Zuger came to peak about the 9-12 Project. The 9-12 Project is an effort to unite Americans, standing together to protect the values and principles of the country. They have about 600 members in the Omaha metro area. They sponsored the tea parties on April 15 where more than 2000 people attended.

CALENDAR

July proceeds for the Can Kennel will be for the Treynor Optimist Club Youth Programs.

July 15, Wed, 6:00 p.m. – Can Kennel sorting
 July 29, Wed, 6:00 p.m. – Can Kennel sorting

Birthdays

7/14 Gary Guttau, 7/23 Jerry Hempel, 7/27 Jim Clausen

Anniversaries

6/28 Mick & Judy Guttau, 7/14 Jeff Jorgensen, 7/22 Steve Irvin

Speakers

July 11 -

Programs

July – Josh Guttau
 Aug 1 and 8 - Bob Abbott
 Aug 15 and 22 - Tim Greiner
 Aug. 29 - Mick Guttau
 Sep – Les Harvey
 Oct – Gary Funkhouser
 Nov – Steve Irvin
 Dec – Jim Clausen

America celebrates July 4 as Independence Day because it was on July 4, 1776, that members of the Second Continental Congress, meeting in Philadelphia, adopted the final draft of the Declaration of Independence.

Following its adoption, the Declaration was read to the public in various American cities. Whenever they heard it, patriots erupted in cheers and celebrations. In 1777, Philadelphians remembered the 4th of July. Bells were rung, guns fired, candles lighted, and firecrackers set off. However, while the War of Independence dragged on, July 4 celebrations were modest at best.

When the war ended in 1783, July 4 became a holiday in some places. In Boston, it replaced the date of the Boston Massacre, March 5, as the major patriotic holiday. Speeches, military events, parades, and fireworks marked the day. In 1941, Congress declared July 4 a federal holiday.

Over time, various other summertime activities also came to be associated with the Fourth of July, including historical pageants, picnics, baseball games, watermelon-eating contests, and trips to the beach. Common foods include hot dogs, hamburgers, corn on the cob, apple pie, cole slaw, and sometimes clam bakes.