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

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Oath Keepers

Michael LeMieux from Oath Keepers, spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on June 19. He teaches on the U.S. Constitution and is author of the book "unalienable Rights and the Denial of the U.S. Constitution".

According to their pamphlet, "Oath Keepers is a nonpartisan association of currently serving military, reserves, National Guard, veterans, Peace Officers, and Fire Fighters who will fulfill the oath we swore, with the support of like minded citizens who take an oath to stand with us, to support and defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and domestic, so help us God" We will not obey unconstitutional (and thus unlawful) and immoral orders, such as orders to disarm American people or to place them under martial law." Oath Keepers was started last year and now has 30,000 members.

Michael was a military child. His family was in Spain when he was a teenager. He joined the Army at age 17 and went to Korea. He was in the Army for 4 years, in the Navy for 6 years, then got a college degree in Computer Science. He joined the National Guard and was in the Special Forces for 10 years. He was seriously injured in Iraq.

Financial Situation

Josh Guttau was the speaker on June 26. He discussed the current financial situation for the country as a whole. He feels that as government grows, private investment decreases. He discussed new requirements of recently passed federal legislation. He does not believe a period of inflation is coming but he feels we are on the edge of a financial crisis in many parts of the country and that the local Midwest area seems to be more sheltered from financial problems than other parts of the country.

Meeting Minutes

On June 19 Gary Guttau opened the meeting with the pledge and Dale Willenborg gave the prayer. There were 20 members and 2 guests in attendance. Les Harvey contributed to the Youth Fund to celebrate his 88th birthday anniversary.

Susan Johnson, an Optimist Club scholarship winner, came to tell about her college goals. She will be attending the University of Northern Iowa, majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in Spanish. She is attending Iowa Western Community College this summer.

There were 11 youth and 9 adults who helped with the can kennel sorting on June 16. There was probably a record collection, with 28 bags of cans, 13 bags of plastic, and 1117 bottles.

Bob Abbott bought a calculator at the auction and Kevin Underwood bought a phone ringer. Richard Vorthmann won the 50-50 drawing and Linnea White won the attendance drawing, but did not collect.

Help will be needed for Bingo and a possible 50-50 for Treynor Days, June 25-27. Help is also needed for Westfair parking on July 29. Shifts are 12:00-3:00 and 3:00-6:00 p.m.

At the Optimist Club meeting on June 26 there were 15 members a one guest in attendance. The club celebrated Mick and Judy Guttau's wedding anniversary through singing "Happy Anniversary." Dennis White won the 50/50 drawing and Judy Guttau won the attendance drawing but did not collect it.

The can kennel sorting is to be at 6:30 p.m. this coming Wednesday. Flags will be installed on July 3 after the meeting for Independence Day. Help will also be needed to take them down July 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Taylor Hill earned 3rd place in the Iowa District Optimist Golf Tournament which was held at Marshalltown Friday.

CALENDAR

June proceeds for the Can Kennel will be for the Min-4H. Jamie Poland is the sponsor.

June 30, time 6:30 p.m.

July 29 to August 1 - Iowa Optimist District Convention

Birthdays

June 5 – Bob Abbott (recognized)

June 9 – Les Harvey (recognized)

June 16 – Dale Willenborg (recognized)

June 20 – Jeff Jorgensen (recognized) June 22 – Kevin Elwood

Anniversaries

May 27 - Bob & Mary Francis Abbott (recognized)

June 1 - Kevin & Shana Elwood

June 3 - Arlyn & Wanda Norris (recognized)

June 5 – Steve & Debra Irvin (recognized) June 15 - Steve & Jeanie Chambers

June 26 – Larry & Sharon Kramer

June 28 - Mick & Judy Guttau (recognized)

Speakers

July 3 -

Programs

July - Jeff Jorgensen

Aug - Charlie Johnson

Sept - Eric Allen

Oct - Steve Irvin

Nov - Arlyn Norris

Dec - Chuck Nielsen/Keith Denton

According to Snopes.com, (http://www.snopes.com/politics/satire/outsource.asp) the following is False. It is actually an updated version of a 2004 satirical article about President George W. Bush.

Washington, DC - June 11, 2009

Congress today announced that the office of President of the United States of America will be outsourced to India, as of September 1, 2009. The move is being made in order to save the President's \$500,000 yearly salary, and also a record \$750 billion in deficit expenditures and related overhead that his office has incurred during the last 3 months.

It is anticipated that \$7 trillion can be saved to the end of the President's term. "We believe this is a wise financial move. The cost savings are huge," stated Congressman Thomas Reynolds (R-WA). "We cannot remain competitive on the world state with the current level of cash outlay," Reynolds noted.