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### Community Design Program

Tom Lewis from the Treynor city council spoke to the Optimist Club on February 11. He has been on the city council for two years.

The Iowa Architectural Foundation was formed in 1989 to promote awareness and appreciation of architecture and design in Iowa. It is now called the Community Design Program and focuses on making communities in Iowa more welcoming. More than 20 Iowa communities have participated in the program. Iowa West Foundation provided a \$5000 grant to Treynor to help the city develop a plan for the future. The city has contributed an additional \$500.

A team composed of landscape and building architects, community planners, civil engineers, graphics artists, and ISU students is working on a plan for Treynor. The focus is Highway 92 from the East to the West end of Treynor. Community input is requested in a meeting February 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Treynor Community Center. The goal is to complete the plan by April.

As a member of the Treynor city council, Tom would like to develop a better brochure to promote the city. The city website also needs an upgrade. Treynor is a member of the Iowa League of Cities and plans to join the Western Iowa Development Association in July. Both organizations help cities promote themselves.

Tom grew up in Omaha, attending Creighton Prep. He graduated from the University of Nebraska in Engineering in 1991. He works for Omaha Public Power as a mechanical engineer. His responsibility

is to try to make buildings more efficient. He is married and has a 7 year-old daughter.

### Meeting Minutes

Keith Denton and Chuck Nielsen provided jokes for the Optimist club meeting on February 11. Chuck Nielsen opened the meeting with the pledge and Gary Funkhouser offered the opening prayer. The Silver Keg Feeders 4-H provided great breakfast.

Gary Funkhouser contributed to the Youth Fund for his birthday. Can Kennel sorting will be Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. for the Dance Team.

Dale Willenborg won the attendance award. Kevin Underwood won the 50/50. There were 10 members and 13 guests at the meeting, including 4-H club students and parents.

### Calendar

Mar 10 – Regional Optimist Meeting at St. John UCC

Apr 26 – Bicycle Safety

### Birthdays

Feb 12 – Richard Vorthmann

Feb 13 – Gary Funkhouser (recognized)

### Anniversaries

Feb 6 – Jon & Debra Jacobsen

Feb 23 – Richard & LuEtta Vorthmann

### Speakers

Sat., Feb 18 - Eva McCain - works with children

Sat., Feb 25 - David Vaudt, Iowa state auditor

Sat., Mar 3 - Tom Latham, congressional candidate

### Programs

Feb – Chad Gutttau

Mar – Dale Willenborg

Apr – Jim Clausen

May – Ken Graham

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**CLUB BULLETIN COPYING COURTESY OF TS BANK of TREYNOR**

Q: What time is it when little white flakes fall past the classroom window?

A: Snow and Tell.

Q: What do you call a snowman in the summer?

A: A puddle

Blizzard: 1. A storm that winterrupts traffic.

Winter: The age of shivery and shovelry.

Headline: Snow Storms May Be Precursor of Winter

*Think about this:* If it's zero degrees outside today and it's supposed to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold is it going to be?

It was so cold . . . Starbucks was serving coffee on a stick!

It was so cold . . .the politicians had their hands in their OWN pockets!

Getting an inch of snow is like winning 10 cents in the lottery.

There's one good thing about snow, it makes your lawn look as nice as your neighbor's.

A sure fire plan for snow removal: spring.

Cats are smarter than dogs. You can't get eight cats to pull a sled through snow.