



Dance Studio Seven

Ashley Boehm, owner of Dance Studio Seven in Treynor, spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on March 10. Ashley grew up in Treynor and went to college at Wayne State, majoring in Interior Design and Fashion Design. She spent a year working in New York, but moved back to the area three years ago.

Ashley began Dance Studio Seven three years ago. Last year she had 45 students and this year she has 75. They range from two years old to sophomores. Most of her students are beginners, since dance students tend to stay with the studio where they start. She only has three boys.

Ashley began dance lessons at age 2. She helped teach dance classes in Glenwood throughout High School. In High School she enjoyed being with a group of seven girls that loved to dance. That is where the studio name came from.

Dance lessons run from the time school starts in the fall until graduation in spring. Their main recital will be May 19 at the Treynor High School auditorium. Most of her students are from Treynor and Riverside, but she has a few from elsewhere. All dance classes are in the evening, starting at 6:00 p.m. Dance classes range from five students to twelve. They learn tap dance, jazz, and ballet for the older students.

Ashley works for Dial Properties in Omaha. She manages 72 units of Town Homes. She enjoys the work, but would like to run the dance studio full time.

Dance lessons are once a week for 50 minutes. Two year olds only have a half-hour lesson. Most students need two costumes for performances, but some of the older ones need three or four. Classes cost \$35/month, with the two year old class costing \$25/month.

Meeting Minutes

Keith Denton and Chuck Nielsen provided jokes for the Optimist club meeting on March 10. Chuck Nielsen opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance and Judy Gutttau offered the opening prayer.

The Optimist Club celebrated Ken Graham's birthday and Keith and Georgia Denton's anniversary. Mick Gutttau contributed to the Youth Fund in recognition of a hearing Dr. Richard Deming speak. He is from Des Moines and treats cancer students.

Can Kennel sorting will be Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. for the Jr. Optimist Club. Gary Funkhouser said that the annual quiz bowl is coming up in Griswold. Treynor will have 2-3 teams participate.

The Jr. Optimist Club (JOOI) has been very active this year. They have 29 members. They served at MOMS Place this past week and will be visiting several nursing homes in the area.

Dale Willenborg won the 50/50 drawing and Kelly Sutherland won the attendance drawing but did not collect. There were 13 members and one guest at the meeting.

Calendar

- Mar 14 – Can Kennel sorting for JOOI, 5:30 p.m.
- Mar 28 - Can Kennel sorting for JOOI, 5:30 p.m.
- Apr 26 – Bicycle Safety
- Mar 31 – PEO Brunch at 9:30 a.m. \$10/person

Birthdays

- Mar 2 – Ward Chambers
- Mar 11 – Kenneth Graham (recognized)
- Mar 20 – Jon Jacobsen
- Apr 6 - Kevin Abbott
- Apr 20 – Steve Chambers
- Apr 25 – Rocky Saar
- Apr 28 - Gene Seran

Anniversaries

- Mar 4 – Gene & Erika Seran
- Mar 8 – Keith & Georgia Denton (recognized)
- Mar 15 – Jeff & Carrie Nelson
- Apr 7 – Jim & Diane Clausen

Speakers

- Mar 17 –
- Mar 24 –
- Mar 31 –

Programs

- Mar – Dale Willenborg
- Apr – Jim Clausen
- May – Ken Graham

Wikipedia

The American Robin or **North American Robin** (*Turdus migratorius*) is a migratory songbird of the thrush family. It is named after the European Robin because of its reddish-orange breast, though the two species are not closely related, with the European robin belonging to the flycatcher family. The American Robin is widely distributed throughout North America, wintering south of Canada from Florida to central Mexico and along the Pacific Coast. It is the state bird of Connecticut, Michigan, and Wisconsin. It has seven subspecies, but only *T. m. confinis* in the southwest is particularly distinctive, with pale gray-brown underparts.

The American Robin is active mostly during the day and assembles in large flocks at night. Its diet consists of invertebrates (such as beetle grubs and caterpillars), fruits and berries. It is one of the earliest bird species to lay eggs, beginning to breed shortly after returning to its summer range from its winter range. Its nest consists of long coarse grass, twigs, paper, and feathers, and is smeared with mud and often cushioned with grass or other soft materials. It is among the first birds to sing at dawn, and its song consists of several discrete units that are repeated.

The adult robin is preyed upon by hawks, cats and larger snakes, but when feeding in flocks, it can be vigilant and watch other birds for reactions to predators. Brown-headed Cowbirds lay eggs in robin nests (see brood parasite), but robins usually reject the cowbird eggs.