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## Treynor Food Pantry

Gary Funkhouser introduced speaker, Jnelle Keysor, Coordinator of the Treynor Food Pantry. Jnelle is a member of Zion Congregational Church and is retired as Treynor Community School District Food Service Director. Jnelle explained that the current Treynor Food Pantry originated 20 years ago at a meeting of Zion's Mission Board. The need for a food pantry was recognized and so with the community's support for food a Sunday School room was converted into a pantry; shelving units were installed and refrigerator and freezer obtained. In the beginning the Pantry would pack boxes and deliver. Now, the pantry has designated hours of operation; people come at that time and select for themselves what they need. Currently, seven families are using the pantry.



Jnelle commented on the bighearted giving from the community: a donor gives meat monthly; a financial donor provides monthly for produce and dairy; the Silver Creek 4-H Club helps with Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys; the Junior Optimist Club (JOI) contributes money and sponsors a food drive; the Middle School Cardinal Pride groups provided a Christmas meal for each family; at Christmas the Optimists provided \$300 for gift cards; JOI provides money for gift cards as well; community women donate crocheted towels

and dishcloths; and of course all the other generous offerings of cash and food pantry items from the community. A community member has donated coats for a Coat Party at the pantry. The JOI Super Bowl Sunday food drive gathered a record 481 items and the Boy Scouts also sponsor a food drive each year. For birthday parties, some people have requested pantry items in place of gifts for themselves. The Treynor Food Pantry is fortunate to share back and forth with the Open Door Mission and Atlantic's Table of Mercy.

How can you donate to the pantry? The pantry is located in Zion church on Main Street in Treynor. The church is always open; staff for the children's care ministry is always there. Two boxes are located in the back hallway where donations can be left.

How can I use the pantry? To use the pantry, the hours of operation are the last Thursday of every month from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. There are no qualifications.

## Meeting Minutes

President Kirk Vorthmann called the April 1, 2017 meeting of the Treynor Optimist Club to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Treynor Community Center. The meeting began with humor from Keith Denton, Chad Gutttau and John Klein. Kirk led the Pledge of Allegiance and Bill Vorthmann offered the prayer.

Ken Graham won the 50/50 drawing. Dale Willenborg was not present to collect the attendance prize. For bragging rights and a one-dollar donation to the Youth Fund, Jim Clausen contributed for the beginning of baseball season; Gary Funkhouser contributed for 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys placing first at the quiz bowl and girls placing 5<sup>th</sup>.

Gary Funkhouser reported Optimist Oratorical Contest winners Malloy Helve and Duncan Clark. They will now move on to compete in Des Moines on April 22. Gary Gutttau distributed an updated Treynor Optimist Directory.

Community news: Linnea Casey, recent instrumental music student teacher at Treynor, has obtained an elementary music position at Shenandoah. Lillie Schneider has returned home from Risen Son. Junior Treynor Women are planning an Easter Egg Hunt on April 9 at 2:00 (location unknown). John Klein asked for volunteers to help with Mulch Madness on Weds, April 12, at the elementary from 12:45 to 3:15. Gary Gutttau and Keith Denton will haul the mulch from CB Recycling Center. Seventy 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be helping with mulch and planting a tree at the elementary. John Klein also reported two upcoming Cardinal Core activities, a mother-daughter social night at the elementary school

#### **Calendar**

Apr 12 – Mulch Madness with the Master Gardeners at Elementary School  
Apr 23: Youth Appreciation, 3:00 p.m.

#### **Birthdays**

Mar 2 – Ward Chambers  
Mar 11 – Kenneth Graham  
Mar 20 – Jon Jacobsen  
Apr 20 – Steve Chambers  
Apr 25 – Irvin Saar  
Apr 28 - Gene Seran

#### **Anniversaries**

Mar 4 – Gene & Erika Seran  
Mar 8 – Keith & Georgia Denton  
Apr 7 – Jim & Diane Clausen

#### **Speakers**

Apr 1 – Janelle Keysor – Treynor food pantry

and Pitch, Hit and Run on Apr 15 at 4:00. There will be a juvenile diabetes walk on Apr 28 after school at the old football field. In connection with Keep Kids Alive Drive 55, there will be a mock fatality traffic accident at the high school on May 5. Iowa State Patrol will assist. Tuesday, April 4, Treynor will be competing in the jazz championships in Ames, Iowa.

Can Kennel sorting will be Weds, April 5, at 3:30. Brenda Hunt, Treynor community resident who teaches in North Omaha, has been removing pop tabs from the cans in the Can Kennel to be used to fight multiple sclerosis.

Apr 8 – Kelly Groskurth – Treynor City Manager

Apr 15 – Kali Christensen – Missionary experience

Apr 22 – Candace Gregory – Open Door Mission

#### **Programs**

April - Gary Funkhouser

May -

June - Jim Clausen

July - First two weeks open

    Last two – Jerry Hempel

August - First two weeks open

    Last weeks – Bob Mantell

September - Ken Graham

October - Gary Gutttau

November - Mick Gutttau

December –