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### Jennifer Morris

Jennifer Morris, a certified arborist for 12 years spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on June 22. She has a BS in Forestry and is working on a Masters in Entomology. She works at ABS Tree Care.



Jennifer said the Japanese beetle is a grub that is starting to emerge now. They burrow deep, so the winters here have not been cold enough to kill them off. The peak emergence will happen in the next few weeks. Spring and fall grub applications are needed to kill them.

Jennifer said DON'T use traps for the beetles. The traps will attract them from miles around and will do more damage to your plants. They prefer roses, linden trees, and edible fruit trees. They like the sun, so they work from the top of the tree down.

The Emerald Ash Borer was found in Michigan in 2000. They don't spread very quickly, but came to Iowa from infested nursery stock. Trees can handle the beetles for 4-5 years and will usually die in 8-10 years from the borer.

The best products to kill the borers are 97% effective. The trees can handle the other 3%. A treatment will last 2-3 years.

She also talked about Elm Trees. The Emerald Elm is resistant to Elm Tree Disease.

Asked what kind of trees are best to plant, she said trees she likes are Kentucky Coffee, Tulip Tree, and White Birch. Also plant native trees. Stay away from ornamental trees and Linden trees. Diversity is your best option.

Jennifer said that mulching trees is good, preferably 2-3 inches deep. Keep the mulch away from the trunk.

### Meeting Minutes

Dale Willenborg called the meeting to order at the Treynor Community Building. Nine members were present plus three guests.

Gary Funkhouser provided some humor, followed by the group saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Dale Willenborg gave the opening prayer.

Jennifer Morris, the speaker, won the 50/50 drawing. Mick Gutttau won the attendance drawing, but he was in Alaska and did not collect.

Bill Vorthmann contributed to the Youth Fund because he was able to get his hay up without it being rained on. Kevin Underwood contributed because he got his refrigerator clean.

### Community News:

Treynor Days is June 28-30. The dedication of the helicopter and a salute to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Legion nationally will be at 10:30 on Sat. June 29. Brig. General Dennis Kerr, from Warwick, NY, who served as Mick Gutttau's Commanding Officer in the Vietnam War will be speaking. Kerr was recently inducted into the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Hall of Fame.

Gary Funkhouser announced that he had 15-20 years of the Gazette and would give them to anyone interested. Kevin Underwood took them to use in his garden.

John Klein, Dennis White, Jim Clausen, Gary Gutttau, and Dee Gutttau helped with taking down flags on June 17. So far, \$5555 has been collected for flags.

### Business:

John Klein reported the Hydrant Party will occur on Sat., June 29 during Treynor Days. Rick Saar is providing frozen treats for the kids afterwards.

The Omaha Street Percussion will perform at three events during Homecoming.

The club decided not to give out headphones at Westfair. John Klein hasn't found anyone to help pay for them.

**Scholarships:**

Allison Green picked up her scholarship check. She will be going to the University of South Dakota in Vermillion this fall, working on a Nursing degree. She took an online public speaking class. Her favorite activities at Treynor were music and JOI.



**Calendar**

June 27 Put up flags at 4:00 p.m.  
June 29 Treynor Days, Dedication of Helicopter Hydrant Party for Kids

**Birthdays**

June 16 Dale Willenborg  
June 20 Jeff Jorgensen

**Anniversaries**

June 28 Mick & Judy Guttau  
June 29 Dave & Linda Danker

**Programs**

June Dennis White (June 22)  
Dale Willenborg (June 29)  
July Dale Willenborg

**Speakers**

June 29: Brady Jorgensen, 8<sup>th</sup> grader from CB, Ambassador for the Metro Area Youth Foundation, raising money for Childhood Cancer.  
July 6: Arlyn Norris  
July 13: Tour of Dallas Johnson greenhouses, 2802 Twin City Dr, CB.

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