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Shelly Bailey – Treynor School Technology Specialist

Shelly Bailey, Treynor School technology specialist, spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on August 9. She defined her job as “coming up with solutions.”



Shelly moved to Treynor in 1975 when she was in 2nd grade. Her brothers were in 7th and 8th grades. She has been married 31 years. Her husband works at the power plant. Her son, Brad works at Champion in Omaha. Her daughter got married last May and works at TS Bank. She is an internal auditor.

Shelly has been the Technology Director for 16 years full time and 21 years total. Her first year someone asked her if students would ever get email accounts and she was doubtful. Today the school has 1300 computers, with one for each student and two for teachers. The teachers use one for notes and one for broadcasting.

Jill Orr helps half time with media and Heather Livengood helps two days a week with Chromebook repair.

When the school first got laptops, Shelly had to load all the software for the computers. Now, with Chromebooks, all the software is in the cloud, so nothing has to be loaded.

The school uses a Google management console. Through it Shelly can restrict programs and disable computers. She just has to pair each computer to the domain. She can also monitor all activity on each computer. If the computer is lost or stolen, she disables it, with a message to

return it to the school. They also have a robust filtering system. Snapchat is blocked on school computers.

The school uses a five-year rotation cycle for teacher computers. 210 of the Chromebooks are being replaced this year in the middle school (6th-8th grade).

The school also purchased Chrome tablets for kindergarten, with the first grade getting the remaining Chromebooks from kindergarten. This will make all grades one computer per student. Kindergarten and 1st grade students use Quickcards, with a QR code, to log into the tablet.

This year all students kept their Chromebooks over the summer. Elementary student Chromebooks are classroom based and other grades are student based. Therefore, 5th grade students had to turn in their Chromebooks early because 6th grade orientation is virtual.

Shelly said that if something plugs in at school, she feels like she takes care of it: computers, servers, printers, school marquee, webpages, phone system, flashing lights along the highway for the school, video surveillance at school, HVAC programs, photofinishing for track meets etc. The photofinishing equipment for track meets is a very complicated system. A new challenge is broadcasting games this year.

When asked, Shelly said about 20 students stated they did not have good Wi-Fi at home, but upon checking with the parents, the findings were that only 3 or 4 did not have any or reliable Wi-Fi.

Treynor will start the school year with 100% in school teaching. For those that have a medical reason for staying home, teachers will make arrangements for assignments, which may include broadcasting classes.

Meeting Minutes

Bill Vorthmann called the meeting to order at the Treynor Community Building. Thirteen members

and one guest were present. Jordan Campbell gave the opening prayer.

Bill Vorthmann gave facts about this day in history. In 1974 Richard Nixon resigned. In 1988 the first nighttime baseball game was played at Rigley Field. In 1999 we had between 6 and 12 inches of rain, depending on where you lived. IN 1921 Ester Williams was born. She was an American champion swimmer and actress.

Dale Willenborg, Chad Gutttau and Bill Vorthmann provided humor.

John Klein won the 50/50 drawing for the second week in a row. He also won the attendance drawing.

Bragging Rights: (\$ to fund youth activities)

Chad Gutttau will be 50 on the 11th. He had a birthday party with over 40 people in attendance. He will provide cinnamon rolls next week.

Kirk Vorthmann told some stories (possibly false) about Covid-19 tests yielding inaccurate results. He also talked about water running over a new bridge from the 1999 heavy rains. Gary Gutttau also talked about the floods.

Bill Vorthmann said his grandson had a grand champion sheep at the county fair and got a purple ribbon for 2nd place at the State Fair.

John Klein bragged that his grey car, a 1999 Toyota Ram 4, has 320,000 miles on it.

Old Business: McMullen Ford will not have any cars for test drives in Treynor this year which was going to be a fundraiser project for the Optimists.

New Business: John Klein, Bill Vorthmann and Gary Funkhouser helped the Cub Scouts with can kennel sorting. It took about three hours.

August 14, 15 is the Optimist District meeting in Des Moines. We are not sure if anyone from the club will attend.

Flags will be put up on August 18 at 4:00 p.m. to celebrate the beginning of the school year.

For auction items, John Klein bought an iPad cover for \$0.50 and a magnetic cell phone mount

for a car vent for \$0.50. Jim Clausen bought two old fishing rods for \$1 each and Kevin Underwood bought one for \$1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and concluded with the saying of the Optimist pledge.

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Calendar

- Aug 14-15 Optimist District meeting in Des Moines
- Aug 18 – Put up flags for beginning of school, 4:00 p.m.
- Aug 19 - School Starts

Birthdays

- Aug 11 – Chad Gutttau (recognized)
- Aug 23 – Judy Gutttau

Anniversaries

- Aug 5 Josh & Shelly Gutttau
- Aug 15 Jerry & Barb Hempel
- Aug 25 Gary & Julia Funkhouser

Programs

- August - Dale Willenborg
- September - Jordan Campbell
- October - Bill Vorthmann
- November - Jerry Hempel
- December 6, 13 -Ken Graham
- December 19, 26- Chad Gutttau

Speakers

- Aug 15 – Gary Funkhouser
- Aug 22 –
- Aug 29 – Tim Jacob, cancer survivor

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