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### Dan Kinsella and Georgi Ivanov Speak about Treynor Youth Wrestling

Dan Kinsella heads up the Treynor Youth Wrestling Program because it's an opportunity to help build young men and women of character equipped with life skills for success. Dan graduated from Millard High School and lives near Treynor with his wife Kari. They have four children ranging from 7<sup>th</sup> grade to college age. Dan's occupation is Omaha Managing Partner – Deloitte Risk & Financial Advisory.



L-R: Georgi Ivanov, Dan Kinsella

Dan started wrestling as a youth in Omaha in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. The camaraderie and brotherhood of the team appealed to him. Quotes he shared were: Colin Powell: "A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work." Unknown: "There are no losers in wrestling, just winners and learners." Jordan Burroughs: "To get better you have to step out of your comfort zone. You can't do the same things you've always done and improve."

Treynor stats: In 2000 there were 5 high school wrestlers. Now there are 29. In 2000 there were a total of 20 wrestlers of all ages. Now there are over 100. Duncan Clark was our 2021 HS State Qualifier.

The Treynor Wrestling Booster Club was created in 2015 and runs the Treynor Youth Wrestling Tournament and pays for the assistant coach as well as purchased new wrestling mats, etc. Candace Gregory has been key in leading this Club.

Each year the high school wrestlers perform community service by Adopting a Family and participating in the Open Door Mission Diaper Drive.

Girls wrestling is the fastest growing sport in the country. Treynor had two JH girls and one HS girl compete in the Girls State Tournament.

Georgi Ivanov from "The Best Wrestler" business located on Hwy 6 at Quick also spoke. He was 16

when he came to the US from Bulgaria. He attended school at Underwood and Lewis Central.

Georgi's father was a multi-national champion in Bulgaria. Georgi started wrestling in pre-school. He was a national champion in 9<sup>th</sup> grade. He was injured when he was sophomore with a dire prognosis that he would be lucky to walk again and would never wrestle again. But he did. He made the World Team and participated in the 2016 Olympics. In 2018 he became a US citizen and now lives in Crescent. He was the assistant at a college in St. Louis, MO.

Georgi stated that wrestlers come from many local communities as well as far away states to improve their skills at "The Best Wrestler."

### Meeting Minutes

Dale Willenborg, President, called the meeting to order at the Treynor Community Building. Present were 16 members and 2 guests, Dan Kinsella and Georgi Ivanov. Dale Willenborg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mick Gutttau gave the opening prayer.

Gary Funkhouser, Gary Gutttau, Keith Denton and Dale Willenborg provided humor. Dee Gutttau won the 50/50 drawing. Gene Seran won the attendance drawing but was not present.

### Bragging Rights: (\$ to fund youth activities)

John Klein contributed as he is proud of Chad Gutttau for arranging a tour of the State Capitol for Carol and him this Thursday. Jordan Campbell donated for Noah James success in the high jump and track and for his decision to continue in field and track at the University of Iowa. Dan Kinsella contributed to state that the James family had influence on their family. Gary Gutttau announced he had wrestled intramurals at Iowa State and was used as a wrestling dummy for the varsity. Chad Gutttau stated he had his second vaccine.

### Community:

Sunday, April 25 at 2:30 PM is an opportunity to enjoy the Treynor Speech Dept. program of contest entries in the new Fine Arts Auditorium.

Jordan Campbell reminded the group about ZION's Cinco De Mayo menu. They will sell tacos, nachos, and pop on May 5 from 5:00 p.m-7:30 p.m. They will provide Dine-in, Carryout, and Curbside delivery. This

is just a fun activity on the Fine Arts night which will be in the new auditorium at the school.

May 13 at 7 AM we are invited to attend the CB Optimist Club "Respect for Law" breakfast at Hoy Kilnoski Funderal Home

### **Old/New Business:**

Can Kennel Sorting will be at 6 PM Wed., April 28 to help with Zion's sorting.

Mulch Madness will be April 30. There are 82 youth in 5<sup>th</sup> grade which will require many adults to supervise. This is the largest class in the school. Bring buckets. Meet at the Elementary School at 12:15 PM. Gary Guttau and Keith Denton will deliver mulch by noon.

Regarding our club sponsoring buses for swim lessons, it was reported that the swimming pool will be open at Oakland, but there will not be lessons.

Scholarships for 12 Seniors have been selected and JOI Club selected two more. These will be announced at Awards Night at School.

The meeting was closed with the Optimist Creed.

### **HUMOR**

**(from Popoffs by Ye Ed, Treynor Record)**

**"A little moron is something which in hot weather the girls wouldn't get so much sunburn if they put." (You may have to read this 2-3 times!)**

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### **Calendar**

- Apr 28 Zion Can Kennel sorting – 6 PM
- Apr 30 Mulch Madness – Treynor Elementary  
Come at 12:15 PM
- May 5 Cinco de Mayo, Zion 5-7PM
- May 5 Fine Arts night at Treynor HS
- May 13 Optimist Club of CB – 7 AM  
Hoy Kilnoski Funeral Home  
"Annual Respect for Law Breakfast"

### **Birthdays**

- Apr 25 Irvin Saar
- Apr 28 Gene Seran

### **Anniversaries**

### **Programs**

- May Steve Irwin (first two)  
Dale Willenborg (last two)
- June Judy Guttau

### **Speakers**

- May 1 - Steve Irvin, ICAN/SWIEF
- May 8 - Cara Cool-Trede, career EdVantage