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Aaron Terry, IWCC Coach, Speaks

Aaron Terry, Iowa Western Community College (IWCC) Assistant Football Recruiter and D line coach, spoke today at our Optimist meeting.



Coach Terry is a native of Omaha and married a CB girl and they have a 3 year old daughter and are expecting a baby boy.

Coach Terry likes working with the head coach Scott Strohmeier because he is all about business, getting it done, and then getting home and enjoying your family.

Coach Terry played for NW Missouri State where 3 national championships were earned. He learned a lot from that program and decided coaching was for him. He coached first at Concordia HS in Omaha, then assisted at Kearney as D line coach, got his masters' degree and has been at IWCC for five years. He stated that out of the 12 years that Strohmeier has coached IWCC he has had 8 or 9 Championships in football. Terry is happy that a playoff system is being developed for the conference.

The recruiting process starts in Iowa, then the bordering states, then nationally. Often a student may be struggling academically, but is a good athlete so is guided at IWCC and after 18 mos. they have figured out how to be a student and a football player. Kids must graduate first from IWCC before they can move on. In a normal year, 50-60 student players will go on to a four year college. Many D1 coaches come to observe JUCO athletes. In the last four years, there have been 23 linemen that have gone on to D1 level playing.

Coach Terry stated that they normally have 150 football student athletes, but are anticipating 230 on the roster this fall. Partial scholarships can be given to football players – up to 85. If a player has higher grades, sometimes academic scholarships can be given to supplement the number of scholarships.

In a four year college, football players would have just 2 or 3 weeks off in the spring. At a Junior College, May and June will be taken off. In July Freshmen come in to get trained. The Athlete Returnees come back in August. He stated there are quite a few walk-ons in football. There is also a JV program at IWCC. They utilize two-a-days as coaches with groups of players so they can evaluate everyone. By the 5-6th practice, they are able to make a game chart.

The new Training Facility at IWCC, named after Dr. John and Jean Marshal, provides 80 yds. of indoor facility plus wellness equipment for the whole campus. Coach Terry stated that no other junior college has an indoor facility like it.

The IWCC football team plays their games on the Lewis Central football field. They have played on the Treynor field, which impressed him. When IWCC travels outside of Iowa, they are regulated that only 35 athletes from outside of Iowa can go. This allows Iowa kids a greater opportunity to play. Of the 2000 students on campus, 800 are athletes.

Next week's speaker will be Doug Dillivan who will speak about the recent conference he attended.

“Most people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.” Abraham Lincoln

Meeting Minutes

Dale Willenborg, President, called the meeting to order at the Treynor Community Building. Present were 17 members and one guest: Aaron Terry. Dale Willenborg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mick Gutttau gave the opening prayer.

Bill Vorthmann won the 50/50 drawing. Shelly Bailey won the attendance drawing but was not present.

Keith Denton and Gary Gutttau shared jokes.

Mick and Judy Gutttau's upcoming 53rd wedding anniversary was celebrated. They provided breakfast for the group.

Bragging Rights: (\$ support youth activities)

- Judy Gutttau donated to announce they had attended and enjoyed Fiddler on the Roof Jr. at the Hoff Family Arts and Culture Center and three Treynor students performed in it. Gary Funkhouser donated to also state that it was very good.
- Mick Gutttau contributed to announce that the State Bank of Arcadia, Wisconsin has been acquired by TS Banking Group.
- Kevin Underwood announced Scoops Ice Cream has opened in Underwood.
- Jerry Hempel stated his youngest daughter is now engaged and described the fun engagement on the Bob Kerrey Bridge.
- Dale Willenborg donated because they have three grandchildren visiting,
- Kirk Vorthmann contributed because Bill Vorthmann covered for him because he forgot to put a flag in for Marsha Matthews.
- Jim Clausen paid because he received pumpkin seeds from Dee Gutttau and won't have to buy any to plant.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Two upcoming patriotic events were announced:

- July 1 – Declaration of Independence dinner (see attached flyer) Treynor Community Building
- July 4 – Free Speech America - Fireworks Spectacular – WestFair (see attached flyer)

In addition, see Gary Gutttau for info regarding July 17 – Kimberly Klacik speaks at a political fundraiser at Treynor Community Building.

Today is Treynor Days. Volunteers to help with the Legion and Optimist Bingo at 2 PM are Bill Vorthmann, John Klein, Kirk Vorthmann, Dee Gutttau and Judy Gutttau.

(Bill V is pictured)



Gary Gutttau helped with the raffle.

John Klein reminded the group that the Optimist Hydrant Party for kids would take place at 3 PM today.



An announcement was made that a Dollar General is planning to open in Treynor on property west of the fire station.

BUSINESS:

Can Kennel: A total of 20 Optimists including grandkids helped with the can kennel this week and finished the task in 45 mins. There were 27 bags of cans and 1300 bottles.

Flags: A large group of helpers put up flags on Thursday and the plan is to take them down either July 5 or 6. We will discuss this on Saturday.

Auction: T shirts were donated by John Klein and purchased by Chad Gutttau.

A nice thank you was received from Claudette White to the Optimists for all we do to support Treynor. The meeting was closed with the Optimist Creed.

HUMOR

The temperature went from 87 to 47 like it saw a State Trooper.



CALENDAR

Birthdays

July 14 Gary Guttau
July 23 Jerry Hempel
July 27 Jim Clausen

Anniversaries

June 28 Mick and Judy Guttau
June 29 Dave and Linda Danker
July 14 Jeff and Mary Beth Jorgensen
July 15 Jordan and Katie Campbell
July 25 Chuck and Kathy Nielsen

Programs

July Kirk Vorthmann (first one)
Judy Guttau (second one)
Doug Dillivan (last two)
Aug Bill Vorthmann

Speakers

July 3 Doug Dillivan
July 10 Alisha Hess, new Treynor business owner

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