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Treynor Music Boosters



Shad and Julie
Danker are copresidents of the
Treynor Music
Booster Club. Today
Shad (right) and Jill
Davis (left), Treynor
vocal music
instructor, spoke.

The Treynor Winter Concert was held Friday night in the new auditorium and a large crowd enjoyed great performances by the Middle School jazz band, High School concert and jazz choirs, High School concert and jazz bands.

The Music Booster Program is the fund raising arm to support kids. Seven people serve on the Treynor Music Booster Committee. More volunteers are desired to help spread the work involved in organizing fundraisers.

The Music Boosters raise funds of over \$50,000/year which is for excess needs of what the school provides. This has included clinics for the music groups, buying instruments, the big trailer to haul equipment (the school paid half), additional spending on the musical this year, special microphones, and costumes.

A big expense is the music education trip March 15-19th to Nashville for 69 kids plus 10 adults. A trip occurs every four years. The trip will cost up to \$35,000. Parents and students put up a lot of the expense. The desire is to build up a reserve to spend on the trip for miscellaneous items. The Booster Club works to ensure that everyone is able to go.

The Treynor Music Group will travel with two buses. Activities planned include: the choir doing a recording session at Studio B where Elvis recorded 'Hound Dog.' They will record the National Anthem to be used many times at Treynor games. They will attend a collegiate music program and visit the African American Museum of Music. A traditional Southern meal will be eaten and they will attend a Grand Ole Opry performance and visit the Opryland Hotel.

Traveling home the group will go the Arch and Museum in St. Louis.

Fundraising activities for the Music Booster Club include running concessions in the spring for track and soccer and selling poinsettias for Christmas. Praise was given to Canoyer Garden Center for being a generous business to make selling poinsettias a good fund raiser.

Some Music Department fun facts:

- Tubas, baritones, and percussion typically are owned by the school.
- A lot of kids in jazz band play multiple instruments which is encouraged.
- The Music Department has great volunteers who can't be done without. Jason Burmeister handles sound for the choir and band. Jason is the parent of two students and is half of the Polka Police music group.
- Jeff Schoening continues to help on occasion in ways that he can.
- Mike Stinman is an outstanding elementary music teacher and is directing the Middle School jazz choir. He's building the base for the future high school groups. The Music Boosters support him as well.
- Home school kids participate in the school's music programs. This year there are three.
- The music department accepts donations of old instruments and a collection has begun.

Thanks to Kathy Luedke for taking notes today.

February 16 program will be:

A backstage tour of the IWCC Arts Center Meet at 7:30 AM at the Community Center Saturday if you wish to car pool.

Famous Quote:

"It is better to give others a piece of your heart than a piece of your mind."

Another Amish Proverb

Meeting Minutes

Dale Willenborg called the meeting to order. Present were 15 members. Shad Danker, Jill Davis, and Julie Funkhouser were guests.

Dale Willenborg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dee Guttau gave the opening prayer.

Jokes were shared by Bill Vorthmann, Ketih Denton, and Dale Willenborg. Dale also shared the history of Valentine's Day.

50/50 was won by Keith Denton

The **Attendance Award** was won by Jerry Hempel, but he was not present last week to win.

Birthdays/Anniversaries:

Gary Funkhouser's 87th birthday was observed and he provided free breakfast pizza for the group.

Bragging Rights: (\$ are used for youth activities)

- Kevin Underwood and Marsha Underwood both contributed for Bailey White's last basketball game.
- Bill Vorthmann and Gary Funkhouser bragged on the great Winter Music Concert last night.

Business:

- The Can Kennel Sorting will take place at 2 PM this coming Wednesday.
- Gary Guttau announced \$1562.75 was earned by the After Prom Committee from the Can Kennel
- Home Depot has donated smaller bags for the Can Kennel for this year.
- John Klein reported that Cody Abbott, Head Manager for Home Depot has assured him that supplies for the Mural Wall south of the Treynor Post Office will be donated this spring.

Community:

 The Optimist Club of Underwood is celebrating its 40th Anniversary on Sun, Feb. 19 at Pizza King in Council Bluffs.

- The first-ever Treynor Mouse Derby will be held on Friday, Feb. 24 at Silos. Tickets can be purchased at the Occasional Collective or online for \$20 individual and \$160 for a table of 8. Tickets include dinner and a drink ticket. This fundraiser will benefit Treynor Parks & Trails. See the attached flyer.
- Sun., Feb. 19 from 4-7 PM at Zion
 Congregational Church there will be a "Game
 Night Challenge. The cost is just \$1.

Auction Items: None

The meeting was closed with reciting of the Optimist Creed.

HUMOR

"Just once I want a username and the password prompt to say 'CLOSE ENOUGH'."

Calendar

Events

Feb 15 Can Kennel Sorting, 2 PM

Feb 19 The Optimist Club of Underwood 40th
Anniversary celebration at Pizza King.

Birthdays

Anniversaries

Programs:

Feb John Klein

Mar Dee Guttau (first two weeks)
Linda Danker (last two weeks)

Apr Keith Denton

Speakers

Feb 18 Optimist Field Trip – 8 AM meet in

Auditorium at IWCC Arts Center for Backstage Tour. If you want to carpool, meet at the Treynor Community Building at

7:30 AM.

Feb 25 Travis Castle – Building and use plans for

"The T" recreation area in 2023 and

beyond.

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