



The Optimist Club of Treynor, Treynor, IA
Iowa District, Zone 2 Club Number 40-109
Iowa District Governor: Marge Hopkins
Lt Governor: Don Dilts

NEWSLETTER

Treynor Optimist Club President:
Dale Willenborg



May 11, 2024

Vol. 40, No.17

Susan Enewold, CB C.A.R.E.S.



Susan Enewold is the Executive Director of Council Bluffs C.A.R.E.S. Inc. and a fellow Optimist in the Council Bluffs Optimist Club.

Council Bluffs C.A.R.E.S., which stands for "Community Always Remembers Everyone is Special", began as a new Optimist Club for special needs people and

was started four years ago and is going very strong. As an outreach to the neighboring community this club sponsors a Trunk or Treat, a Christmas meal, gifts of love, and an Easter egg hunt. In two weeks, they will clean the baby graves in C.B.

Council Bluffs C.A.R.E.S. is also more than the normal Optimist Club because of the services it provides at a facility at 10 Huron Circle, CB, near Lake Manawa. In the past two weeks 79-112 people have come to participate. The facility has been given to them by Salem Methodist Church. However, they hope in the future to be able to move downtown to a bigger space.

Bingo fun nights and CARES Crafts nights are held on alternating Wednesdays each month. CARES Gifts includes the artist studio and a boutique. The program encourages creation of artistic gifts with purpose. CARES Café provides a nourishment program.

There are six employees who train skills. Two attendees have graduated and now work in businesses, one at Harmony Court and one at Taco Bell.

Council Bluffs C.A.R.E.S. was inspired by a man who fell from a zip line and had a stroke in surgery, then went to Madonna, and had nothing to turn to after that. By doing community outreach activities, Council Bluffs CARES Inc. gives people with physical and mental needs an opportunity to light the world with their talents, elevated confidence, independence, and JOY.

This organization is a 501©3. They are funded by donations, sponsorships and are supported by volunteers. Donations provide craft supplies, non-perishable food, food/meals and toiletries. Volunteers are needed to teach crafts, help serve food, and package pantry items. There are various sponsorship levels ranging from \$50 to \$5000.

A very exciting event will happen on June 22 from 4:30-8 PM at the Mid America Center (MAC). It is the Annual Prom for persons with disabilities (mental and physical) age 13+ to have a very magical night to remember- all free of charge! Two years ago Susan approached the Manager of the MAC to make the request to hold the Prom there free, and the Manager, who has a child with disabilities, said, "What took you so long to ask?"

There are already 187 people who have signed up to attend and that doesn't count helpers. Susan shared that there are 13 students from Lewis Central who could come and 11 have signed up. One 92-year-old man is planning to attend who has never experienced a Prom.

Table sponsors are still needed to seat eight guests/table for a total of \$500. See the attached flyer for more info and to sponsor. The evening will include the meal, non-alcoholic drinks and a dance. Activities and games with prizes will be available for those who don't dance. Souvenirs and a photo booth will be provided as well.

Donations of used prom dresses, suits, ties, shirts are needed. Please take them to Salem Church where these are being collected. Corsages, boutonnieres, a hair and makeup bar and cleaning of formal wear will be included.

For more information, Susan's contact info is: 712.309.2200, susie91865@gmail.com. The web site is www.councilbluffscares.com

Next week's Speaker:

**Scott Rucker, Treynor High School
Boys Basketball Coach**

FAMOUS QUOTE

“Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.”

Winston Churchill

Meeting Minutes

Jordan Campbell, called the meeting to order. Fifteen members plus two guests were present – Susan Enewold and Holly Leaders.

The group recited the pledge and Ken Graham gave the prayer.

Jokes/riddles: Keith Denton, Bill Vorthmann, Jordan Campbell

50/50: GlenRose Meier

Attendance: GlenRose Meier (Blessed twice!)

Birthdays/Anniversaries: We celebrated Keith Denton’s birthday today. He said he feels younger now that he has his new knee.

Bragging Rights: (Dollars are contributed to benefit local youth programs.)

- Ken Graham announced his 7th grade granddaughter Kiley Graham, who attends Lewis Central, wrote a poem, “Hidden Pain” and it was selected by teachers as one of 40 student-written items published in The Write Touch. This book is sponsored by the CB Optimist Club. A breakfast was held in honor of the 40 students which was attended by parents and grandparents.
- Keith Denton bragged on his two granddaughters, Sophie (freshman) and Lily (sophomore) for each qualifying in four events in the State Track Meet this coming week.
- Judy Guttau gave a shout out to the Treynor boys/girls track, golf and soccer teams for their excellence.
- Keith Denton stated that he was told that Treynor has the best hurdle coach in the state.
- Kevin Underwood was happy that Treynor soccer teams both beat St. Albert. Tournaments begin this week.

Business:

- The following students were honored at the Treynor Optimist Youth Appreciation Program

last Sunday: 8th Grade: Kalob Lovely, Hannah Bierbaum. 9th Grade: Bryce Lewis, Channing Reed, 10th Grade: Ethan Hill, Lilley Casson. 11th Grade: Kyle Beekhuizen, Morgan Brown. 12th Grade: Ahbi Bista, Chloe Pryor.

- Optimist Can Kennel sorters on Wednesday were Bill Vorthmann, John Klein, Steve Chambers, and Linda Danker. There were lots of music kids helping. There were 46 bags and a pickup load of bottles all taken to Glenwood in the Music Boosters trailer and someone’s pickup.
- Thank you to Home Depot for donating six more boxes of plastic bags for the Can Kennel, which were picked up by John Klein. **Members, if you have small boxes that will hold glass bottles, we have a need. These can be dropped off in the can kennel. These used to be returned to us, but that no longer happens.**
- Tuesday, May 14 is the Arbor Day/Mulch Madness event. Meet at the softball field. This year the school is busing kids to mulch at the park.
- John Klein stated he is completing the Liability Insurance Form for this coming year which is reported to Optimist International for blanket insurance for all Optimist clubs.
- Let your children/ grandchildren know that the Treynor Optimists are sponsoring a Treynor School Bus to take children to swimming lessons at Lewis Central this summer. Dates: Mon-Thurs. June 17-20, and Mon-Thurs. June 24-25. Lessons start at noon in the pool and the cost is \$70. 25 students is the limit. Please see the attached flyer for more information. The form needs to be returned by Monday, May 20 with a check to the Treynor Elementary School Secretary.

Community:

- Jordan Campbell stated the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta was successful last Sunday and they served just short of 110 lbs. of taco meat.
- John Klein announced he has volunteered to lead a discussion group for the new Treynor Tomorrow planning effort. He would like 10 people affiliated somehow with Treynor to meet to discuss what you like about Treynor, what you’d like to see improved, and what you

feel is needed in the future to make us an even better community. His group will meet on the four Thursday evenings of June at the Zion Church fellowship hall starting at 6:30 pm. There will be 11 other discussion groups around Treynor also meeting at different places and times. If this works for you, please call John at 712.309.5992 or email

iowakleins@gmail.com

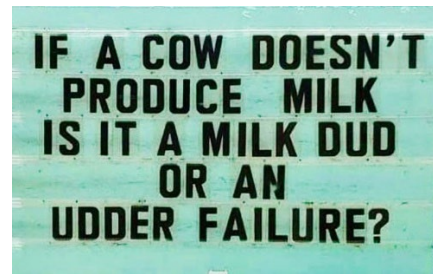
- Jordan Campbell reported that the 4th-6th grade track meet ran smoothly Friday and was held on a perfect day.
- Glenrose Meier announced that there will be a reception for Patty Walter for her retirement from the school to be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church Saturday, May 25 from 2-4 PM.

Community Events:

- Mon., May 13 – Senior Awards Night – 6:00 PM
- Mon., May 13 – Baccalaureate at Zion – 8:00 PM
- Tues., May 14 – Treynor Farmers Market 5:00 PM
- Wed., May 15 - Varsity Girls Soccer Tourn - Treynor
- Th – Sat, May 16-18 – State Track Meet
- Sun., May 19 – Graduation 2:00 PM
- Mon., May 20 – Boys Varsity Soccer Tourn - Treynor
- Tues., May 21 – Last Day of School
- Wed., May 22 – Fundraiser spaghetti supper and silent auction 5-7 PM at Treynor High School Commons for Ava Steeve, age 5, diagnosed with severe aplastic anemia. Daughter of Derek & Amberly Steeve. He is a Treynor teacher. This family also had damage from this past Monday's tornado near Glenwood.
- Wed., May 22 – Varsity Girls Softball – Treynor
- Wed., May 22 – Varsity Boys Baseball – Treynor
- Sat., May 25 – Reception for Patty Walter, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Treynor – 2-4 PM

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

HUMOR



CALENDAR

Events:

May 14	Arbor Day/Mulch Madness 12:30 PM
May 26	Sunday – Can Kennel for Music Boosters 5:00 PM

Birthdays

May 21	Steve Irvin
May 22	Kirk Vorthmann

Anniversaries

None

Programs:

May	Phil Waggoner (3 rd /4 th Sat)
June	Steve Irvin (1 st /2 nd Sat)
	Joel Beyenhof (3 rd Sat)
	Judy Gutttau (4 th /5 th Sat)
July	First three Sat. OPEN
	Joel Beyenhof (4 th Sat)
Aug	Chad Gutttau
Sept	Jim Clausen (1 st /2 nd Sat)
	Bill Vorthmann (3 rd /4 th Sat)
Oct	Gary Gutttau
Nov	Jordan Campbell (1 st /2 nd Sat)
	Jerry Hempel (3 rd /4 th Sat)
Dec	Mick and Judy Gutttau
Speakers	
May 18	Scott Rucker, Boys Basketball Coach
May 25	Joe Chapman, Girls Basketball Coach
June 1	Matt Hansmann, Science Teacher
June 7	Jacob Beresh, Social Science Teacher
June 15	Carrie Currin, Elementary Counselor
	Also Kallie Danker – All State Speech
June 22	Andrew Moats, Co. Recorder, "Property Fraud"
June 29	Vicki Dowling – Treynor History Memories

Editor: Judy Gutttau, judy.gutttau@tsbg.com, 402-670-4330. Contributor: Dee Gutttau
 Dues/Donations/Flag Money: Mail to Optimist Club of Treynor, PO Box 354, Treynor, IA 51575