



The Optimist Club of Treynor, Treynor, IA
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NEWSLETTER

Treynor Optimist Club President:
Dale Willenborg



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Matt Hansmann, Treynor Science Teacher



Matt Hansmann, Treynor High School Science Teacher since 2020, graduated from Boyden-Hull High School in 2015 and from Northwestern College in 2020, and is now working on his Masters' in Administration.

In 2023 Mr. Hansmann received the Treynor American Legion Outstanding Teacher Award and the Charles Lakin Outstanding Teacher Award.

Matt was introduced by Steve Irvin, former Counselor at Treynor High School, who while substituting for Mrs. Floeschinger this year stated he is so impressed with the good young teachers at Treynor.

Matt is married to his wife, Kelsey, and they are expecting their first child in November. They live in Council Bluffs which splits both of their drives to work. They love to watch Jeopardy, visit baseball stadiums, and try new restaurants in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

Hansmann teaches 9-10th grade Biology and 10th-12th grade Chemistry. He also currently teaches Forensic Science, Microbiology, and Nutrition. He coaches the Quiz Bowl team. He is also the head speech coach and is excited that Treynor set a new record of having 8 individuals qualify for All-State Speech. In addition, he is a mentor, serves on the Building Leadership Team, Student Assistance Team and the District Leadership Team.

Matt shared pictures of examples of classroom activities. 1) Forensic Science – one thing learned was what a sketch artist does and they practiced drawing with someone describing what was seen. Some students visited the CSI lab in CB. 2) Chemistry – They learn lab safety and are dealing with fire by Day 3. He tries to get the students in the lab as often as possible. 3)

Biology: – Soap bubbles are similar to cell membranes and the students have a challenge at the end of the day to make the largest bubble. The class does chalk drawings on sidewalks of what is in a cell. This helps break up classroom work of lectures and notes.

Jacob Hedger, Principal during Matt's first two years, became his encourager and mentor to pursuing an administrative degree. He believes developing relationships and encouraging students with their concerns and problems draws him to eventually being an administrator in the distant future.

Hansmann addressed the question of why Treynor students are such good students. He feels the demographics of families contributes plus having support at home for students to do their best. The community shows up at their activities. Treynor has caring and trusting adults. He said the kids at Treynor are overall good students and try hard.

Next week's Speaker:

Jacob Buresh, Treynor Social Science Teacher

FAMOUS QUOTE

"I took a walk in the woods and came out taller than the trees."

Henry David Thoreau

Meeting Minutes

Dale Willenborg, called the meeting to order. Seventeen members were present as well as guests, Matt Hinsmann, Chloe Pryor, Alek Bain, Cadence Quick, Aubree James, and Danny Kinsela.

The group recited the pledge and Steve Irvin gave the prayer.

Jokes: Keith Denton, Bill Vorthmann, and Steve Chambers.

50/50: Glenrose Meier

Attendance: Keith Denton

Birthdays/Anniversaries: We celebrated Steve and Deb Irvin's 48th wedding anniversary which is on June 5.

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

- Gary Gutttau reported on his nerve conduction study, which was a "shocking" experience.
- Dick Fox shared that they will be driving to Eugene, OR to watch their grandson Tyler Brown throw the javelin at nationals.
- Dick also reported that his rain gauge had 2" on Thursday, and for the whole month of May he reported 12" rain.
- Dee Gutttau requested prayer for Gary in dancing the father-daughter dance at Lyse's wedding reception this Sat., June 1.
- Steve Chambers stated his granddaughter attends Doane College and will participate in an educational program in Paris for seven weeks this summer. She landed Wed.

Business:



- **L-R: Danny Kinsela, Aubrey James, Cadence Quick, Alek Bain, Chloe Pryor**
Five Treynor seniors picked up their \$500 Treynor Optimist scholarships this week. Danny Kinsela will attend Boston College to study economics and hopes to attend law school. He hopes to be a soccer walk on or play club soccer or rugby and get involved in a service club.
Aubrey James will attend University of Iowa and pursue nursing with the desire to be a physicians assistant some day. She hopes to be involved in Salt Company and intermural volleyball.

Cadence Quick will attend University of Iowa in elementary education. She hopes to play a club sport and also volunteer at the hospital. Alek Bain will pursue carpentry at Iowa Western Community College and hopes to be in choir and track. Chloe Pryor will attend University of Nebraska – Omaha to study architectural engineering. She hopes to pursue choir, pep band and winter guard.

- Flags will be put up on June 13. Adults from St. Paul Preschool will assist. Meet at 5 PM. The flags will be up through July 4. Bill Vorthmann will be in charge.
- John Klein reported that 27 students have signed up for swimming lessons at Lewis Central and will be transported by a Treynor school bus. Lessons are 45 mins. Each June 17-20 and June 24-27. Steve Fahrenkrog will be a daily chaperone and Impact will provide a high school female student as a daily chaperone.
- Gary Gutttau, Treasurer, reported that \$231,441.08 has been collected to date from the can kennel.

Community Events:

Sat., June 1 – Treynor Alumni Banquet 6:30 at Silos

Sat., June 1 – High School Rodeo Association event at Carson – free.

Mon., June 3 – Treynor Farmer's Market

Mon., June 3 - Treynor JV and Varsity Girls Softball vs IKM in Treynor.

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Tues., June 4 – Primary Election – VOTE

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Fril, June 7 – First Friday Food Truck (watch for announcements)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



HUMOR

My wife just stopped and said, "You weren't even listening, were you?"

I thought to myself...
"That's a pretty strange way to start off a conversation."

CALENDAR

Events:

June 14 Friday-- Put up Flags 5:00 PM

Birthdays

June 16 Dale Willenborg
June 20 Jeff Jorgensen

Anniversaries

June 5 Steve & Deb Irvin
June 15 Steve and Jeannie Chambers
June 28 Mick and Judy Guttau
June 29 Dave and Linda Danker

Programs:

June Steve Irvin (2nd Sat)

July Joel Beyenhof (3rd Sat)
Judy Guttau (4th/5th Sat)
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Dale Willenborg (3rd Sat.)
Joel Beyenhof (4th Sat)
Aug Chad Guttau
Sept Jim Clausen (1st/2nd Sat)
Bill Vorthmann (3rd/4th Sat)
Oct Gary Guttau
Nov Jordan Campbell (1st/2nd Sat)
Jerry Hempel (3rd/4th Sat)
Dec Mick and Judy Guttau

Speakers

June 8 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
July 6 Christine Buresh Ford, "Gather at the
Table" coffee shop ministry – Old Market
Omaha
July 13 Treynor School Board Members, Brandon
Vorthmann and Anica Buckingham Olsen.
July 20 Aaron Terry, Football Offensive
Coordinator for Iowa Western Community
College
July 27 Jill Kay, Treynor Elementary Principal

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