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Optimists

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CLUB MEETING: SAT. MARCH 19,1988

7:00 a.m. Breakfast at Shortline Cafe

7:30 a.m. Meeting in Treynor Record Office

FUTURE PROGRAM: April 2--Scouts. Chris Glade will do the program.

SUMMARY: CLUB MEETING, March 12,1988

Pres. William presided. Sec./Treas. Ken provided the invocation and led the Pledge. (Thanks Ken!) Ms. Alice Falk attended the meeting representing Families of Jr. & Sr. Students who will plan and operate the (After Prom Party). We voted to provide \$100 to help them do the things they plan. Note: If you have any personal contributions you can make to the group, it will be welcome.

----Sgt.-at-Arms Keith and family were in Colorado. Fritz Holst "filled in" for Keith!! Rick Morton forfeited \$9.25 in the attendance drawing. (We repeat our comment of last week: Rick's "luck of the draw" is great. (Three times in last four weeks.) We should plan an evening at Bluffs Run and let Rick do the betting.

---REMINDER: Plan to attend the Annual Trivia Party: March 26; 7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall. Bring guests and bring covered dish. NOTE: Your editor understands we have a new Weather Committee this year and it will not snow that night!

--ANNOUNCEMENTS: Board Meeting March 21 at Pres. Wm's. home. (7:30)

--We will have a "bake sale" April 23. (Plan to help a couple of hours that day AND PLAN TO PROVIDE SOME BAKED GOODS FOR THE SALE.)

---We will have a pancake breakfast in late May.

OBJECT OF THESE EVENTS: Fundraising. We will be spending about \$1,200 on Youth Program in the near future.

---NOTES FROM PAST PRESIDENT FRITZ HOLST: He recently attended an Optimist Club Meeting in Northeast Iowa. He observed 19 of the members present were women and the remaining nine were men. Interesting!! (Ed.Note: This would seem to fit a reported trend in leadership by women in our society in "a growth mode.")

----Fritz also reported having breakfast in a large SE Iowa City with six Japanese Executives. They reported they were in the city to make major adjustments in staff and procedure in a local plant owned by their company in Japan. Productivity was not growing, it seems. Again, this would seem to reflect a trend in "a surging foreign investment in the U.S." According to Managing Editor Thomas Weyr of the National Institute of Business Management, "This surge is replacing our trade deficit as our chief international economic concern." He says it is double what it was in 1982 with Europe leading Japan.

----NOTE: If Dave Mundt presents this newsletter to Sgt.-at-Arms Keith at the Mar.19 meeting, he will be presented with either a fine Road Atlas or a Social Cap. Lou Haack did not claim his Atlas at the March 12 meeting.

HOW DO WE RATE AS AN OPTIMIST CLUB?

--What criteria do we use to judge that? Your Editor suggests: The ACHIEVEMENT & AWARDS SUMMARY FOR ALL CLUBS IN THE DISTRICT sent by Editor of the Iowa District Optimist Newsletter!!

--There is a POINT SYSTEM. By fulfilling various goals, completing projects, etc. we can earn points.

--AS OF FEB. 5,1988 our CLUB: Ranks 31st in the Dist. with a total of 1,050 points. (The lowest Club(s) have zero points and rank 43rd (Note: 32 Clubs are tied at the bottom!!) Our Points come from: 250 for having Dist. & O.I. Dues Paid; 100 for Newsletter; 200 for Road Sign; 500 for a new youth project. In Zone 2 we rank 6th out of 8. EDITOR'S NOTE: Research tells us about 97% of humans are achieving from 5 to 15% of their potential in life. From this report, Optimists fit the research. Of 72 Clubs in Iowa, 6 have 4,000 or more points. POINT: BY PERFORMING AT ABOUT 10 to 15% of

OUR POTENTIAL, WE DO "A LOT". WHAT A TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION WE WOULD BE MAKING IF WE COULD INCREASE OUR ACHIEVEMENTS TO AT LEAST 20% of OUR POTENTIAL!! WOW!!!
[of the 6, 2 have 7,000+ and the other 4 have 4000 to 4950.]