MEETING 7:00 A.M.

EVERY FRIDAY AT TAKE 2 RESTAURANT

Friday, January 2, 2015

Attendance. Fourteen (14) Optimists were in attendance.

Mystery Greeter. The mystery greeter was Gary Engelke, who greeted Leon Neuheisel. Hap, Ernie, Steve and Leon wore their Optimist shirts today.

First Friday Drawings. Free breakfast sometime in January won by: (from those present) Arnie Roper & John Urness; (from those not present) Ron Holl and John Adams.

Joker Draw: Kevin Haertzen's ticket was drawn. Cards left: 15 Card drawn: "NTJ!" (Not the Joker!!); 8 of Spades. Balance in pot: \$1183.

Business Meeting:

- ++ John Urness presented the treasurers report. Our accounts continue to be healthy. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made and seconded. All approved.
- ++ Maxine will kick off the Dime-A-Day promotion in January. Checks to be made payable to Optimist International. She will organize and submit our checks.
- ++ Maxine recognized the members that assisted at Alone for Christmas this year. This could possibly grow into another Community Service Project for our club.
- ++ The SWIS District Conference is scheduled for January 17th in Madison. Maxine, Eileen and Howard plan on attending.
- ++ It was suggested to do a quarterly food drive for the food pantry. Leon will check on the needs. We would be looking at March, June, September and December.
- ++ Maxine is working on a Vision Statement for our club and asked all members to submit their ideas. It would define our club and give us additional direction.
- ++ The possibility of sponsoring a float in the UW Homecoming Parade by partnering with the UW Club.
- ++ Tri-Star Baseball hosted by the UW Club will be May 2nd. Looking at a possible social at Legion Park.

Program: (First meeting of the month; no speaker today.)

Upcoming Speakers for the month:

- January 9 Megan Wilson, UW-Platteville Women's Basketball Coach & player(s).
- January 16 Sandie Brick-Margelofsky from the Robert & James Wright Center for Non-traditional and Veteran students.
- January 23 Assistant Professor Evan Larson from UW-P Geography
- January 30 Theresa Kaiser and Kayla Leibfried from Wisconsin Badger Camp