

# ROOSTER CALL



## PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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Currently Meeting 7:00 AM Fridays at Country Kitchen, Hwy 151, Platteville, WI

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### Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin - Business Meeting – Friday, April 7, 2017

**Attendance:** 24 Members – Tim Boldt, Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Dave Jones, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Fern Nall, Tom Fall, Leon Neuheisel, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Gene Weber, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

**Guests:** Luke Peters

**Mystery Greeter:** Leon Neuheisel greeted Paul Budden.

**Monthly Breakfast Draw:** The following are eligible for a FREE breakfast during April: Present at the meeting were John Urness and Ernie Thalmann. Not present were Virg Pufahl and Arnie Roper.

**Joker Draw:** Gary Engelke managed the joker draw this morning in the absence of Charlie Clark. The ticket drawn belonged to non-other than Bob Weier, who drew the King of Diamonds.

#### **Announcements:**

**Birthdays/Anniversaries:** Leon Neuheisel will be celebrating a birthday on April 9 and we reminded Ernie Thalmann of his upcoming wedding anniversary on April 8.

**Years of membership:** A round of applause was given to Dave Jones recognizing him for his 45 years in the Platteville Optimist Club, joining in in 1972. Also recognized for years of membership was Lynn Schlager 1999, John Urness 2002 and Ron Holl 2003.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING:**

##### **Finance/Administrative:**

**Financial Report:** Asst. Treasurer, John Urness updated the membership with balance information in both the internal account and the youth account. He stated that OI dues are pending, which payment will be reflected in the future budget numbers. Following the Board Meeting on Tuesday, the approval was recommended of the financials as presented. Second by Bob Weier. Carried.

**Youth Activities:** A volunteer signup sheet was circulated for the Tri-Star Basketball event, scheduled for Sunday, April 23, 2017. Bob Weier also reported that tokens from the Dairy Queen will also be handed out at the event.

**Community Service:** Chairperson, Barb Stockhausen had nothing to report.

**Fellowship/Weekly Programs:** see speaker listing below

**Membership:** Eileen Engelke reported we are ready for the luncheon, scheduled for tomorrow, April 8 and being held at FELC hospitality room. We have 12 guests and 6 members currently registered. We also have six silent auction items, with proceeds going to Optimist International Foundation.

**Publicity/Newsletter:** Chairperson, Maxine Lane reported the Facebook Page was up and being well accepted. She displayed the page on her iPad, showing Ron Weier being congratulated by Past Governor Howard Crofoot on being an Honor Club, information on the upcoming Tri-Star Basketball, and miscellaneous daily postings.

**Cheese Curd:** Chairman, Bob Weier had nothing to report.

### President's Soapbox:

\*Director Terms for Eileen Engelke, Doug Martin and Bob Weier are expiring at the end of September. President Haertzen encouraged members to get involved and ask questions to himself of other Board Members.

\*We are in need of a Second Vice President. You have the opportunity to share in leading your club through the progression to First Vice President and eventually President.

\*President Haertzen shared with the membership a copy of the OI Hotline. He encouraged them to review for current news within OI.

\*President Haertzen paid special mention and thanked Howard Crofoot for his success at SWIS District Governor and his Distinguished District Honors earned during his 2015-2016 term. He also acknowledged Maxine Lane for having been recognized for bringing 10 new members into Optimists since her membership date of 2009. Last but certainly not least, President Haertzen recognized Past President Ron Weier for having earned our Club Honor Status during his term as President in 2015-2016.

### New Business:

\*CESA (David Allen) requested support for the upcoming 'Olympiad', which was already budgeted at \$200

\*Notice had been received that the ORION House had disbanded, which was in our budget for \$200

\*A request had been received from PHS Prom Committee for a donation. The Board recommended donating the \$200.00 that had been designated for the ORION House. Second by Maxine Lane. Carried.

\*The Board had discussed making a donation to Moving Platteville Outdoors for the Outdoor Fitness Center. An email had been forwarded to Optimist Members and Gene Weber updated the members present on the current status. Following discussion, members would be asked to donate personally, hoping to reach \$500.00 and would be donated on behalf of Platteville Optimist, allowing our club to be identified at the site entrance. Gene indicated checks should be given to John Urness or Ken Kamps within the next 30 days.

\*The Board discussed establishing a dollar amount to meet unexpected requests. \$500 was discussed. No action taken at this time; however will be considered with the new budget for 2017-2018.

Luke Peters was given the floor to share an earlier proposal of bringing the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium Outreach Program to Platteville. As the Director of City Recreation, he is looking for an organization to partner with and would pursue a Grant from Platteville Community Fund. There was a consensus that this would be a good venture and our part would be to help promote the event. After brief discussion, Kevin Haertzen motioned that we move forward in working with the City Recreation Department. Seconded by Beth Frieders. Carried.

Weekly Speakers: **April Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator(s), Maxine Lane**

**April 14 – Platteville Municipal Airport (car pool from Country Kitchen at 6:45 AM)**

**April 21 – Kaelyn Wiegel & Sarah Iselin (essay winners), Clarissa Sexton (oratorical winner)  
accompanied by parents and teachers, Jay Geisen and Sarah Droessler**

**April 28 – Troy Maggied, Executive Director SWWRPC**

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin by Maxine Lane.

