

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



# "To Impact the lives of youth in a positive and encouraging manner"

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin - Business Meeting - April 6, 2018

<u>Attendance:</u> 30 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcherding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke,

Gary Engelke, Beth Frieders, Dave Jones, Ken Kamps, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Pat Moxness, Tim Murphy, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Becky Schambow, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

<u>Guests:</u> It was a pleasure to welcome Jordan Holthaus as a guest of Bob Weier this morning. Jordan is the new State Farm Insurance representative for Platteville. Jordan introduced himself, indicated he is looking forward to becoming a part of the community and shared that the new office location will be on Business Hwy. 151 across from Walgreens.

Mystery Greeter: After several calls from President Wodarz, Paul Budden heard his calling, announcing that Becky Schambow was the winning handshake this morning.

**Monthly Breakfast Draw:** The following are eligible for a FREE breakfast during April:

Present: Bob Weier and Beth Frieders.

Not present: John Urness and Brad Brogley

<u>Joker Draw:</u> Steve Lane was holding the lucky ticket as the number was called. He settled for his \$2.00, cutting the cards to reveal the 8 of Clubs.

## **Announcements:**

Birthdays: Leon Neuheisel 4/9 ~ Anniversaries: Ernie Thalmann 4/8

<u>Years of membership:</u> It is always a pleasure to recognize members and our Friends of Optimist celebrating years of service to our club.

It is because of our members we can do what we do... "Bring Out The Best In Kids"



Dave Jones – 1974 Lynn Schlager – 1999 John Urness – 2002 Ron Holl – 2003

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Brian & Laura Brown, Peggy Compton, Donna Gavin, Janelle Davis, Gary & Lu Jones, Andrea Pastor, Mary & Greg Sieckman, Linda Thomas, Jeff White Friend of Optimist – Tri-Com (2016)



They say 'laughter is the best medicine', and we have plenty of laughter at our Friday morning meetings, this morning not any different! Just before President Wayne was about to start the Business Meeting, our 'Birthday Boy', Leon, politely reminded members they could leave their birthday presents for him at

the front table on their way out. President Wayne made sure Leon was not disappointed, gathering a few grapes from the members who had the muffin and fruit breakfast choice this morning.

# **BUSINESS MEETING:**

# **Finance/Administrative:**

<u>Financial Report:</u> Treasurer Kamps updated the membership on financials, providing the balance in both the internal account and youth account. He indicated the majority of the payouts from the youth account happen in August/September. Board was recommending approval. Motion was seconded by Bob Weier. Carried.

<u>Donation Request:</u> President Wayne stated there were several donations requests, all but one not meeting the mission of our organization, and were declined by the Board. The one that did fall in line with our mission was from the HUNCH program, which we had supported in 2015. President Wayne stated this year two teams from PHS qualified for the trip to Houston. Information was not received in time for discussion at the Board Meeting; however, Board Members had been conversing via email prior to the meeting this morning. The majority were in favor of supporting this program again, the question being how much and where to take the funds from. The initial request was for \$500. The Board was leaning towards \$250. After considerable discussion and information from K Kamps regarding dollars that had been returned to the club due to an overpayment, motion to donate \$500 was made by Hap Daus, seconded by Gary Engelke. Carried with no dissenting votes.

Youth Activities: Tim Boldt, Chair, Dan Engelke

Upcoming activities were summarized.

\*Tri-Star Basketball April 7, noon to 2 at UW-P Bo Ryan Court, District Event April 14 Mukwonago. Chairman T Boldt said set-up would start at 11:30. He also has hand out items from Dairy Queen and A&W.

Community Service: Ernie Thalmann, Chair

Update on StoryWalk which opened Easter weekend. Small crowd due to unpleasant weather.

<u>Fellowship/Weekly Programs:</u> Becky Schambow, Chair, C Clark, P Compton, F Nall, B Weier, P Swift \*April speakers appear below. Thanks to Beth Frieders for coordinating.

**Membership:** Barb Stockhausen, Chair

- \*NOW meeting set for April 21 at FELC Fellowship Hall. RSVP by 4/13 with number attending.
- \*New member incentive: Members who successfully signup 2 or more members through the NOW luncheon will receive a 50% discount on their 2018-2019 dues.
- \*Silent auction items are still needed

**Publicity/Newsletter:** Maxine Lane, Chair, Maggie Kleisath, Chris Budden, Mary Sieckman, Fern Nall

**Cheese Curds:** Kevin Haertzen, Chair, Bob Weier, Steve Lane, John Urness, Gary Engelke

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Wayne Wodarz, Chair, Maxine Lane, Eileen Engelke, Duane Borgen, Charlie Clark, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, John Urness, Kevin Haertzen

President Wodarz updated the members on the status of the events being planned:

- \*Full page ad will publish April 26,
- \*Proclamation and tot slide check scheduled for April 24 Council Meeting
- \*Celebration reception June 23, PGCC,

## **Old Business:**

- \*New name badges tabled until next budget setting
- \*Dairy Day Update: Information received indicates Optimist vendor fee the same as last year.

# **New Business:**

- \*Need to seriously consider members for new Board positions as well as a Second VP.
- \*Ken Kamps announced after serving as Treasurer for 19 years, he is stepping down, thus we will also be looking to fill this vacany.

# **Other Business:**

- \*SWIS District Conference May 4-5 at the Kalahari in the WI Dells.
- \*President Wayne shared with the membership an invite to the open house for WI Badger Camp, scheduled for Friday, May 25.
- \*A Thank you was also acknowledged from CESA 3 for our donation.





It was a pleasure for President Wayne to acknowledge Treasurer, Ken Kamps this morning presenting him with a plaque and watch from Optimist International. This is in recognition of Ken's efforts as Treasurer in helping our club achieve Distinguished Club status in 2016-2017.

Weekly Speakers: Thank you to Beth Frieders for coordinating our April speakers.

April 13 – John Peterson – Amphibian and reptile studies in Grant County

April 20 - Eva Birtell - Summer Internship with NASA working on growing plants in space

April 27 – Alex Harman, UWP Biology Dept. – Program to increase native plants for pollinators

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin by Maxine Lane

