

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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



Becky Schambow, President
Dan Engelke, President Elect
Wayne Wodarz, Past President
Tom Nall, Vice President
Duane Borgen, Treasurer
Maxine Lane, Secretary

Directors

Tim Boldt *Chris Budden*
Pat Moxness *Tim Murphy*
Mary Sieckman *Ernie Thalmann*

***“To Impact the lives of youth
in a positive and encouraging manner”***

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Business Meeting**

Attendance: 22 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Howard Crofoot, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Dave Jones, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Tim Murphy, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, Gene Weber, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

Update on Bob Weier: Ron Weier informed the membership that Bob will be transferred to Unity Point Intense Rehab in Dubuque today. A 10 bed rehab facility will provide Bob with specialized rehabilitation that he needs to recover from the stroke he had in February.

Mystery Greeter: Steve Lane greeted Eileen Engelke.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: The first April birthday to celebrate is Leon Neuheisel on April 9. Celebrating April anniversaries is Bob and Jeanette Stephens on April 2, Ernie and Shirley Thalmann on April 8, Paul and Chris Budden April 14 and Eileen and Tom Nickels on April 25.



Membership Anniversaries

*Dave Jones (lifetime member)-1974, Lynn Schlager-1999,
John Urness-2002, Ron Holl-2003*

Joining in 2017

*Brian & Laura Brown, Peggy Compton, Janelle Davis,
Donna Gavin, Mary & Greg Sieckman, Linda Thomas, Jeff White*

Joining in 2018

*Cathy Cotter, Jordan Holthaus, Hannah Rewey
Friend of Optimist - Tri-Com, Inc., 2016*

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

Present: Becky Schambow & Duane Borgen. **Not present:** Charlie Clark & Ann Kronke

Joker Draw: Tom Nall was holding the lucky ticket when announced, drawing the eight of spades.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Finance/Administrative: Duane Borgen, Chair, B Schambow, E Engelke, D Engelke

Treasurer's Report: D Borgen provided the membership with the balance(s) for both the internal and youth account. Board recommended approval. Second by H Crofoot. Carried.

Bylaw Updates: President Schambow displayed an overhead view of the section within our bylaws that identifies our audit procedures, which are based on a suggested template provided by OI. She noted that OI does allow Clubs to adjust this section of their Club's Bylaws. In addition, she provided overhead view of sections of OI Bylaws relative to OI Finances and District Finances. OI identifies that the Optimist International accounts have an annual "audit", conducted by a CPA. In OI Bylaws relative to "District Finances", the term "audit" is not used, but states "an annual review of the books of account" will be conducted. President Schambow noted that after extensive review and comparison to OI and District audit/review practices, the Board of Directors recommended changing Article X – Section 6 of our Club Bylaws to state:

"The Board of Directors shall arrange for, at a minimum, an annual review of the financial accounting transactions, as of September 30th (*fiscal year end*), by an Independent Certified Accountant, or a review committee appointed by the Board of Directors. The review committee will consist of members who are not also members of the Board of Directors. The report thereon, shall be submitted to the Board of Directors no later than December 31st of each year.

Following discussion, H Crofoot suggested an amendment, stating the **review committee** consists of no fewer than 3 members. T Nall motioned to approve the amendment, second by R Weier. Carried.

Scholarship Policy: President Schambow provided an overhead outline of our current policy and changes that were being recommended by the board. Primary changes included: identification that one \$1000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a student attending a four-year college, and a second scholarship of \$1000. will be awarded to a student attending a technical college; added that scholarships are to be awarded to students with a GPA not exceeding 3.25; changed that awards will be provided when students have successfully completed the first semester in upcoming school year; and changed policy to state that the check will be made out to the college on behalf of the student. Following detailed discussion, board recommendation was approved on motion of G Engelke, with one opposing vote.

Committee Guidelines: President Schambow stated she has provided a suggested standardized format for all committee chairs. These guidelines will be used as a resource for development and mentoring new members and committees going forward. These documents are in process and although a date of April 1 was established, they will be completed as soon as possible.

Donation Policy/Joker Draw Policy: Tabled until May Board Meeting

Youth Activities: D Engelke, Chair, W Wodarz, T Boldt, G Sieckman

Tri-Star Basketball: President Schambow thanked the committee and members who volunteered their time at this event. There were 36 youth that participated of which 9 will go on to the district competition on 4.13.19.

Youth Golf: Committee has tabled discussion until a future date.

Community Service: E Thalmann, Chair, H Crofoot, G Engelke, S Lane

Platteville Food Pantry: Ernie had contacted the food pantry manager and found that during the holidays the pantry is overwhelmed with donations. He was told the need increases at the end of the school year. It was decided we would donate our budgeted amount and also collect from members the first Friday in June.

Fellowship/Weekly Programs: P Moxness, Chair, F Nall, L Thomas, B Weier, P Compton, J Bahr

Weekly Speakers: Included below

Golf Outing Social: In the planning stages.

Membership: T Nall, C Budden, Co-Chairs, C Borcharding, C Clark, E Engelke

Spring Luncheon: 62 invitations have been mailed, 7 affirmative responses to date.

Tri-Star Event: Table at the Tri-Star event was very well done and will be included in other community events.

Publicity/Newsletter: M Lane, Chair, M Kleisath, P Hahn, M Sieckman, C Budden

Facebook Update: M Lane stated she had boosted the post for the Tri-Star event which resulted in over 1,000 new views to our site and increased our followers by 10.

Cheese Curds: K Haertzen, Chair, T Murphy, S Lane, G Engelke, J Holthaus, B Weier, M Haas

OTHER BUSINESS:

Correspondence:

*Letter from Kiwanis relative to PMS and PHS 'Sports World' program. This is an outreach for students who may be struggling and seeking support. Students were informed they could text CHOICE to 494949 for help.

*Letter from Easter Seals of Wisconsin for financial support. Board did not feel this met our mission.

*Email from Sarah Luth of American Red Cross reaching out for volunteers. Members interested could contact President Schambow for additional information.

Weekly Speakers:

Thank you to Maxine for coordinating our April speakers.

April 12: Sally Stead and Kelly Hubbard – The bond of adoption. Special Guest: Blakley Hubbard

April 19: Oratorical and Essay Winners – will recite/read their entry

April 26: Kelly Sponsler, Middle School Optimists (JOI Club)

Minutes taken and drafted by Maxine Lane



Just in case you are interested!

REMINDER

**T-shirt orders are due by April 10 for the upcoming Cheese Curd season. If interested, contact Max by April 10.
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