

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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

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

Attendance: 25 Members – Tim Boldt, Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Dave Jones, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Tom Fall, Leon Neuheisel, Jerry Schewe, Joy Schewe, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, Linda Thomas, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

Guests: Parker Velte and his mother, Lori Velte

Mystery Greeter: Steve Lane greeted Beth Frieders.

Monthly Breakfast Draw: The following are eligible for a FREE breakfast during July: Present at the meeting: Kevin Haertzen and Steve Lane. Not present: Guy Stead and Steve Kleisath.

Joker Draw: Two for two this morning for Steve Lane. However, cut of the cards, revealed the 4 of clubs.

Announcements:

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Leon Neuheisel would be celebrating a wedding anniversary on July 11.

Years of membership: It is always a pleasure to recognize members and our Friends of Optimist celebrating years of service to our club. Without all of our members and FOOs, we could not do for our 'Kids' what we do. Virgil Pufahl (1975), Jim Boll (1976), Barb Stockhausen (1973), Terry Beebe (2007), Warco Transportation (2015), Dairy Queen/Country Kitchen (2015), My Tires (2016). Thank you for your service and help in serving our youth.

Special Presentation: In May, our club sponsored High School Sophomores from Platteville, Lancaster and Iowa Grant for the opportunity to attend the Wisconsin Leadership Seminar, held at University of Whitewater. This morning it was a pleasure to welcome Parker Velte, Iowa Grant High School. He requested to join our meeting to not only share his experience but to also say thank you for the opportunity provided to him.

Parker shared that the program, activities and networking was an experience that had a lifelong impact on him. He made friends for life and learned how to work/communicate with people of different ethnicity, religious beliefs and living cultures. There is a reunion later this year, of which Parker is planning to attend, to once again connect with his friends. Parker hopes to be a part of the selection committee for next year in choosing an Iowa Grant sophomore to attend this conference.



BUSINESS MEETING:

Finance/Administrative:

President Haertzen acknowledged and passed around thank you notes received from donation recipients Peggy Compton on behalf of the 8th grade graduation party, Platteville Food Pantry (quarterly member donations), Platteville Swim Team and Rountree Art Gallery.

Financial Report: Information was provided by Ken Kamps and recommended approval on behalf of the Board. After discussion, motion was seconded by Beth Frieders. Carried

Youth Activities: Flick and Float is scheduled for August. Dollars have been budgeted to support this activity; however, we are going to contact City Recreation Director to check on the status, date, attendance, etc.

Community Service:

*Plans are pending to have the signage on the Museum Train Engine refurbished. The club funded this engine back in the 70s. The signage has become worn and needs to be replaced. We will check with Tuud Bowden on having this redone.

*Sign-up sheet for Party in the Park was circulated for volunteers.

Fellowship/Weekly Programs:

*See speaker listing below

*Summer Social scheduled for July 22, rsvp on or before July 18.

Membership:

*Plans to recognize our Friends of Optimist with signage at Cheese Curd Events

*Newspaper ad in October announcing our 50th Anniversary, acknowledge our FOOs, and identify the number of youth activities/organizations we support.

Publicity/Newsletter: Chairperson, Maxine Lane again encouraged everyone if they had not liked our page to do so which will further spread our information. She stated she recently posted the picture of Luke Peters at the July 4th fireworks holding the signage for Platteville Optimist as a supporter.

Cheese Curds:

*New floor mats will be installed in the trailer

*The work schedule for Grant County Fair was prepared and given to Ken Kamps. An email will be sent to members encouraging them to sign up by emailing Ken.

*The Board recommended to the members that we have only one size cheese curd serving, being what we know as the large for \$7.00. After discussion, recommendation was seconded by Ken Kamps. Carried.

Old Business: National Mississippi River Museum Program presentations are being scheduled.

New Business:

*Annual Installation/Awards Banquet is scheduled for September 24. Details TBA

*Optimist shirts are being decided upon and will be shared in email to place orders

*President Haertzen congratulated new Board Members: Tim Boldt, Mary Sieckman and Ernie Thalmann.

*Annual SWIS Convention: August 25-26 in Milwaukee

Weekly Speakers: Thank you Paul Budden for coordinating our speakers for July!!

July 14 – Jon Meidinger (Senior Center) scheduled by Ken Kamps

July 21 – Dave Niehaus (Platteville Fire Inspector)

July 28 – Melissa Lovell (Platteville’s first female Firefighter)

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin by Maxine Lane

