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

Vision Statement: "To Impact the lives of youth in a positive and encouraging manner"

2019 - 2020 Officers and Board of Directors



Officers: Dan Engelke, President – Tom Nall, Vice President – Tim Boldt, Second Vice President – Wayne Wodarz, Past President – Duane Borgen, Treasurer – Becky Schambow, Secretary

<u>Board of Directors:</u> Chris Budden, Steve Lane, Tim Murphy, Doug Martin, Leon Neuheisel, and Linda Thomas

Platteville Optimist – Business Meeting Friday, November 1, 2019

Attendance: There were 28 members attending including: Jim Boebel, Tim Boldt, Carley Borcherding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Gary Engelke, Mark Essex, Beth Frieders, Bob Hundhausen, David Jones, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Eileen McCartney, Leon Neuheisel, Virgil Pufahl, Alaina Reeves, Becky Schambow, Robert Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, Linda Thomas, and Rod Thomas.

Guests to Welcome: The meeting was called to order by President Dan Engelke who welcomed Bob Hundhausen's daughter Gabriella as a guest.

Mystery Greeter: The Mystery Greeter today was Maxine Lane, who greeted Duane Borgen.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: President D. Engelke noted the following members have birthdays in the upcoming week: Matt Bohlken on Nov. 3rd; and Jeff White on Nov. 7th. *There were no anniversaries in the upcoming week.*

Membership Anniversaries this month: President D. Engelke noted the following membership anniversaries this month include: Jim Olds *(Charter Member)* in 1989; Anne Klawiter in 1989; and Dan Engelke and Joy Schewe in 2015. Friends of Optimists anniversaries included: Busch Insurance in 2015; and Country Inn and Morrissey Printing who jointed in 2017.

Breakfast Drawing: The following names were drawn for a free breakfast this month. Present: Rod Thomas and Paul Budden. Not present: Mike Hahn and Ron Weier.

Joker Draw: A twist occurred this week when Hap Daus drew Charlie Clark's ticket. As the usual shuffler, Charlie got to draw for the joker instead. He drew the Ace of Spades, but received the \$2. consolation prize.

BUSINESS MEETING

Finance/Administrative:

- Treasurer's Report Period Ending 10-28-2019: Duane Borgen provided members with the Financial Report for the end of October noting an internal account balance of \$9,121.11, and the youth account balance of \$26,444.22. The Board recommended approval, which was seconded by Maxine Lane and carried unanimously.
- Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020: Copies of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 were placed on each table prior to the meeting for member's review in addition to displaying the budget via overhead screen. D. Borgen highlighted the budget being proposed identifying a balanced budget of \$10,445 for the internal account, however, the youth account showed revenues anticipated at \$16,655 with expenditures of \$21,233. D. Borgen noted we've had an increase in our youth accounts over past two years, so it was recommended that we spend down some of that amount. D. Borgen also noted that our "Donation Request" forms were sent out and received by agencies requesting money. This was helpful to the Finance Committee in determining what agencies were requesting, as well as in determining timelines for distribution, etc. The Board recommended approval of the budget as printed. Seconded by Paul Budden, motion carried.

Committee Update Highlights:

Finance Committee:

- Annual Review of Books of Accounts: President D. Engelke reported that the Board recommended asking Doug Rogers, (Honkamp and Krueger Friend of Optimist) to conduct a review of Platteville Optimist books of accounts for fiscal year 2018-2019. President Engelke noted that as per Bylaws we need an additional two members (not Board members) to assist with this process. Bob Hundhausen and Gary Engelke graciously volunteered to assist. D. Borgen will be responsible to coordinate this review.
- Check Signers: As per Finance Guidelines, President Engelke noted that we need to determine who will be the authorized check signers for this fiscal year, noting that the designees in the past have been Duane Borgen, Eileen Engelke, and Ken Kamps. As Treasurer, Duane will continue to be the primary check writer. Gary Engelke reported that Eileen would be willing to continue, but it was suggested that due to the fact that Ken is not available for the months that he winters in the south, a replacement be named for him. Alaina Reeves volunteered to be named in Ken's place.

Youth Committee:

- **JOI:** President Engelke and Becky Schambow noted that Wayne Wodarz reported at the recent Board meeting that the committee hopes to get the JOI Club members active with assisting in planning and facilitating our youth events.
- Bike Safety: President Engelke noted that the Youth Committee wants to ensure that the Bike Safety program, primarily led by the Noon Club in the past, continues. Bob Hundhausen, prior Noon Club member, noted that he has cases of bike helmets for the event.
- Essay and Oratorical Contests: It was reported that the Committee is in preliminary planning stages to facilitate the Essay and Oratorical Contests. The

- Committee is pleased to have Christine Storlie on their Committee. Christine is a prior Noon Club member who has been a vital leader in this program in the past.
- Tri-Star Basketball Event: Tim Boldt noted that March 28th or April 4th are prospective dates for the Tri-Star event. The Committee will be determining and finalizing the date in addition to the venue. Tim reported that the event may take place at Westview Elementary School where they have the ability to lower the basketball rim/hoops, otherwise UW-Platteville may have a portable rim/hoop that could be used to accommodate the younger participants.
- Community Service: Committee had nothing to report at this time.
- Fellowship Committee:
 - November Speakers: Speakers recruited by Doug Martin include:
 - Jeff Gard, UW-Platteville Men's Basketball Coach Nov. 8th;
 - Kathy Kopp, Executive Director, Platteville Chamber of Commerce Nov 15th;
 - Kelly McNiff, UW-Platteville Women's Basketball Coach Nov. 22nd.
 - Speaker Recruiter Needed; President Engelke noted that a speaker recruiter is needed for the month of May. If anyone would be willing to do this, they should contact Linda Thomas.
 - Holiday Party: It was reported that the Committee is beginning to plan for the Holiday Party, with January dates being considered.

o Membership:

- **Membership Changes:** It was reported that John Adams and Barb Stockhausen have withdrawn their personal memberships.
- **New Member(s):** Mark Essex has submitted his application for membership, and Barb Stockhausen has submitted a "Friend of Optimist" application for H & R Block. The Board recommended approval of these applications. Seconded by Carley Borcherding, motion carried.

INSTALLATION:

President D. Engelke was pleased to induct Rod Thomas as a returning Platteville Optimist Club Member.

Pictured left to right: President Engelke, Rod Thomas, and Rod's wife Linda (who was Rod's sponsor).

Welcome Rod.



Publicity / Newsletter & Website Committee: The Committee is still in need of members.
It was also noted that volunteers are needed to record notes on non-business Friday morning meetings. Please contact Mary or Becky if you would like to help with this.

Cheese Curd Committee:

- Grant County Fair Sales: President Engelke and Gary Engelke reported that the Grant County Fair Committee expressed a concern that we did not have our booth open on Sunday at the fair. Gary explained that we had run out of curds and supplies, but the Committee will address this in an effort to prevent this from happening next year.
- Dairy Day Sales: It was reported that the Committee will look at our Sunday sales schedule for Dairy Days next year as people were lined up at 11:00 a.m. wanting to buy curds when booth wasn't scheduled to open until noon.

Old Business: Nothing applicable at this time.

New Business:

- **Demographic Information Policy:** President Engelke noted that the Board reviewed and concurred with our current "Demographic Information" policy. It was noted that this policy identifies that our Club members' email list serve / addresses will only be used for "Optimist Club business only".
- Meeting Dates Around Holidays: It was noted that we will not have a Friday meeting on the day after Thanksgiving in 2019 or 2020. In addition, Christmas will be on a Friday in 2020, so there will not be a meeting on that day.

Other Business:

- Adopt a Family: President Engelke noted receipt of correspondence asking if our Club would be interested in participating in the "Adopt a Family" holiday project. He noted that this was discussed by the Board who did not feel this was in line with our mission.
- Awards at SWIS District Conference: Maxine Lane displayed a framed print that was presented to our Club for our donation to the OI Foundation. It was recommended that this print, and a print received in previous year, be given to Family Advocates for display in their home, or to the Platteville Library. In addition, Maxine showed the members a "365" award patch that will be added to our banner. This patch is in recognition of our Club's "unrestricted donation to OI" of \$365 or \$1 per day through the Dime-A-Day program.
- Request for Optimist Wear: It was noted that some members requested to order Optimist shirts, vests, or sweatshirts. Becky will work with Mary Sieckman and Mike Hahn to get some samples.

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion was made by Beth Frieders, seconded by Tim Boldt, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Becky Schambow, Secretary