

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin - Friday, October 28, 2016

<u>Attendance:</u> 27 Members – *Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Dan Engelke, Gary Engelke, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Arnie Roper, Joy Schewe, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Wayne Wodarz (*16 wearing Optimist shirts) Howard Crofoot, Eileen Engelke, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Dave Jones, Doug Martin, Fern Nall, Becky Schambow, Jerry Schewe, Guy Stead, Bob Stephens.

<u>Guests:</u> Sally Stead, wife of Guy joined the meeting this morning.

Mystery Greeter: Maxine Lane was the lucky person greeted this morning by Maggie Kleisath.

Joker Draw: Two weeks in a row, but no winner this morning. Barb Stockhausen had her ticket drawn this morning, after winning the pot last week. This morning she drew the 8 of spades.

Business Meeting:

**Ken Kamps was celebrating his birthday today. Members sang Happy Birthday. A second Happy Birthday was sung to Guy Stead, who would be celebrating his birthday on Friday, October 29.

**President Haertzen reminded members to present any budget questions to a board member before Nov. 1 **Doug Martin reported all tickets have been turned in except 5 (which were brought to the meeting) and all have been sold. First drawing will be Monday, October 31.

**President Haertzen reminded members to sign-up for 2017 speakers and/or contact Becky Schambow. **Maxine reminded the membership of the first quarter SWIS District Conference on Saturday, November 19. President Haertzen is attending. Maxine stated it is open to all members.

Program:

Becky Schambow introduced brothers, Cory and Ryan Weigel.

Cory is a 1998 graduate of UW-Platteville. In 1999, Cory started working as Dairy Enterprise Manager at the University Pioneer Farm, managing a dairy herd of 150 milk cows and working with 15-20 hired students that also attend UW-P. In 2003 Cory received his graduate degree in Adult Education and in 2012 started teaching Dairy Cattle Evaluation, which covers evaluating dairy cattle for type and production. Cory coaches the UW-P Judging Team along with his brother, Ryan.

Ryan is Vice-President of "Dairy Sire Procurement for Accelerated Genetics" in Baraboo and co-owner of K.H.W. Genetics. In 2010 Ryan received the Outstanding Alumni Award and in 2012 the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture's Service Award, from UW-P. Ryan is an assistant coach for UW-P Dairy Judging Team and has served as an official for multiple judging contests throughout Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. Ryan has also judged internationally in Australia, Japan and Hungary.

Cory and Ryan shared the challenges student teams are faced with in cattle judging and the goal to reach the World Dairy Expo. This morning our task was to participate in the judging a selection of 4 different Ayrshire cows. The tables became teams and considered the qualifying factors, as described by Cory and Ryan, and rate the cows from 1st to 4th. Needless to say, none of the teams had a perfect score! Concluding the presentation there was time for questions. This was a very interesting presentation learning about and experiencing cow judging.



<u>Weekly Speakers:</u> Please consider coordinating speakers for a month in 2017. If interested, please contact Becky Schambow (732-8981).

November Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator, Doug Martin

November 11: Megan Wilson, UW-P Women's Basketball CoachNovember 18: Karen Kurt, City ManagerNovember 25: No meeting, time for share Thanksgiving with family and friends.



Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call by Maxine Lane



