

# ROOSTER CALL



## PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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 – Friday, July 14, 2017**

**Attendance:** 29 Members – Duane Borgen, Laura Brown, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Terri Ellis, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Dennis Helbing, Dave Jones, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Steve Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Gary Munson, Leon Neuheisel, Becky Schambow, Joy Schewe, Greg Sieckman, Tom Sigwarth, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz

**Guest:** Carley Borcharding

**Mystery Greeter:** Hap Daus was the recipient this morning, greeted by Maxine Lane.

**Joker Draw:** It happens so seldom, when the number was called, she did not even check her ticket. Yes, none other than Beth Frieders was holding the winning ticket, but winning was not to be, drawing the 10 of clubs.

### **Announcements:**

**Birthdays/Anniversaries:** One birthday to celebrate, Gary Engelke on July 15. Dan Engelke was overheard wishing Gary a happy 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday (it’s all about having fun!!)

**Summer Social:** President Haertzen reminded members of the social on Saturday, July 22.

**Mississippi River Outreach:** Dates being considered were noted 10/12/17, 12/14/17, 2/8/18 and 4/12/18

**Program:** Thanks to Ken Kamps for arranging our speaker this morning, Jon Meidinger, Senior Center Manager. Jon has been a part of the Senior Center for approximately 3 years. Starting as a volunteer he eventually applied for a position of Assistant to the Manager, where he served for just over a year and when the position of Manager became available; he again applied and was moved into that position. Jon stated that currently for the center and himself as manager, this is not only a dynamic time but also a dramatic time, considering the anticipated move to the OE Gray facility. This move will allow for added space, and increased opportunities. A very informative presentation, Jon focused on the many benefits of a Senior Center. One of the more important facts being how important it is to get and keep people engaged, getting seniors out of the house and preventing isolation. The center offers cards, bingo, meals, and speakers on various subjects, trips, transportation and other activities. In addition to a host of volunteers, the center has three part-time staff, himself, Jill Goffinet, Program Director and a driver. The move to the new facility is scheduled for this fall.



**Weekly Speakers:** **July Programs, Coordinator(s), Paul Budden**

**July 21, 2017 – Dave Niehaus, Platteville Fire Inspector**

**July 28, 2017 – Melissa Lovell, Platteville’s first female Firefighter**

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call by Maxine Lane