

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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Attendance: 27 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Penny Droessler, Dan Engelke, Gary Engelke, Kevin Haertzen, Dave Jones, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Alaina Reeves, Becky Schambow, Jerry Schewe, Bob Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, Linda Thomas.

Mystery Greeter: Linda Thomas was our mystery person greeting Leon Neuheisel.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Beginning of the month we have several birthdays and anniversaries to celebrate. Linda Thomas celebrates a birthday on June 1 and upcoming anniversaries on June 2 are Tim & Angie Boldt, Jerry & Joy Schewe and Greg & Mary Sieckman!

Joker Draw: A familiar name most recently, Steve Lane, accepting his \$2 by drawing the 2 of diamonds.

Mail/Thank You Notes/Club Acknowledgements:

*A thank you was received from Hunter Safety acknowledging our financial support.

*Howard provided a picture from the third quarter SWIS conference, which included the 3 winners of the oratorical contest in addition to a picture of Howard with the family of Leah Mergen.



*At the SWIS District Third Quarter Conference, Jerry Schewe was awarded a Distinguished Benefactor Pin for his generous support of \$5,000 to OIF during his lifetime tenure as an Optimist Member. President Schambow had the pleasure of presenting the pin to Jerry this morning.

OLD BUSINESS/REMINDERS:

Golf Social: Linda Thomas updated the membership that the golf social was going to take place. We would like to have additional golfers and encouraged members to invite guests. Non-golfers will have other activities such as bean bag and lunch will be served at noon.

Board/Officer Members: President Schambow stated we have member volunteers to fill the upcoming Board vacancies as well as Second Vice President. Following approval at the June Board Meeting, names will be provided to the membership.

NEW BUSINESS: n/a

T-shirts: Maxine mentioned that she would be placing another shirt order. There are still some available; however, if another size is needed, contact Maxine at msmacy105@yahoo.com or 608.778.7786. Great for cheese curds, party in the park or simply identifying yourself as a member of the Optimist Club of Platteville. Order will be placed on June 12 so contact Max ASAP. New members may want to consider ordering as the t-shirts are nice to have for working our annual cheese curd event(s) at Grant County Fair and Dairy Days. Cost is \$8.00. Please indicate size and color.



Program: Having scheduled two different speakers, both of which had to cancel because of a work conflict and illness, Maxine offered to speak to the membership on our Junior Optimist Club at the Platteville Middle School in addition to her upcoming new position as SWIS District Governor Elect and eventual Governor.



Maxine reported that the JOI Club currently has 20 active members and the school advisor is Kelly Sponsler. There are a number of activities the students, 6th, 7th and 8th graders, participate in to serve organizations within the community. In December, the JOI club donated \$300 to the Middle School Giving Tree to support a family in need during the holiday season. The club is approximately 1 year old and continues to be active.

Maxine excitedly confirmed that she will assume the position of Governor Elect for the SWIS District come October, 2019 and in October, 2020, will accept the position of Governor. She stated she finds it difficult to exactly identify what drives her to take on this responsibility other than she is doing it for the kids.

She further stated that following her involvement with the recent oratorical event, this was the turning point for her in making her decision to enter the election for SWIS District Governor Elect. Seeing what the students were capable of doing inspired her to become further involved in an effort to make a difference for our youth.

Considering Maxine's new position, she will not be continuing as club Secretary. This is a vital position to the club and members are encouraged to step forward and offer their time and talent for the position. Maxine also performs multiple other duties for the club which will also have to be distributed to other members. If you are interested in helping with some or all of these duties, please contact President Becky Schambow at beckyschambow@gmail.com

Weekly Speakers: Thanks to Ken Kamps for scheduling our June Speakers.

June 7: Business Meeting

June 14: Grant County Sheriff, Nate Dreckman will speak on human trafficking

June 21: Ron Boldt will speak on the history of the fire department

June 28: Tom Goodney who is an expert witness at trials

Minutes taken and drafted by Maxine Lane

Optimist Golf Outing is scheduled for June 22nd beginning at 9 am. Still time to sign up and invite friends to join you. Contact Fern Nall (f_nall@hotmail.com) or Linda Thomas (lindalouthomas53@gmail.com) Bean bag and other activities available for non-golfers. Lunch will be at noon at the Country Club. Cost for lunch is \$10.00