

# 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 - Business Meeting – October 5, 2018**

**Attendance:** 28 Members – Joan Bahr, Tim Boldt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Pat Moxness, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Virg Pufahl, Becky Schambow, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Bob Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

Past President Wayne Wodarz opened the meeting, providing the membership an update on the Presidency. He had received notice from Barb Stockhausen that having given serious consideration to her position as President of our Club; she has decided to step down. Her decision was difficult, to say the least, but due to her personal business and her involvement with City Council, she was concerned about doing justice to all aspects of the job as President and giving proper attention to her other responsibilities. With that said, Wayne announced that Becky Schambow has agreed to step into the position one year earlier than planned and also that Dan Engelke had been approached and agreed to fill the position of First Vice President. Past President Wodarz stated it was an honor to hand the gavel over to President Schambow to conduct her first meeting.

President Schambow acknowledged and supported the decision that Barb had made and stated she would be reaching out to Barb for her support and expertise as she would also with Wayne and others. She asked for everyone's support during the upcoming year and to bear with her as she also learns more about her position and Optimist in general. With that, she continued with several announcements before breakfast.



### **Presentation to Wayne Wodarz:**

Having recruited his first new member, President Schambow presented Wayne with a pin, recognizing him for bringing a new member into the Club. Congratulations, Wayne. Hopefully the first of many!

*Each new member reaches 35 children  
It's All About . . .  
What We Are All About!*

**Guests to Welcome:** n/a

**Mystery Greeter:** Fern Nall was our greeter this morning, announcing that Greg Sieckman was the recipient; however, he had already left the meeting due to another commitment. His ticket was closely monitored.

**Monthly Breakfast Draw:** The following are eligible for a FREE breakfast during October:

Present: Bob Stephens and Greg Sieckman. Not present: Angie Udelhofen and Tom Jonas

**Joker Draw:** Steve Lane had the lucky ticket, letting Maxine draw for a chance to win 'her birthday present' but just was not to be, drawing the 7 of hearts.

## **Announcements:**

**Birthdays:** A few early October birthdays...Maxine, today 10/5 was the recipient of the 'Happy Birthday' song. Also celebrating birthdays was Steve Kleisath on October 8 and Terri Ellis on October 9.

**Anniversaries:** One anniversary this morning, Dennis Helbing celebrating on October 11.

**Years of membership:** It is always a pleasure to recognize members and our Friends of Optimist celebrating years of service to our club. It is because of our members we can do what we do...

“Bring Out the Best in Kids”



*Ken Kamps - 1970*  
*Deb McWilliams - 1995 ~ Angie Udelhofen - 2001*  
*Ernie Thalmann - 2008 ~ Brad Brogley - 2015*  
*Friends of Optimist*  
*Oakpark Dental - 2016, Gene Weber - 2016,*  
*Garvey Auto - 2016, Mindful Solutions - 2016*

**Installation/Awards Banquet:** President Schambow reminded members of the banquet scheduled for this Sunday at the Elks. If anyone was interested in attending and had not signed up, they could still sign up.

## **BUSINESS MEETING:**

**2018-2019 Officers and Board of Directors:** President Schambow announced her 2018-2019 team, stating she looks forward to working with each individual as a team, supporting our club and having a great year.

### Officers

Dan Engelke, President Elect  
Tom Nall, Vice President  
Duane Borgen, Treasurer  
Maxine Lane, Secretary  
Wayne Wodarz, Past President

### Directors

Tim Boldt  
Mary Sieckman  
Ernie Thalmann  
Chris Budden  
Pat Moxness  
Tim Murphy

President Schambow announced the Chairs/Liaisons for the committees, as identified below. She encouraged members to serve on a committee if requested, as contact will follow by one or more of these Board Members. She stated she is hoping for 4-5 members per committee, some being veteran members along with new members to our club.

**Finance/Administrative:** Duane Borgen, Chair, Becky Schambow, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke

**Financial Report:** D Borgen updated the membership on financials, providing the balance in the internal account, youth account and the joker draw account. Questions from membership were responded to with explanation provided. Board recommended approval, second from Kevin Haertzen. Carried.

**Proposed 2018-2019 Budget:** President Schambow reported that a committee of D Borgen, W Wodarz, M Lane and herself had met on Monday evening, October 1. After several hours, it was decided to reclassify some accounts, make some additional allowances for trailer maintenance, fellowship, marketing, etc. This committee will meet again on October 8 and plan to have a proposed budget to present at the November Board Meeting and November Business Meeting.

**Donation Requests:** President Schambow updated the membership on reintroducing the Donation Request Form that was used several years ago. This provides the club an opportunity to learn more about the organization requesting funds, the intended purpose and if the request falls within our mission. Individuals will also be asked to make a personal presentation to our Friday morning meetings.

**Youth Activities:** Dan Engelke, Chair, Wayne Wodarz, Tim Boldt

**Community Service:** Ernie Thalmann, Chair

**Fellowship/Weekly Programs:** Pat Moxness

**Membership:** Tom Nall, Chris Budden

**Publicity/Newsletter:** Maxine Lane, Chair, Maggie Kleisath

\*Website (now within Publicity): Chris Budden, Mary Sieckman

**Cheese Curds:** Tim Murphy

**New Business:**

**Installation:** Former Lt. Governor, Maxine Lane, installed Ernie Thalmann, as a returning Board of Director, as he was unable to attend the ceremony on Sunday evening.

**New Member(s) Acceptance:** The Board was recommending acceptance of the following slate of new members. Motion was seconded by H Crofoot. Carried unanimously.

Wayne Willkomm

Karen Kuirt

Brigid Reimann

Priscilla Hahn

Mark Haas

Doug Rogers/Honkamp & Krueger (FOO)

First English Lutheran Church (FOO)

**Membership Incentives:** President Schambow explained membership incentives offered by Optimist International, namely, Teacher's, 30 under 30 and their newest program, renewal of former members. OI offers memberships for these three categories for \$30.00 for 12 months. In making this available for the stated fee of \$30.00, our club is still required to pay SWIS District dues of \$12.00 and we are not booking our fee of \$8.00. President Schambow stated following discussion, the Board is recommending presenting these promotions at a stated price of \$50.00, which will include the \$12.00 and \$8.00 going forward. L Neuheisel seconded the motion. Carried. Question was asked if this would be retroactive to recent members who joined for \$30.00. President Schambow responded, no. It will be effective going forward.

**Speaker Courtesy:** President Schambow commented that our upcoming speaker is Jaime Collins, Talking Transgender. She stated this may be somewhat controversial and uncomfortable for some members. She encouraged everyone to be open-minded and reminded the membership that this very topic affects our youth and society and often results in bullying. She asks for everyone to be respectful. Many of the members acknowledged that they have known Jaime for many, many years and yet today are friends.

**Weekly Speakers:** Thank you to the (Dan Engelke & Tom Nall) for coordinating October speakers.

**October 12:** Jamie Collins, Marketing Director SHC – Talking Transgender: Jamie will share the joys, challenges, heartbreaks and triumphs she's experienced on her journey to living authentically. (Coordinator, Charlie Clark)

**October 19:** Jean Napp, Astronomical League Master Observer, President of Starsplitters of Wyalusing State Park

**October 26:** Julie Stephenson, Occupational Health and Patient Experience Manager SHC

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin  
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