

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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



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***“To Impact the lives of youth
in a positive and encouraging manner”***

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Attendance: 34 Members – Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Peggy Compton, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Mark Haas, Kevin Haertzen, Mike Hahn, Priscilla Hahn, Dennis Helbing, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Pat Moxness, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Virg Pufahl, Becky Schambow, Jerry Schewe, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Guy Stead, Bob Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Gene Weber, Bob Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

Guests: President Schambow welcomed the following guests: Mark Stead, guest of Gary Munson, Tim Zauche, whom President Schambow announced was joining as a Friend of Optimist, and Shari Engelke and Bob Hundhausen joining us to accept our donation to the Legion Park Event Center fundraiser.

Mystery Greeter: Wayne Wodarz was our greeter this morning with Pat Moxness being the recipient.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: None this morning.

Joker Draw: Dan Engelke was holding the lucky ticket drawing the 9 of diamonds.

Check Presentation:



It was a pleasure to welcome Bob Hundhausen and Shari Engelke, to our meeting this morning, representing the task force managing the fund raising efforts for the Legion Park Event Center. Also pictured is Gene Weber, task force member and Friend of Optimist member, along with Optimist Club President, Becky Schambow. Our club was pleased to be able to support this community project with their contribution of \$2,000.00

Mail/Thank You Notes/Club Acknowledgements:

-Thank you received from Platteville Holiday Project acknowledging our participation in toy pickup/delivery.

-President Schambow announced a pending training session for new members in Monroe. If interested, let her know as Monroe will go forward with this program if there is enough interest.

Dime a Day: President Schambow reminded everyone that this dime-a-day collection will take place through the end of January which leaves 2 more Friday morning meetings to make your donation. Checks should be payable to OI Foundation for \$36.50 and can be given to Jerry Schewe, Wayne Wodarz, Maxine Lane or Becky.

Hockey Game Review: Wayne Wodarz summarized our recent youth outing to the Dubuque Fighting Saints hockey game, stating there were some 40 participants and 28 of which were youth. He acknowledged Greg and Mary Sieckman for helping to fund the transportation through their Thrivent Account. It was a fun outing and the kids seemed to be thoroughly enjoying themselves.

Program:

Needing little introduction, Gary Munson, a longtime member of our club, was introduced by Pat Moxness as our presenter this morning. Gary is involved in the Platteville Main Street Sustainability



Committee where he helped expand recycling in the schools and city parks. He has been part of the community garden project by Jenor Towers since 2015. As a member of the Dairy Days committee, he has been able to improve the processing of waste and recycling at this event. He is a certified master composter and has given composting demos at the farmer's market and the annual Farm Days event at Digman Farms.

Gary's topic today is Health and Soil. He helped organize a public forum on soil health last October attracting 80 people including farmers, gardeners and students. There are two more soil events in the works, February 27 and March 30. Gary has 11 grandchildren who will inherit the earth as we leave it.

Gary presented a slide presentation focusing on the importance of clean water and productive soil. A great deal of information was provided; however, to summarize, healthy soil nurtures healthy plants that produce healthy food for healthy people. We all have a stake in the issues of clean water and productive soil. Healthy soil and healthy water are keys to a healthy future. Q & A followed.

Weekly Speakers: Thank you to Joan Bahr and Pat Moxness for coordinating our January speakers.
January 25: Dr. Ray Sloan – Exploring the Wonders of Peru

Minutes taken and drafted by Maxine Lane

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Centennial Celebration

Just in case you are interested!

Watch here for future items of interest. To post, send email to msmacy105@yahoo.com

Items for sale, looking to buy, member social outings, etc.