

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: 26 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Laura Brown, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Kevin Haertzen, Dennis Helbing, Dave Jones, Maxine Lane, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Becky Schambow, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Guy Stead, Bob Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, Linda Thomas, Ron Weier.

President Schambow extended a thank you to Dan for conducting the last two meeting in her absence. Unexpected flight grounding delayed her in California.

Guests: President Schambow welcomed our speaker, Dr. Ray Sloan.

Update on Bob Weier: Ron Weier was able to update the members on Bob. He is making progress, looks forward to having visitors and had his first cup of coffee since February 10. It is still suggested to check with Ron or Pat prior to making an unexpected visit to see Bob. You can email either Ron or Pat at rjweier@centurytel.net – patmox@centurylink.net

Mystery Greeter: Eileen was the mystery greeter shaking hands with Gary Munson

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Naomi Wells will be celebrating on March 23rd and Linda Thomas and Wayne Wodarz share a birthday date on March 24th..

Joker Draw: The only "Guy" we know, Guy Stead was holding the ticket as the number was announced. Drawing the 2 of clubs and graciously accepting his \$2.00. A further look showed he was right next to the joker!

Mail/Thank You Notes/Club Acknowledgements: None to share with members this morning.

OLD BUSINESS/REMINDERS:

Tri-Star Basketball: The date is March 23 at UW-P Bo Ryan Court. T Boldt announced we could still use some additional help. Set up will be from 11:30-11:45 with registration at noon followed by the competition.

Jacket Announcement: Maxine reminded the members she will be placing an order for the fleece jackets and/or vests. If interested, contact Max at msmacy105@yahoo.com before Monday, March 25, 2019



Program: President Schambow formally introduced Dr. Ray Sloan, our speaker today. Born in Chicago, the family relocated to Lake Tomahawk, WI when Ray was 2 years old. He graduated from Lakeland High School in Minoqua, attended UW-Madison for his undergraduate degree in Medical Science and received his M.D. and did post graduate training from the Medical College of Milwaukee. Dr. Sloan is Board Certified in Family Practice and since 2012 to present has been one of our Emergency Department physicians at Southwest Health.



Ray and his wife Laurie have a combined family of seven children and fourteen grandchildren. Ray enjoys outdoor activities and he and Laurie both enjoy travel. He joined us today to share a slide presentation on their trip to Peru. Ray prefaced his presentation stating he was not a geographer nor an archeologist nor a historian. He is simply a curious traveler.

The slide presentation took us on a virtual tour of their trip to South America. We started in Brazil, with a beautiful photo of Christ the Redeemer in Rio de Janeiro along with Sugar Loaf Mountain. Even without sound, you could imagine the roar of the rushing water from the photo of the Iguazu Falls between Brazil and Argentina, the largest waterfall in the world. Visiting Buenos Aires we also enjoyed a stunning picture of the Church of Pope Francis. Our travel takes us to Peru, visiting Cusco, adjusting from sea level to 9,000 feet was challenging. Peru images were fascinating from the walls of boulders to the stone walls that were so intricately placed. We traveled through the beautiful Sacred Valley, with lush green hills and beautiful flowers. Our final destination was Machu Picchu, one of the places visited by millions of people.

The slide presentation was educational, interesting and a whole world away. Time was allowed for Q & A.

Weekly Speakers: Thank you to Charlie Clark and Ron Weier for serving as our speaker coordinator for March.
March 29: George Smith, Retired UW-P Professor – His collection of music

Thank you to Maxine Lane for coordinating our April speakers.

April 5: Business Meeting

April 12: Sally Stead and Kelly Hubbard – The bond of adoption.

Special Guest: Blakley Hubbard

April 19: Oratorical and Essay Winners – will recite/read their entry

April 26: Kelly Sponsler, Middle School Optimists (JOI Club)

Minutes taken and drafted by Maxine Lane

Just in case you are interested!

We will place an order for fleece jackets/vests. If interested, email

Max, msmacy105@yahoo.com

by Monday, March 25th.

We will also order t-shirts for the upcoming Cheese Curd season. If

interested, contact Max **by April 10.**



*Making optimism
a way of life can
restore your faith
in yourself.*

- Lucille Ball