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CURRENTLY MEETING 7:00 AM FRIDAYS AT COUNTRY KITCHEN, HWY 151, PLATTEVILLE, WI

Friday, September 25, 2015

Attendance: Twenty-two (22) Optimists attended today's meeting. (Gary, Steve, Eileen, Wayne, Leon, Ron, Ernie, Ken, Max, Bob, Hap and Charlie all wore their Optimist shirt.)

Mystery Greeter: Steve Lane greeted Wayne Wodarz, who got a free ticket for the Joker Draw.

Luck of the Draw: ...which didn't benefit Wayne, because Howard Crofoot's ticket was drawn. Howard drew the 8 of spades for the \$2 payout. The pot is nearing \$600.

Business Meeting:

- ++ Thank You notes for past support were received from Hunter Safety (\$\$ donation) and from the Grant County Historical Society (coloring books about Grant Co.)
- ++ Old Business
 - Maxine introduced our 2nd Vice President for the coming year Wayne Wodarz.
 - A reminder that the Installation Banquet will be this Sunday evening.
- ++ New Business
 - Board Meeting: September 29th at PBII
 - Maxine as President presented the Chuck Thalmann Award to Ken Kamps since Ken will not be able to make the awards banquet on Sunday.
 - Maxine closed the business portion with a BIG "Thank You" to the club for all the support given her by the other officers, committee chairs, and general membership which made for a successful year.

Program:

Today's speaker, Diana Bolander, is the new Director for the Rollo Jamison Museum. She hails from Midland, Michigan and is very happy to be settling in Platteville. She indicated she had big shoes to fill, but with the team she is working with she feels the transition is going very well. One of her goals is to get all areas moving in the same direction. Also, a data base on all the artifacts that the museum has is an ongoing project. This information is currently stored in Steve and Stephanie's head and it will be great to get it documented.

Diana feels we are fortunate to have the mine and museum as an attraction for visitors. Children enjoy the various tours that are provided. Volunteers are a big part of the Jamison Museum and help in various aspects of the day to day operations.

They are looking to increase membership through a membership drive along with increasing member fees in order to help with budget issues.

