

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 - January 5, 2018

<u>Attendance:</u> 28 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcherding, Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Peggy Compton, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke,

Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Kevin Haertzen, Mike Hahn, Dave Jones, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Becky Schambow, Jerry Schewe, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Guy Stead, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Diane VanNatta, Bob Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

Guests: Pat Moxness, Pam Stark and Naomi Wells.

Mystery Greeter: The greeting was handled by our very capable President, who greeted Dave Jones.

<u>Dime-A-Day Campaign:</u> Jerry Schewe, CFR was first on the agenda, allowing him time to share with the members that during January we will conduct our annual Dime-A-Day Campaign. Over the past few years, the response from our club has been overwhelming, and we are hoping for nothing less this year. One dime a day, \$36.50, provides funds for the Foundation to support multiple youth activities, scholarships, Childhood Cancer, etc. Jerry stated he has access to all of the necessary information to credit members for their donations. Checks should be payable to Optimist International <u>Foundation</u>. They can be delivered to Jerry at a Friday morning meeting or mailed to him at 860 Jefferson Street, Platteville.

New Member Induction: The next order of business this morning was the induction of three new members, Pat Moxness, Pam Stark and Naomi Wells. Pat is sponsored by Becky Schambow and Pam and Naomi are sponsored by Gary Engelke. You will learn more about these new members in the upcoming newsletter, scheduled for March.

Monthly Breakfast Draw: The following are eligible for a FREE breakfast during January: Present: Becky Schambow and Hap Daus. Not present: Jeff White and Kathy Kopp.

<u>Joker Draw:</u> Ernie Thalmann was holding the lucky number and drew the 3 of clubs!

Announcements: Birthdays/Anniversaries: Greg Sieckman was celebrating today, 1/5 and Duane Borgen will be celebrating on January 8. No Anniversaries. Years of membership: It is always a pleasure to recognize members and our Friends of Optimist celebrating years of service to our club. Bob Stephens, 1987 - Delta Three (FOO) 2016.

BUSINESS MEETING:

<u>Finance/Administrative:</u> <u>Financial Report:</u> John Urness, updated the members on the balance in both the internal and youth account(s). President Wodarz stated the monthly financial report was supplemented at the Board Meeting with a report from Duane Borgen. This report reflected budget, YTD revenue or expenses and

Welcome Namoi. Pam and Pat budget balance remaining. This was helpful to the Board in further knowing our financial status. Approval was recommended on behalf of the Board. After discussion, motion was seconded by Kevin Haertzen. Carried

Youth Activities: Tim Boldt, Chair, Dan Engelke

Tim Boldt will look into openings at UWP and report back to the Board. The District event is April 14. The annual essay contest is currently underway and the Zone 6 Oratorical is scheduled in Platteville for March 17.

Community Service: Ernie Thalmann, Chair

- *Ernie Thalmann reported that some 75+ kids were called this year, up considerably from last year.
- *Considering that our club has helped for the past few years with Home Alone for Christmas, the Board has adopted this Community Event as one they will continue to support and be listed as an activity. The Board also stated with the support shown this year for the Westview Holiday Shoppe, they were adopting this event also as one of their many Community Activities.

<u>Fellowship/Weekly Programs:</u> Becky Schambow, Chair, C Clark, P Compton, F Nall, B Weier, P Swift *January speakers appear below. Thanks to Becky Schambow for coordinating.

*Post-Holiday Party is scheduled for January 20 at Elks Lodge. If interested, you can still register. Contact Becky Schambow, 348-9981 or beckyschambow@gmail.com

Membership: Barb Stockhausen, Chair

The Board accepted the application from Pat Moxness, who was installed today. The application(s) of Pam Stark and Naomi Wells will be formally presented to the Board at the February Meeting as a matter of policy; however, both were inducted today. Our membership stands at 98, with a goal of 100 by our 50th Anniversary. *The Board had also discussed procedures for dealing with non-payment of dues. A personalized letter, versus a past due notice, was forwarded by President Wodarz encouraging payment, along with a return envelope. *President Wodarz also made mention of several new member incentives currently being offered by OI this quarter. 7 new members would earn a club a Creed Banner, Purpose Banner or Road Sign.

<u>Publicity/Newsletter:</u> Maxine Lane, Chair, Maggie Kleisath, Chris Budden, Mary Sieckman, Fern Nall Maxine reported results of having boosted the Holiday Facebook Greeting. This message reached some 3500 new users and gained us 30 new followers. She again encouraged members to 'like our page'.

Cheese Curds: Kevin Haertzen, Chair, Bob Weier, Steve Lane, John Urness, Gary Engelke

50th Anniversary: Wayne Wodarz, Chair, Maxine Lane, Eileen Engelke, Duane Borgen, Charlie Clark, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, John Urness, Kevin Haertzen President Wodarz will be scheduling a follow-up meeting within the next couple weeks.

Old Business:

New Business:

*January 27 Community Involvement Fair, 10 AM – 1 PM at Public Library. Maxine and Wayne will work the table for our Club with a hand out clip, our brochure w/application and a listing of our FOOs on display. *Junior Optimist Club: Maxine updated the membership of an opportunity to form a Junior Optimist Club within the Middle School. The one missing item, that is critical to forming this club, is an adult advisor from our Platteville Optimist Club. She was approached by a young lady and made no commitment until such time as we knew we had a volunteer Advisor. If you would be interested, please contact Maxine at 778-7786 or msmacy105@yahoo.com

Other Business:

*SWIS District Conference – 2nd Quarter on February 10 at Wisconsin Bank & Trust Community Room We are hoping for a good representation from our Club in respect of Governor Gary Engelke and SWIS Treasurer, Duane Borgen.

Weekly Speakers: Thank you to Becky Schambow for coordinating our January speakers.

<u>January 12</u> – Dr. Scott Houghton, SWHC General Surgeon

<u>January19</u> – Steve McCarthy, SWHC Chief Operating Officer

& Laura Reilly, Director of Clinic Nursing/Quality

<u>January 26</u> – Andrea Pastor, representative of Rotary's Foreign Exchange Program will share information on the Exchange Program and their Exchange Student, Thanaree Hainak from Thailand, will share insights on her country, her family, interests and her experiences through the exchange program.

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin by Maxine Lane

The dedication of your Board Furnace issues left our meeting location at 53 cold degrees on January 2, 2018.











