

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”***

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin – December 14, 2018

Attendance: 39 Members – Joan Bahr, Tim Bolt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Peggy Compton, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Mike Hahn, Priscilla Hahn, Dennis Helbing, John Holthaus, Dave Jones, Maggie Kleisath, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Pat Moxness, Tim Murphy, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Virgil Pufahl, Becky Schambow, Jerry Schewe, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Bob Stephens, Linda Thomas, Gene Weber, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, and Wayne Wodarz.



The Lucky Joker

Guests: Our speakers from the UW Platteville Optimist Club, Kaley Mumma and Cortney Olson

Mystery Greeter: Leon Neuheisel greeted Virgil Pufahl.

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Several birthdays: Howard Crofoot 12/16, Kevin Haertzen both 12/16, and Eileen Engelke 12/19. Anniversaries: Duane Borgen 12/17 and Dave Jones 12/18

Joker Draw: Excitement abounded when one of our guest speakers, Kaley Mumma, held the winning ticket and drew the JOKER! We told her that it would be a lucky day for taking tests also! She said she hoped so.

Wait Staff Tip: President Schambow passed the tip jar for our wait staff.

Thank You Note: President Schambow shared the letter from Brent Bowers thanking us for our donation of \$1,000 to Badger Camp.

Annual Holiday Party: Party is scheduled for Friday, January 11th at the Elmo Club. President Schambow circulated a sign-up sheet. As of today there are 37 people signed up for the event. Remember to notify Fern Nall by December 28th at 348-5332 or by email-- f_nall@hotmail.com if you would like to attend by December 28th.

Santa Calling: Howard Crofoot shared that the Santa Calling went well this year. Ninety children were contacted. Jordan Holthaus reported about one of his experiences where he had to convince his 5 year old that he was really calling from the North Pole. At the end of the conversation he was assured that he would have chocolate chip cookies left under the tree for him. Maggie Kleisath reported that at the Daisy Girl Scout meeting she attended several of the girls reported that Santa had called them.

Toys for Tots: Steve Lane and Gary Engelke reported that donations were good. They picked up 12 bags in addition to the donations from Farm and Fleet.

Dime a Day: Jerry Schewe reminded us that the donations for Dime-a-Day may be sent to him or given to the treasurer on Friday Morning before the end of January.

OI Centennial Event: Update on events being planned:

Dubuque Fighting Saints Youth Trip January 13, 2019: Members from the Joy Club will be attending. At present there are twenty students interested in going. Maxine has the bus transportation arranged as well as matching funds from Thrivent.

Promo Picture: Arrangements are to have the UW Track team pose to make the first two numbers of 100 with the last zero being the OI Logo for a photo to honor the 100th birthday of Optimist International on January 8th.

Prgram: Gary Engelke had the pleasure of introducing our speakers from the UW Platteville Optimist Club, Cortney Olson and Kaley Mumma, who represented the 15 member group. Kaley described how the club is selling Pioneer Paddles to help raise money and strengthen the club.

This summer Gary and Eileen Engelke helped them learn to make “Pioneer Paddles” which are similar to “Elephant Ears”, a flat roll with cinnamon sugar on it. During Dairy Days they sold Paddles next to the Optimist Cheese curds and ran out. (Of course the Joy club helped them by going through the grounds distributing some free to help spark interest in them.)

She described several other times they promoted the Pioneer Paddles. One was at a music festival on Airport Road. The UW Optimist group was asked to come back again next year. The other was a time when 5 of their members stood outside of Boebel Hall and talked to students. The students were given a free Paddle if they could demonstrate a talent. The talents ranged from sounding like Donald Duck to pretending to do a back flip.

During second semester they plan to conduct other activities like a Corn Hole tournament, reading to students and a kid’s night out where they make crafts with the children. We enjoyed this opportunity to learn more about their club and wish them well as they continue to grow.

Weekly Speakers: Thank you to Gary & Eileen Engelke for coordinating our December speakers.

December 21: Maggie Kleisath, Girl Scouts

December 28: John-Paul Butcher, Hillmen Art Connection

Minutes taken and drafted this week by Fern Nall for Maxine Lane



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