

## **PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB**

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

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin – Friday, January 6, 2017

Attendance: 28 members attended—Beth Frieders, Bob Stephens, Charlie Clark, Dave Jones, Doug Martin, Duane Borgen, Eileen Engelke, Ernie Thalmann, Fern Nall, Gary Engelke, Gary Munson, Howard Crofoot, Jerry Schewe, Tim Boldt, (and 14 wearing Optimist shirts) Barb Stockhausen, Becky Schambow, Bob Weier, Dan Engelke, Hap Daus, John Urness, Kevin Haertzen, Leon Neuheisel, Paul Budden, Ron Weier, Steve Lane, Tom Nall, Virg Pufhal and Dennis Helbing

**Guests:** Gene Weber

Monthly Breakfast Drawing: Will be held next week.

<u>Joker Draw:</u> Bob Weier was surprised when his number was chosen. He was lucky enough to win \$169 today. This is the second time he has been so lucky.

## **Announcements:**

\*Duane Borgen has a birthday January 8th.

\*Maxine Lane, our club secretary, is recovering from foot surgery. We signed a card and sent her our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

## **Business Meeting:**

Finance/Administrative: Asst. Treasurer, John Urness reported the internal account has a balance of \$3,436.78, with the Joker Draw being \$470. The Youth Account balance stands at \$17,438.10. The Board recommended approval of the treasurer's report, seconded by Charlie Clark. Motion Carried. Board recommended that we donate \$25 to the Platteville Community Theatre as we have done in the past. The performance this year will be Steel Magnolias. Gary Engelke and Barb Stockhausen moved to second the motion and it passed.

Youth Activities: No report.

Community Service: No report.

Fellowship/Weekly Programs: Update on the Holiday Party on January 13<sup>th</sup> from 5-9 pm at the Wisconsin Bank and Trust. Cost will be \$10. Entertainment will be the White Elephant exchange and the opportunity to see who goes home with the Shell Lamp. There are 32 people attending. Call Charlie Clark by Monday if you would like to go.

Membership: Ladies luncheon will be scheduled in early April, 2017.

Publicity/Newsletter: We did receive coverage on our donation to Badger Camp in the Journal.

<u>Old Business:</u> The board discussed the Platteville Community Fund (PCF) grants. Hopefully the Youth Activities Committee will research this and plan something. In the past there have been trips to baseball games or activities for the youth. Next date to file for a grant is April 15h.

<u>New Business:</u> Gene Weber presented details to the board about the proposed outdoor fitness center to be built near the dog park, and asked Optimist Club to consider a leadership role in the project. Board discussed the idea and felt that at this time we could not take on the responsibility. Board felt maybe we could look over the budget and make a donation in the future.

Adjourn: Bob Weier moved to adjourn and Tim Boldt seconded the motion.

Weekly Speakers: January, 2017 Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator, Becky Schambow

**January 13:** Terri Slapak-Fugate, R.N, Emergency Department Director at Southwest Health will share information about Sexual Assault and programs available to help victims in Southwest Wisconsin. She will provide information about the SANE program (sexual assault nurse examination) at Southwest Health.

**January 20:** Optimist member, Dr. Terry Beebe, has extended an invitation to visit and tour the new Family Pet Hospital and also enjoy a light breakfast.

**January 27**: We will have a return visit from Ryan Weigel, VP of Dairy Procurement for Accelerated Genetics and Assistant Coach of UW-P Dairy Judging Team. A sequel to his earlier presentation, Ryan will provide us with some very interesting facts of "genetics" and the dairy industry.

