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

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin ~ Friday, December 23, 2016

<u>Attendance:</u> 23 Members – *Duane Borgen, Charlie Clark, Hap Daus, Gary Engelke, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Virg Pufahl, Barb Stockhausen, John Urness, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, (*14 wearing Optimist shirts)

Beth Frieders, Dave Jones, Doug Martin, Fern Nall, Jim Olds, Mike Olds, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, Gene Weber. (Past President, Ron Weier facilitated the meeting in the absence of President Haertzen).

<u>Mystery Greeter:</u> Unassigned this morning, Ron Weier selected Gene Weber as the lucky person having been the last member to arrive at the meeting this morning. Gene received a free entry into the Joker Draw.

Joker Draw: Steve Lane was holding the lucky ticket this morning, cutting the Queen of Spades.

Business Meeting:

- ~ Happy Birthday wishes were extended to Phil Swift (12/23 and Anne Klawiter (12/27)
- ~ Maggie Kleisath stated if anyone was available they were looking for help with Home Alone for Christmas.
- ~ A reminder was given on the upcoming Dime-A-Day Campaign, slated for January. Hoping to match or increase our donation from last year. Checks should be payable to OI Foundation and either delivered to the Optimist at P.O. Box 622 or mailed directly to Jerry Schewe at 860 Jefferson St., Platteville.

Program:

Gary Engelke introduced Diana Bolander, Director of the Jamison Museum. It was great to welcome Diana, having presented to our members sometime back. She recognized the group was interested in knowing the status of the Jamison Museum due to the recent City budget cuts. She assured the group the budget cuts will have an effect on how they operate, acknowledging there will be changes in staff and hours of operation. She shared that the Jamison Museum Board had met to discuss how they would proceed and determined that their strategic plan would be to: 1) maintain the educational program, 2) continue mine exhibits and tours, 3) preservation of collection, 4) conduct fundraising efforts to maintain above objectives.

Diana provided an update on activities at the Jamison Museum over the past year and took time to respond to the many questions from members. There are many events planned for the upcoming year and two of the more recent are in January, MLK Day, (African American Story Telling) and in February the Toy Train Expo.

Weekly Speakers:

December Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator(s), Gary & Eileen Engelke

December 30: Beth Frieders shares information on her horses.







January, 2017 Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator, Becky Schambow

January 6: Business Meeting

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.

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call by Maxine Lane.



