

# ROOSTER CALL

## PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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MEETING 7:00 A.M.

EVERY FRIDAY AT TAKE 2 RESTAURANT

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**December 19, 2014**

**Attendance:** 22 Optimists in attendance, 3 (Hap, Charlie, & Howard) wore Optimist shirt.

**Mystery Greeter:** Maggie Kleisath greeted Becky Schambow.

**Joker Draw:** Maxine's ticket was drawn for the Joker Draw. Card drawn: \$ of Hearts.

Balance in pot: approx \$1155. Consolation prizes: note pad, binoculars, and beverage container.

### **Business Meeting:**

++ Maxine reminded us of the Board Meeting on 12/30, the upcoming Social on 1/16/2015 and the SWISS District Conference on 1/17/2014. No meeting on 12/26.

++ In January, we will kick off the Dime-A-Day Campaign.

++ Thank You cards were rec'd from Badger Camp and Orion House for our support.

++ A "Thank You" gift of money (collected at earlier meetings) was presented to Sue and Bill for their morning service to our club throughout the past year.

### **Program:**

Our speaker was Kathy Hottenstein from Family Advocates. Kathy enlightened us on the existence of violence and sexual abuse. There is a real need to expand the reporting of such incidents. She talked about abusers and their victims. In many cases the victim returns to the abuser and it is always a different situation as to why this may happen. Family Advocates cannot supply legal assistance, but when and where needed, they are able to help with direction, resources, forms and court appearances. Kathy also talked about the need for funding, where funding typically comes from, and what it is used for by the organization. Any help they receive financially is greatly appreciated. A Q&A session followed with many members adding to the discussion.