

PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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 - August 24, 2018

Attendance: 36 Members – Tim Boldt, Carley Borcherding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Peggy Compton, Howard Crofoot, Terri Ellis, Dan Engelke,

Gary Engelke, Kevin Haertzen, Mike Hahn, Dennis Helbing, Jordan Holthaus, Dave Jones, Maggie Kleisath, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Pat Moxness, Gary Munson, Tim Murphy, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Jerry Schewe, Joy Schewe, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz.

What an exciting meeting we had!!

Guests: n/a

Mystery Greeter: It remains a mystery.

Joker Draw: Howard was holding the ticket with the lucky number and when he drew his card he was holding the Joker!!

Sippy Cup Award: Tommy, Tommy, Tommy. It happens to the best of us!! Thanks for being a good sport!

Announcements:

Mail/Thank You Notes/Club Acknowledgements: President Wodarz acknowledged the following thank you notes that were received.

- *Family Promise
- *Library

*Main Street Program Birthdays/Anniversaries: Several birthdays to celebrate this morning: Dave Jones 8/26, Barb Stockhausen 8/28, and Fern Nall 8/29. Anniversaries: Ken Kamps 8/23 (was missed last week) and Gary Munson 8/31.

Grant County Fair – Members were informed of the gross sales. It was also noted that during the storms on Thursday, the awning was damaged and we are looking into possible insurance coverage. Gary Engelke again made mention that next year a second shift on opening night and Sunday should be considered.

Dairy Days: - Still need help on Sunday cleanup.

Dairy Days Parade: Terri Ellis updated us on the band practice and indicated it would be nice to have more members participate. Members present practiced singing the Cheese Curd song, which will be sung during the parade along with the playing of Cheese Curd instruments.

Football Crazr – 8 tickets remain, and money/remaining tickets have to be turned in. Would like to sell the remaining 8. Good payback to club.

Board Meeting: Rescheduled to Tuesday, August 28 due to a conflict on Tuesday, September 4.



Program: Thanks to Joy & Jerry Schewe for arranging to have Jeff Schave join us this morning, to talk to us about the upcoming 22nd Historic Re-Enactment.

Prior to Jeff getting into his presentation on the Historic Re-Enactment, he shared a bit of history, relative to himself





as a young person in high school and Optimist International. The year was 1969 and he was a freshman at DeForest High School. As most people do, Jeff had a fear of public speaking and speaking in front of people. His then English teacher convinced him to enter a speech contest, topic was something on citizenship, and yes, it was the Optimist International Oratorical Contest. Jeff Schave took first place and still has his trophy.

Jeff also complimented our organization on the great things we do for youth and community. He had done his homework, (what teacher does not), recalling that Optimist International has been around since 1919, is established in 20 countries with 3,000+ clubs and some 80,000 members.

He referred to OI as a noble and great organization. Jeff also extended his personal thank you for the financial support provided by Platteville Optimist, whose check was presented this morning by President Wodarz.

Two weeks from today, the Historic Re-Enactment will be ready for visitors. Jeff stated for the past 21 years the

emphasis with the Re-Enactment has primarily been educational. Schools from a 50 mile radius make the trip on Friday, student day, and over the past 21 years, 42-43 thousand students have visited the Re-Enactment. The Re-Enactment is staffed by some 100+ people and approximately 30-35 camps. Some of the camps are basket weaving,

candle making, dying material, canoe camp, mountain men, juggler, silversmith, harp player and many more.

It was a pleasure to have Jeff and his enthusiastic, optimistic presentation. An offer of membership was extended and time was allowed for many, many questions.

Weekly Speakers:

Thank you to Jerry & Joy Schewe for coordinating our August speakers. August 31 – Mike Foley, the state of High School Athletics

Thank you to Peggy Compton for coordinating our September speakers.

September 14:

Lori Wick and Bev Doll, UW-Ext-Area Youth Risk Behavior Survey

September 21:

Brodie Dockendorf, Operations Mgr., Quilt Block Wind Farm-Wind 101 (Overview of Windfarms)

September 28:

Sydney Soderbeck, Biology Senior, UWP - Jeff Jackson, Stewardship Specialist, Southwest Badger RC&D Developing leadership through an Aquatic Invasive Species Internship

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call Bulletin by Maxine Lane





