

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin - Friday, April 28, 2017

Attendance: 35 Members – Tim Boldt, Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Peggy Compton, Howard Crofoot, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Gary Engelke, Beth Frieders, Donna Gavin, Kevin Haertzen, Dave Jones, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisath, Kathy Kopp, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Fern Nall, Tom Fall, Leon Neuheisel, Mike Olds, Virg Pufahl, Becky Schambow, Greg Sieckman, Mary Sieckman, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Gene Weber, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz

It was a pleasure to welcome Ken Kamps back from Arizona!

Mystery Greeter: We immediately put Ken to work at the mystery greeter. Virg Pufahl was the recipient.

Joker Draw: It was exciting to have one of our most recent members have the winning ticket for Joker Draw. The last three digits were 400, belonging to Peggy Compton. She was exposed to the cheer of the membership when she did NOT draw the joker.

Announcements:

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Tom Nall will celebrate a birthday on April 29 and Jim Olds will celebrate on April 30. Per the announcement of Ron Weier, we also sang an early happy birthday to Bob Weier, having a birthday on May 2.

Bike Safety Rodeo/Platteville Area Optimists: President Haertzen was pleased to announce we have seven volunteers from our club that have signed up to help with this event. Kudos and Thank You!!

Outdoor Fitness Center: The request to members has been answered. We are above \$400 for the necessary \$500.00. Thank you to those who donated to this request.

President Haertzen:

*reminded the Board Members of the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 2

*stated we are still looking to fill three vacancies on the Board of Directors as well as a Second Vice President

*announced we have another new member, Dr. Jeff White

Old Business:

Tri-Star Basketball: Duane Borgen stated numbers were down, but still a very successful event. Maxine stated she has forwarded a press release to the Platteville Journal along with a picture of first place winners and also posted on our Facebook page.



Program: Maxine introduced Troy Maggied, Executive Director of Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, who was accompanied by his 3 week old son. Troy oversees the scheduling, budgetary and implementation aspect of the Commission's various planning projects. Prior to joining SWWRPC, Troy worked as planning and zoning director for a rural county was with the Army Corps of Engineers' planning division in St. Paul and as an assistant project manager in large-scale commercial construction. Troy also served three years as an education volunteer with the Peace Corps in the Kingdom of Tonga. Troy has a bachelor's of science in Construction Project Management from Ohio State University and a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.



Maxine found Troy's favorite quote to be quite inspiring and shared with the membership, "Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? First lay the foundation of humility."...St. Augustine.

The focus on the presentation was centered on drawing and/or retaining young people in our area. SWWRPC serves Grant, Iowa, Lafayette, Richland and Green Counties. The morning was an open forum, with members sharing why we see young people leaving our areas and initiatives of SWWRPC to change these circumstances and also what is needed to attract young people to our counties. Troy shared some statistics relative to our areas and appreciated hearing ideas and suggestions from members.

Weekly Speakers: **May Programs, Coordinator(s), Fern Nall**

May 5 – Business Meeting (installation of new members)

May 12 – Deputy Ben Keller and K9 Riko (service of K9 dogs)

May 19 – Chief Doug McKinley and Chief Ryan Simmons (department updates)

May 26 – Grant County Sheriff Nate Dreckman (update on Kids in Crisis and design/progress of new jail)

Optimistically Submitted,

Maxine Lane



I think
the adults
need to be put
in time out
until they can
be good to one
another and
play nice.

Sun, Moon + Stars

Promise Yourself