

ROOSTER CALL

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"



2019 – 2020 Officers and Board of Directors

Officers: Dan Engelke, President – Tom Nall, Vice President – Tim Boldt, Second Vice President – Wayne Wodarz, Past President – Duane Borgen, Treasurer – Becky Schambow, Secretary

Board of Directors: Chris Budden, Steve Lane, Tim Murphy, Doug Martin, Leon Neuheisel, and Linda Thomas

Platteville Optimist – Business Meeting Friday, October 4, 2019 – 7:00 a.m.

Attendance: There were twenty-five members attending including: Jim Boebel, Tim Boldt, Carley Borcharding, Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Howard Crofoot, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Mike Hahn, Priscilla Hahn, Jordan Holthaus, David Jones, Maggie Kleisath, Doug Martin, Tim Murphy, Fern Nall, Tom Nall, Leon Neuheisel, Diane Paynter, Alaina Reeves, Becky Schambow, Ernie Thalmann, Rod Thomas, and Wayne Wodarz. *Mark Esser attended as a guest.*

Guests to Welcome: The meeting was called to order by President Dan Engelke who introduced our guest, Mark Esser. Mark noted he recently moved to Platteville from Lodi where he was an Optimist member. He and his wife are currently building a home in Platteville, and he very much enjoys working outdoors and likes to be active in his community.

Mystery Greeter: Doug Martin was the Mystery Greeter, who greeted Tim Murphy.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: President D. Engelke noted the following members have birthdays in the upcoming week: Maxine Lane on October 5th; Steve Kleisath on October 8th; and Terri Ellis on October 9th. *There were no anniversaries of note in the upcoming week.*

Membership Anniversaries this month: President D. Engelke noted the following membership anniversaries this month include: Ken Kamps, *Charter and Lifetime Member*, joined in 1970; Deb McWilliams in 1995; Ernie Thalmann in 2008; and Brad Brogley in 2015. Friends of Optimists who all joined this month in 2016 include: Oakpark Dental; Gene Weber Consulting Service; Garvey Auto Service; and Mindful Solutions.

Breakfast Drawing: The following names were drawn for a free breakfast this month. Present: Rod Thomas and Jordan Holthaus. Not present: Janelle Davis and Joy Schewe.

Joker Draw: Tim Murphy did not win the Joker Draw, drawing the 7 of Diamonds. He received \$2. as a consolation prize.

BUSINESS MEETING

Finance/Administrative:

- **Treasurer's Report Period Ending 9-30-2019:** Duane Borgen provided members with the Financial Report for the end of September noting an internal account balance of \$3684.34, and youth account balance of \$26,669.86. The Board recommended approval, which was seconded by Charlie Clark and carried unanimously.
- **Committee Chair / Liaison Assignments:** President D. Engelke reported that the Board determined that the following Board members will serve as Chair or Liaisons on the Club's various Committees. He noted they will be recruiting for members to serve on these Committees, and encouraged members to volunteer as involvement is a key to success.
 - Finance Committee: Will be chaired by Duane Borgen;
 - Youth Committee: Wayne Wodarz and Tim Boldt will be Co-chairs or Liaisons;
 - Community Service: Doug Martin will chair;
 - Fellowship / Weekly programs: Linda Thomas will Chair;
 - Membership: Chris Budden will Chair, and will be assisted by Tom Nall;
 - Publicity / Newsletter / Website: Mary Sieckman volunteered to the Board to serve as Chair. Becky Schambow will be the Liaison.
 - Cheese Curd: Steve Lane will be the Chair, assisted by Tim Murphy.
- **Committee Update Highlights:** President D. Engelke provided highlights from the various Committees.
 - Finance Committee:
 - Cheese Curd sales showed net income of \$17,933.26, which included \$562.65 from last year's sales;
 - A "Donation Request" was received from the Platteville High School English Class, requesting \$230 to offset costs for students to attend a "Creative Writing Class" at UW-Whitewater. The Board made a motion to approve this donation out of our discretionary fund. Seconded by Eileen Engelke, motion passed.
 - Youth: It was noted that the Committee may change the venue from UW-Platteville to the Westview School for the Tri-Star Basketball event. This would enable Committee to be able to lower rims so that younger participants can more easily make a basket as per OI guidelines. Tim Boldt noted he checked with school and cost would be \$5. to use the school.
 - Community Service: Nothing to report at this time.
 - Fellowship: October Speakers scheduled include:
 - Dr. Jeff Keuter – October 11th - Air Force Experiences / Serving past presidents (*recruited by Becky Schambow*);
 - Lynn Parrott – Domestic Abuse – Family Advocates (*recruited by Tom Nall*);
 - Jenna Phillips – Platteville Farmers Market (*recruited by Dan Engelke*).
 - Membership:
 - Rod Thomas has submitted his application as a returning member. The Board recommended approval of Rod's application. Seconded by Paul Budden, motion carried.
 - President D. Engelke reported that Gary Munson has chosen to discontinue his membership at this time due to other community commitments. It is hoped that Gary will be able to return as a member in the future.

- **Publicity / Newsletter & Website:** President D. Engelke noted that volunteers are needed to record non-business weekly meeting notes for our Rooster Call. Becky Schambow displayed a template which has been designed to help volunteers with this effort. Anyone willing to record notes on occasion should talk to Mary Sieckman or Becky Schambow. Howard Crofoot volunteered for October 11th meeting.
- **Cheese Curd:** President D. Engelke noted there will be a change made to upcoming sales events requiring that Shift Coordinators will be required to count money at the end of their shifts with another member. The Board felt this was a good practice for security reasons.

Old or New Business: Nothing applicable at this time.

Other Business:

- **Joker Draw Fund:** President D. Engelke noted that the Board discussed use of Club's Joker Draw fund. He noted that Leon Neuheisel suggested perhaps some money could be donated to the Schools' Lunch Program. This was followed by a brief discussion and President D. Engelke encouraged members to offer comments and suggestions to Board members who will discuss this further at their next meeting.
- **Thank You from Middle School:** President D. Engelke reported receipt of a thank you card from Vicki Feldman, Platteville Middle School Counselor, noting appreciation for our contributions of \$448 cash for school supplies and additional school supplies, \$100 to Homework Club, and \$400 to school activities.
- **Community Projects:** Eileen Engelke noted the Holiday Project is coming up and members can volunteer to pick up toys donated at stores on November 15th, 22nd, 29th, and December 5th. In addition Eileen noted that coats are being collected and can be picked up on Oct. 18th and 31st after which time they will be cleaned and then given away on Nov. 7th.
- **SWISS District Conference:** Eileen Engelke encouraged people to sign up for the conference to be held on October 18th and 19th.
- **Thank You to Becky Schambow:** Wayne Wodarz thanked Becky Schambow for her past year's service as President.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Becky Schambow, Secretary

NOTE: Rooster Calls are published on the Platteville Optimist Club website.