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

Vision Statement: "To Impact the lives of youth in a positive and encouraging manner"



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NOVEMBER 8, 2019

<u>Attendance:</u> 32 Members - Tim Boldt, Carley Borcherding, Duane Borgen, Chris Budden, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Hap Daus, Dan Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Gary Engelke, Mark Essex, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Bob Hundhausen, David Jones, Maggie Kleisath, Kathy Kopp, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Doug Martin, Tim Murphy, Leon Neuheisel, Diane Paynter, Alaina Reeves, Becky Schambow, Guy Stead, Bob Stephens, Ernie Thalmann, Gene Weber, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz, and Tim Wood.

<u>Guests:</u> President D. Engelke welcomed guests including: Jeff Gard, speaker; Melissa Palfrey representing Family Advocates, who has just submitted their application to be a Friend of Optimist; John Grothjan, a guest invited by Kathy Kopp; and Karen Essex, a guest invited by her husband Mark Essex.

<u>Mystery Greeter:</u> Maggie Kleisath was the Mystery Greeter announcing Kathy Kopp as the person she greeted. Kathy received a ticket for a chance at the Joker Draw.

<u>Anniversaries:</u> President D. Engelke acknowledged that Doug Martin and his wife Kathy will celebrate their anniversary on Nov. 11th.

<u>Birthdays:</u> No birthdays noted in the upcoming week.

<u>Joker Draw:</u> Becky Schambow's ticket was drawn for a chance to win the Joker Draw. Choosing to cut the deck, she found she was two cards away from the Joker and went away with the \$2 consolation prize.

<u>Mail /Thank You Notes /Club Acknowledgements / Special Announcements:</u> Nothing applicable at this time.

Old Business / Reminders: None

New Business:

Orders Being Taken for Optimist Wear: On display today were several samples of microfleece vests, sweatshirts, long sleeved oxford cloth shirts, and short sleeved polo shirts. These shirts are available to order in both men's and women's sizes. Orders will be taken over the next two to three weeks. Contact Becky Schambow for questions or to order at beckyschambow@gmail.com

Program:



Our Speaker today was Jeff Gard, UW – Platteville Men's Basketball Coach. Coach Guard was introduced by Doug Martin, who recruited Coach Gard to provide an update on this year's UW-Platteville Pioneer Basketball Team.

Coach Gard discussed the season expectations and how the team and coaching staff are preparing for the season, taking on responsibilities both on and off the court. The team is made up of 18 players this year and will start off the season opening with a non-conference game playing against the Finlandia Lions (Upper Peninsula) this coming Sunday. (It is noted at the time of this publication that UW-Pioneers won that game with a final score of 112-49.)

GO PIONEERS!



ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT D. ENGELKE, and the entire Platteville Optimist Club, WE HONOR THOSE OPTIMISTS and all others WHO HAVE OR ARE CURRENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY.

THANK YOU VETERANS, TODAY AND EVERYDAY.

Upcoming Speakers:

- November 15th Kathy Kopp, Executive Director of Chamber of Commerce Update on Chamber Projects and Winter Wonderland at Katie's Garden;
- November 22nd Kelly McNiff, UWP Women's Basketball Coach Update on Upcoming Season
- November 29th NO MEETING

Highlights of Meeting Recorded by: Alaina Reeves