

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

CURRENTLY MEETING 7:00 AM FRIDAYS AT COUNTRY KITCHEN, HWY 151, PLATTEVILLE, WI

Friday, July 29, 2016

Attendance: 25 Members – Ron Weier*, Ken Kamps*, Maxine Lane*, Steve Lane*, Gary Engelke*, Eileen Engelke, Wayne Wodarz, Howard Crofoot, Dave Jones, Leon Neuheisel*, Charlie Clark*, John Urness, Duane Borgen*, Doug Martin, Guy Stead, Tim Boldt, Bob Stephens, Maggie Kleisath*, Barb Stockhausen*, Jerry Schewe, Joy Schewe, Ernie Thalmann, Dennis Helbing, Dan Engelke*, Arnie Roper. Eleven (11) members wore Optimist attire.

Mystery Greeter: Receiving a free entry to the Joker Draw was Steve Lane greeted by Joy Schewe.

Luck of the Draw: The excitement was building as Dan Engelke anticipated drawing the ‘lucky’ joker. It was not to be, drawing the 8 of Hearts instead. A quick look at the cards found Dan was right next to that ‘lucky’ joker. A second drawing was won by Doug Martin, receiving one of the books of Jennifer Weier Gipp.

Business Meeting:

*President Weier announced Gary and Eileen Engelke were celebrating a wedding anniversary today.

*Gary Engelke announced 35 of the 40 Fantasy Football tickets had been sold, bringing \$350.00 into our club.

*Signup sheets for Grant County Fair and Dairy Days were circulated for signup.

* Party in the Park Update: President Weier informed the membership that Maxine Lane had been selected as the Optimist Club Volunteer of the Year. He read the comments he had forwarded to the Chamber as stated he felt it was well deserved for all that Maxine does for the club. John Urness reported that the hot dogs, ice cream and milk were all gone by 6:20. A good evening with a good crowd.

*Board Meeting scheduled for August 2. President Weier invited the new Board Members to join the September Board Meeting, scheduled for August 30, allowing them to see the format of the meeting.

Program:

Guest Speaker – Our speaker, Troy Moen of Krone Equipment, had to cancel, but will hopefully be able to join us in September. With the absence of a speaker, President Weier opened the floor for general discussion.

*President Weier gave a brief summary surrounding Krone Equipment based on his knowledge.

*Gary Engelke stated he will be coordinating the purchase of cheese curds, again being bought from Plain, WI. On this same topic, Maxine Lane stated

To do list-

1- Go to pet store.

2- Buy bird seeds.

3- Ask how long it will take for the bird to grow.

4- wait for the reaction.



Shift Leaders will be receiving written guidelines that were prepared by Gary to maintain a quality cheese curd for our clients. The importance of serving fresh hot curds was stressed.

*Observations at the Berry Fest was the presence of two other Civic Clubs; however, nothing from the Optimist. Many members were present participating in the festivities, but not organized as a club. This is something that will be given consideration another year.

*Garden is being maintained and looks great. Signage will be coming shortly.

*A summary of streets under construction was given by Howard Crofoot.

*Discussion on the OI 30 under 30 membership dues and opportunities we might have with some of our FOO members.

Upcoming Speakers: (August Coordinator, Ron Weier)

August 12 - Dan Blumm, majoring in Reclamation at UW-Platteville and holding an internship position with the Platteville Community Arboretum, will speak about his internship experience as well as explain what is involved in reclamation efforts.

August 19 - Taylor Sobota, Director of the Coordinated Services Team Initiative (CST) of Grant County, will explain how this initiative/project is designed to develop a comprehensive, individualized system of care for children with complex behavioral health needs. Her presentation should make us more aware of this important program servicing the needs of children here in the Platteville area.

August 26 - Jeff Gard, UWP Basketball Head Coach, will give us a peak at the upcoming UWP basketball season and “may have a few surprises to tell us.”

Minutes taken and submitted by Maxine Lane; edited into this edition of “Rooster Call” by Charlie Clark.