

# ROOSTER CALL

## PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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

**Friday, February 5, 2016**

**Attendance:** Twenty-three Optimists attended. Twelve were wearing their Optimist Shirts (Bob Weier, Leon Neuheisel, Steve Lane, Maxine Lane, Ron Weier, Charlie Clark, Hap Daus, Gary Engelke, Eileen Engelke, Kevin Haertzen, Virg Pufhal and Wayne Wodarz).

**Mystery Greeter:** Beth Frieders greeted Bob Weier.

**Joker Draw:** Leon Neuheisel's ticket was drawn for the Joker Draw. Leon drew the 10 of clubs and received \$2.00 for the time together.

### **Luck of the Draw:**

#### **++ First Friday Drawings:**

Free breakfast for those attending went to Bob Weier and Diane Van Natta.

Free breakfast for those "not in attendance" went to Becky Schambow and Jim Boll.

++ People celebrating this week include Steve Lane whose birthday is February 2. Celebrating his Wedding anniversary this week are Jim Boll and his wife (February 2). Membership anniversaries are Steve and Maxine Lane (2009) and Dennis Helbing (2015).

### **Business Meeting Announcements**

++ Membership Delta 3 Engineering will be joining as a "Friend of Optimist". A representative will attend our February 12 meeting to receive their plaque. Membership count at the end of the year is 70, 69 at the end of the year. We need 3 more to meet our goal!

++ Membership committee has decided to go public with interviews on Queen B Radios Good News and Guest Spotlight programs. Wayne Wodarz, Maxine Lane, and Ron Weier will participate. They hope to have a script developed and meet with Darrell Fischer next Wednesday. Queen B plans to include the interviews in their programming over the next few weeks.

++ The essay contest is well underway. Deadline for entries was February 1<sup>st</sup>. Nineteen entries were received from the middle school. Christine Storle of the Noon club has arranged for the readers to evaluate the essays. Winners will be announced on February 29<sup>th</sup>. Zone Contest will be held March 12<sup>th</sup>.

++ Deadline for the Oratorical Contest is February 26<sup>th</sup>. Each club can send two representatives.

++ As of today donations from Tom Sigwarth and Arnie Roper pushed us over our \$1000 goal. Checks after today should be sent to Jerry Schewe and addressed to OI Foundation.

### **Old Business**

++ Website is up and running. [www.plattevilleoptimists.org](http://www.plattevilleoptimists.org) Our speaker last week mentioned that he had visited the website and was very impressed. Beth Frieders and Kevin Haertzen plan to meet weekly to keep the site updated.

++ President Ron reminded members that there are brochures and Free Breakfast cards that we can use to encourage more people to visit the club and encourage them to join.

### **New Business**

++ Finance/Administrative Committee: John Urness presented the Treasurer's Report, providing balance information in both the internal account as well as the youth account. After brief discussion, report was approved as presented on motion of Gary Engelke, seconded by Bob Weier. Motion Carried.

- ++ At the board meeting, Maxine present two letters she drafted to be sent to our Friends of Optimists, one prior to their letter from OI to remind them to renew their membership and one to encourage membership as a Friend of Optimist. The club felt letters would be a personal touch and encourage more participation in the club at the local level.
- ++ The board approved to award a \$500 donation from the Joker Draw account to Family Promise. Maxine informed the club that Family Promise has raised \$80,000 of their \$90,000; hired a director and are holding an open house on February 2 at St. Clement Convent in Lancaster. Gary Engelke seconded and the motion was passed.
- ++ February speakers will be Herb Cody, Manager of Queen B Radio (February 12), Hap Daus will talk on Amateur Storm spotters and Ham Radios (February 19), and Joe Biba will speak about his mission trip to Jamaica (February 26). Thanks to Maxine Lane for finding such interesting presenters.

**Upcoming Speakers for this month:**

February 12 - Herb Cody, General Manager of area Queen B Radio stations

February 19 - Hap Daus, local Weather Watchers program

February 26 - Joe Biba, Mission Trip to Jamaica

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