

ROOSTER CALL



PLATTEVILLE OPTIMIST CLUB

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

Platteville Optimist Weekly Bulletin Friday, October 14, 2016

Attendance: 28 Members – *Duane Borgen, Paul Budden, Charlie Clark, Hap Daus, Beth Frieders, Kevin Haertzen, Ken Kamps, Maggie Kleisah, Maxine Lane, Steve Lane, Tom Nall, Ernie Thalmann, John Urness, Diane VanNatta, Bob Weier, Ron Weier, Wayne Wodarz (*17 wearing Optimist shirts)
Tim Boldt, Howard Crofoot, Dan Engelke, Gary Engelke, Doug Martin, Gary Munson, Fern Nall, Mike Olds, Becky Schambow, Bob Stephens, Barb Stockhausen.

Guests: Bob Weier introduced his guests, Allison Sanyi and Emily Ryan, UWP Soccer Head Coach and Assistant Coach, respectively. Ken Kamps also introduced his guest, Bob Hundhausen.

Mystery Greeter: Gary Munson was the recipient of the lucky hand shake from Ron Weier this morning, receiving a free entry into the Joker Draw.

Joker Draw: Lucky ‘Bob Weier’ had his ticket drawn, but that is where his luck ended. Pot continues to grow.

Business Meeting:

**President Haertzen presented Past President Ron Weier with an engraved clock in recognition of his year as Optimist President

**John Dutcher will celebrate a birthday on October 16

**President Haertzen circulated the signup sheet for 2017 speakers

**President Haertzen reminded Committee Chairs to reach out to members to fill the positions on their respective committees. He also encouraged members to volunteer.

**President Haertzen announced the Friend of Optimist Membership of Kevin Garvey, Garvey Auto Service. Maxine Lane is the sponsor and she encouraged members to stop and welcome Kevin as a new member.

**Doug Martin reported extra tickets have been distributed. All tickets and money should be turned in by Friday, October 21.

**Social outing to Overture Center for Capital Steps is this evening.



Program:

Becky Schambow introduced Beth Keeney and Grant County Sheriff, Nate Dreckman. Beth is from Mt. Hope and has a business known as Usborne Books & More. She recently introduced a concept to Sheriff Dreckman, known as “Kids In Crisis” and has been pursuing her goal of giving back to communities and helping children at the same time.



The program is designed to support children who are subjected to domestic situations within the home whereby an officer intervention is necessary. With the support of Beth, 40 squad cars would be supplied with 5 books each, all of which are age appropriate. Currently the communities of Boscobel, Fennimore, Platteville and Grant County have signed on for the program. The purpose is to remove the child from the circumstances and focus their attention on a more positive/calming setting. The book would be read/introduced to the child and/or children by a First Responder and/or Officer, both of which will be

properly trained in the program. Sheriff Dreckman stated domestic situations are more common than what the public is aware. They are situations that are handled; however not publicized. The books are for the children to keep. They are currently underway with fundraising, hoping to raise \$2,500.00, which will be matched with a Grant from Usborne Books. A suggestion from the group was to possibly add Hispanic books to the selection, which both Sheriff Dreckman and Beth were in favor of. Membership was very positive about this program and believed it fell within our mission of helping youth. A donation will be given consideration at the next Board Meeting.



Weekly Speakers: The signup for coordinating weekly speakers for 2017 was circulated. If interested in signing up for one of the months, please contact Becky Schambow (732-8981).

October Friday Morning Programs, Coordinator, Becky Schambow

October 21: Pharmaceutical & Healthcare including medication safety tips, presented by Bryant Schobert, SWHC Retail Pharmacy Manager and SWHC Safety & Risk Manager, Becky Schambow.

October 28: UWP Dairy Program & UWP Cattle Judging Team, presented by Cory Weigel, Dairy Enterprise Manager at University Pioneer Farm and his brother, Ryan Weigel, Vice President of Dairy Sire Procurement for Accelerated Genetics in Baraboo, WI.

Minutes taken and drafted for Rooster Call by Maxine Lane.

