



Pathways

Sauk Trails Optimist Club
Madison, Wisconsin



**Weekly Lunch Meetings
Wednesday's 11:45 - 12:45
The Radisson on Grand Canyon Drive**

July 2017

Presidents note

Last week, Ted and Jacci See hosted a POOL/NOW party. Great food and fellowship was had by all. Thank you Ted and Jacci!

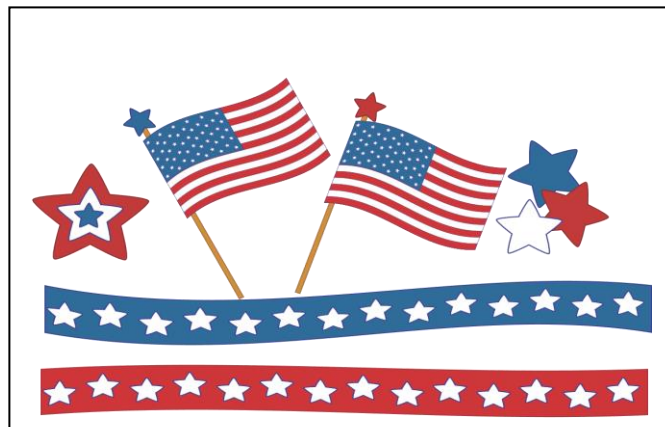
We have had interesting speakers this past month. Thank you to all that brought in some excellent speakers and to the Speaker Committee for organizing.

Please plan to attend our weekly meetings in July. We will have interesting speakers and Youth Scholarship presentations on July 19. Mark your calendars for these July meetings:

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| July 12 | Ted and Jacci See | Travels in Scotland |
| July 19 | Youth Scholarships | |
| July 26 | Anne' Knezevic | Teaching English as a second language
and Millenium Soccer |

Have a great summer!

Optimistically,
Mike Grasmick, President



STOC Bulletin Board

Sauk Trails Club Officers 2016-2017

President: Mike Grasmick

Vice President: Dan Chart

Secretary: Rick Thomas

Treasurer: Bob Wortinger

Past President: Carole Klopp

Board of Directors

- Steve Bailey
- John Fons
- Rick Conne
- Dashni Sathasivam
- Nancy Hach
- Kathy Johnson

July Birthdays

Julie Thomas	5
John Scherer	6
John Fons	12
Lori Davis	18
Kathie Newman	22



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Next District Conference

SWIS 4th Quarter Convention, 2016-17
August 25-26th, 2017
Radison Hotel, Wauwatosa, WI

Date	Speaker	Topic
7/5/2017	No Meeting	Happy 4 th of July
7/12/2017	Ted & Jacci See	Travels in Scotland
7/19/2017	Students	2017 STOC Scholarship Recipients
7/26/2017	Anne Knezevic	Teaching English as a Second Language & Millennium Soccer
7/27/2017	<i>VOLUNTEER</i>	<i>AT REACH A CHILD</i>
8/2/2017	Steve Steinhoff	Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
8/5/2017	<i>VOLUNTEER</i>	<i>AT NATIONAL MUSTARD DAY</i>
8/9/2017	Steve Bailey	My Voice Over Career

Speaker Committee: Mary Schwartz, Carole Klopp, John Fons, & Steve Bailey

FOOTBALL CRAZR

Football Crazr: We have received the Football Crazr tickets for 2017. Last year as a club we sold 66 tickets for which we received \$12 for each ticket sold. I have 70 tickets for the 2017 year. The tickets sell for \$20 and are valid for seventeen weeks of the PRO football season beginning September 10, 2017 and ending December 31, 2017. Have individuals fill out the ticket stubs in BLACK ink and have all information completed and legible. I will have tickets available at lunch meetings beginning May 31st. I will need sold and unsold tickets returned to me by August 23rd so I can return them to Fred Dorn by August 28th. Checks for purchase should be made payable to FOOTBALL SWEEPSTAKES.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 608-850-9561.
Gene Spindler-Football Crazr Ticket Coordinator.

Volunteer Opportunity Join the Fun at National Mustard Day on August 5th!

Patti and Barry Levenson have invited us to help them out by volunteering again for their Mustard Day celebration on August 5. In return they will provide us with a very generous contribution to the STOC Foundation.

Last year we had over 20 STOC volunteers and we would like to get at least that many this year. It seemed that everyone there from our club last year had a very enjoyable time and there are a variety of different jobs to do if you are looking for a change this year.

It is always a fun event with lots of music and food! It will also be a great opportunity to get together with other Sauk Trails club members for a great cause on what is usually a beautiful summer day. Volunteers get a free Mustard Day t-shirt at check-in which we hope you'll wear at the event, and a wristband showing you're entitled to a free hot dog and cold drinks.

Please let either Bob Wortinger (rwortinger@tds.net) or Patti Levenson (plevenson@mustardmuseum.com) know if you are interested in helping this year.

Here are the shifts that are available:

6:30am - 10:00am

Set-up which requires some hauling and heavy lifting, popping up tents, covering tables with plastic cloths, hanging banners and signage, bringing supplies to all the game booths and setting them up.

9:30am - 1:30pm and/or 12:30pm - 4:30pm

Work a tent at the event as described above...games, food, runner, floating sub

3:45pm - 5:30pm

Breakdown - we have to take down the tents, fold up the tables and put away all the supplies til next year, and make sure the streets are clear of all trash!



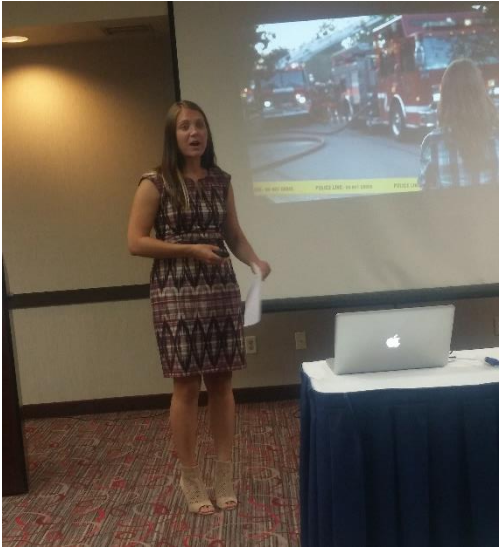
Volunteering at Brat Fest was great fun. If you missed volunteering at Brat Fest in May, sign up for National Mustard Day on August 5th...

JUNE
Lunch meeting speakers

Nancy Lesh from Daughters of the American Revolution, ***** lunch meeting on June 7th.



STOC members were treated to speakers on June 21st: Kent Rawhauset, owner of A&J Specialty Services, Inc spoke about their fabulous program, Restoring Kindness, which aids people who have suffered a large loss not only get physical aspect fixed, but also helps them restore their lives back to normal.



Jocelyn Dornfeld Owner of Three65 Marketing, a marketing strategy company, also spoke to STOC members on June 21.



Steve Schmitt of the Madison Mallards spoke to a full house and livened up the lunch hour talking about the Mallards Organization, the close relationships the players and host families gain from the experience, as well as the needed cooperation and positive working relationship shared with the City of Madison to make the Mallards a success.



SAUK TRAILS OPTIMIST CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mike, Rick T., Steve, Carole, Nancy, Bob, Rick C., Kathy, John, Dan C.

Absent: Dashni

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

1. **Addition to Agenda:** Scholarship recipients at lunch in New Business
2. **Approval of Board Minutes from 5/9/2017.** Carole moved to approve, Steve seconded, Dan C. was present at last month's meeting. Passed unanimously.
3. **Acceptance of May Financial Reports:**
We are in good financial position. We are giving away a lot of Creed plaques which we will be ordering soon. Rick C. moved to accept May financial reports. Dan seconded. Passed unanimously.
4. **Membership Report Update:**
We are at 41 members.
5. **Old Business**
 - A. June 28/29 will be the NOW meeting probably at Jacci's house
 - B. Mustard Day – Aug 5th We will be getting more information soon.
 - C. Christmas party – Sam's and Walmart are being approached for donations. We are considering making the event smaller.
 - D. Kohl Center opportunity – Dan. C. reported on a fundraising opportunity at the Kohl Center. We need at least 10 people to schedule a training.
 - E. Nancy reported on working the Marathon. Easy work for decent pay. There may be opportunities at the Iron Man event in the fall.
 - F. Kathy needs a replacement for Dashni for the Silent Auction in the fall.
6. **New Business**
 - A. Next Foundation meeting will be in July
 - B. Tentatively July 19th will be the scholarship winners
7. Adjourn to July 11th at 5:30, Kathy moved to adjourn, Nancy seconded, meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Thomas, Secretary

SAUK TRAILS – Madison Club WEBSITE

www.sauktrailsmadisonoptimist.org

There have been some recent questions on the receiving of the monthly STOC Newsletter.

Current and previous STOC Newsletters are available as PDF's on the www.sauktrailsmadisonoptimist.org website.

To acquire the newsletter, **CLICK** on the 'PDF Download' of **CHOICE**.

If you have any problems acquiring the Newsletter or are NOT receiving the monthly message, please contact me so we can correct that situation. Optimistically, **Bonnie Spindler** blspindler@charter.net 850-9561 (H)

Sauk Trails Website Coordinator

The Optimist Creed

Promise yourself...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all you friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best and expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.