

Pathways

Sauk Trails Optimist Club Madison, Wisconsin





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



May 2019

PRESIDENTS NOTE

Dear STOC Friends

- Promise Yourself –
- "To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future."
 - What mistakes?

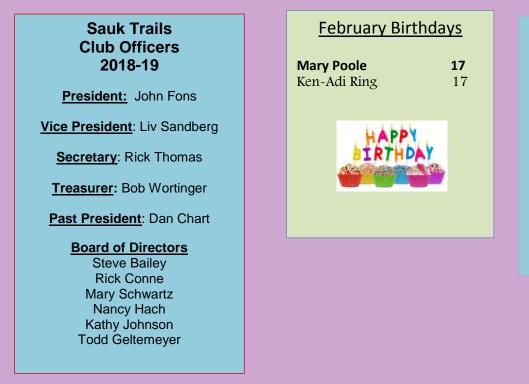
- John Fons



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STOC Bulletin Board



SWIS 3rd Quarter Conference May 10-11, 2019 Kalahari, Wisconsin Dells

Youth Essay & Oratorical Contests CCDHH – Communication Deaf Hard Hearing Winners/Scholarships. Saturday May 11th

> Registration information: Coming in April 2019 <u>www.swisdistrict.org</u>

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| Date | Speaker | Торіс |
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| | | Trivia Contest and |
| 05/01 | Trivia Bob | Bucky Book Coupon Exchange |
| 05/04 | VOLUNTEER | Special Olympics Track Meet |
| 05/08 | Madison Police Dept. | Respect For Law |
| | SWIS District | |
| 05/10-11 | 3 rd Quarter Conference | Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells |
| | | Park Bank, 2275 Deming Way, Middleton |
| 05/14 | 5:00 p.m. STOC Board Meeting | All members are welcome to attend |
| 05/15 | Oscar Mireles | Madison Poet Laureate |
| 05/22 | Chief Davis & Lt. Ahn | Madison Fire Department |
| 05/24 | VOLUNTEER | Brat Fest |
| 05/24-26 | VOLUNTEER | Madison Marathon |
| 05/29 | Scholarship Recipients | |

Please let us know if you have someone who would like to speak at a lunch meeting. Speaker Committee: Mary Schwartz & Steve Bailey

Spartan Youth Service Update

Our Spartan Youth Service JOI Team hosted SPIRIT Day once again this year on April 25th. It was the largest number of youth ever volunteering at elementary schools and Memorial since the beginning. Over 300 youth and adult chaperones spent the day helping out teachers, children, cleaning files, etc. Then, at the end of the day, everyone participated in onsite service projects such as coloring lunch bags for Ronald McDonald house and Meals On Wheels or writing cards of encouragement for Vets at the VA Hospital here in Madison. Many thanks to our STOC members who chaperoned - Steve Bailey, Rick Conne, Carole Klopp and Rick Thomas! Volunteering at its best!

Social Outing – American Players Theater

A small group will be attending the play "Twelfth-Night" by William Shakespeare on Thursday, June 13th at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to join us, go to americanplayers.org for tickets. Very limited seating is still available so we would not be able to sit together, but we could have dinner together at the haunted Old Feed Mill in Mazomanie. Should you purchase tickets or would just like to join us for dinner, please let Kathy Johnson know at <kjohnson@rmstrategies.net.

Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare

A charming young woman proves to be equally charming disguised as a young man, throwing Illyria's collective love life into wild disarray. Not that the denizens of that town were well-arrayed to begin with. In fact, on an island where everyone's in love with someone, but no one's in love with the someone who loves them back, Viola may be just the soul to set them all aright. As Shakespearean comedies go, this is one of the greats; a fun and funny celebration that embraces the insanity of love.

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Call for website sponsors.

If you are interested in also being a sponsor of the STOC Website for the 2018-2019 year, and have your business/name in the rotation on our website, please contact Bonnie Spindler. Thanks to the Park Bank of Madison for their continued sponsorship.

The Sauk Trails – Madison Website is constantly being updated with many pictures in addition to those in the newsletter. To become more familiar with the website and the pictures currently available, see below:

Sauk Trails – Madison Website Pictures

In the EVENTS area, click on this link: In the EVENTS area, click on this link: In the ABOUT area, click on this link: CLUB Program Pictures CLUB Accomplish Pictures CLUB Photo Gallery (View 'Photo Galleries') ('Read More', scroll description)

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** <u>blspindler@charter.net</u> 850-9561 (H) Sauk Trails Website Coordinator Sauk Trails Optimist Club "Pathways"

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SAUK TRAILS OPTIMIST CLUB **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** Tuesday, April 9th, 2019

MINUTES

PRESENT: John, Dan, Rick C., Nancy, Bob, Mary, Rick T, Steve, Todd, Kathy Others Present: Absent: Liv

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

- 1. Addition to Agenda:
- 2. Approval of Board Minutes from 3/12/2019. Steve moved to approve the minutes. Dan seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 3. **Acceptance of March Financial Reports:** Rick C. moved to accept the financial reports as presented by Bob, Kathy seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 5. Firefighter/EMT Burn Camp Summation/Ongoing John submitted an article to OI summarizing the event. The hope is we could continue to sponsor the Burn Camp if we have funds available.

6. Badger Optimist Club at UW Madison – Sponsorship/Ongoing The club has had its charter meeting. John put the Sauk Trails Optimist Club down as a sponsoring club. It will cost the club \$100/year to continue its sponsorship. Mary moved that we make sponsorship part of our annual budget. Kathy seconded, Passed unanimously.

7. Oratorical Contest/Essay Contest

Our student won the zone Oratorical contest and will go to the Dells to compete in the District contest.

8. Nominating Committee / Lt. Governor District 7 Bonnie and Mary and hopefully one more person will meet to nominate people for the

board. John has been nominated to be the new Lt. Governor for District 7. 9. Respect for Law – May 8 - Arrangements Bob moved that we approve \$350 for Respect for Law and \$250 for the Oratorical

contest, Nancy seconded, Passed unanimously.

10. Membership

John discussed things that we can do to recruit new members.

11. Fundraising & Volunteers

Special Olympics is on May 4th, Brat Fest is on May 24th, Madtown Marathon is Memorial Day weekend. Culver's will be contacted. Meals on Wheels needs volunteers

12. OI Events

District 5/10-11, International 6/30-7/03

13. Radisson Contract

We haven't signed the contract yet and will wait to see how things go.

14. Adjourn to May 14th at 5:00pm, at Park Bank in Middleton Rick C. moved to adjourn, Kathy seconded, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Rick Thomas, Secretary STO club lunch and activities in pictures

1) Bruce Schweigher from US Madison's OJ Noer Research Center shared lawn care details with STO lunch members.

2) Student of the Month: STOC is always honored to recognize students from JOOI who exemplify the meaning of 'volunteer'. left to right: Carole Klopp, Joanne Martinez, Sameer Golkonda, Rick Conne and Rick Thomas.

3) STOC member John Scherer spoke to the club about the Special Olympics program and the upcoming regional District competitions being held at Oregon HS.

4) The 'Quilts of Honor' program was on display during a lunch meeting, with Vicki Sasso providing details about this exceptional program.

5) STOC lunch members test their knowledge during a trivia contest.

Many Thanks to Steve Bailey, Carol Klopp, and Liv Sandberg for contributing photos.



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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 at 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.

