



Pathways

Sauk Trails Optimist Club
Madison, Wisconsin



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

August 2016

Greetings STOC Members!

Well it's August and summer is starting to wind down to fall – can't believe it. It has been an exciting summer in many ways and some of our members reached important milestones – both Rick & Judy Conne AND Jacci & Ted See celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary! WOW – that is something to celebrate!

Our club continues to be busy helping where help is needed...Special Olympics, REACH-A-Child, Meals on Wheels, and, of course, our JOOI team. In August, we'll be volunteering at Mustard Days and the REACH Kickball Charity Tournament will need help as well. This is one thing that sets our club apart from many others – our varied and ongoing volunteer activities where we give more than dollars, but give of our time and talents, making a difference in many ways. We can be proud of our ongoing community service efforts to impact our community in a positive manner! Many thanks to our volunteers!

As you all know, we meet at 11:45am at the Radisson off of Odana Rd. This summer, meeting attendance has been a bit on the light side, but we have carried on. *(NOTE: 4 or 5 years ago we suspended the weekly meetings and attendance dropped hugely in the fall. The Board decided not to repeat that experiment.)* Our speakers have been so interesting that those STOC members in attendance have asked for a few to return. So, we'll be having "encore" speakers this fall whom I know you will all enjoy. Please try to make at least one meeting per month – not only to make the hotel happy with larger number of diners, but mostly to enjoy the fellowship of all of our STOC members!

Looking forward to seeing ALL of YOU on Wednesday's!

Carole Klopp
President



STOC Bulletin Board

**Sauk Trails
Club Officers
2015-2016**

President: Carole Klopp

Vice President: Mike Grasmick

Secretary: Rick Thomas

Treasurer: Bob Wortinger

Past President: Dan Bergs

Board of Directors

- Steve Bailey
- Dan Chart
- Rick Conne
- Todd Geltemeyer
- Nancy Hach
- Diane Hoebel
- Kathy Johnson



**Last Call For
Football Crazr Tickets!**

Support the STOC Youth & Community Foundation!

Buy or Sell
Only \$20 each!

Gene says your last chance will be **August 17th**. He needs any sold and unsold tickets turned in by Agu 17th.

Contact Gene Spindler - at 833-7244

August Birthdays

Bob Wortinger	4
BJ Bailey	7
Laura Wilson	11
Steve Bailey	28
Dashni Sathasivam	30



A L O H A !!!

Get your Hawaiian outfits on and join us for the pool/luah party FUN!!

Pool Party at Ted and Jacci See's home
Wednesday, August 24th @ 5:30 p.m.



Main dish will be provided. Please bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert. Get creative and bring a Hawaiian dish!

Club members and their spouses or significant others are welcome.

Sign up at a meeting or

RSVP to Jacci at seej@firstweber.com or Kathy @ kjohnson@rmstrategies.net

Don't forget your swimming suit!
6326 Stonefield Road, Middleton

Sauk Trails Optimists Club Meetings and Other Scheduled Events

August 3 – Jane Carrola – Rustic Roads

August 6 –Mustard Days STO volunteer fund raising event: Middleton

August 9 – STO Board meeting – 5pm Park Bank

August 10 – Josalyn Longley Dane County Sheriff – Emergency Preparedness

August 17 – TBA

August 24 – Pool Party @ See’s NO Lunch meeting

September 24th – Golf Outing

(Wednesday Lunch Meetings in Red.)

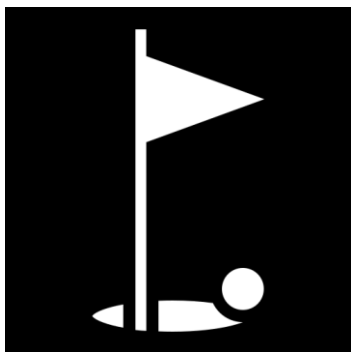
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IT’S RETREAT TIME!

JOOI Youth and Advisors will be busy soon.

As you receive this newsletter, 5 of our members will be joining 16 JOOI youth at the Comfort Suites for a 2 day retreat. We take this time to plan for the upcoming year and do a little “leadership” training! Many thanks to those who serve as Advisers: Carole Klopp, Rick Conne, Rick Thomas, Dashni Sathavasiuam, and Mary Schwartz.



SAVE THE DATE

**STOC Golf Outing
Saturday, September 24th**

Location and further details are pending, but
get ready for some fun on the course!

SAUK TRAILS – Madison Optimist Club WEBSITE

CHECK OUT the Sauk Trails – Madison Optimist Club Website at: www.sauktrailsmadisonoptimist.org.



In the Events > Accomplishments area, there is a general description of some of the past Club Accomplishments. Pictures were recently taken for these ‘yearly’ accomplishments. Please get me any pictures taken so they can be put on the STOC Website for these annual 2016 events.

There is an opportunity for one more business/individual to provide \$100 to make 4 businesses to support the STOC Newsletter Renewal with their business being advertised as a supporter.

Thanks for all your support.

Optimistically, **Bonnie Spindler**

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July In Pictures

Photos by Steve Bailey



Boyle Holder of Holder Printworks

Boyle provided shared information about how to preserve memories via different media



Guest speaker:
Alice O'Connor

**SWIS Optimists:**

The SWIS 4th Quarter 2015-2016 Convention is planned for August 26-27 at the Milwaukee Sheraton Brookfield

REMINDER: Hotel Reservation special rate through Friday, August 12th.

August 26th (Friday), there will be an Executive Team meeting..

August 27th (Saturday), there will be a full day conference. Our guest will be Judy Boyd from Optimist International.

Brewer Game at 4:30 PM to follow the conference. For more information click here: [Brewer Game](#).

July 2016 STO Board Minutes

Official board minutes were not available at the time the newsletter was being submitted. The following will provide an update for members in lieu of official minutes, per STO president Carole Klopp. Minutes were approved, the financial report was approved, the board reviewed the service project and discussed the pool party.

SAUK TRAILS OPTIMIST CLUB

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, July 12th, 2016

5:00PM at Park Bank, Old Sauk Road

AGENDA

1. Welcome / Agenda Additions/ Assign Secretary
2. June Board Meeting Minutes Approval
3. Financial Reports Acceptance
4. Membership Report – AND Membership Activities
5. Board Organization
 - a. Club Goals Update: 1) 5 New Members NET
2) \$8000 raised for foundation
 - b. Bylaws & Policies??
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Service
 - 1) Mustard Day – August 6
 - 2) Xmas Party – Rick Conne
 - b. Social Reminders
 - 1) August 24th - Pool Party at See's
 - 2) September STOC Golf Outing – 24th – place to be determined!
 - c. Fundraising
 - 1) Football Craze
7. New Business
 - a. Meeting Schedule and Speakers
 - b. EOY Banquet, New Board Induction, Silent Auction!
Set date and place by July 31st
Silent Auction Committee_____
 - c. Agenda Additions:_____
8. Adjourn to August 9, 2016 at 5pm at Park Bank
Future Meetings: September 13
With THANKS to Dan Chart for use of the Board Room at the Bank!

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.

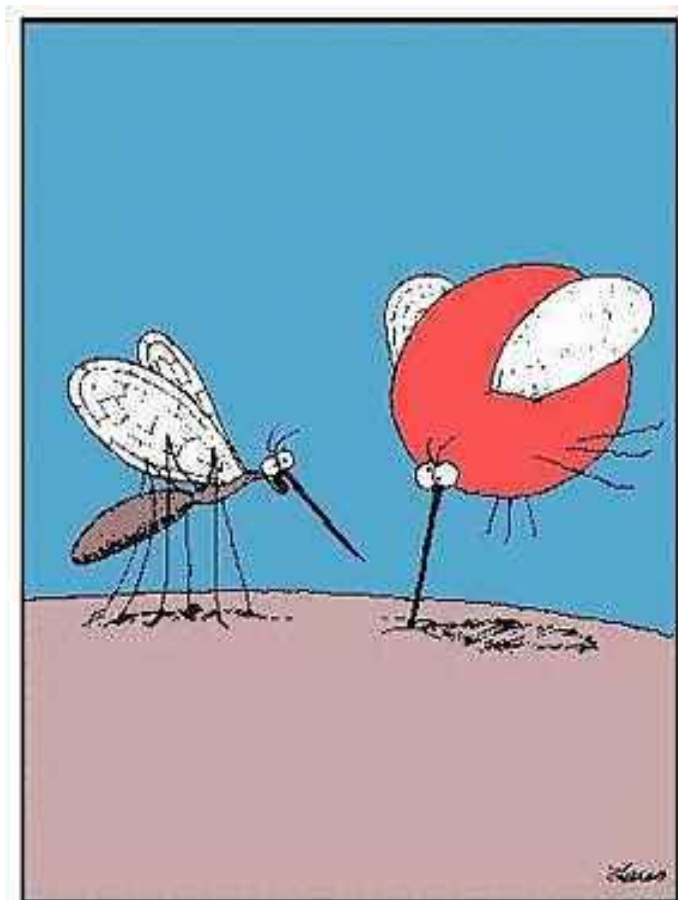
To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

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.



"Pull out, Betty! Pull out! . . . You've hit an artery!"