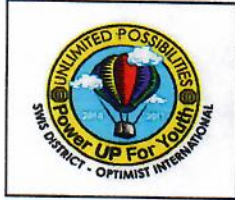




Sauk Trails Optimist Club of Madison

AUGUST 2011

**Schedule: 1st Wed of Month, 5:30 PM
Evening; other Wednesday's, 11:45 -
12:45 Noon, SPRECHER'S, Middleton**



Here's what the Madison-Area Service Clubs Council had to say about our Carole.

For the past 25 years, Carole Klopp has been an active volunteer coaching youth T-Ball, softball, basketball, and gymnastics. She has continually given of her time and talents to insure that all children have the opportunity to succeed-whether in sports or community service. Her contributions have been many, involving: organizing summer sports teams, coaching the necessary skills and teamwork.

Besides T-Ball and summer softball, she has also coached a varsity basketball team in the summer MATC league and varsity gymnastics at Memorial High School, helping with set-up, transportation, finding volunteers for the Spartan Invite and organizing the end-of-the-year banquet.

Carole's involvement with summer softball spanned from 1986-1993. She also has been active with the Spartan Youth Service Team involving gaining leadership skills and community service.

It is an honor to recognize Carole Klopp tonight!

Here's some more Olympics pictures!



Our Bowling Team: Gene, Brinda, BJ. And Darrin



The Team!



President John and Carole

Oh By the way, we took FIRST PLACE....again!!!!

ANY Sauk Trails Club Optimists

There should be club representation at each quarterly conference to acquire the information for the Sauk Trails Optimist Club. Please put these dates on your calendar and try to make at least one of these SWIS Conferences.

August 6th Milwaukee Area

This is the District Convention and an excellent opportunity for training

2010-11 STOC Committee Chairs

Volunteer/Service
Bonnie Spindler
Pat Beiersdorf

Fundraising
Kevin Campos
Kathy Johnson

Social
Alison Scherer

Speakers
Jacci See

Membership
Jeff Hosking

Sauk Trails Club Officers 2010 - 11

President
John Scherer

Secretary/Treasurer
Bob Wortinger

Past President
Carole Klopp

Vice President
Jeff Hosking

Board of Directors
Gene Spindler
Kathy Johnson
Darrin Sharp
Bonnie Spindler
Ray Schmitz
Kevin Campos

Sauk Trails Optimist Club – STOC
Sprecher's – August 3, 2011 Board Meeting Summary

Board Members in Attendance: John Scherer, Bob Wortinger, Kathy Johnson, Carole Klopp, Ray Schmitz, Jacci See, Bonnie Spindler, and Gene Spindler. Other STOC Members Attending: Steve Bailey

Financial Report

The Secretary-Treasurer presented the July financial statements and related reports. The Board discussed the 7/31/11 accounts receivable listing. The Board also discussed the handling of fees for 2011 MASCC Service Club Olympic activities. Following discussion, the Board approved an approach similar to recent years where STOC will pay for the first \$10 of the \$22 SCO dinner fee for each member attending. This discount does not apply to guests.

It was noted that \$100 was paid out to the OI Foundation as a donation in July as approved by the Board earlier in the year. Proceeds were received for the work at the WIAA concession stands in February and March. The Board also discussed if any additional contributions should be considered at this time – following discussion, none were proposed. Board members were asked for any questions regarding the financial reports issued for July. There were no additional comments or questions. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the July Treasurer's Report.

Social Committee

Noted Service Club Olympics and the strong efforts by several members leading to another 1st place finish. The STOC Summer Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 28 from 1 - 3 PM. The Mallards game is scheduled for August 11.

Membership Report

Bob reported no changes this month and our membership remains at 30 regular members plus 2 FOO's.

Fundraising Report

It was reported that the Kiss A Pig event has been cancelled for this year as Kevin was unable to find a site for this event. Gene noted that Football Craze tickets are out. This year's Football Craze is based on 8 weeks of college games with 11 prizes per week. STOC should be getting back \$13 - \$14 per ticket sold. He currently has tickets for sale at \$20 per ticket.

Report on Meeting and Visits with West Madison Optimist Club (WMOC)

John led discussion regarding a couple of joint activities held with their club. Following Board discussion on the pros and cons, it was agreed to monitor the next couple of joint meetings and then gather opinions from STOC members as to whether we should continue discussions with WMOC regarding a possible merger.

Reducing/Monitoring the Number of Club Activities.

John led discussion on reducing the number of official STOC activities. Other activities can be done by STOC members through and on behalf of STOC and presented to other club members for assistance, but will not be considered primary STOC activities for presentations to new members, etc.

Fundraising: Members are expected to work one game in the concession stand or sell five or more items as part of our fundraising efforts.

- UW Football concession stand
- Bucky Book sale
- Koeze Nut sale
- SWIS Football Craze tickets

Volunteer / Service: Members are expected to make every effort to volunteer at the track meet and assist JOOI Club Advisors in helping to develop the next generation of community service providers.

- Special Olympics track meet
- JOOI Club (including Salvation Army bell ringing, JOOI banquet and other activities)
- Adopt-A-Family for Christmas

Social: Members are expected to make every effort to participate in the fellowship of the Club at these events.

- Service Club Olympics
- Progressive Dinner
- Christmas ornament exchange

Following discussion, a motion was made by Kathy, seconded by Carole and passed to approve the above as our current STOC official activities.

New Meeting Location

The Board discussed future plans to move our lunch and evening meetings from Sprecher's to The Vintage on Whitney Way. John and Ray have met with Mark Kraemer. A decision on this matter was tabled for the next Board meeting.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7 at 4:30 PM at Sprecher's.
Bob Wortinger, Secretary/Treasurer 2010-2011

ATTENTION SAUK TRAILS MEMBERS

- Our President John doesn't sound like a broken record when encouraging us to think about inviting a guest or two to one of our meetings, he sounds like an Optimist who wants to see Optimism spread and grow not only in our Sauk Trails areas, but all over the city and state for that matter, so this message of Just Ask is not only for us, but every Optimist in our district. Let's not think of our friends as guests, but also new potential members!

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July Newsletter Articles
Due by 6/30/2011

This section is for all the new members we'll be adding this year!

Childhood Cancer Meal Serving

The Sauk Trails Optimist Club will be providing 2 Optimists, who will join a West Madison Club Optimist, to help serve meals at the UW Children's Hospital. Following are the Sunday dates where you can volunteer from 11:15 AM - 1:30 PM.

Sept 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20

Check your schedule which date would work best for you. There will be future sign-ups and e-mails coming for these dates, but please call or e-mail if there is one that works for you at this time.

Bonnie Spindler 833-7244 blspindler@charter.net
Service Event Coordinator

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY TO

**Bob Wortinger 8/4, BJ Bailey 8/7,
Steve Bailey 8/28, Christian Gridley 8/31**

| Date | Speaker | Topic | SPRECHERS Menu's |
|-----------|--|---|--|
| August 10 | No Meeting-summer schedule | | Menu 1 |
| August 17 | Regular Meeting | TBA | Menu 2 |
| August 24 | No Meeting-summer schedule | | Menu 3 |
| August 28 | Club Picnic with Downtown Club and West Madison Club | Vilas Zoo Visitor center Bring a dish to pass and your own beverages | Menu 4 We will be getting a party sub,(\$5 contribution at the door |
| August 31 | No Meeting-summer schedule | | Menu 1 |

We will resume regular schedule on September 7 with an evening meeting.

SPRECHER'S MENU CHOICES for Lunch

Lunch Cost/Evening Hors d' oeuvres: (\$12.00 includes entrée, beverage, tax, & tip)

| Menu 1 | Menu 2 | Menu 3 | Menu 4 |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| ½ Sprechers Chicken Wrap, with side and soup | ½ Roast Turkey Sandwich, with side and soup | Ratatouille with Soup | Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo with soup |
| Rueben with soup or side | Meatloaf with soup | Sprechers Chicken Sandwich with soup or side | Classic Cobb Salad |
| Chicken Caesar Salad with soup | Classic Cobb Salad with soup | Chicken Caesar Salad with soup | Pork Sliders with side and soup |

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.