



Pathways

Sauk Trails Optimist Club
Madison, Wisconsin



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

October 2018

PRESIDENTS NOTE

Dear STOC Friends:

It's hard for me to believe that this is my last President's message!

I want to thank you all for putting up with me and it has been an honor to serve you as President.

It's been a great year. Some of the highlights, include the Lussier Christmas Party, the Past Presidents Meeting, as well as, the Special Olympics, the Social Meeting at the Old Feed Mill and Mustard Days.

It was all a lot fun. But I am also looking forward to this upcoming year. John has big plans for us 2018/2019. I will not spoil his thunder! I just know John is going to do a great job!

Finally, I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Vintage in Sauk City on Wednesday, October 3rd for the Induction Banquet.

Thanks for all your help and support this past year...

Dan



STOC Bulletin Board

Sauk Trails Club Officers 2017-2018

President: Dan Chart

Vice President: John Fons

Secretary: Rick Thomas

Treasurer: Bob Wortinger

Past President: Mike Grasmick

Board of Directors

Steve Bailey
Rick Conne
Mary Schwartz
Nancy Hach
Kathy Johnson
Todd Geltemeyer

October Birthdays

Rick Thomas 21

Ted See 28



SWIS/WINUM Combined Conference

*Heidel House in Green Lake
October 12-13th, 2018*

Registration information:

www.swisdistrict.org

Newsletter Editor:
Liv Sandberg
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STOC Calendar

Date	Speaker	Topic
10/3	ANNUAL BANQUET	NO LUNCH MEETING
10/9	STOC Board Meeting 5:00 pm	<i>Park Bank, 8001 Excelsior Dr., Madison, All members are welcome to attend Note the change of address</i>
10/10	C. C. Sheldon, DVM	Adventures of a Veterinarian
10/17		
10/24		
10/31		

As we begin a new Optimist year, the speaker committee would like to thank those members who either presented at a meeting or arranged for a guest speaker to come in. They are Dan Chart, Rick Conne, Mike Grasmick, Bob Wortinger, Dan Bergs, Liv Sandberg, and Diane Hoebel. Thanks also to Carole Klopp for being the keeper of the power point projector.

Please let us know if you have someone who would like to speak at a lunch meeting.

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

Mary Schwartz tele. 608-576-5711 or e-mail. schwrtzmry@aol.com

A Greater Madison Vision

Last October, Matt Covert from A Greater Madison Vision came and did a hands-on workshop regarding the future growth of the greater Madison area and Dane County.

A Greater Madison Vision's mission is to create a shared vision and plan in order to guide public and private decisions about how the region grows. The group's steering committee of leaders from throughout the region want to use public input to help create regional development that will foster exceptional quality of life, economic opportunity, and a healthy environment for all.

Dane County residents are now able to take a 10-minute survey beginning September 12th through November 12, 2018. By taking the survey, you will be able to explore and evaluate choices for the future growth & development in our region through 2040.

You will find the survey at <https://greatermadisonvision.com>

If you have questions, you can contact:
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SAUK TRAILS – Madison Club WEBSITE

www.sauktrailsmadisonoptimist.org

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

Call for website sponsors.

If you are interested in being a sponsor of the STOC Website for the 2017-18 year, and have your business/name in the rotation on our website, please contact Bonnie Spindler. See contact info below.

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** bspindler@charter.net 850-9561 (H)
Sauk Trails Website Coordinator

Volunteering at REACH-a-Child:

There are volunteer days on the last Thursday of each month. Volunteer slots are from 4:00 – 6:00 or 6:00 – 8:00, or you can stay the whole time if you prefer. They are located at 6501 Watts Road, Suite 217, Madison. You can call their office at 608-285-5221 for more information.



SAUK TRAILS OPTIMIST CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, September 17, 2018
MINUTES

PRESENT: Dan, Mary, Rick T., Steve, Rick C., Nancy, Mike

Others Present:

Absent: Kathy, Todd, Bob, John

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

1. **Addition to Agenda:** Terri Lynn Fundraising
2. **Approval of Board Minutes from 8/16/2018.** Steve moved to approve the minutes, Nancy seconded, Passed unanimously.
3. **Acceptance of August Financial Reports:**
Dan presented the financials prepared by Bob from August. We still have a good cash position. Mary moved to accept the financials, Mike seconded, Passed unanimously.
4. **Membership Report Update:**
We remain at 37 members. We started the year at 39.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Christmas Party Update – Rick C. is working with Frank to plan the party which is on Dec. 7th. They are looking at having chicken instead of turkey.
 - b. Banquet – The banquet is planned for the Vintage in Sauk City on October 3rd. We discussed the menu and the silent auction.
 - c. Volunteer Opportunities – Madison Marathon is on Nov. 9th. \$9/hour
6. **New Business**
 - a. Bucky Books – Dan and Bob picked up books at the end of August. Encourage members to purchase books.
 - b. Koeze – Rick T. is investigating a new nut fundraiser from Terri Lynn Nuts
7. **Adjourn to October 9th at 5:00pm, at Park Bank on Old Sauk Rd.** Mary moved to adjourn, Nancy seconded, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

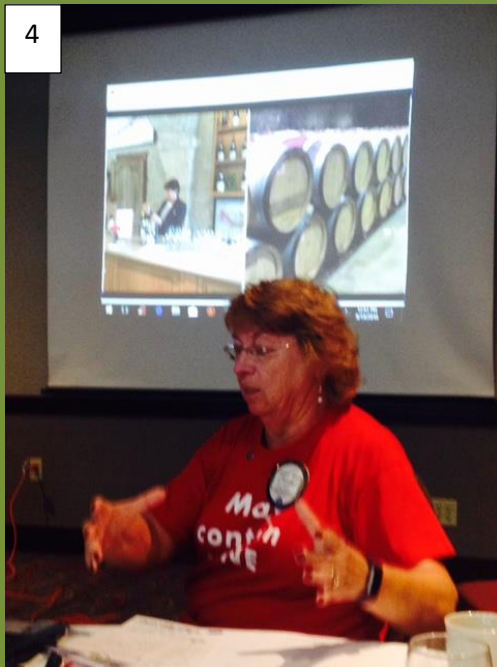
Rick Thomas, President

STO club lunch and Board meetings.

- 1) STOC may have a new look thanks to Aaron Frank of Madison Top Company who met with lunch members to review our choices for new club shirts.
- 2) Dan's last time leading the board meeting before his term as president is done. Thanks for all the work and leading us this past year Dan!
- 3) Bruce Schweiger, from UW Madison, OJ Noer Turfgrass Research center gave all the golfers (and others) a lesson in turf management.
- 4) STOC member Diane Hoebel, with traveling companions, (Mary Breunig and Barb Sheeran-Hill) gave a fun presentation about their wine and boat tour on the French canal and their wine & bike tour even though they don't bike. :/ Smart ladies. Why not follow the bikers and get the wine anyway! (see next page)



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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 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.

