



# CHRONICLE

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The June meeting of the Winona Clown Club was called to order by Past President, Stripes at 7:40 pm.

Members present were: Stumpy, Mitzie, Buffie, Peppermint Polly, Sparkles, Stripes, Scooter, Birdie and Rosie For Now.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary's report accepted as corrected. (Spelling errors corrected.)

Treasurer's Report:

Checks were turned in from Preston; \$250, Spring Grove: \$250, and Arcadia; \$200.

The following members have not paid their dues; BeBop, BOBO, Buffie and Romeo.

Treasurer's report approved as read.

## PAST APPEARANCES

- Whalen Stand Still Parade, Chair: Jubilee!! No report.
- Spring Grove Syttende Mai. Chair: Jubilee!!. Attended by Jubilee!!, Buffie, Rosie For Now, and Timber!
- Preston Trout Days. Chair: Jubilee!! Attended by Jubilee!!, Timber!, and Buffie.
- St. Ann's Nursing Home. Chair: Stumpy. Attended by Jubilee!!, Peppermint Polly, Stumpy, Mitzie, and Rosie For Now.
- Special Athletic Competition. Chair: Stumpy. Attended by Peppermint Polly, Rosie For Now, Stumpy, Jubilee!!, Sparky, Stripes, and Raisin,
- May 23, Goofy's (Button's son) graduation party. Bluff siding Community Center. 4:00ish. Park across the Wine House on Hwy 35.
- Arcadia Lions Broiler/Dairy Days, Sunday, May 24. Chair: Jubilee!! Attended by Jubilee!!, Sparky, Stripes, Timber, E\*L\*M\*O\*, Rosie For Now, Stumpy, Peppermint Polly, and Raisin.

## UPCOMING EVENTS and APPEARANCES

- Sparky's (Wally Ask's) Birthday Party, Saturday, June 6. Faith Lutheran Church, St. Charles, 1:00-4:00pm. Sparky said you could come in Clown Costume if you want.
- Independence Days, Sunday, June 7. Parade @ 1:00 pm. Chair: Buffie. We will meet at the Club to car pool at 10:30. We will dress at the Fire House in Independence. We are #23A in the line up.
- Winona Manor Parade, Tuesday, June 9, 2:00 pm. Meet in the North Parking lot. We are # 21. Chair Jubilee!!
- Watkins Manor picnic, Thursday, June 11, 4:30 pm. Meet in Waktins Manor front lawn dressed at 4:30. Chair Stripes.
- Viola Gopher Count, Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am. Chair; Sparky. Come dressed. Car pool from the Club @ 9:15.
- Winona Steamboat Kiddie Parade. Friday, June 19. Meet dressed @ 9:50 am. Chair: Buffie .
- Winona Steamboat Days. Sunday, June 21. Parade @ 12:31pm. Chair: Buffie. Meet dressed at the Kwik Trip on Broadway. We are #25 in the line up.
- Sunday, June 28, Brownsville Days Parade, 1:00 pm. Chair Stripes. They would like a couple of clowns for the parade and to work with kids afterwards.
- Wincraft Family Picnic, Saturday, July 11. More information later.
- Winona County Fair @ St. Charles, Saturday, July 11 @ 12:00 noon.
- Rushford Days, Saturday, July 18. Parade @ 6:00pm.
- Winona Seniors Friendship Picnic, Wednesday, August 12 @ 11:00 am.
- Goodview Days Kiddie Parade, Friday, August 21 (error on calendar), @ 10:00 am.

- Goodview Days, Sunday, August 23, (error on calendar), @ 1:00 pm.
- Ettrick Fun Days, Sunday, August 23, @ 1:00 pm.
- Blair Cheese Festival, Sunday, September 20, (error on calendar), @ 1:00 pm.

## OLD BUSINESS

We received a thank you from St. Annes, Old Settlers Day Celebration, Spring Grove, and the Smile Train organization.

Spring Grove sent us a copy of the parade coverage of their celebration showing some of our clowns in the parade.

The new handbooks are still being updated and when completed, new copies will be available to all members.

The T-Shirt/Sweatshirt order has not been sent in; you still have time to let Stripes know what you need. The more we order, the cheaper the cost. Consider family member when you order—makes nice gifts.

## NEW BUSINESS

Birdie reported on the HBO special she watched on TV showing the work that the Smile Train doctors do in India.

Stumpy's article on the Smile Train appeared in the Winona Post and was also sent to the Winona Daily News. (See attachment to Chronicle.)

Stumpy received a gift for the clown club from Rick Parker (a former member); a complete set of Clown Collector Plates that can be mounted and displayed in our club rooms. We will be sending him a Thank You for this generous gift. We also voted to make him an honorary member.

Stumpy presented a list of Parade Etiquette and Ideas to consider at the start of our clowning season. They will be sent with the Chronicle.

Stumpy suggested that we have a brainstorming session at a later meeting to discuss different options on paying our dues-

-maybe a combination of local and international dues?

-maybe paying dues on an extended schedule (April-June)?

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Sparkles, Sec.

## Stumpvism for June

Happiness...it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort.

*Franklin Delano Roosevelt*

The Winona Clown Club has designated the Smile Train Organization as their Charity and a percentage of each year's income will be donated to the Organization.

[www.smiletrain.org](http://www.smiletrain.org)

**THE NEXT CLOWN CLUB MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>. AT THE ODD FELLOWS HALL, 961 WEST 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET, WINONA, MN AT 7:30 PM.**

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/2 Sparky 6/13 Sparkles and Timber 6/19 BeBop 6/23 Romeo