

# Shrimporee 38 Planning Meeting Notes

September 20, 2011

The sixth Shrimporee planning meeting was held at the JSC FCU on Tuesday September 20, 2011 from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm. Those present were: Greg Smith, Scott Rainey, John Branch, Jerrold Dewease, Kippy Caraway, Darryl Smith, Nancy Mallini, Brian Ellis, Don Kirchoff, Bill Taylor, Billy Smith, and John Nugent with Chair Marilyn Musial presiding.

John Branch reported on the results of the meal ticket sales and auction buyout items: 1464 meal tickets have been sold with \$675 received for silent auction buyout and \$655 for live auction. He will send emails to those who normally buy tickets and have not to encourage them to buy. Only 2 more Club meeting days before the Shrimporee.

Greg Smith reported that he expects about 40-50 silent auction items with about 30 baskets. He continues to assist the team leaders with themes and guidelines in their preparations of baskets.

Scott Rainey reported that \$33,500 has been committed for sponsorships with several potential donors

Brian Ellis reported that the food and supplies have been ordered, the cookers contracted, and essentially everything was going as planned. The shrimp will be Texas gulf flash frozen. Although prices have increased and some vendors are cutting their contributions back, the Committee decided to maintain the quality and quantity of food served. Brian noted that the food costs excluding the soft drinks would be about \$6.30.

The Committee decided not to take orders for briskets this year. Brian will bring a commercial meat cutter and Bill Taylor will borrow one so there will be two available.

Bill Taylor has been in contact with Earl Maudlin in regard to the equipment trailer. Bill will pick up the trailer Wednesday before the event, check the propane tanks out and then deliver to the park Friday afternoon.

Kippy Caraway reported that the Clear Lake area community newsletters will have articles with Chair Musial in the Shrimp costume for the October issue. Kippy is also working with the Bay Area Houston (one full page) which will run in October, the Citizen, and the Houston Chronicle. She will be working with local merchants to advertise on their marquees. John Nugent will continue to work with the City of Nassau Bay TV for a spot there. The response to yard signs was good at the Monday Club meeting with about 20 signs taken.

Nancy Mallini noted that she had made contacts with all the CCISD student organizations and has received some feedback already. She stated that Clear Lake homecoming was the weekend of the Shrimporee and she will be going to other high schools and making personal contacts to ensure an adequate number of volunteers. Darryl Smith stated that he had not worked on the clean up needs but will begin to work on the coverage and make contacts with the Boy Scouts. Chair Musial stated that about 4 students in the Rotaract will be available to help in the shrimp cooking.

Don Kirchoff asked for two additional adults for the hot dog sales. Also there is a need to replace Roger Donnelly at the raffle sales.

The next Shrimporee Planning meeting is scheduled for September 27.