Meeting Notes

September 25, 2012

The twelfth meeting of the Shrimporee 2012 (39th) was held on September 25 at the JSC Federal Credit Union from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Those in attendance were Jerrold Dewease, John Swartwout, Teri Fowle', Darryl Smith, John Branch, Jerry smith, Bill Taylor, Richard Sarpong, Rena Deitrich, Art Oswald, Don Kirchoff, Bill Hughes, Bob Taggart, Scott Rainey, and Mike Dennard with Chair Sheryl Berg presiding.

Scott reported that \$31,500 has been committed for sponsors with several more pending. Scott is to find out from Mike Dennard if he had contacted some dealerships about sponsorship. (Open item from previous meeting).

John Branch reported that \$15,975 had been collected from meal ticket sales. The committee agreed with a suggestion of Richard Sarpong, and with several members agreeing with Richard, to call the members who have not purchased tickets and encourage them to do so. He and John Branch will prepare a briefing to use in the conversation. Chair Berg wanted to review the briefing. Art will put ribbons on the Club name tags of those who have bought tickets. Further, those who have bought tickets will be asked to stand up and be recognized at the October 1 meeting. Also Chair Berg will see President Musial about having one of the major beneficiaries there to tell the group how the Club's donation will benefit them.

Most of the remainder of the meeting was going over the October 1 Club program. Chair Berg noted that the program was allotted 40 minutes. She would don the Shrimp costume and sit on the scooter to introduce the program. John Branch and John Swartwout will get the scooter for the Club meeting and return it to Space Center Automotive for display until the Shrimporee. After each respective presentation, the presenter will move and stand behind the podium for the duration of the program. After the program, Art will announce that the volunteers forms will be picked up by the presenters. A blank form will be given to each one coming into the Club meeting at the meal ticket desk. The presenters will take about 5 minutes each.

Scott will give an update on the sponsorships and recognize each sponsor at the Club meeting by stand when he calls their name.

John Branch will discuss meal tickets status and why purchasing the tickets are important to the income of the Shrimporee.

Rena will talk raffle. Both the scooter and bracelet will be on display. She will have a sign up form for those who will help sell the raffle tickets at the Shrimporee. She will share the meal ticket table and use the credit machine there. Tickets will be offered at the All Club meeting. Chair Berg will handle.

Jerry Smith said that he would contact Jason Wingate and Sherry Bogus to find the number of auction items they have obtained and compile a listing for Chair Berg by the end of the week. He said that the purchased live auction committee will be ready and have their items purchased. Teri Fowle' has offered a State of Texas rocking chair which will be taken to Jerry's house for now. Stuart Berg will be putting disassembled items together Sunday.

Teri Fowle' will note (Greg Smith for her) that all items for baskets and completed baskets are to be in by October 15. Bring them to the Club meeting or contact Teri and she will arrange for them to be picked up. There will be a basket put together working meeting at Rena's place from 6 to 8pm October 15 and 16 if needed to complete the baskets. The alcoholic beverage listing is due to John Swartwout by October 15. Teri will not be at the October 1 meeting but stated that Greg Smith would. She said that she have been told of lot of this and that but she has not gotten her hand around exactly where she is in regard to baskets and table certificates.

Lamar Bowles will solicit beer money. It is essential that the names of those who agree to pay are recorded.

Kaye Mckinnie will say a few words about the sweet table and circulate a form for members to put down what they will bring.

Art will talk about volunteers and tell the members that the presenters will come to each table and pick up the signed volunteer forms.

There was a general discussion about the PA system. Chair Berg will discuss with President Musial.

Judge Holley Williamson is looking forward to emceeing the live auction. She has worked with Judge Ditta and Commissioner Phelps in the past. She said tell everyone hello.

Bill Hughes will continue to work with the Commission about placing a banner across NASA Parkway in the vicinity of the Clear Lake Park entrance. He will also contact Kippy Caraway about whom to see about the electronic signs on the NASA Parkway.

Chair Berg will send email to Bill Artzberger to remind him to pickup and return the PA system from One Stop Party Shop. Bill Taylor noted that it was invoiced separately from the reminder of the equipment rented from the One Stop Party Shop.