

Rotarians get ready for 43rd annual Shrimporee

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Sheryl Berg, Shrimporee Chair for the Space Center Rotary Club makes a grand entrance at the meeting by driving in on a bright pink motor scooter all dressed up as a giant cartoonish shrimp with beady black eyes. Standing by was none other than Rotarian Constable Phi Sandlin.

Space Center Rotary of Clear Lake is inviting all the surrounding Bay Area communities to its 43rd annual Shrimporee and Auction.

This year's Shrimporee will be held at the Clear Lake Park on NASA Parkway from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, and Chairman Sheryl Berg promises it will be the best ever, with lots of food and beverages, live and silent auctions, entertainment, fellowship, educational, interactive presentations that will intrigue kids and educate parents and games for the kids.

Admission is free but the shrimp and barbecue brisket lunch plate is \$15. For dessert, the Women of Rotary Bay Area will offer an array of sweets at inexpensive prices.

The Honorable Steve Phelps, the Honorable Louie Ditta, and the Honorable Holly Williamson will conduct the live auction with help from Jerry Smith, Jason Wingate and Sherry Bogus.

Clear Creek ISD Superintendent Dr. Greg Smith and San Jacinto College Director Teri Fowle are in charge of the silent auction.

One highlight of the afternoon will come with the opportunity drawing for a cute little lavender pink 50cc Breeze gas-powered scooter with helmet -- that most any woman would die for -- from Scooterville in Kemah and also a lovely Pandora bracelet donated by Rotarian Slade Lewis, owner of Lewis Diamonds and Timepieces.

Both raffle items have pink incorporated into them in honor of October being nationally-designated Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Raffle tickets for a chance at the two prizes are available for \$10 each or 6 for \$50.

Major beneficiaries will be the Edgar A. Smith Family YMCA, Bay Area Communities in Schools and EarlyAct FirstKnight.

Other Rotarians serving as committee chairmen for the Shrimporee include:

Sponsors--Scott Rainey; Ticket Sales--John Branch; Raffle --Rena Deitrich; VIPs--Jon McKinnie

For more information and tickets, contact Sheryl Berg at 281-773-3598 or by email at speak2clearlake@att.net

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