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Minutes from June 27, 2018 Social Committee meeting

Members in attendance: Rebecca Roth, Becky Newkirk, Karen Dryden, Peggy Fisher, Pat Lodge, Carol Kelly, Carol Wagner. Absent: Brenda Fishman.

The purpose of today's meeting was twofold i.e. to debrief on the 6/16/18 Patio Crawl and to start planning the 2018 Street Meet.

Patio Crawl Debriefing:

This was our first attempt at hosting a Patio Crawl. We held it on a Saturday from 4 PM – 7 PM. We had 4 patios on the crawl: Becky Newkirk from 4-4:45, Sylvia Craig-Lococo (smc0482@gmail.com, 5500 W 92 Terrace) from 4:45 to 5:30, Doug and Joanne Brown from 5:30 to 6:15 and Carol Wagner from 6:15 to 7:00. The HOA provided \$65/patio to cover wine, beer, soft drinks, and snacks. An EVITE was sent and a follow-up was sent a few weeks later.

We had between 22-28 participants, including committee members and their families. We were in the middle of a heat wave so the temperature was 90+ degrees and very humid. Hopefully next year the weather will be more conducive for an outdoor activity such as this one.

Next year we might have 3 patios available with one hour allowed at each one and the time frame being 5 PM – 8 PM.

We learned that it would be better to coordinate the food/drink refreshments provided. We also learned that each patio didn't need to provide as much beer, wine and pop. We may also want to provide more food items, such as small sandwiches, instead of just snack items. Perhaps all items will be provided/obtained by the HOA and given to each patio. Also, maybe have traveling coolers with wine, beer, water and pop in them. We would bring these coolers from patio to patio. Or provide one stocked cooler for the first and last patios, with the second patio receiving the cooler from the first patio. The HOA may provide the paper products to each patio.

We had 4 additional patios volunteered that we didn't use i.e. Steve and Peggy Spinini (9224 Somerset), Lydia and Rick Marien, Tina and Wayne Yake, Courtney and Shawn Ward (9200 Somerset).

Street Meet 2018 Planning:

It will take place on **September 30, 2018** with an **inclement weather date of October 14, 2018**. Other factors will be as in the past i.e. location on Reeds, time from 4 PM-6PM.

Since we are now quite organized in setting up for the Street Meet, committee members don't need to arrive until 2:30 PM (instead of 2:00 PM.)

Peggy will research the costs associated with purchasing BBQ from Hy-Vee Grocery Store since she has tasted it and thought it was quite good. **WHO?** will purchase hot dogs and brats. **Peggy** will purchase BBQ sauce(s). **Carol W** will purchase condiments for the hot dogs and brats. **Carol K** will purchase hot dog buns and small, slider-type buns for BBQ sandwiches. **Pat** will research getting Hy-Vee coupon books, with an expiration date in 2019.

WHO? will provide the starter raffle money of \$100 worth of \$5 bills. **Carol W and Rebecca** will sell raffle tickets at the event.

Committee members will bring side dishes to the event. In the EVITE we will ask participants to also bring side dishes and hope we get more than we did last year. Heide Peterman will again bring desserts from Costco. If interested, committee members can also bring a dessert.

Feedback from the HOA Board in 2017 was to try to spend less money on the meat. (In 2017 the HOA spent \$400 for the meat – both the pulled pork and the hot dogs.) Perhaps buy BBQ from a grocery store that is less expensive than McGonigles. We will buy less BBQ meat since we had quite a bit left over in 2016 and 2017. They also suggested that an email be sent to the neighborhood a few months ahead of the Street Meet to ask if anyone knows of or owns a business that might donate an item to the raffle. **Carol W** will ask Jakob to do that along with asking if there is a neighborhood teenage girl who would be interested in volunteering her time during the Meet to play with and direct activities, such as a scavenger hunt, with the children who attend. The Board also suggested we consider buying admissions to venues as raffle prizes i.e. Coterie Theater, Science City, WW1 Museum, Toy Museum, and Negro Baseball Hall of Fame. In this evening's meeting, the committee decided we won't spend money on those items. **Carol W** will ask the city of Overland Park if we can have free admissions to the Johnson County Heritage Center, Theater in the Park, the Johnson County Arboretum, a day pass to Matt Ross Community Center and/or Deanna Rose Farm.

An inventory of supplies revealed that we need to purchase approximately 8 plastic table coverings in fall colors. **Pat** will obtain those. We need 1 roll of paper towels. **Karen** will provide that. **Karen** will also obtain name tags. (Rebecca will assist in researching name tags obtained on line.) **Peggy** will provide a half dozen trash bags.

We will have sign-up sheets for individuals who want to volunteer to serve on the Welcome or Social Committees and to suggest ideas for future social activities.

We will list some of the raffle prizes in the EVITE to encourage participation in the raffle and will also remind participants to bring MONEY so they can buy raffle tickets!

Bob Lowery has again volunteered to develop and set up the raffle table.

Becky will obtain 10 colorful helium balloons and attach them to the 10 yard signs that will be displayed throughout the neighborhood during the week before the Meet.

We estimate we will need 5 bags of ice and 3 cases of bottled water. **Karen, Becky and Rebecca** will each provide a case of water. **Becky, Carol W and Peggy** will provide the 3 ice coolers. Ice will be provided by **WHO?**

Carol W will ask Doug Brown if we can use 2 of his chaffers with Sterno. We need to bring matches or a lighter stick to light the Sterno cans to keep the meat hot.

Carol W will research our possibly renting a canopy to put over the raffle table area so we don't again get eaten up by the oak tree mites falling from the oak trees in that area. **Carol K** will research our renting a small, portable Public Address system of some sort to use in making announcements throughout the Meet.

Tables will be brought by: **Becky (2), Carol K (1), Carol W (1), Pat (1), Peggy (1), Brenda (2), Rebecca (2 6' tables).**

We decided we will not make and distribute flyers for this event.

We will meet again on **8/7/2018, 6:30PM, at Conroy's**, to further discuss and plan this event.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Wagner, Social Committee Chair.