BECON 10/15/21

We met again at Cedar Hall this morning negotiating the trucks and horse trailers spilled out into the Midway asphalt that are in for the NILE events that start tomorrow.

A HOT breakfast of biscuits and gravy and such were served. Now if we can get both a hot breakfast and warm building we'll be in business©

The meeting this morning was a business meeting so no guests were present. However, on hand were four of our six (that's right, 6) new members including Mike Alberton, the manager of an ACE Hardware store; Jesse McKee, who recently joined Payne West Insurance; Kim Lewis, the CEO of the United Way who did a presentation for the club recently; and Maria Rivera, who works with the United Way and who some of you may know from the Food Truck Battle. Carla Morgan and husband were also on hand and as has been mentioned in previous BECONs, Carla is a returning member to the club. New members not present were Nicole Croaker and John Bennett, who were also both voted into the club on Tuesday and Matt McNeil, who is new and who has already put in a couple of work shifts.

The majority of what was talked about this morning is covered in the Board meeting minutes sent out earlier. As such, I've only add new items that were brought up this morning.

Secretary's Report – the minutes and info above covered Shannon's report.

<u>Treasure's Report</u> – Ed mentioned that we had some money come in from the recent events (~\$85K) so now it can go out although the granting will have to be paired down given our new work arrangement at Metra.

<u>President Elect</u> – assignments for tomorrow night's NILE Ranch Rodeo have gone out and all but the last shift of the Expo Center bar assignments (2 PM to 8 PM on Saturday 10/23) have been filled. If you can work this last shift please let Cavin know.

Assignments for the three regular rodeos on 10/21 - 10/23 will begin today. As Bruce mentioned this morning, it's really nice when members go into the website and "Request to Work" versus marking themselves as "Available" as we don't always know if people really will be available or they just forgot to mark themselves as "Unavailable."

<u>Business Manager</u> – Mike mentioned that we made around \$7300 at the In The Moment concert and \$7200 at the Bare Knuckles fight. Wiley made a point of thanking all that worked the concert and I'm thanking those again now that worked the Bare Knuckles – everything worked out well.

Mike also hinted that there are some good, yet to be announced, concerts coming up as well as some comedian shows – all of which should be good for beer sales.

<u>President's Report</u> – Bruce mentioned that the County is planning a retirement party for our friend Bill Dutcher that we should participate in and several members suggested that we hold our own party for Bill given that he has been the Club's biggest County/Metra ally for his entire 30 yearish tenure. We need to get this done before his December 2021 retirement.

Thanks and have a great weekend!