

BECON 1/26/24

Guests today:

County Commissioners John Ostlund and Mark Morse were at breakfast today and they brought Mike Waters to introduce him to the club and announce his run for the next County Commissioner seat.

Also we had our Youth of the Year candidates: Aidan Molloy, Casey Rah, and Brianna Brandon with her parents Jack and Danica.

Announcements:

Trina White announced that she still has Super Bowl squares for sale on her board. She didn't bring the board, but she is more than happy to still take your money for one! Also they are still selling seats for the Meadowlark Brewery food tasting event. If Exchange members do not purchase all the tickets soon, they will open it to the public. All proceeds go back to the Foundation.

Rene announced that the Food Truck Battle planning is about to commence. The first meeting will be held in the first week of February. If anyone is interested in joining that committee, now is the time to reach out to Rene and let her know

Craig announced that officer elections are going to take place in the next few months, so if you are interested in running for a particular seat, be prepared to let Craig and/or the board know.

****Breakfast this morning was a delicious egg bake with ham and cheese, sausages, (and when those ran out....BACON!!!), and some other things that I don't remember because I short-circuited when she brought me bacon.**

Youth of the Year Speeches

Casey - He was very animated and worked the room well. Casey discussed life saving skills and how he came to make a decision to teach others how to utilize simple methods to saving lives out there. He is part of the HOSA club at Central, which is the future healthcare professionals of America group. His takeaways are threefold, 1)He has learned that when something is important to him, then that is what he needs to do. 2)If you're trying to get something done, phone a friend. 3)If you need help, ask for it.

Aidan - Swim team captain. Aidan discussed how competitive swimming is and that it begins around age 5. His team recruited 3 swimmers to their team that had never swam competitively before, and they got them ready for their first swim meets ever. He believes it takes patience and dedication to be successful, and that leadership is helping others on a 1:1 basis, and it is being there before anyone else and after they all leave. It only matters how much heart you have, not how good you are at swimming. That was his approach as team captain in leading his team to accomplish some moments he's pretty proud of.

Brianna - In a negative world, what do you do to maintain your moral compass?

1. Her close relationship with God is the first thing she does to maintain her moral compass
2. She stays true to herself, she journals and scrap books, and reads.

Brianna shared that it is important to her to maintain her moral compass because she doesn't want to go to prison.

Short and sweet this week, but we had some pretty great (and quite sharp) teenagers giving us their thoughts on life and leadership.