

# BECON

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It's Friday and the 13th — so of course Shawnee showed up dressed appropriately in black!

Please keep **Tanya and Benji** in your prayers. Benji has recently entered hospice. We are thinking of them during this difficult time.

Tim reminded everyone to save your bottles for the FreeStore. Please don't throw them away — he's tired of staff giving him the side-eye as he digs through the garbage cans!

Danielle with the Family Tree reached out to let Shawnee know their pinwheels will be coming in for April. If you would like to place some at your home in support, please reach out.

There was a recent R-Serving class with seven members attending. Mike Songer recently completed the online version and shared that it's now down to about an hour. So if your certification is expiring soon, the online option isn't as long as it used to be. Let's just hope they kept the videos — that was some quality entertainment!

We received a thank-you note from Off the Streets expressing appreciation for all the donations we dropped off during the holidays.

Trina gave a shout-out to everyone who participated in the Super Bowl board. All payouts have been made — and we're ready for next year!

Since today was a business meeting, much of the detailed information can be found in the minutes Shawnee sent out. Here are a few highlights from committee reports:

## **Membership Committee**

Another Membership Drive will be held February 18th at Gordy's. If you know anyone interested in joining, please invite them. From the sounds of all the great things happening, we can use all the help we can get!

## **Patriotism Committee**

The sponsorship form is out for the Fields of Remembrance. The committee has secured its first \$5,000 sponsor and is ready for more. If you know of a business that may be interested, please pass along the form or reach out to Tony if you'd prefer he make the connection.

## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

2-21 Shrimp Boil

### **Book of Golden Deeds Breakfast**

Scheduled for May 1st. Craig and Tony have met and are preparing to announce it on Facebook and pursue a radio spot. Craig will also be sharing information with the Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit Committee and adding details to the website. If you know someone deserving of this recognition, please complete a nomination form.

### **Food Truck Battle**

Taking place the week after the airshow. The team is considering free gate admission to increase attendance and is actively seeking sponsorships. Shawnee reminded everyone to be mindful not to double-tax our local businesses.

Terry Corey made a special appearance to drop off items for next week's horse races. He claims breakfast is too early — and says if we move it to 10 a.m., he'll consider rejoining!

