

Fundraising Committee Report- March 2, 2023

Present: Pat Kitterman, Brenda Paul, Shonda Palmer, Lesley Eliassen, Anna Simpson, Mike Saindon, Barbara King, and Rhonda Hundley

5:34 – 7:21 pm

RECAP:

Haysville Chili Cook Off – February 18 – Saturday, 11 am – 2 pm

- Commander Tackett made the chili. The winner was chosen by votes, and we took 2nd place!
- Lots of participation! Thanks for all those that supported us

Trash Can Nachos Fundraiser – February 21, Tuesday

- We received several compliments on the flavor, and a couple of people said they were better than the ones sold at the State Fair.
- Suggestions to make them crisper:
 - drain corn and black beans
 - make cheese sauce thicker
 - have one server add the condiments to order. This would speed up the process
- Thanks to all that came and helped and came to eat

Pancake Feed – March 4, 8 – 10:30 am

- We sold 267 meals
- Along with our donation and donations from USD 260 students, staff and families, the Chamber, Lion's Club, and other donations, the Foodbank received \$2,294 and 7,664 food items
- Great turn out! Thanks to all that helped!

COMING EVENTS

3rd Thursday Events

- Considering selling the nachos at the city's 3rd Thursday six events. Dates and places:
 - March 16, 5-8 pm at Madison Avenue Central Park
 - April 20, 4-8 pm at Madison Avenue Park
 - May 18, 6-9 pm at Warren Riverview Park
 - August 17, 6-9 pm at Warren Riverview Park
 - September 21, 5-8 pm at Madison Avenue Park
 - October 19, 5-8 pm at Madison Avenue Park
- Booths are \$25
- No electricity is available, so one of the grills would need to be transported to keep items hot
- We will recon the March 16 event, and discuss findings at the next meeting

Collaboration with BG Products, LLC to Collect Items for VA Hospital Patients

- During the month of March, we will be collecting items for VA patients
- Toiletries and new undergarments (L to 3X) for men and women needed
- Collection bin at the east door

American Legion Birthday Party – March 18, Saturday

- Centerpieces have been assembled. Thanks to all that helped
- Help will be needed to setup on Saturday, March 18, at 1 pm. Social hour 3 pm. Dinner & program at 4 pm
- ALA meeting is next Monday, March 13, at 7 pm. Attend for more details

Club Car Wash Raffle

- Tickets are still available for purchase. The winner will be drawn at the Birthday Party

April Fundraiser – Breakfast for Supper – April 6, 5-6:45 pm

- Prior to the April Legion meeting
- Menu:
 - Ham steaks
 - Scrambled eggs
 - Hashbrowns (use Mike's fryer)
 - Toast
 - Coffee & Tang
 - Butter & jelly
 - Desserts by donation
- Cost was discussed and prices were established
- Portions were discussed
- Details for flyer were discussed and will be forwarded to Kathy Saindon for completion

Mexican Feed

- Last year's Mexican Feed was successful
- Following a short discussion, it was decided to have one prior to the May Legion meeting on May 4
- Portions were too large last year, so will be cut from three entrees to two
- Discussion will continue regarding menu items via email or text.

New Fundraiser

- A new dinner fundraiser was discussed and will be considered at a future time

Volunteer T-shirts

- Several members have requested one of the volunteer t-shirts
- Color was discussed and blue (for Haysville) was decided
- Gildan shirts were requested. Made in the USA and little, if any, shrinkage
- Shamrock Graphics has the capability to offer online ordering. They collect funds and deliver
- Pat will talk Bryan and set up the online ordering option

Hooded Raglan Jackets

- If we want to pursue, check with Shamrock

Credit Card Convenience Fee

- Mike reported it is illegal for us to add a convenience fee. Only the federal government and its entities are allowed to. There is a bill in committee that will allow us to add it, but it's not available to us at this time

Upcoming Events:

- BBQ on the Plains – June 10, Saturday—serve Trash Can Nachos, hot dogs, and something sweet
- Operation Holiday Poker Run – July 8, Saturday. Discussion followed
- Haysville Pool Night – last year= July 23. Suggested dates: July 29 (1st choice), July 22 (2nd)
- Peaches in September. Pears are not available this year
- Atwood's Hot Dog Feed – September 16, Saturday
- Cash Savers Hot Dog Food – Haysville – last year Oct 15. Suggested dates: October 7 (1st) or 21 (2nd)

Ongoing:

- Got Sneakers – suggestion was made to take bins to area nursing/assisted living homes
- Donor Flag – stars are sold out. Strips in all price ranges are available
- Red Friday bags -- made by Mindy King

Next Fundraising Committee Meetings

- The next two meetings were moved up a week so meetings could be held prior to the dinners: April 3 at 5:30 pm and May 1 at 5:30 pm
- Check the American Legion website for updates

Rhonda Hundley