St. Peter's Parish Sauerkraut Supper Committee Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2024

Present: Mary Bach Filla, Tom Filla, Marge Lee, Melissa Schaub, Mike Hundt, Peter Benzing, Pam Benzing. Not present: LaVonne Hundt, Rachel Persson, Deb Leis

Called to order by Pam at 7:15 pm. Our Father prayer led by Pam.

- 1. Activities for Sauerkraut Supper
 - a. Beverage tent w/ entertainment—Melissa will ask Chris Pundzak if he will DJ
 - b. Sit-down dinner, not family style, not all you can eat
 - c. Carry-outs
 - d. Bake sale.
 - e. Raffles—Torkelson Funeral Home will pay for tickets
- 2. Areas needing improvement:
 - a. Some concern that the plastic plates currently used for dinners conduct too much heat to be carried safely. Use of trays briefly discussed and decided not to use. Consensus to switch to Chinette 10" plates for dinner. Will check prices at Sam's Club.
 - b. Committee decided the next size smaller tent would be more economical. The 30'x60' tent we have gotten in the past is not necessary because not as many people waiting due to faster service with new serving method.
- 3. Information for Catholic Times by July? ASAP
 - a. St. Peter's Parish-Middle Ridge, Hwy. 33
 - b. Date—October 9, 2024 time 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm. A motion was made by Mike to change ending time from 8:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Motion carried 6-1.
 - c. Eat-in and carry-out
 - d. Bake sale, raffles
 - e. Serving homemade sauerkraut and pork, Polish sausage, mashed potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, homemade pie
 - f. Price \$15.00

4. Logistics

- a. Carry-outs—No drive-thru, need traffic control to be watchful. Small parking lot across road to be used for carry-out parking
- b. Eat-in parking directed to ball field. Handicap near church. Mike H. says Steven will lend some barricades to help direct traffic.
- 5. Same amount of food as last year. Kraut—1,100 lb, sausage 250 lb
- 6. Assignments:
 - a. Pam and Deb will do inventory/shopping.
 - b. Pam will inventory/purchase paper products
 - c. Mike will order/pickup beverages

- d. Mary will order tent, dumpster, call Digger's Hotline, get beer license, write article for newspaper. Big Hook was suggested for dumpster rental.
- e. Melissa and Tom will bring port-o-potty
- f. Pam will send out letters/flyers to area newspapers/churches and online event calendars. Will make flyers, sign-up poster
- g. Peter will provide cooler for meat, set up stage. Will need help with heavy lifting.
- h. Marge will organize kitchen cleaning with help from committee and parish members.
- i. Peter/Tom will organize parking
- 7. Discussion how to raise more money. Motion to ask sponsors for \$200 donation for advertising at supper. All in favor. Mike will draft letter to be sent to potential sponsors and volunteers will follow-up with a personal call. The article for the paper will mention sponsors, also. The following businesses will be approached for donations:
 - a. Mike will talk to: Bank of Cashton, Riverbank, St. Joseph Equipment, Allied Co-op, First National Bank, Chaseburg Co-op, Cashton Vet Clinic,
 - b. Pete will talk to: Cashton Farm Supply, MIsna Dairy Supply, Star Blends, Hansen's IGA
 - c. Melissa will call Organic Valley, Bagniefski Heating, Sherwin Williams
 - d. Tom Shaub will contact Portland Implement
- 8. Mark your calendars:

a. **Aug. 7, 2024 at 5:30 pm** Make kraut

b. **Sept. 14, 2024 at 9:00 am** Clean church basement and kitchen

c. **Sept. 21, 2024 at 8:00 am** Make coffeecakes for bake sale. Clean garage.

d. Oct. 8, 2024 at 8:00 am Cut up/cook pork, package kraut, misc.

- e. Oct. 9, 2024 Sauerkraut Supper, serving from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm
- 9. Instead of physical meeting, Pam will send email to committee members in August to track progress.

Adjourned at 8:15 pm

Addendum—Rachel, could you put supper event on Facebook?

Respectfully submitted by Pam Benzing