

April 3, 2024

The WACO meeting for April was held with 32 members present in Mike's garage. Bob started the meeting by saying that Kevin was sick. The first thing that Bob asked the members to try was raising their hand. We practiced a couple of times and then Bob asked the members to remember that action as he started the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was asking for volunteers to help with an upcoming regional event. Bob asked for volunteers for the Poker Run first. He said we needed 2 people at each stop and that we had 4 stops to make. David G. suggested that just a couple of people could be at the front of the line of cars and then pass out the poker cards once we arrived at each stop. **Bill**, **Larry** and **Reuben** volunteered for these positions.

**Mick** and **Bill** have graciously donated their ATVs for the club to use during the regionals. If they are otherwise busy and we need someone else to drive people around **Doug** has agreed to help with this position, (if his eyes are healed enough).

Harry Hynes will have a booth at regionals, and they have asked if they can raffle off a quilt that has cars on it. The club agreed that this was a good idea. The question was asked who will get the money from the raffle. We will find out about that.

**David Hime** will be going to Prairie Print soon to order the T-shirts. People need to turn in their order forms as the t-shirts must be pre-ordered. We have 3 kinds of shirts being made. One is the regional t-shirt, one is the fluorescent yellow for workers at the regional, and one is the WACO club t-shirt.

**Gretchen** will be decorating the Social Tap for our meal on Friday evening and was looking for some help with that. **Tammy** and **Connie** agreed to help. (As long as Tammy's back is healed enough)

Registration will be helping with t-shirts, raffle baskets, goody bags, and registration and awards tally. The following have agreed to help in this area. **Becky**, **Cherie**, **Margaret**, **Tammy**, **Connie**, **Lee Ann**.

The DJ music and announcements will be handled by **Mike**. **Doug** volunteered to help Mike with passing out the raffle prizes that we have collected.

Photography will be taken care of by **Steve** & **Bob**.

David Gohring reminded members that there will be lots of last-minute items as well. So be prepared to step up and help as needed. That was all that was on Kevin's list for the moment.

Security will be provided by Best Security. Kevin has asked for a volunteer from the club to be with them as well. The Best Security will furnish security Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights from 12 PM (midnight) to 7 AM. Kevin would like WACO to provide security prior to the midnight time frame and after the 7 AM time frame.

WSU has agreed to block off the parking lot on Thursday so that we can set up the parking lot. Will need some volunteers to help get the lot ready. We could set up the tents and the tables. Will need the cones set up as well. Can also set up all the banners that we will be using.

WSU grounds people have asked us not to put signs into the grass. So, we need to think of other ways to hold up our signs. Russell said he had some angle iron that could be welded together to help hold up signs. Doug asked if anyone had a real estate frame that he could put the WACO sign in that he has. Several people thought they had one they could loan to Doug.

David reported that Kevin has been working with LDF on getting our banners printed for us. They are the Coors distributor. Again, be thinking of ways to stand up the banners and all the signs that we need without putting holes into the grass. We will need lots of rope!!!

The Awards ceremony begins at 6 PM. However, there is much to be done before the awards ceremony. The judging needs to end at 3 PM and then the points tallied up. The Poker run starts at 3:30 so several members will be busy with that. We will need people to help set up the awards ceremony while the poker run is going on. Will need to move all the trophies and set them up so the awards ceremony can run smoothly.

**Steve** will be taking photographs of the 1000 point judged cars to be added to their trophies.

David G. gave a treasurer's report. He said we have gotten lots of money donated and so it appears that we have a lot of money in the bank. However, David reminded us that he has not paid any of the bills associated with the regional. Currently, we have \$16,500 in the bank. We usually spend \$10,000 on our shows. As of the meeting we also have 44 people pre-registered. That is a healthy number for this early.

We are working on having a special surprise for everyone after the awards ceremony. Kevin is working on arranging with Fuzzy's Taco to buy everyone food there on Saturday night. Friday night, of course, we have food from The Social Tap.

David also informed members that if they ordered the fluorescent yellow shirt that they will probably get their money back on their shirt IF they help with the regional.

We also have Thank you plaques for all the sponsors that **Matt** is making for us!

We talked about the 44 pre-registered cars a bit. David G. thinks that about ½ of them are from out of state! We have people coming from Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Missouri, and Colorado! We have 8 cars registered for the 1000-point judging. We also have 2 Monte Carlo's coming!

Kevin has done most of the work to get WSU to help us with our show. We all agreed Kevin has done a good job. It was also mentioned that The Social Tap has dropped the price they are charging us for the Friday night meal. This pleased everyone! Steve mentioned that he felt like WSU has been working with us to create a wonderful show. We need to be respectful of this opportunity so that it might be available to us in the future!!!

We will also have a point of contact person with WSU that will be there during the hours that the show is open. That way if we need something there will be someone to help us!

Becky shared the progress on the raffle baskets. The Ladies of WACO are going to have breakfast on Sat. April 27 at 9 AM at Livingston's. After breakfast the ladies are going to go to Cindy & Mike's garage to assemble the raffle baskets. If you are donating anything to any of the baskets, please give them to one of the ladies by the April 27 date so we can get them all together. We will also put together the Goody Bags at that time as well. If you can't donate an item for a raffle basket, money donations are accepted so that we can purchase things for the basket. One person had already donated a generous amount for us to use. (After the meeting, more people donated generously to the cause!! THANK YOU!!!) All the money collected from the raffle basket is going to go to a charity. We are thinking about donating to a local veteran's charity. Think about a charity that you would like to help. The club will vote on this.

David reminded us of the cruise set for Saturday April 6. We will meet at Harbor Freight parking lot on South Seneca at 10:30 AM. Then we will cruise to the Haysville Vintage Vickers gas station. Then we will cruise to the NSRA event and then go to Ron Flemings for pizza. At each stop, we will do a poker card. At the end we will give prizes to the best poker hand.

Show and Tell:

Doug showed the cloth that he had received at the O'Reilly's Open House. No one knew what it was for. Doug called O'Reilly's and found out that it was a cooling cloth. Wet it down and put it around your neck to keep cool.

Matt passed out examples of what the trophies are going to look like.

Mick brought a brake booster off his Corvette. Mick had disassembled it so that the members could see how it worked.

Meeting adjourned.