

Johnson County DogPAC Meeting  
May 1st, 2003  
Annual Meeting

Greetings,

1. Beth Shields reported on the flyball tournament and DogPAC's concession stand/fundraising. Beth managed the organization and execution of the concessions and in the course of it, made contact with several sources of supplies if we decide to undertake the concession stand for the August tournament. For example, she was able to purchase many of the food items from Hawkeye at a good discount. She was also able to get donations from various sources like Hy Vee. The key to running the project successfully is to start earlier than we were able to this time, and to have more people involved. As it is, Beth was able to net \$403 from the weekend. Hats off to her, for a tremendous effort! She says there is coffee, soda, chips and some supplies left over from the event which can be used at a future event, reducing our cash outlay to sponsor another event.

In the discussion about whether to run the concession for the August 16th and 17th (Saturday and Sunday) tournament, we thought it would take a MINIMUM of 6 people per day to run the stand, plus at least 2 people to set up and 2 people to clean up. Given that we have a list of "interested members" of close to 200, surely we can find 8 to 10 who could put in a couple of hours.... Beth needs to know by Wednesday evening or Thursday morning, June 18th/19th at the latest who is willing and able to help out with the effort. John, owner of the Market Street Dairy Queen offered to provide hot dogs and chili sauce at a good rate, plus staff for a couple of shifts. You can reach Beth at [Beth-Shields@uiowa.edu](mailto:Beth-Shields@uiowa.edu). As she has pointed out, there are lots of ways to make an important contribution even if you are not able to attend the tournament on that weekend. First and foremost, a planner/organizer is needed to coordinate the effort. We also need people who will canvas local businesses for donations of food/supplies and cash. We may be able to turn to New Pioneer for some significant sponsorship, but that lead needs to be developed.

In short, If you have wanted to see the park progress toward an opening date, we need your help.

2. We received an update on the status of the DogPAC request to City Council for creation of the park. As you may know, the state, county and local governments are in very lean times. Funding cuts at all levels have government agencies searching for places to save money. This is having a significant impact on the progress of park development. It

looks now like DogPAC will need to find ways to raise funds for much of the start-up and development. We are hoping the Council will go ahead this summer and designate the proposed site as park ground, but we are no longer so gaily optimistic that the City will also pay to pave the connection from Kansas Avenue to the park, or to fence the park.

These developments make fundraisers like the concession stand at the flyball tournament all the more important.

3. Kathy Rash, owner of the Art Mission, designated JC DogPAC as the recipient of a percentage of her sales from the June gallery walk. Thanks to Kathy, DogPAC netted a little over \$180 from that one evening. If you see Kathy, or are in her shop (114 S. Linn Street) thank her for her support.

4. Joe Coates attended the meeting to talk about ways he could offer his services to spice up the website and assist with our PR presentation. He will work on some preliminary ideas and report back to DogPAC, hopefully at the August meeting.

5. The JC DogPAC bumper stickers are now available and we are selling them at various events and sites. For example, we sold some at the flyball tournament; at the Art Mission; at the Animal Shelter; at a member's garage sale.... No end to places and ways to sell these babies! We are asking for a minimum donation of \$2 per sticker. Contact Beth Fisher or Anne Burnside or Misha Goodman if you want a sticker for yourself (and all your friends and relations).

The next JC DogPAC meeting will be Thursday, June 10th, 7:30 p.m., at the old wastewater treatment plant, adjacent to the Animal Shelter. We hope to see you there.

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