

RRCNA29
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Hotels and Hospitality

As Hotels and Hospitality Chairperson, I jumped into this job a little late. Thankfully the hotel contract was already in the works. I failed to pull together a consistent committee although a variety of people showed up for committee meetings. A big thank you to those that helped with this. Communication between the event center and H & H chair was difficult at first. When a new contact person was introduced the communication became much better. Other obstacles included: event/hotel remodeling projects, areas that were off limits but not adequately restricted, restrooms broken, water availability, coffee availability, complimentary breakfast was not adequate for the amount of convention guests, no food service at event center, overall more staff was needed at the event for garbage, cleaning, point of contact person when the main contact person was not available, maintenance help. The event center/hotel did respond promptly to many of our concerns. The staff were usually pleasant and helpful when they could actually fix problems.

THE BANQUET

With the pandemic/quarantine happening, it was difficult to plan for the banquet. Catering Places were short staffed and booked up. Some caterers refused to go to our event space. Several proposals we received were too expensive. We finally chose to have a Mid-west BBQ buffet style meal. This was a very affordable option. The food was excellent. We decided to plan for and sell 60 meals. We sold all 60 meal tickets and 58 tickets

were collected at the banquet. Drinks with the meal were coffee and water. More options would have been a great idea. With the BBQ theme we were able to use disposable plastic table cloths. The centerpieces were simple and fit the theme of the convention. Overall the banquet was successful!

BUDGET	EXPENSES	INCOME
The budget for hotels and hospitality was set at \$8000.		
Hotel/Event space was	\$4000.	
Food for New Year Eve event	\$469.78	\$457.51
Chili Cookoff	\$18.21	\$357.
Last chance dance	\$15.37	\$98.50
Banquet	\$1214.39	\$1830.
Trophies for merchandise	\$45	
Hugger aprons	\$69.31	
Totals	\$5832.06	\$2743.01

Suggestions:

If you want to do this job please weigh all of your life circumstances with your sponsor, your family and your HP prior to becoming chairperson. This job is time consuming and requires both day and evening commitments.

Establish one contact person at the event center to communicate with.

In loving service,
Michelle Z