



POTLUCK

By the Numbers

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September 16, 2018

Hi Everyone,

A two week report again; and I'm barely getting this one out. Two Sundays ago we had 396 guests on a 1st Sunday of the month, exceeding my 350 estimate. We had no conflicts that I am aware of with the Art in the Pearl event going on one block away in the North Park Blocks. In fact, we had several interested people from that event stop by wanting to know more about Potluck.

Last Sunday I expected a bump in guest count due to the Day of Dignity event that Islamic Relief organizes once a year at the other end of the North Park Blocks. For the second year they have not served a competing meal, but instead have promoted our meal; and we have promoted their event. Instead of more people we had many less than expected, serving only 392 ticketed guests. As it turned out the Day of Dignity event did hand out sandwich wraps, protein bars and fresh fruit. My guess is that was enough that many people skipped our meal.

TODAY

My best guess today is 475 guests, but if the weather clears we may get a few more.

It looks like we may get lucky today with weather. If I had written this yesterday I would have said we were almost certain to get wet today. However, most forecasts are now showing the chance of rain down to around 10-20% by 3pm.

We will not be putting up the larger canopies today. There is more wind in the forecast than we have experienced yet with the canopies and we have been close to having them lift off the ground already. The board does not yet have a plan for how we are going to weight them down. Nor is there a guttering plan for how to keep rain out of the middle of the serving line.

I have to finish getting ready to head out for the park. I hope some of you see this before the meal today.

Thanks,

David

Month	Week	2017		2018		+/- Prev. Yr.
		Day	Count	Day	Count	
September	1 st	3	344	2	396	15%
	2 nd	10	475	9	392	-17%
	3 rd	17	550	16		
	4 th	24	650	23		
	5 th			30		
Month Total			2,019		788	
Month Ave.			505		394	-4%

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