



Krewe's News

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September Meetings

Krewe of Aquarius meetings are scheduled for **September 13** and **September 27**. Meetings are held at the KC Hall (1912 Winnie) and begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. Due to the popularity of the Thursday night hamburger meals, the KC's will continue offering it to our members and see how it works out over the next several months.

Krewe Pub Crawl

"I Crawled with the Krewe of Aquarius" will be the theme of our first ever pub crawl that will be held on **Friday, October 12** in Downtown Galveston. Pat Saenz is organizing this fundraiser, and has two downtown establishments lined up and is looking into a third. Krewe members will crawl for free, but it will cost guests \$20 each to crawl with us. Each person attending will receive a free drink and a free t-shirt. Pat will present final plans at our next Krewe meeting.



President's Message

Dear Krewe Members,

The summer season is quickly coming to an end, and it seems like only yesterday, we closed the float barn doors after our Fat Tuesday parade and ended one of our most remarkable carnival seasons. Autumn is on its way which means it is time to think "Mardi Gras". The 2008 Mardi Gras will be our earliest Mardi Gras in many years so planning time is limited with an early ball & pageant on January 12 followed by our Seawall parade on January 26. We will not be having weekly meetings in January as in previous years because our Mardi Gras festivities will already be upon us; therefore, a majority of our plans will be finalized in December and even some in November. Plans are already in full swing for our ball, parades and barn bash.

In October, we need to get serious about float themes and decorating. Since there will be little construction on floats, our primary tasks will be painting, decorating, and giving the floats a sprucing up.

I want to thank all our members for their continued support of our Krewe activities, to the fundraising chairs whose hard work and efforts make dollars for it all to happen, and to our ball and parade chairs was giving us many moments each year to treasure.

I'm really looking forward to a wonderful 2008 Mardi Gras season. All indications are it will surely surpass the spectacular revelry of previous years.

Sincerely,
Johnny Lidstone, Krewe President

Trip to the Renaissance Festival

Stephaine Blasé is organizing a bus trip to Plantersville for the Renaissance Festival on **Saturday, October 6**. Cost is \$25/person (bus trip) plus \$15 (festival admission). Our September 13 meeting will be the deadline to sign up and see if we have enough people interested in making the trip.

Krewe Garage Sale

The Krewe of Aquarius annual garage sale will be held on **Saturday, October 20** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the float barn. The garage sale has traditionally been one of our most successful fundraisers; however, we still are in need of merchandise to sell. Please clean out your closets, go through your garages, and think about getting rid of those clothes that seemed to shrink on the hangers. We need your help. Betty (739-0575) or John (763-0820) will gladly make arrangements to meet you at the barn.





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Krewe Calendar of Events

- **USO Show Meeting** Sept 6
- **Krewe Meetings** Sept 13 & 27
- **Renaissance Festival Trip** Oct 6
- **Krewe Pub Crawl** Oct 12
- **KOA Garage Sale** Oct 20
- **USO Variety Show** Nov 10
- **KOA 2008 Ball & Pageant** Jan 12
- **KOA Barn Bash** Jan 25
- **KOA Seawall Parade** Jan 26
- **Fat Tuesday Parade** Feb 5

2008 Mardi Gras

2008 Parades. Plans are in the making, full steam ahead, for the 2008 parades. Johnny Lidstone and Stella Bennett will be making contact with marching groups soon, and mailing invitations to past parade participants. If you are a new member and don't have a place to ride on one of our floats, please contact John Berend at (409) 457-3612. He will be happy to direct you to a float captain with available space.

Ball & Pageant. Pat Collier announced that *Green Onions* will once again provide dance music for our ball. She also announced we will have cheese and crackers served during happy hour (7:00-8:00 p.m.), and that upon request, meatballs will be added to the big buffet.

Rooms at the Inn. Solita Walker has blocked rooms at the LaQuinta Inn on Seawall and 14th Streets for the weekend of our barn bash and seawall parade. Room rate is \$99/night. Call Solita at (409) 933-9953, if you are interested in reserving a room. Hurry and don't wait; rooms book quickly.

2007 USO Show

The final planning meeting for the 2007 USO Variety Show will be held on **Thursday, September 6** at 7:30 p.m. at the KC Hall clubroom. If you are planning an act or just planning to be a part of the support group, please come to this meeting. We have an early sign-up for 30 acts, and realistically the show will round out to about 25 acts. Performers should remember to sign up for no more than three acts: one act as the star and two others as part of a duo or backup for the larger productions. Pat Collier will have tickets to sell and distribute in the next few weeks. We need a volunteer to chair the "Candy Girls and Guys". Alice Tarifa, "aka Queen Mother", will be stepping down as coordinator for this group. Please contact Johnny Lidstone if you are interested in volunteering to take over the job. A big thank you to Alice for commandeering the group for the past several years.

**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS**

Jason & Beth Bernal

