



# Krewe's News

## March-April 2008

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### Krewe Elections

The 2008-09 Executive Officers and Board Members will be elected at the Krewe meeting on **Thursday, March 27**. This is a very important meeting for our Krewe, and members are encouraged to attend and cast their votes. The slate of officers and board members is set; therefore, nominations from the floor will not be taken on election night. Officers and board members will take office on April 1.

### Membership Party

The Krewe will hold its annual membership party on **April 26**. The party will be held from 7-11 p.m. in the KC club room. There will be a buffet and cash bar. The program will introduce officers and board members, the royal court, past royal court members, and 2008-09 fundraising chairs. Johnny Lidstone will talk about some of the history of the Krewe as well as provide updates on upcoming events. Names of prospective members should be sent to Mari Berend so that invitations can be mailed or if you prefer, you can get invitations from Mari and mail them with a personal note.

One of our resident DJ's will pump up the dance music, and we will feature a "split the pot" and probably raffles for our Caribbean cruise and the Sunday Champagne Brunch at the Hotel Galvez.

### Texas Triathlon



Krewe members are volunteering time to participate as directors at the Texas Triathlon that will be held on Saturday, March 29, and Sunday, March 30. The great news is the Krewe will receive a flat \$2,000 for its volunteers' time. This probably is one of the easiest fundraising efforts ever for the Krewe. The Krewe will try to have volunteer t-shirts ready to distribute at the March 27 Krewe meeting. Johnny Lidstone will be on hand at the event most of Saturday, and Ron Dyda will be coordinating things on Sunday. If anyone has any questions, please contact Johnny at (409) 789-4101 (cell) or (409) 763-0820 (home). On Saturday, there are 34 volunteers, and Sunday, 28 volunteers. A big thank you to all volunteers. The schedule and meeting places are as follows:

- **Saturday, March 29—Running Course**  
Meet 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. West lot by the "Colonel" Paddlewheel boat. Check in at white tent across from the Discovery Museum at Moody Gardens.
- **Sunday, March 30—Bike Course**  
Meet 7 a.m. to 12 noon at Lone Star Flight Museum, 2007 Terminal Drive (Scholes Field). Course is tentatively scheduled for Seawall

### Meeting Schedule

The next meeting of the Mystic Krewe of Aquarius will be held on Thursday, **March 27 (Election Night)**. In April, we will meet on **April 10** and **April 24 (Vote for 2009 MG Theme)**. Meetings are held at the KC Hall (1912 Winnie) and begin promptly at 7:30 p.m.

We will put out the ever-faithful suggestion box for the 2009 theme beginning at the March 27 meeting. The box will also be available for suggestions at the April 10 meeting. Like last year, the officers and board will bring the three most popular submissions to the members at the April 24 meeting for vote. The theme will be announced after votes are counted at that meeting.



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### Upcoming Events & Activities

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| • Krewe Meeting—Election Night     | Mar 27    |
| • Galveston Triathlon              | Mar 29-30 |
| • KOA Dues (at least half by)      | Apr 1     |
| • Krewe Meeting                    | Apr 10    |
| • Krewe Meeting—Vote on 2009 Theme | Apr 24    |
| • Membership Party                 | Apr 26    |
| • KOA Due Balances by              | Jul 1     |



### 2008 Trolley Party

Rick and Joni Huepers will chair our annual trolley party. They were more than happy to get involved with this fun event, and we thank them very much. The party most likely will be held the first part of June when there is an Art Walk in downtown Galveston. More information to come in the next few weeks.

### Krewe News

**Float #4.** Ron Dyda and Merle Lidstone report that Krewe Float #4, captained by Tally Fish, is no longer what it once was. The float has been torn down to the floor and ready for construction and a new look. Andy Kerstens and Chip Shearrow will spearhead the new construction with input from Tally and her co-captains, Harry, Rick, and Tony.

**Event Chairs.** Pat Collier has gladly accepted the position as chair of our 2009 Ball and Pageant. Andy and Danette Kerstens will once again chair our fundraising brisket sale. Betty Jo Dyda and Hope Cooke will chair the Krewe Luau in July. Pat Saenz will chair our very popular Pub Krawl planned for the early fall. And once again, plans for the 2008 USO Show will begin in late May. Stephaine Blasé is looking into a specialty bead for our Krewe for next year. Our Saturday parade will roll on St. Valentine's Day, and we are thinking about a bead that says... **Aquarius Sez "Be My Valentine in 2009"** would be a great keepsake.

**Krewe Dues.** To remain a member in good standing, you must pay at least one half of your dues by April 1 with the balance paid by July 1. Current members who do not pay at least half their dues by April 1 will need to pay dues in full (\$165). For more information, contact Mari Berend, membership chair.