



Krewe's News

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Meeting Schedule

March meetings are scheduled for **Thursday, May 14, and Thursday, May 28**. Meetings are held at the KC Hall (1912 Winnie) and begin promptly at 7:30 p.m.

Zydeco Festival & Crawfish Boil

The Krewe had a Zydeco Festival and Crawfish Boil at the KC Hall poolside on Sunday, April 25. Although the attendance numbers fell short of expectations, everyone who attended had a great time. This is the first crawfish boil the Krewe has sponsored in some ten years, and now that we have some experience and new ideas, it will continue to grow larger in the years to come. Thanks to Speedy and the people who helped stage this event and to those who attended and supported this fundraiser.

Gulf Greyhound Park Night

About 20 members gathered at the Gulf Greyhound Park for "An Evening at the Races" on Thursday, April 30th. This time we even had a few big winners!

Summer Membership Luau

The Krewe's annual summer membership luau will be held Saturday, July 18, at KC Hall poolside. Betty Jo Dydá and Hope Cooke will once again chair the fun party—more details to come.

"SILVER ANNIVERSARY MEMORIES" Mardi Gras 2010 Updates

Float and Royal Court Themes. As announced, the Mystic Krewe of Aquarius will celebrate its 25th anniversary during the 2010 Mardi Gras carnival season. Floats and royal court members will select a past Krewe of Aquarius theme to chronicle and salute the many of the wonderful memories that have been presented by the Krewe during its history. Several themes have already been selected — for floats — "Vegas" (1999), "The Far East" (1995), "Texas" (2000) and for the royal court — "It's All Greek to Me" (1994), and "Fete de France" (1989). **Ball and Pageant.** Pat Collier conducted a survey on the ball at our April 9th meeting. She reported that most members are quite happy with the present facility, band, and arrangements. When her committee forms in the next several weeks, they will go over the suggestions and start making plans for the grand ball. **Royal Court.** The Krewe is planning a large advertisement in the newspaper for our anniversary celebration. Royal court members must have their costumes and trains finished by December 1 in order to have photos taken in time for the publication. Location for the photos are planned at some of Galveston's most historical locations (Bishop's Palace, Moody Mansion, etc.). Rhonda Sykes is making new sashes to be worn by officers and other board members. The older sashes were gold and black with an English "A", and the new sashes will be purple, green, and gold. **Royal Court Elections.** Royal court elections will be held on Thursday, July 11. If any member of the present royal knights and ladies in waiting would like to run for Baron or Baroness or if any member in good standing wishes to run for knight or lady in waiting, please let Pat know. **Poster.** Stephaine Blasé is already getting the word out about the 2010 poster contest. The plan is to return to a collector size poster. The Krewe will offer a \$250 cash prize to the winning entry. **Barn Bash.** And last but not least, our friends, the Kahla's, have indicated they plan to return at least one more year as chairs of the Barn Bash. This is great news!

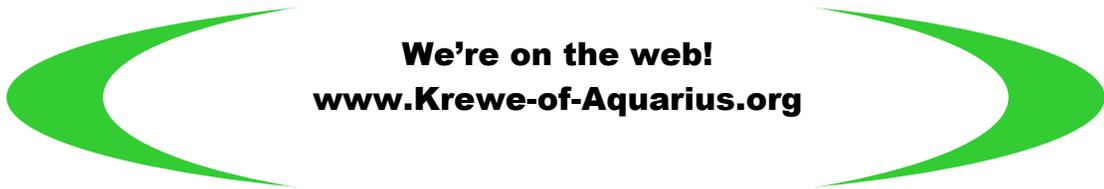


Garage Sale Tabled

The Krewe tabled discussion on a fall 2009 garage sale since many members have little or nothing to donate. The Krewe will revisit and discuss it in several months.



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Upcoming Events & Activities

- KOA Meeting **May 14**
- KOA Brisket Sale **May 23**
- KOA Meeting **May 28**
- July 4th Parade **July 4**
- KOA Royal Court Elections **July 11**
- Summer Membership Luau **July 18**

Brisket Sale—May 23

Andy and Danette Kerstens have set the date for a brisket sale—**May 23 (Memorial Day weekend)** at the float barn. Tickets will be available at the May 14 meeting, and we hope everyone will either buy or sell at least one brisket. The fully cooked briskets will sell for \$30 each, and plate dinners will be available beginning at 11 a.m. at \$6. We will also sell chickens. Spread the word and start getting orders for this ever-popular sale. And don't forget, Krewe members enjoy gathering the evening before for a pre-party on the parking lot around 7 p.m.

July 4 Parade

The Krewe will participate in this year's Galveston 4th of July parade. The Downtown Merchants' Association continues their efforts since Ike to get Galveston's historic downtown back on its feet, and they are asking for everyone's support. This is one way our Krewe can do our part to help the association and Galveston.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. on **Saturday, July 4**, at the railroad museum and will wind its way through the historic districts of downtown and the Strand.

In the next few weeks, we will get a final count of how many Krewe members plan to participate.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Beth and Rod

Beth Thornton and Rod Young were married on Friday, May 8, at the court house. They just moved to Galveston and bought a restored Victorian home on 25th and Avenue L. We wish them well as they fly off to Paris, France for a few weeks.

