



Krewe's News

September 2011

Meeting Schedule

Next meeting date is **Thursday, September 22**. October meetings are scheduled for **October 13** and **October 27**. Meetings are held at the KC Hall (1912 Winnie) and begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. Our potluck suppers have resumed on the first meetings of each month. Please bring a favorite dish to share.

USO Show

Final plans are coming together for the big fundraising show on **November 12** at the KC Hall. There is an important meeting to finalize the acts, performers, and support staff that will be held on Monday, **September 19**, at the KC Hall. Everyone who plans to be part of the show needs to attend. We have many acts, and will be looking for backup participants. Please come out and support your Krewe. Ron Dyda will once again chair the USO Show Raffle. Tickets were donated by the Levy and Termini Funeral Home.

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Upcoming Socials and Fundraising Events

The **Krewe of Aquarius Annual Garage Sale** will be held on **Saturday, October 1** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the float barn. The garage sale is one of our most successful fundraisers; however, we still are in need of many donations to make the annual sale the success it has been in previous years. Please clean out your closets, go through your garages and attics, and think about “downsizing” some of your clutter. If you have items you wish to donate, please call John Gonzales at (409-763-0820) and he will make arrangements to meet you at the barn.



Our **Annual Trolley Party** is **SOLD OUT!** We are at capacity on the Dancing Queen, pink tour train, and Ron's party bus. The party will be held on **Saturday, October 8**, and we will load at 6:30 p.m. for a 7 p.m. departure. You will be given a wristband when you arrive and check-in. Our home port of call will be the Granite Room/VooDoo Lounge (26th and Mechanic Streets) with other stops at Crow's, Molly's and the Float. Each person is responsible for bringing their own drinks (no glass containers) and beads to throw. It should be a popular night on the downtown streets of G-town with the annual ARToberFEST going on.

The very popular “**Pub Krawl**” will be held on **Friday, October 28**, and begins at 6:30 p.m. sharp. There are only 200 tickets (\$25 per person) available. Ticket includes a beverage at each of the four pubs, free t-shirt and food at the last stop. Pubs to visit are Yaga's Café, Jack's Pub, 3rd Coast Downtown, and Tsunami Tequila Emporium. Tickets are on sale by contacting Chip Shearrow or Pat Saenz., and will be available at the next couple of meetings. Costumes are optional, but there will be a costume contest with a first place prize.





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Upcoming Events & Activities

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Beads, Cups, and Doubloons

Michelle Marion will handle special beads and cups for the Krewe this year. She has been researching things, and hopes to be ready to take orders at our next meeting. Please make every effort to attend the next meeting and place your order.

Beth is still working on the possibility of bringing Doubloons back. We have looked through Krewe memorabilia, and have been unable to locate one with the Krewe die. Our die; however, is in safe keeping at a New Orleans mint.

Mardi Gras 2012

Parades. Johnny Lidstone has laid the groundwork for the 2012 Seawall Parade. Invitations will be mailed next week to past participants and marching bands. With cooler weather around the corner, Krewe members and float captains should be able to get to work soon on our floats and the new icons. This year's parade is a special event and commemorates our 25th annual parade. **We have come a long way baby in 25 years!**

Mardi Gras Ball. Pat Collier announced that the Band Ezra Charles and The Works will play at our 2012 Ball and Pageant. The event will be held at the San Luis Hotel Grand Ballroom. Pat is inquiring about blocks of rooms at the hotel for Krewe members and guests to reserve.

Grand Marshal Committee. An ad hoc committee has been formed to work on a grand marshal for our parade. The committee will be composed of Rhonda Sykes, Ellen Cyr, and Johnny Lidstone. Individuals suggested for grant marshal include Stacy Dienst as Honorary Grand Marshal for the Fat Tuesday Parade and a local TV personality such as Frank Billingsley. More to come in future.