



Krewe's News

December 2010



Krewe Christmas/ Membership Party

The Krewe will have its membership party in conjunction with the Christmas party this year. Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 11, at 7 p.m. at Crow's on the Strand. Crow's has hired a well-known Zydeco band for entertainment. Mary Kees, our membership chair, will mail invitations to prospective members so if you have someone you would like to invite, please let Mary know. This is the last chance to join for 2010. Thanks to Charley for spearheading the party.

Meeting Schedule

Our December meeting will be held on Thursday, **December 9**. There will be no second meeting in December due to the Christmas Holidays. There will be another pot luck supper at the December 9 meeting. Please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share.

For January and February meetings, beginning with the January 13 (first January meeting), the Krewe will continue to meet weekly until the Mardi Gras Ball (**January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10**). Meetings will resume after Fat Tuesday on **March 10**. Meetings are held at the KC Hall and begin at 7:30 p.m.

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Mardi Gras 2011

Updates on Mardi Gras 2011. The Krewe signed an agreement with Mike Dean, owner of Yaga's on the Strand, to use three of our floats during the 2011 Mardi Gras for the mini parades planned for downtown during both weekends of Mardi Gras. In fact, one of their planned mini processions/parades will be the evening of our big Seawall parade. Floats will be returned the following Sunday before Fat Tuesday. The Krewe will receive \$1,500 and other in-kind donations. Krewe floats will be featured in advertisements including a press conference with city officials. The press conference may even include George Mitchell proclaiming 100 years of Mardi Gras on Galveston Island. Krewe members will receive discount passes to the gated Strand area on the weekend of our Momus Day Party. All and all, at the last meeting, Krewe members indicated they thought this a good deal with great advertisement and goodwill for the Krewe of Aquarius.

Mardi Gras Poster Contest

Mary Ruth Brown is the winner of our 2011 Mardi Gras poster contest, and she created what may very well be one of our finest Mardi Gras posters. The poster features Mardi Gras revelers on the Galveston Island Trolley with our King and Queen. Look close enough and you may agree, the King and Queen are look-alikes for 2011 King Mike McKinney and Queen Linda Davidson. Thanks to Stephaine for taking care of this for the Krewe.

Pot Luck Supper

Our second pot luck supper was another big hit with Krewe members. Thanks to Andy and Danette for the great fried turkey.



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Upcoming Events

- **Krewe Meetings** 12/9, 1/13, 1/20,
1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 3/10
- **Christmas Membership Party** December 11
- **Krewe Ball and Pageant** February 12
- **Seawall Parade** February 26
- **Momus Day Party** March 5
- **Fat Tuesday** March 8

Royal Court Election

The Krewe has an opening in the 2011 Royal Court for a Royal Knight and Lady-in-Waiting. At the December 9 meeting, we will hold a special election to fill these two positions. Anyone in the Krewe who was a member in good standing as of last July 1 is eligible to run. Interested persons should Pat Collier.

Fundraising News

Fundraisers. The Krewe had two very successful fundraisers in November: the annual USO Show on November 13 and the Seawall Half Marathon on November 20. Thanks to all who participated in both. Although the crowd at the USO was off a little this year, the fundraising show remains well in the black. Also, no word yet if we won any prizes at the marathon for our decorated water stations. Again, thanks to all who volunteered at these events and those members who continue to support our fundraising efforts.

Make Every Gift Count. Before you do shopping, you can make every gift count this holiday season. You can find coupons at more than 1,600 top stores (including Amazon, J. Crew, Toys R Us, Best Buy, Gap and more) and a percentage of most sales could be donated to "Mystic Krewe of Aquarius". Just go to Good-Shop.com, designate The Krewe of Aquarius as the cause you support, and click on your favorite store and shop away. As always, make sure your computer has a good firewall and virus protection.