

Kennesaw Mountain Shrine Club

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Monthly Update

May 2009

Regular Board, Club and Unit Meetings

- **Board of Directors:** Monday, May 4, 7:00 p.m. (First Monday)
- **General Membership:** Monday, May 11, Dinner 7:00 p.m., Meeting, 8:00 (Second Monday)
- **Hillbillies Unit:** Gary Jones, Pres (770) 529-3388: Thur, May 21, 7:00 p.m. (Third Thursday)
- **Jokers Unit:** W.M. Hughes, Pres (770) 974-1482: Mon, May 18, 7:30 p.m. (Third Monday)
- **Motor Corps:** Randy Ribarsky, Col. (770) 319-1776: Mon, May 18, Dinner 7:00 p.m. Mtg. 8:00 – NOTE: This is a week early due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Unit meetings are generally held at the club building. However, for those who sometimes meet away from the club, please contact the unit leader to confirm the meeting location.

Whew! Another Circus is Behind Us – Almost

As we go to press the circus is entering its final few days. It truly has been a team effort this year, with members of every unit of KMSC joining hands to accomplish for the club and for our Temple. Thanks very much to all who exhibited the spirit of “What can I do to help ‘git ‘er done?” We know that KMSC surpassed its fund-raising commitment for the circus. However, the final tally was not available at press time. Anyone having cash collection, sponsorship, ad, ride, or raffle funds that have not been turned in, please get them in right away so we can close the books on the circus finances, AND get the funds that are coming to KMSC. Special thanks to Circus Committee General Chairman Jimmy Stephens and his team of coordinators: Mike Shaw, David Gault, Ralph Murphy, Johnny Hawkins, Otis Freels and Ray Crews for the time and energy they put into making it a successful year for KMSC. Also, a GREAT BIG THANKS to all who helped staff the novelty booths and to the ladies who worked at the concession stand inside the performance arena.

Mothers Day Flower Sale – May 8-10

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 8-10, the club will hold a rose sale on property that adjoins the old Pumpkin Patch/Christmas Tree Lot site – the intersection of Cobb Parkway and Old U.S. Highway 41, in Kennesaw. Because this is Mother’s Day weekend, we anticipate strong demand for flowers for the occasion, meaning that we have an opportunity to make some good income in a relatively short time. We need at least three people per shift, (two shifts on Friday and Saturday and one on Sunday.) Proceeds from this sale will benefit the club – hopefully funding several of the “spruce-up” projects that we undertaking in and around the building. This is not strenuous work. It is mostly greeting customers and managing the transactions with customer. Please let President Bill Carver (770) 955-5522 know if you can work a shift or two during this event. EVERY BIT OF HELP IS APPRECIATED.

Summer Kick-Off Event – May 16

Invitations have gone out by mail to club members for the Summer Kick-Off event on Saturday, May 16, at the home of Noble “Chic” and Lady Annabelle Postier. The barbeque lunch, sponsored by the club, will allow all of us to take a break from the several efforts that we have had underway of late and just enjoy each other’s company. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. We will take a few moments during the lunch to recognize and thank those who assisted with the circus effort, in whatever way. Dress casual and come hungry. Along with the meal, soft drinks and tea will be provided. Otherwise, BYOB.

Helen Ceremonial Room Reservations

At last report a few rooms remained available at the Hampton Inn (147 Unicoi Street, Helen, GA) for KMSC members who plan to attend the Summer Ceremonial, June 11-13. Rates are \$129.00 per night, plus tax. Each Noble must make his own reservation directly with the hotel. Contact the hotel at: (706) 878-3310. This is first-come, first-served, so pick up the phone and make that call.



Club “Spruce Up” Efforts

The new tile for the downstairs restrooms and landing and the carpet for the hallway are now in our possession. Because of the number of events on the agenda for May, the work days for the clean-up and fix-up projects at the club—mentioned in last month’s edition of the Monthly Update—are being pushed out to June. We will keep you posted in the dates as they become clear. Please plan to be a part of the team to help get these several things done. More on this later.

Unit News

- **Jokers** – Planning for the annual Jokers Century Bike Ride is well underway. Scheduled for October 18, the ride will begin and end at the club. If you know any bikers, please encourage them to come out and participate to benefit the Shrine Hospitals for Children. Information on pre-registration will be coming soon. Also remember, the Jokers are continuing to collect items for their annual yard sale. Please contact President W.M. Hughes so arrangements can be made to pick-up your items. Tell your friends also. All items are appreciated.
- **Hillbillies** – The Hillbillies rump roast sale was a success. The Hillbillies will hold a Rose sale of their own on May 8-10 at the intersection of Ga. Hwy 92 and Cedar Crest Road. A meeting of Hillbilly Clan 11 is expected to happen at the Helen Ceremonial. Time/location is not yet finalized. Check with Noble Chuck Woods – Raban of Clan 11 – for more info.
- **Motor Corps** – We need your help! As of now we do NOT have a Christmas Tree Lot location. December seems like a long way off, but the trees have to be ordered 6 months early to get the best price. We have to find a location. If not, we have to figure out a new fund raiser. Let us hear from you on potential locations. Also, please note that the May meeting will be held a week earlier than usual, due to the Memorial Day holiday falling on our regular meeting day. Meeting date this month: May 18. Also, May is “Bingo month” for the Motor Corps. Please come help us in the kitchen on some of the Friday or Sunday nights during the month.

This and That

- We are still exploring possible sites for the 2009 Pumpkin Patch, Yard Sale and Christmas Tree sales. Several sites have been proposed, none of which have worked out as yet. So PLEASE KEEP YOUR IDEAS FOR POSSIBLE LOCATIONS COMING IN. Contact President Bill Carver (770) 955-5522) or one of the other officers know if you know of a site that is available, or that should be investigated as a possibility. This is very important to the club’s hospital fund-raising effort. We NEED to get this nailed down absolutely as quickly as possible.
- Thanks to Nobles David Gault, Chic Postier, Jimmy Stephens and Bill Carver for helping staff second of the two Steak & Shake “bucket day” efforts for Yaarab Temple. The last one was on April 18. KMSC Nobles covered the Steak and Shake locations in Woodstock and Smyrna.
- Congratulations to Paul Mann as he now assumes the identifier “Grandpa.” A granddaughter, born in April.
- Noble Howard “Budda” Cook continues to experience health issues, as does Noble Jerry Crocker. Noble Mike Turner was hospitalized in early April. Lady Pat Kirkpatrick came through her surgery with flying colors and the minor injury that Lady Barbara Stephens experienced at the Circus is just that –minor. Please keep all of these in your prayers and any others of whose illness or injury we are not aware.

Something to Think About

The Measure of a Man

Not, “How did he die?” But, “How did he live?”
Not, “What did he gain?” But, “What did he give?”
These are the units to measure the worth
Of a man, as a man, regardless of birth.

Not, “What was his station?” But, “Had he a heart?”
And how did he play his God-given part?
Was he ever ready with a word of good cheer?
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?

Not, “What was his church?” Nor, “What was his creed?”
But, “Has he befriended those really in need?”
Not, “What did the sketch in the newspaper say?”
But, “How many were sorry when he passed away?”

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