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INTRODUCTION

The first quarter newsletter of 2014 features upcoming Club events and plans for the coming year. There are also recaps of our Midnight Yell Practice on Bourbon Street, bus trip to Baton Rouge and our joint tailgate party with the Baton Rouge A&M Club prior to the I.s.u. game. This year's President is Scott Wolff '88, and Sal Caserta '93 is Immediate Past President.

Mardi Gras

Ross Volunteer Reception – Monday, March 3, 11 am

Continuing a tradition that began in 1951, the New Orleans A&M Club will host the RV Company for the 63rd annual meeting of the two groups. The Ross Volunteer Company will be in New Orleans to serve as honor guard for Rex, king of Mardi Gras, March 4. The Krewe of Rex Parade is scheduled to begin at 10:00 am. The parade starts at the intersection of Napoleon Avenue and S. Claiborne Ave. It proceeds south to St. Charles Avenue and turns left. The parade continues down St. Charles to Canal Street. The Krewe disbands at the intersection of Canal and South Peters Street.

On Monday, March 3, the RV Company will attend the Club luncheon at Hard Rock Café on the corner of Iberville and Bourbon in the French Quarter. The menu for the luncheon consists of choice of hamburger/cheeseburger, grilled chicken breast sandwich, veggie burger, bar-b-que pork sandwich or grilled chicken Caesar salad. It comes with french-fries, soft drink and a chocolate chip cookie. The cost is \$17, inclusive of tax and tip.

Freshman Drill Team Luncheon – Saturday, March 1, 3 pm

The Fightin' Texas Aggie Fish Drill Team, Class of 2017 will arrive in New Orleans on Thursday, 27 February 2014. They will stay at the Joint Reserve Base Naval Air Station (NAS) in Belle Chasse. On Friday, the 28th, they will compete in the Mardi Gras Drill Meet on Tulane's Campus. Information about the meet can be found online at <http://tulanenrotc.com/mardi-gras-drill-meet/>. The meet is considered the National Championship for drill teams. The F.D.T. is the perennial favorite and garners close attention by the other teams as they perform. The FDT will be defending the National Title won by the class of 2016.

At noon on Saturday, March 1st, the FDT will march in the Krewe of Iris Parade which follows the traditional uptown route. After changing out of uniform, they will walk to the Club luncheon at the Hard Rock Café for 3 pm. Club members and FDT family members are encouraged to attend. They can order and pay separately or prepay \$17 (tax and tip inclusive) for the group menu. The menu is same as above, hamburger/cheeseburger, grilled chicken breast sandwich, veggie burger, bar-b-que pork sandwich or grilled chicken Caesar salad, french-fries, soft drink and a chocolate chip cookie.

MEMBERSHIP

The Club ended 2013 with 83 paid members. A financial report will be given at the Muster meeting.

LSU GAME REPORT

Other than being outscored in less than desirable weather, the weekend was a huge success. The crowd at Johnny White's on Bourbon Street for Midnight Yell was estimated at approximately 6,000! The club chartered 6 buses to transport Ags to Baton Rouge for the game and the "All Aggie Tailgate" on Saturday. Special thanks to bus captains Manuel Rodriguez '60, Dave Erwin '85, Paul Schott '86, Scott Wolff '88, Wylie Cameron '09 and Mike McKinnerney '11. A more detailed account of the weekend events as well as a financial report will be made at Muster.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT PROFILES

1. New Orleans A&M Club Sul Ross Scholarship – Michael Fink '16, a sophomore originally from Grapevine but has moved residency to College Station.
2. New Orleans A&M Club Matt Altman '99 Memorial Sul Ross Scholarship – Quintin Denman '15, a junior from Harahan, Louisiana. Association of Former Fish Drill Team Members. Computer Engineering major and wants to pursue a career in information technology.
3. New Orleans A&M Club Matt Altman '99 pass-through Memorial Sul Ross Scholarship – Aaron Dougherty '15, a junior from Covington, Louisiana. Active in his church in College Station. Electrical Engineering major. Has a contract with the U.S. Navy and will commission upon graduation.
4. Guy Mathew Altman '99 Memorial Scholarship (endowed by Frank Larkin '57) – Ricky Hill '17, a freshman from Cabot, Arkansas. One of his hobbies is trapshooting, and he is involved in First Baptist Church of College Station. Major is Ocean Engineering.
5. A&MC of Texas Last Fish Band Sul Ross Scholarship (endowed by Frank Larkin '57) – Spencer Gordon Hiebert '16, a sophomore from Aledo and a member of the Aggie Band. Member of the Texas A&M water ski team. Major is Kinesiology and wants to be a physical therapist.

HOWDY HOURS

Starting in March, the “Howdy Hour” returns. The plan is to meet at the same time, on the same day, every month. The location will rotate around town based on member suggestions. The “Howdy Hour” is a great way to network and stay in touch with old friends as well as make new ones. The monthly location will be posted on the facebook page and we’ll also send a reminder email. More to come soon.

Membership Form

Name _____ Class _____

Spouse’s Name _____ Spouse’s Class (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____ Include on Howdy Hour email list? -- Yes / No

Dues for 2014 - \$20/household _____

FDT Luncheon Donation _____

RV Reception Donation _____

Scholarship Donation _____

I will attend FDT Lunch - # _____ @ \$17/person _____

I will attend RV Reception - # _____ @ \$17/person _____

Other – please designate _____

Total \$ _____

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