

October General Members' Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 19, 2008
2:00 PM



Call To Order: Emperor Joseph called the meeting to order at 2pm.

September Minutes: Secretary Jennifer Carroll made the motion to accept the minutes as posted on the website. 2nd by Jeff Muir Approved

October Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Gary Munson read the report and made the motion to approve 2nd by Jennifer Carroll Approved

Old Business:

- Sister Act - Countess Sherri Lynn thanked everyone for a great event. After Cris and Allen wrote a check for \$265 the total raised for the MCC Gentle Shepherd was \$1,000. Countess Sherri Lynn said that the reverend would like for Emperor Joseph and Empress Justice to present the BIG check on Sunday the 26th.
- Rainbows Festival/AIDs Walk - Emperor Joseph and Empress Justice thanked everyone that participated and worked the festival along with all the walkers on Sunday. They expressed great pride at the 1st appearance of the Imperial LeatherGuard. We are very excited about the LeatherGuard and future events. They also announced that all the comments were good and people felt that we were all having fun like one BIG family. Empress Julie said they are still tallying the donations for the AIDs Walk, but as of this meeting the total stood at \$200,000.
- Tucson PRIDE - Empress Justice reported that many went down for PRIDE in Tucson on Saturday the 18th. The Imperial Court was warmly accepted and we even were announced from the stage by Barbra Seville. Some bar owners and organizations are excited for the Court to come back to Tucson and get people involved down there.
- Underwear Auction - Emperor Michael Gaffney announced that things are coming along nicely for the Underwear Auction to be held on Saturday the 25th of October at the Bunkhouse for the Scholarship Fund. Michael said that most of the models are in place, but that he still needed volunteers to help and needed more ladies underwear for the event.
- Bling Bling Event - Jeff and Liz reported that things are coming along very well for this event. It will be held on November the 15th at Cash Inn. Food will be from 6-8pm with the show going from 8-10pm. Jeff and Liz asked for 2 sashes for the King and Queen of Bling and Jennifer will secure them.
- Drag Queens for Jesus Sunday Gospel Brunch - Ava and Allen reported that this event will be held at Apollo's from 11am - 1:30pm. There will be a show along with a 50/50 raffle. Ava also stated that all females should be in hats, gloves and carrying purses. If anyone wants to perform they need to see either Ava or Allen.
- Christmas Show - King Father Christmas Cris Cringle reported that all prizes are in and everything is going well in preparation for his annual show for Phoenix Children's Hospital to be held at Kobalt again this year on Saturday December 6th. Raffles tickets will be available for sale like always beginning November 1st.
- Annual Toy Drive for Logan's Playground - Ron spoke to the court about the annual toy drive. AMOL is taking the lead on this event, but they need everyone to jump in and help with the drive. On November 16th there will be a collection box wrapping party at the Bunkhouse from 12noon to 3pm. The drive will run through December the 14th when all of the collection boxes will be picked up and the toys given to Logan's Playground.
- Emperor's Empire Ball - Emperor Joseph reported that all is going good in preparation for this big community event. The court should be very excited about bringing back an event that used to be the biggest thing on Halloween in Phoenix. It will be held on October 31st at the Red Roof Inn on Camelback. There will be a DJ, costume contest, cash bar and food. Lots of dancing and a few command performers. Joseph emphasized that we need to sell 50 rooms nights so that the ballroom is free. The rooms are going at a special rate of \$39 plus tax a night. Also, you can purchase your ball tickets online through Edge Studios. Let's make this a great event so that it will become the annual ball to be at this year and for years to come.
- Nightmare Before Christmas Show - Emperor Joseph and Empress Justice spoke about this "non-traditional" Christmas show, so no traditional songs. This really outside of the box on this one. It will be held on December 13th with the venue TBD.

New Business:

- October 25th Events -
 - Obscenity - The Men's Chorus will be holding their Halloween event on this coming Saturday at the IceHouse.
 - Witches Ball - The Sisters will be throwing their 1st Annual Witches Ball at Ice Pics. They are still needing some entertainers, so see Emperor Joseph if you would like to attend and perform.
 - Arizona Leather Sir/boy - will be hosting an event at Velocity
 - Boo at the Zoo - Empress Justice will be making her annual pilgrimage to the Phoenix Zoo for Boo at the Zoo. She is inviting anyone that would like to go to let her know. This again could become much more of an event for the court in years to come. Justice asked that those who are interested to meet her at the front gate of the Zoo at 10am on Saturday morning.
- Crowns for a Cause - Emperor Joseph reported that the letters are ready to send to all businesses and bars to help us in this worthy cause. All proceeds from the purchases of paper crowns for \$1 will go to Logan's Playground. This will be the 1st Annual Crowns for a Cause, but we hope it becomes an annual event to help our charities. We will need people to help with a crown cutting party and then to deliver them to the local businesses and bars. This again will run from November 16th through December 14th.

Educational Presentation:

Open Forum:

Adjournment:	Jennifer Carroll made the motion to adjourn	2nd by Sherri Lynn	Approved
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Minutes submitted by:	Secretary of the Board Jennifer Carroll aka Joe C Kunkel
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