

Worthy brothers and families,

With transparency in KonB organization being foremost, I am letting you know how the 2023 Bi-annual Rally being held in Branson Missouri at the Westgate Branson Woods Resort on June 5th thru 9th of June 2023 breaks down.

At past rally's many people have spoken to me and others on what they would like to see at the rally, more family oriented, music, sit down banquet, bar and children's activities, just to name a few things. The rally committee hopes this is the start of more family-oriented rallies in the KonB family.

With that being said, the committee has given great thought to this and after meeting with the vendors about prices this rally will cost \$100.00 per adult and \$30.00 per child 11 through 18 years of age. So here are the items that make up this cost:

- A grab bag with a rally patch and long sleeve rally t-shirt (white)
- Cash Bar Monday thru Wednesday with munchies and bartender fee.
- Free breakfast on Tuesday
- Dinner (banquet) Wednesday evening
- DJ Wednesday after dinner
- One pallet of water for health and hydration
- Door prizes and awards
- Grand Ballroom Rental and clean-up fee
- Activities for children and adults in the resort; email link provided below

Brothers, the first principle of our order is Charity and during this event we will continue with Fr McGivney's vision. There will be:

1. Silent Auction hosted by the First Ladies of Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Lisa for the First Lady of Missouri's Kissinger's' charity
2. 50/50 local councils to receive one-half of proceeds
3. Poker and Rosary Run one-half of proceeds to The Most Reverend Edward M. Rice, Bishop, Springfield-Cape Girardeau for His charity
4. Airbourne Angel Cadets:

WHAT ITEMS ARE MOST IN NEED:

- 1) Soft refill packs of baby wipes (preferred over hard plastic containers)
- 2) Beef jerky
- 3) Socks - plain white or black for men & women (no logos)
- 4) Body wash, shampoo, soap, foot powder, baby powder
- 5) Lotions
- 6) Coffee - instant or ground (no decaf please), Powdered creamer.
- 7) Lip balm

- 8) Foiled tuna packs
- 9) Peanut butter
- 10) Razors, non-aerosol shaving cream
- 11) Single use laundry detergent (Tide Pods, etc.)
- 12) Nuts, seeds, crackers
- 13) Twin sheets (prefer dark colors), pillow cases

These items can be purchased locally or brought from home (items will fit in saddle bags. This list is not meant to be comprehensive - just an outline of some items requested. Even simple things like "hooks, clotheslines and clothespins" to hang things in tents are seen as the greatest of gifts. Tote will be provided to put items in.

For those who do not want to pay the \$100.00 per adult attendee and/or \$30.00 per child over 11 years of age, you will not be permitted to enjoy any of the resort activities in the Grand Ballroom, including no grab bag, shirt or patch. This is an all or nothing event.

Deadline for registration for the rally is March 25, 2023, must be post marked by this date. Registration form is to be downloaded and mailed to me at; Capt Chris Oldmixon, 960 Cr. Rd. 537, Nacogdoches, Texas 75961, along with a personal check or money order made out to: Our Lady of the Pilar Assembly 2665.

The deadline for room reservations is April 22nd by 3pm by email, link to be attached. after the cut-off date, there is no guarantee of a reservation or that the reservation will be at the group rate. <https://resort.to/Knights-on-Bikes>

There will be no EXCEPTIONS. We need to place orders for items needed and the caterer needs to also place orders for the food and they need the numbers.

Fraternally,

SK Chris

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