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March 2007 NEWS IN REVIEW

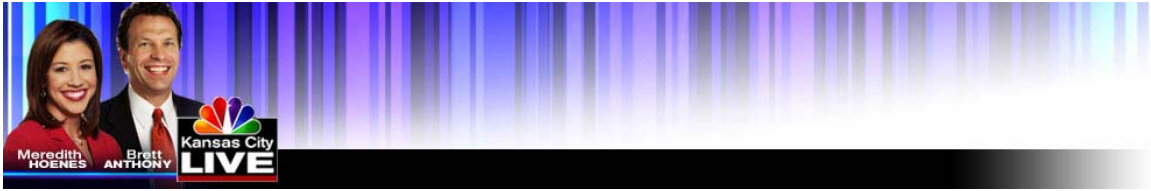
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March Events in Review

March 2007 proved to be the another great month of action packed activities and events that the Kansas City Kite Club participated in. Thanks to all of you that showed up to help the KCKC continue to promote kite flying outreach events in the community. Many members enjoyed the month by attending more fun flying activities and events.



The KCKC has been asked to do another segment on NBC Action News "KC Live Show". Brett Anthony, Meredith Honenes, and Darren Mark host a live broadcast that each weekday at 10am takes you someplace new in KC showcasing some of the areas greatest activities, events, organizations, and people. Darren Mark goes to the streets daily to bring you the places and faces that make Kansas City such a great place. They have asked all available KCKC members that want to come to Liberty Memorial April 10th from 8:30 am to 11am. Last year the Gilsons, Steve Batliner, and Sean Beaver were on hand to help do the show. Come out and take a morning off of work to help promote the Kite Club on Kansas City's only morning talk show!



The KCKC meeting agenda is currently being worked on for the second quarter meeting this month. Please have any ideas, suggestions, comments, or concerns sent to the webmaster prior to April 15th. The board will meet at the Longview Community College Event on April 21st to discuss various items. As always we welcome all KCKC opinions and will work hard to make everyone's perspectives heard and decided on promptly.

- **The KCKC Monthly FLY's**

The KCKC Monthly fly's were held at New Mark and Heritage parks this month as planned. Many of the KCKC members came out to both events to relax and fly.

The 2007 Fox4 Kids Love Fund event

Saturday March 3rd 2007 the KCKC was one of many indoor vendors that helped the Fox4 Lovefund raise money at the annual Kids Concert located at Olathe East High School. The event was well attended by many members. Steve Batliner braved the cold temperatures and flew in front of the high school. Other members set up and flew indoors in the common areas for a long overdue indoor fly. A special thanks to everyone that came out to help support the event.

Hi KCKC, Thank you so much for joining us at the KIDZ concert. I heard several people commenting on your kites and saw some people carrying kites they had won. I thought it worked out well - weather considered. **In fact you all stole the show!**

I have a follow-up meeting with the KIDZ concert volunteer committee tomorrow night. I'll pass on more information once I meet with the group.

In the meantime, please accept my sincere THANK YOU. I am so grateful your group were able to join us and add color and energy to our event!! You have a top notch group. Thanks again!

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MAKR 2007

Midwest Area Kitemakers Retreat was March 9-11, 2007 at Lorado Taft Field Campus in Oregon, Illinois. MAKR was well represented by KCKC and they had access to some of the most talented kite people in the Midwest. For more info go to <http://www.makr.info/>

The 2007 Lions Gate Community Kite Event

Due to extremely high winds gusting near 40 mph the Lions gate Event was canceled. Thanks to all that did arrive and make a real attempt at trying to fly and do kite demos for the over 300 kids that registered. The event may be rescheduled in the near future- Stay tuned for more information.

The 2007 Winterset Park Community Kite and Easter Event

KCKC was very well represented this year Winterset Park Event. Winds were very good all day. Candy was dropped, kites landed in a few trees, and many new faces joined the club in the activities. Shane put on a stunt kite lesson for anyone that watched him. He was incredible.

Upcoming KCKC Events

The 2007 Dave Ellis Skyak Class

KCKC is proud to have master kite maker Dave Ellis on hand to help anyone who wants learn to make some of the coolest kite designs you will ever see. This month Dais is putting on a Skyak Kite Making Class at his home on April 22nd. Dave is also taking donations for a raffle this month.

Do not know Dave? David Ellis is a retired educator that keeps busy teaching Chinese Kite classes at the preschool level. He has four grown children and six grand children.

He became involved in kites in 1991 while teaching third graders, and started sewing kites in 1995. He also has kite history and kite making classes during the spring and summer each year in the area schools and preschools. Each year the children in our metropolitan area complete over a thousand kites with his help.

Dave likes to make kites that are out of the ordinary, and also likes to share what he discovers. He started having kite making workshops in the Kansas City Kite Club in

1997. Many of his students have overtaken him in their ability level, and now some of them also present projects for our workshop sessions.

You can contact Dave at kiteguy@everestkc.net. You can get a lot of information at Yahoogroups.com as well. Just join the KCX2 group, and you will be able to access a huge amount of pictures of the kites we make, get access to many useful links, etc.

For more information on kite making classes contact Dave directly at kiteguy@everestkc.net or 913-648-4925.

<p>Longview Community College 1st Annual Flights of Fancy Festival</p> <p>National Kite Month Event and KCKC Spring Picnic held at this event.</p>	<p>Saturday, April, 21st 2007 Time 10AM – 4PM</p> <p><i>Address* Longview Community College front lawn</i></p> <p><i>Expectations* Large advertised event for the local community to have a kite and remote control plane festival.</i></p> <p>Kite Festival and Radio Controlled Airplanes Display</p> <p>*Special Guest Don Murphy AKA Region 7 Director</p> <p><i>Contact info: Sean Beaver or Stephany Rosenholtz</i></p> <p><u>CLICK HERE FOR FLYER</u></p> <p><i>Board Meeting to be held after the event- members always welcome.</i></p>
<p>Kites Over Grinnell 2007</p> <p>May 5th, 2007</p>	<p><i>Hello all: We have set the date for Kites Over Grinnell for May 5, 2007.</i></p> <p><i>We are in the process of getting AKA sanctioning and hope you spread the word to all and attend yourself.</i></p> <p><i>Hope to see you in Grinnell for information concerning our festival to follow. dicknsis@yahoo.com</i></p>
<p>KC Riverfest 2007</p>	<p><i>Friday and Saturday, June 29th & 30th and July 1st 2007 for a rainout date</i></p> <p><i>Address* Berkley Riverfront Park</i></p> <p><i>Expectations* Large advertised event for the local community to have the largest outdoor festival and fireworks show in the</i></p>



Midwest. 60,000 Visitors expected!

Contact info: Sean Beaver or Stephany Rosenholtz

One Sky One World

**Sunday , October 14th
2007**

- *Columbia Joint Fly 2007*
- *11am to 4pm*

- **KCKC membership reminder**

Please be sure to send in your yearly membership dues. Many members renewed at the holiday party however many did not. Please ensure you send in your dues.

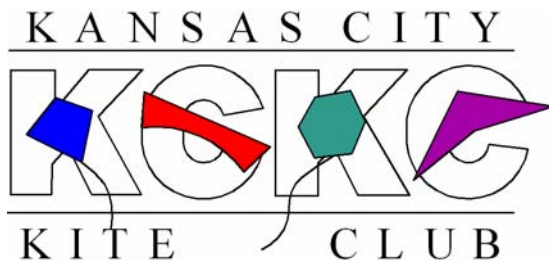
Thanks to everyone that helped with this month's submissions, photos and articles. As a reminder any member can submit an article or idea for this monthly communication tool the KCKC uses. We would love to have your contribution.

Sean Beaver

President
Kansas City Kite Club

Sean is available by email at seanbeaver@hotmail.com or you may call him at 913-238-9333 for comments or questions. We would love your suggestions about ways to improve the KCKC.

Imagination is the highest kite one can fly.



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Membership Dues (Jan-Dec)

\$15 Individual: \$20 Family