Hill Country Mountaineers Annual Report for 2014

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A. Current Hill Country Mountaineers Board members

Joe Mock -- President
Curt Shinaberry - Vice President
Nikki Kelley - Secretary
April Wappes - Treasurer
Betty Skaggs - Webmaster of chapter's website, at-large Board member
Pattie Roe - President Emeritus

Steve Schrom is the past Vice President. He has now rotated off of the Board.

B. Financial status

- 1. Checking account balance as of 1/1/2014 was \$4,497.37. As of 12/31/2014 it is \$5,326.97
- 2. Source of funds: chapter dues (\$20/year) and fundraising initiatives throughout the year. Members are always encouraged to pay dues to the national Alumni Assoc.
- 3. Included in checking balances above is our scholarship fund. Its balance was \$1,200 on 1/1/14. As of 12/31/2014, it is \$3,200 after depositing all money from the raffle at the Nov. 7 dinner and transferring some of the operational funds into it.

C. Chapter events during 2014

January

4th – men's basketball game watch (9 attended), attended Austin Toros to support Devin Ebanks (3 attended)

18th – men's basketball game watch (13 attended)

25th – attended women's basketball game at LIT (19 attended, raised \$190 f

25th – attended women's basketball game at UT (19 attended, raised \$190 for charity)

February

 8^{th} – men's basketball National Game Watch (22 attended, \$188 raised for charity)

15rd – pre-game reception at Scholz Garden, then attended men's basketball game at UT (45 attended)

March

8th – men's basketball game watch (18 attended)
10th – women's basketball game watch (9 attended)
23rd – attended women's tennis at UT and women's basketball game watch (9 attended)

May

6th – Chapter board meeting

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June
        17<sup>th</sup> – CDKL5 fundraiser
July
        17<sup>th</sup> – Happy hour (16 attended)
August
        18<sup>th</sup> – Chapter board meeting
        30<sup>th</sup> – Football game watch (32 attended)
September
        6<sup>th</sup> – Football game watch (30 attended)
        11<sup>th</sup> – Happy hour (8 attended)
        13st – Football game watch (34 attended)
        20th -- Football game watch (45 attended)
        28<sup>th</sup> – Attended women's soccer at UT (36 attended)
October
        4<sup>th</sup> – Football game watch (33 attended)
        9<sup>th</sup> – Happy hour (3 attended)
        11th -- Football game watch (29 attended)
        18<sup>th</sup> -- Football game watch (39 attended)
        25<sup>th</sup> – Mountaineer Nation Day football game watch (36 attended)
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November

1st – Football game watch (51 attended – biggest one ever)

7th – Chapter-sponsored dinner/party (152 attended)

8th – Attended WVU-UT football game

12th – Attended women's volleyball match at UT (12 attended)

20th – Football game watch (14 attended)

23rd -- Attended Austin Spurs to support Joe Alexander (3 attended)

 29^{th} – Football game watch (18 attended), with annual chapter business meeting held at halftime

December

5th – Chapter board meeting

14th – Basketball game watch (12 attended)

29th – football bowl game watch (30 attended)

Summary for CY 2014: we attended eight live sporting events as a group; we held 19 game watches (average turnout for basketball - 14; for football - 36); we hosted three happy hours; we hosted a dinner the evening before the UT football game (152 attended); we held three Board meetings and the required annual chapter business meeting.

D. Fundraising initiatives

<u>Mountain Mission</u> -- \$400 donated to rebuild storage area for food & clothing. <u>Hill Country Mountaineers Scholarship</u> – available for local high school senior going to WVU. Balance grew by \$2,000 during 2014.

We also helped support an event that encouraged our members to make individual donations totaling \$200 to the <u>CDKL5 Foundation</u>, and our individual members donated \$280 to the WVU School of Nursing via the WVU Foundation.

E. Communications

Used Facebook (our chapter's page ended 2014 with 206 members), a website and e-mail

F. In memorium

A good friend of the HCM chapter passed away on March 19th. Nefeterius McPherson, who wasn't from West Virginia but received a liver transplant from Taitlyn Hughes who loved WVU, attended a number of our chapter's events and WVU's games in Texas – all to honor Taitlyn. Nefeterius was a tireless advocate for organ donation before succumbing to cancer. She will be missed.

 Submitted by Joe Mock, Chapter President Hill Country Mountaineers Alumni Chapter January 2, 2015