

President's Message

Hello members! It was great to visit with y'all at the Spring Event.

We are well into planning Mardi Gras 2023 events. Contracts are in place for the King Cake Party and Ball. Be sure to mark the following dates on your calendars:

- King Cake Party January 14, 2023, De la Ronde Hall
- Tableau/Ball January 28, 2023, Crowne Plaza
- Parade February 11, 2023, Downtown Baton Rouge

It is time to renew your membership in the oldest parading Krewe in Baton Rouge. We are currently accepting membership applications for the 2023 Mardi Gras season, so please let your friends know.

We reviewed our financial situation with our membership at the annual meeting a few weeks ago. We are still financially sound but have carried a deficit in funding the last 2 years. These losses were due to our Covid cancelation and increase in expenses for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. In order to balance our funding and expenditures, the board voted to increase ball ticket prices from \$100 to \$125 (per ticket), or by 25%. By comparison, our meal cost alone for the ball went up 30% last year. Correspondingly, we did not increase membership costs for the upcoming year. We will continue to strive to keep costs down and keep value high for our membership. The Mystique website is up to date and has information on memberships, Krewe items for sale, event dates, etc.

Be sure to keep up with us on Facebook.

We will be updating our members on Krewe activities and deadlines via our newsletter, so let us know if you changed your email address.

Sheila Porch has resigned from the board for personal reasons but will remain a member of Mystique. I want to personally thank Sheila for her efforts on the board, handling publicity and the Spring Event, and other odd jobs when needed. Her efforts for the Krewe will be missed.

In Carnival Spirit, Henry W Péré III President Board of Management Krewe Mystique de la Capitale

Membership Payment!

Remember to pay your membership before **June 19**th. The price is \$541.00 for the year and includes one ball ticket, one King Cake ticket, one float ride with costume and 2 spring event tickets for the following year.

If you can't login to pay your dues, please contact <u>help@krewemystique.com</u> or any board member and we will get you set up to login.

- Extra tickets for the King Cake Party on January 14th, 2023 will be available for purchase on the website starting in July for \$63.00.
- Extra tickets for the Ball on January 28th, 2023 will be available through Thundertix for \$125.00. The link to this site can be accessed from your

dashboard after logging in and will be available approximately 4 months prior to the ball.

• Other event dates can be seen on your dashboard page when you first login and new ones will be added as they become available.

Learn how to make our signature Fleur de Lis



Would you like to learn how to make our signature Fleur De Lis that have become fan favorites on parade day?

If there is enough interest we will organize a class for those who want to learn or for those that just want to get a head start on making them for the 2023 parade. The location and date will be determined based on the response from our members.

For anyone interested, please either email **Stacey Pereira** at <u>slpereira@live.com</u> or contact her via cell phone **504-289-4896** by **May 30th**.

Royalty News

Welcome to our 2023 Royalty!!

2023 King Chris Eugene Harrell 2023 Queen Anna Claire LaSavia

2023 Debutantes:

- Amber Grace Dawsey
- Jessica Yvette Gross
- Olivia Ann Hebert
- Emily Grace Johnson
- Abigail Nicoloe Mire
- Emily Lane Norcross
- Isabella Grace Perrault
- Claire Elizabeth Simmons
- Morgan Grace Simmons
- Brianna Michelle Swink

2023 Pages:

- Jacob Paul Shedd
- Sydnie Jane Teekel

• Vivian Cosette Oubre

Note: at this time we do have an opening for an additional page. If you know of someone that may be interested, please contact Patti Cameron @ patticam@gmail.com

Kudos to our Wonderful 2022 Royalty



Krewe Mystique would like to extend a huge thank you to our **Ball Captain Lisa Barnett**. Lisa presided over a fun filled evening at Krewe De Mystique! Assisting in the ball presentation were our fearsome Lions Jay McGee and Joseph Lasavia. Performing as Silk Dancers in the presentation were Rachel Barnett, Katie Cameron and Anna LeSavia.



Reigning over our 2022 ball were **King Kevin Vaughan** and his daughter **Queen Emma Vaughan**



and our ten beautiful debutantes Peggy Marie Cotton, Camille Lisette Domangue, Addison Rachel Dunbar, Ava Louise Dunn, Grace Marie Granger, Carolyn Ann Herman, Emma Kate Lauret, Claire Elizabeth Lazaroe, Burgin Elizabeth Rome' Camille Renee Smith and five royal pages Charlotte Coco Balette, Elizabeth Ann Faller, Grace Catherine Faller, Anna Claire Faller, Charles Henry Faller.

Pictures from the Spring Event held on April 17











