

Ladies,

Wow what a year! I am so thankful to have been able to celebrate Mardi Gras this past year. As we enter our 21st year, we are happy that life is beginning to look more like pre-pandemic times! As a board, we are excited to have already started planning for this year's festivities!

I know this email is a little long but please read it so you know what will be going on in the next month.

Membership renewals, payment & annual dinner information:

- **Membership dues will be \$500 this year.**

- o In 21 years, this is only our second dues increase. Dues has been \$450 since our third year.

- o Dues must be paid in full by September 30, 2022. Any dues not received by then will be assessed \$50 a late fee. If you have a situation that arises, please contact either Leigh or Joanne.

- **Payment Options:**

- o **WEBSITE OPTIONS (CREDIT CARDS OR PAYPAL):**

- o The website now has an option tab under **Membership Renewal** for dues payments with a note section to let us know what you are paying for. You will be responsible for any processing fees that the Krewe incurs. You can either add 5% to your payment or you will be invoiced for the fees at a later date. All credit cards process under PayPal as the credit card processor so do not be confused by this.

- o Anytime you make a payment through the website, PayPal will be the processor. You can either use your credit card or use PayPal directly. Just know that anytime you make a payment through the website it is set up as a business account and you cannot get around paying the process fee.

- o **PAYPAL FOR PAYPAL ACCOUNT HOLDERS NOT VIA THE WEBSITE:**

- o We offer the option to pay directly with PayPal - use the Send Money to Friends & Family not the service option.

Please note there is a processing fee for using PayPal if you choose the service option or if you use PayPal through the krewe's website. We will require you to pay the fee if one is charged to the Krewe.

- o If you would like to send payment via PayPal with no fee use the option of "Send Money to Friends" please send payments to orders@kreweofartemis.net.

We will be kicking off the year with our Annual Dinner ... the dinner will be on April 25, 2022 at 6:00 pm (dinner will be served at 6:30pm) at Drusilla's Seafood located at 3482 Drusilla Lane. The dinner will be \$45 per person and you must purchase this via the website, no checks. Seating is limited. Sign up will begin Friday, April 8th.

There will be 2 choices of dinner:

- Fish Orleans

- o Baked filet of fish topped with a shrimp and garlic cream sauce

- Sauteed Chicken Piccata

Dessert will be Bread Pudding. You will need to list your dinner option when you pay. If you are inviting a potential new member, please be sure to give us their name and dinner choice. There will be a cash bar.

If you plan to attend the annual dinner, you must purchase and pay through the website under Purchase Event Tickets by April 20, 2022 at noon. No refunds will be given as the restaurant will still charge the krewe per our head count turned in prior to the dinner.

We are working on the calendar and hotel reservations for next year. This information will be given out at the annual dinner!

- Soiree will be Saturday, January 14, 2023 at the River Center in the Exhibition Hall.
- The Parade will be Friday, February 10, 2023 through downtown Baton Rouge.
- We ask that you please support our only fundraiser by purchasing beads through the Krewe. We will be sending out a bead form in the next month.

Remember, please keep your email and mailing address current by logging on to the website and checking in the member profile section on the website.

If there is anything the Krewe can do for you at this time or if you have any questions, please let us know!

I cannot wait to see everyone!

ALL HAIL ARTEMIS!

Joanne Harvey