

# MYSTIC KREWE OF APOLLO BATON ROUGE

Newsletter for the Mystic Krewe of Apollo Baton Rouge

April 2020



## President's Message:

Brothers,

What a trying time this spring has been! I hope this message finds you all in good health and safety. COVID19 will undoubtedly change many lives. In an effort to keep the Krewe alive and well, we will hold the meeting that was scheduled for this Sunday, April 26th, at 3 p.m. virtually. The link to join the meeting online and the call in phone numbers are included below.



As we discussed in our last meeting the Krewe completed a phenomenal year and produced a bal masque that erased previous years' deficits. We need to keep this momentum rolling forward! The next few months will be challenging. It is likely that we will be unable to host an event until later in the summer, but I have no doubt that it will be fantastic! Please join us on Sunday so that we can all catch up and hear each other's stories and news from our lives in quarantine. I pray that each of you are safe and look forward to 'seeing' you on Sunday.

Here is the link for the digital Krewe Meeting on Sunday at 3pm:  
<https://meet.google.com/fsj-uozd-ghh>

Those who can't join by web, or would rather call in can join by phone by calling:  
Phone Number: 234-759-0409  
PIN: 446 442 661#

If you are unable to attend the meeting virtually, please email or message me an update so that I can share your status (good or bad) with the Brotherhood.

Sincerely,  
Tyson O'Brien

### Dues! Dues! Dues!

Get a jump start on your dues by paying online or through our treasurer, Eric! Be on the look out for invoices from our Quickbooks account with your current balance!

### Plans are being made!

Stay in the know! Be on the look out for meeting updates and our monthly newsletter. If you're not receiving the newsletter, make sure to sign up on the website!

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## From the Captain:

I would first like to thank my fellow krewe members for nominating myself and John Deshotel as your Captain and Co-Captain XL! We will work hard to make it a fun and uniting anniversary year. I hope everyone is staying safe during this time. While there isn't much we can currently do as a group we are still working on what we can to get the year started. Luckily we were able to get a great deal done before the stay at home order and are working behind the scenes to keep the ball rolling. Nathan Wright, Corey Tullier, Shane Linkous-Smith, Clay McCollum, and David Stewart have graciously accepted the role of being our lieutenants to help ensure a successful year.



The date of Ball Masque XL "Walkin' to New Orleans" has been set for January 23, 2021. A lot of costumes were spoken for at the March meeting but there are still plenty available. If anyone is interested in costuming for the ball please contact John or myself if you haven't done so already. I will be available to help anyone that wants it but it will need to be sooner rather than later. I will be in touch the next few weeks to discuss costume design and ideas before I meet with Mrs. Carol to finalize design and sketches.

Scot and Josh did an extraordinary job last year to cut costs and budget so that we would have a surplus of funds to start the year off. With your help we can have another prosperous year. Our new system has proven to be successful but only if we can secure funds throughout the year instead of last minute table sales. Please pay your member dues as soon as possible. And no tables for the ball will be reserved until they are paid for in full. Table placement this year will be a first come first serve basis.

When we can get out again we will finalize sponsorship packets and the ball logo as well as securing venues for the royalty announcement and captain's party. In the meantime stay safe and stay sane and remember that we have a fabulous ball to look forward to! Let's unite and celebrate this 40 year legacy of brotherhood!

Sincerely ,

**Chad Blanchard**  
**Captain XL**  
**King Apollo XXXIII**

- 26 Apr, Sun  
2 - 3pm  
April Board Meeting
- 29 May, Fri  
7 - 8pm  
May General Membership Meeting
- 30 May, Sat  
All day  
Proposed Apollo Rush Event
- 19 Jun, Fri  
7 - 8pm  
June Board Meeting
- 18 Jul, Sat  
12 - 7pm  
Summer Extravaganza 20 (Meeting)
- 21 Aug, Fri  
7 - 8pm  
Board Meeting
- 20 Sep, Sun  
1 - 2pm  
Meeting Brunch (Bistro Byronz)
- 10 Oct, Sat  
7 - 9pm  
Royalty Announcement Party
- 11 Oct, Sun  
1 - 2pm  
Brunch General Membership and Elections
- 22 Nov, Sun  
1 - 2pm  
November Board Meeting (Lafayette)
- 22 Jan, Fri  
Captain's Party
- 23 Jan, Sat  
Bal Masque XL
- 24 Jan, Sun  
Royalty Brunch