

December 14, 2006

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Dear Members:

The Athena Flamingoes have left the Fiesta and flown to higher ground until next year's bingo event, and it's time to make our plans for the Krewe's 5th Annual Mardi Gras Ball. Many thanks to the bingo committee and to the men who made this year a big success as always. Thank you, thank you!! A great time was had by all!! The amount raised totaled about \$2200 and a Tahoe-load of hygiene products, supplies, money and food was collected and delivered to The Potter's House in Lake Charles, where they were so appreciative of these donations. The flat screen TV that was donated by Steve Holder and the Holder Agency brought in over \$750 in raffle proceeds. Sandy Parker says thanks so much for the donations from some of our members who helped contribute to their disaster relief from recent floods. Be sure to check out the web site for the pictures from the bingo and be thinking of ideas for the 2007 Flamingo's adventure.

The 5th Annual Krewe of Athena's "Wide World of Sports" Mardi Gras Ball will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at the Lake Charles Civic Center's Exhibition Hall. Our band will be the "*The Kadillacs*". There is NO limit to the amount of guests that you may invite. ***Enclosed is the Reserved Seating form that needs to be returned by Sunday, January 7th.*** Your entire group will be able to be in the same area together and the number of table groupings will vary, depending on your total numbers. We will have the round tables in the Civic Center. It is time to be thinking of costumes for the Ball and this year should be really EASY, so have fun with your ideas. There will be Olympic fever in the air as well as the usual sports we know and love.

Sandy Barker is in charge of decorations and may be having a workday in the near future. This info will be sent out via email when she confirms a good date. If you are interested in meeting with her and helping with this, email sandy.barker@juno.com. Please plan to arrive at the Civic Center on the Saturday morning of the ball around 9 am to assist with covering the tables and decorating if you would like to help. ALL help would be greatly appreciated! Doors will open that evening at 7:00 and the presentation will begin at 8:00. ***Please be respectful of the Court, Princesses, Gents and all others being presented that evening and do not plan to enter the building between 8:00 and 9:00 pm. The band will start playing at 9 pm.***

We have compartment mugs ordered for this year imprinted with the theme and krewe crest, and sports items are in the bottom of the mugs. They may be purchased by indicating this on your reserved seating requests and first-come, first-served. We only ordered a limited number, so get your requests in early if you want some. You might also want to visit the following web sites ASAP to order beads and trinkets: www.beadsbythedozen.com or www.mardigrasoutlet.com, or try some of the links from our web site.

Congratulations to these recent brides:

Janci Bares became Mrs. Jason Oliver
Nikka O'Quain became Mrs. Heath LeBouef
Mallory Wall became Mrs. Dean Padgett, Jr.
...Best Wishes to all 3 of you!!!

Happy Birthday to all of the following members!!!

November:

3-Denise Guillory
15-Vicki Holder
16-Roxanne Nutt
18-Prissy Bult, Karen Couch &
Mary Jo Bayles
20-Tracy Beaugh
23-Mary McCollough
25-Kelley Burlison
26-Ashleigh Schexnider
Tee Clostio
27-K. J. Smith
28-Denise Perry

...and in February:

2-Tina Verret
3-Dana Monk
6-Cookie Boullion
7-Nancy Veronie
8-Edie Post
21-Kathi Jackson
24-Denise Miller

Schedule of Events:

Saturday, January 6th: 12th Night
Saturday, February 3rd: Athena's MG Ball
Sunday, February 18th: Children's Parade
Monday, February 19th: Royal Gala
Tuesday, February, 20th: Mardi Gras!

December:

2- Clara Colvin
8-Denise Savant
15-Nena Menard
19-Barbara Hanks
29-Carol LaBorde

...and coming in January:

3-Brandy Vincent
10-Henrietta Akers
11-Susie Beasley
15-Tina McVicker
Paree' Prejean
25-Pat Burns
Nancy Granich
26-Sandy Parker
27-Karen Farnum

...and finally in March:

2- Vera Hollier
Macie LeTard
8-Janet Futch
Deanna Pulver
9-Nikka LeBouef
17-Deirdra Willis
18-Joan Benoit
Pansy Gabbard
20-Carol Henry
21-Ginger Gomez
Margo Nilsson
25-Mary Little
26-Ramona Landry

**Come out to 12th Night and the Royal Gala events to support our
Queen, Court and Captain !!