

KOSA Monthly Newsletter

MARCH 2025



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT -----

Krewe Family

This will be my last letter as your president, but rest assured you will be left in great hands with Pam Wiggins taking over the gavel. Pam has been with the board for a few years and comes with great experience and knowledge of what this group was founded on. She will help with taking KOSA to the next level. However, that will be impossible without your help. Please consider stepping in wherever and whenever you can.

I want to take the time to thank the board for all they have accomplished this past year. A few of their highlights are; replacing the very unsafe and unsightly floor, authorizing 2 new floats to be added to our fleet, selling donated property thereby adding much needed funds to our account, upgrading our trash can service to dumpster service alleviating the need to having to drag 2 to 4 trash cans to the road twice a week, and authorizing the purchase of a much needed ice machine which alleviated our bar manager from having to stop on her way in every time she had an event needing ice service. These were just a few highlights but I am only given a small section of this newsletter. There are still challenge out there that we were not able to complete this past year, but I am sure your next board will prioritize and tackle them appropriately.

In closing, I want to once again thank you all for trusting me to be your president this past year. I will continue to be part of the board for the next year in a consultant role to help with continuity and wherever else I can be of assistance.

Paul Ortiz

KOSA President



Calendar of Events

March / April 2025

Fat Tuesday Party – March 4, 2025

Quarterly Meeting & Elections – March 7, 2025

Bougie Bingo – March 8, 2025

BunKo – March 13, 2025

Springtime Tallahassee – March 27 – 30, 2025

DeSoto Heritage Festival – April 24 – 27, 2025

Board Members

President– Paul Ortiz

President elect–Pam Wiggins

Secretary– Kurt Bergman

Treasurer– Eric Billot

Treasurer Emeritus—Don Cox

Members at Large:

Jan Cox

Lorena Kelly

Donna Williams

Sergeant at Arms: Paul Ortiz

A Message from our King and Queen

Hello KOSA Family,

We are kickin off March with our Fat Tuesday party but Mardi Gras festivities are far from over.

Your Court had a great time representing last month at an event every weekend in February. We had 120 people and 23 tables at the ball. The dance floor was swinging all night long and the memories made will stay in our hearts forever. The entire month was great fun.

Our focus is now on the Bougie Bingo on 8 March. Prizes start at \$300 in value and go up. These include weekend getaways, 2 carat diamond earrings, purses, car packages, dinner packages, and much more. Tables are still available. Please contact Judy Biddle at 850-276-2305 for additional info or to purchase a table.

As always, we appreciate all the love and support and look forward to many more months of fun to come.

Hugs,
King Jon and Queen Judy



**PLEASE NOTE MENU
CHANGE!! ALICE'S ON
BAYVIEW NOW
CATERING DINNER**

**5:30 March 4 at the Den
Red Beans & Rice/Salad
Cash Bar-Music**



**RSVP - ASAP
(Deadline Feb 27)
Pat Rea**

IT'S TIME TO CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR KREWE

The following Committees need Chairs/Co-Chairs and Volunteers!
Sign-Up Sheets will be available at the Quarterly Meeting March 7th
If you are unable to attend, contact one of your Board Members



Membership
Internal Communications
Merchandise
Royal Ball
Royal Ball Program
Social Committee
Den Rental
Scholarship
Den Maintenance
Float/Trailer Management
Fall Seafood Festival
Public Relations
Community Involvement
Festival (Main, Kids, Pet)
Draw Down
Golf Tournament



Get involved in your Krewe!

Elections for new board member positions will be March 7, 2025. We will elect 3 members at large and 1 president elect . Out of the (total) 5 members at large 2 will take over the duties of treasurer and Secretary. Please reach out to the President Paul Ortiz with any questions.

We will vote for King/ Queen and 4 Prince and princesses, and the theme for the next Mardi Gras season.

Please contact Lori Cowan by text no later than Feb. 1st

850-624-7481

KREWE OF ST. ANDREWS “BOUGIE & BINGO”

Date: Saturday, March 8, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM (Doors Open) & 6:30 PM (Games Begin)

1561 ½ Chandlee Avenue
Panama City, Florida 32405

Sponsor Table Prices for Businesses:

\$800.00 (Table for 8)

Includes 2 complimentary bottles of wine

Advertisement on event page and special recognition at event

Individual Table Prices:

\$400.00 (Table for 8)

All tables will include 8 game packs.

Additional packs will be \$15.00 each.

Cash bar will be available and finger foods will be served.

For additional information, you can contact the following:

Joe Wilds (850) 516-1337 or
Judy Biddle at (850) 276-2305

Payments via Venmo: @Krewe-OfStAndrews

Last 4 digits of phone number: 2513

Cash or Check

**All proceeds benefit our local
Bay County Council on Aging
and are tax deductible**





Noreen Lozano	03/02
Mike Gagnon	03/03
Corey Breingan	03/03
David Blanchard	03/04
Billy Scruggs	03/05
Michelle Zenone	03/07
Debbie Carrier	03/08
Cody Crick	03/08
Cynthia Bubolo	03/12
Edward Benner	03/13
Woodie Newmans	03/14
April Isenberg	03/17
Carol Sain	03/18
Kathy Wilson	03/18
Carol Lucas	03/18
Carolyn Wilds	03/18
Ann Hayward	03/21
Karen Miller	03/23
Alice Dawsey	03/24
Nancy Smith	03/26
Carlos Cintron	03/26
Julie Slatcoff	03/29
Ashley Dunnigan	03/29

Tammie Brunson	03/10
Virlie and Don Walker	03/14
Dianne and Jimmy Southall	03/18
Mary and Timothy Jones	03/21
Carolyn & Joseph Wilds	03/23



Welcome to our Krewe family! Please reach out to our new members at our functions and make them feel welcome!

New Member	Date Joined	Sponsor
Dan Patterson	Feb-2025	Tanya Carmody
John Kittler	Feb-2025	Don Cox



Sometimes we need support from those who love us...

**With your permission KOSA Cares would like to share
Love and prayer during moments of sorrow and illness.**

Contact us and we will share with the KOSA family

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Noreen Lozano

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We are always looking for new members.

Share this application with a friend.

Become a Member
Mardi Gras Krewe Membership
Krewe of St. Andrews (standrewsmardigras.com)



Krewe of St. Andrews, Inc. Membership Application

This is the Official Membership Application to the Krewe of St. Andrews. Upon recommendation of the Membership Committee, applicants must complete orientation and be approved by the Krewe Board before becoming an official member. Members must be 21 or older.

NAME: _____
(First MI Last) (Preferred name for your name badge)
ADDRESS: _____
(Street, City, State, Zip)
PHONE: (Home): _____ (Work): _____ (Cell): _____
BIRTH DATE: _____ ANNIVERSARY: _____ EMAIL: _____
(mm/dd/yy) (mm/dd/yy)

A Little Known Fact about Me: _____
(Something Everyone Doesn't Know About You)
Initial the following items after you print the form:
☐ I understand that it is expected that I will be a reasonably active member.
☐ I understand that it is a requirement that new members agree to attend one member orientation.
☐ I agree to be a member of at least one committee (see list below).

The annual fee for each member is two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00); the fee must accompany your application and is non-refundable once your application is approved.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: KREWE OF ST. ANDREWS, INC. or KOSA.
SEND VENMO PAYMENTS TO: @Krewe-OfStAndrews (ask for "friend" status)
FORWARD CHECKS AND APPLICATIONS TO: Krewe of St Andrews, Inc.
P.O. Box 16791
Panama City, FL 32406-6791

Mark the Committee(s) you are interested in serving on by priority, i.e. 1 = most

<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising	<input type="checkbox"/> PR	<input type="checkbox"/> Social	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Building/Den	<input type="checkbox"/> Photography/Historian	<input type="checkbox"/> Merchandise	<input type="checkbox"/> Float/Parade

Please indicate your hobbies, skills, and interests: _____

SPONSORED BY: _____
If you do not have a sponsor, you will be granted a provisional membership subject to a 6 month review and there is a one hundred dollar (\$125.00) non-refundable application fee.

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