



# Marquette Council 1437

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## Grand Knight's Message

By Paul Eckert, Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

It is that time again! The time to show the world that Marquette Council is truly the "Mardi Gras Council"! I thought you might find the following brief history of interest:

The first American Mardi Gras took place on March 3, 1699, when French explorers Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville and Sieur de Bienville landed near present-day New Orleans. They held a small celebration and dubbed their landing spot Point du Mardi Gras.

In the decades that followed, New Orleans and other French settlements began marking the holiday with street parties, masked balls and lavish dinners. When the Spanish took control of New Orleans, however, they abolished these rowdy rituals, and the bans remained in force until Louisiana became a U.S. state in 1812.

On Mardi Gras in 1827, a group of students donned colorful costumes and danced through the streets of New Orleans, emulating the revelry they'd observed while visiting Paris. Ten years later, the first recorded New Orleans Mardi Gras parade took place, a tradition that continues to this day.

In 1857, a secret society of New Orleans businessmen called the Mistick Krewe of Comus organized a torch-lit Mardi Gras procession with marching bands and rolling floats, setting the tone for future public celebrations in the city. Since then, krewes have remained a fixture of the Carnival scene throughout Louisiana.

Other lasting customs include throwing beads and other trinkets, wearing masks, decorating floats and eating King Cake.

Come and enjoy the festivities at Marquette! I hope everyone has a great and safe Mardi Gras!!

Vivat Jesus! ♦



St. Valentine's Day'  
is  
February 14th.

My fellow Brother Knights! The Carnival processions shall soon be passing by our home, and the doors of Marquette shall be open for all to enter and partake in the festivities and merriment. We cordially invite you, your family, and your friends to celebrate the Carnival Season with us at Marquette.



Ask a Friend to Join Marquette

**MOW Night****Wednesday, February 6**

Where: Marquette Council

Info: Paul Gagnet at (504) 201-4443 or unclpaul@aol.com

**MOW Night****General Meeting (Theology on Tap from 5:30 pm – 7 pm)****Wednesday, February 13**

Time: Doors open 6 p.m. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

**Monthly Meeting****Officers' Meeting****Tuesday, February 19 (1 week earlier than usual)**

Time: Doors open 6 p.m. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

**Officers' Meeting****Annulment Writing Workshop**Our Lady of Divine Providence  
908 N. Starrett Road Metairie

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

March 12, 19, & 26.  
April 2 & 9.For information:  
Cathy at 504-861-6243**Mardi Gras Wristbands****Now****\$8 each****Later****\$15 each****Nominations for Officers**

By George Schindler III, PGK

The Officers' Nominating Committee for the 2019-2020 Columbian Year will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26 at Marquette (immediately before the Officers' Meeting).

To aid and assist the Council in identifying the best qualified candidates, Marquette Council has established a Nominating Committee. The Committee recommends specific members that the Council should consider for election. The nominations by the Committee are suggestions only.

Nominations for any electable office will be accepted from anyone at the April, May, and June general meetings, and the elections will be held at the June General meeting.

The Marquette Nominating Committee meets each year immediately before the March Officer's meeting, and all members are invited to participate in the meeting and in the discussion of eligible candidates.

By tradition and custom, the Committee consists of the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Treasurer, Financial Secretary and the Trustees, but anyone else who wishes to attend and participate is welcome.

Take this opportunity to participate in this important nomination and election process. If you wish to be considered for office, please attend this meeting or make your wishes known.

Any questions, please contact George Schindler III at (504) 450-5110 or BigChiefGS@gmail.com. ♦

**Get Active. Get Involved.**

## It's Time to Pay Your 2019 Membership Dues

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- Option 1 (Annual Membership Dues along with the Voluntary Assessment); or
- Option 2 (Annual Membership Dues only).

Option 1: Annual Membership Dues with Voluntary Assessment			Option 2: Annual Membership Dues Only		
Cost	Transaction Fee	Total	Cost	Transaction Fee	Total
\$70	\$2.40	\$72.40	\$48	\$1.74	\$49.74
					
<b>Dues with Voluntary Assessment - \$72.40</b>			<b>Dues Only - \$49.74</b>		

Go to the *Dues* page on our website at [www.kc1437.org](http://www.kc1437.org) and click on the appropriate *Pay Now* button. A small transaction fee will be added to your payment to cover the costs for using this online service.

Thank you for your continued support and membership.

<b>Pay by Check</b>	Make your check payable to:	Mail your check to:
	Marquette Council 1437	Phil Jones 4525 Lake Vista Dr. Metairie, LA 70006

**PAY ARREARS PROMPTLY TO AVOID SUSPENSION.**

*Contributions, gifts, membership dues, etc. paid to Knights of Columbus for unrestricted purposes are not deductible as charitable contributions. Please consult your tax advisor for specific tax advice and to determine if your payment is tax deductible.*

**Time to pay your dues.**

## Mardi Gras at Marquette

### Buy a Drink Ticket Special ~ Save Money

For only \$60, buy a sheet of 40 drink tickets (\$2 value per ticket) - valued at \$80. You save \$20!

### Buy a Season Ticket "Kingfish Special"

For only \$100, you get one sheet of (40) drink tickets PLUS (3) pairs of wristbands (one set each for Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday) - valued at \$140. You save \$40!

Specials are only available for purchase until February 19th.

### Wristband Policy

A wristband (paid admittance) is mandatory for everyone on these three days:

Endymion Saturday	purple wristband
Bacchus Sunday	green wristband
Mardi Gras Day	gold wristband

### After February 19th, the cost is \$15 per wristband.

All other days are free!

Kids 17 and under are always free - when accompanied by parent or guardian!

Those persons not having the proper colored wristband will not be admitted.

Wristbands are non-refundable and may not be exchanged for other days.

Wristbands can be bought the day of the parade.

### Buy Wristbands in Advance and Save Money

Discounted wristbands are offered to members of Marquette for \$8 each or 2 for \$15 (if the two wristbands are for the same day).

There is no limit on the number of discounted wristbands that you can purchase.

Discounted wristbands are only available for purchase until February 19th.

### Marquette's Commandments of Carnival

1. All persons entering Marquette Hall must purchase, possess and wear a Marquette wristband on Endymion Saturday (purple wristband), Bacchus Sunday (green wristband), and Fat Tuesday (gold wristband). Persons not wearing the appropriate wristband will not be admitted. Admission is free on all other days, and admission is always free for kids 17 and under when accompanied by parent or guardian.
2. Disrespectful, offensive, vulgar, or obscene behavior, language or costumes are not permitted inside Marquette Hall. This is a family friendly environment. Intoxicated persons will not be served alcohol and may be asked to leave Marquette Hall.
3. Do not invite a guest to Marquette Hall if you would not invite that person to your own home.
4. All beverages must be purchased at the bar, especially alcohol. Exceptions may be made for persons with special dietary needs or children.
5. Ice chests are not allowed inside Marquette Hall. Exceptions may be made for small ice chests containing perishable food or non-alcoholic beverages.
6. Mardi Gras ladders must be removed from Marquette Hall by the first general meeting following Mardi Gras. You are responsible for your ladder.
7. Smoking is strictly prohibited on the 2nd Floor. However, smoking in Marquette Hall is permitted only at the bar on the 3rd Floor.
8. Please clean up your spills and discard your trash. Marquette Hall does not have janitorial staff.
9. You are responsible for your safety and for the safety of your guests. Adults are responsible for the behavior of their children.
10. Pets are not allowed in Marquette Hall.

**Mardi Gras Information**

Discount prices on wristbands & drinks tickets will only be available until the February Officers' Meeting.

Discount prices for wristbands are \$8 per wristband or \$15 for a pair of wristbands. Cost for wristbands after the February Officers' meeting will be \$15.00 each.

Discount price for drink tickets are \$1.50 per drink ticket. Drink tickets during the time of Mardi Gras are valued at \$2.00 each.

Kingfish Packages are \$100 each, which includes two wristbands per required days and 40 drink tickets.

Volunteers are needed as bartenders, front door watchers, meal preparation (cooks), etc.

**Ladders are the responsibility of the respective owners for placement and storage at the Hall.**

Drink Prices are as listed:

- Bottle Water and/or Sodas ..... \$1.00
- Can Domestic Beer ..... \$2.00 or one drink ticket
- Bottle Beer ..... \$3.00
- Mixed Drinks with Bar Brands ..... \$5.00
- Premium Spirits Mixed Drinks ..... \$6.00 or three drink tickets

We need all bothers to participate in the preparations and during the Mardi Gras Season in order to make this event a success for the Marquette Council. We are stronger and accomplish almost anything together.

Marquette Mardi Gras Committee Chairmen		
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## 2019 Marquette Parade Schedule

Wednesday, January 6		
Phunny Phorty Phellows	7:00 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Friday, February 22		
Oshun	6:00 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Cleopatra	6:30 p.m.	
Saturday, February 23		
Pontchartrain	1:00 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Choctaw	2:00 p.m.	
Freret	3:00 p.m.	
Sparta	6:00 p.m.	
Pygmallion	6:45 p.m.	
Sunday, February 24		
Femme Fatale	11:00 a.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Carrollton	Noon	
King Arthur	Follows Carrollton	
Alla	Follows King Arthur	
Wednesday, February 27 (white wristband)		
Druids	6:30 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Nyx	6:45 p.m.	
Thursday, February 28 (white wristband)		
Knights of Babylon	5:40 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Chaos	6:15 p.m.	
Muses	6:30 p.m.	
Friday, March 1 (white wristband)		
Hermes	6:00 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Le Krewe D'etat	6:30 p.m.	
Morpheus	7:00 p.m.	
Saturday, March 2 (purple wristband)		
Iris	11:00 a.m.	MUST BUY A <b>PURPLE</b> WRISTBAND
Tucks	Noon	
Endymion	4:15 p.m.	
Sunday, March 3 (green wristband)		
Okeanos	11:00 a.m.	MUST BUY A <b>GREEN</b> WRISTBAND
Mid-City	11:45 p.m.	
Thoth	Noon	
Bacchus	5:15 p.m.	
Monday, March 4		
Proteus	5:15 p.m.	FREE ADMISSION
Orpheus	6:00 p.m.	
Tuesday, March 5 (gold wristband)		
Zulu	8:00 a.m.	MUST BUY A <b>GOLD</b> WRISTBAND
Rex	10:00 a.m.	
Elks Orleanians (Trucks)	Follows Rex	
Crescent City (Trucks)	Follows Elks	



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Join us to pray the Rosary  
before each General Meeting  
at 7:10 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.



#### When Does Marquette Meet?

##### General Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month.  
Doors open at 6 p.m.  
Rosary at 7:10 p.m.  
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.  
Dinner at 8:30 p.m.

##### Officers' / Planning Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.  
Doors open at 6 p.m.  
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

##### Marquette on Wednesday

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.  
Doors open at 6 p.m.  
No meeting / Various projects.

*The above dates and times  
are subject to change.*

## Mardi Gras Wristbands

**Now**

**\$8 each**

**Later**

**\$15 each**



Pray the Rosary  
with us before the  
General Meeting.



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