

Welcome to the Krewe de Valhalla

Krewe de Valhalla was formed in 2020 and includes veterans of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. It was formed with a purpose of fellowship, community service, and veteran outreach.

Krewe de Valhalla is in remembrance of those warriors who have fallen before us. It is a gathering of comrades to celebrate those who have crossed the gates of Valhalla which we will join in due time.

We are left to continue the fight in their memory.

Together we will support one another and help any veterans in need. We will also continue the mission we signed up for when we enlisted which is helping and giving back to our community. The community is our lifeline and our purpose for serving. Our community is made up of all walks of life, our friends, and our families. So, moving forward we will be active in the community and continue our service while we await Odin to call us onto the battlefield.

What to expect and what is expected of your Krewe De Valhalla Membership:

You will get what you put into it... Expect Adult & Family Friendly Events All Year Round!

All members are encouraged to attend the various functions put on throughout the year to increase the camaraderie and solidarity of the Krewe... Members should donate all his/ her creative juices and look to participate in Community Outreach, Fundraising &/ or on the various other committees as it takes a lot of work to keep a Krewe running...

All fundraisers are mandatory for all members to participate. Participation will be defined as raise funds, sell tickets, collect donations, work the events, and be an active member. ***If a member does not participate in the fundraisers, they will not be eligible to ride on the float for the parade.***

Yearly fundraisers are as follows: **Spring:** April/May -Women's Bingo // **Summer-Fall:** Gun Raffle // **Winter:** November – Veteran's Day Golf Tournament

Band App, & Email are the primary form of communication... Updates are sent out to ensure all members are kept informed...

Our Krewe Mascot is Odin...

Board of Directors: Consists of 4 members (President, Vice President, Captain/Treasurer, & Secretary) Board meetings are generally open to all members... agenda's will be sent out prior to each meeting to ensure transparency and encourage input... meetings will be closed when sensitive issues are to be discussed...

Committee Board Members: Will consist of 7 members (Ball, Float/Parade, Community Outreach & Involvement, Social Gatherings, Raffle, Bingo, & Golf Tournament).

Court: For the new folks, Court is our Krewe's royalty for the year... court is responsible for creating his/ her own collar (at his/her own expense) based on that year's theme... It is such an honor to represent your Krewe amongst all the Krewe of Southwest Louisiana... you should expect 2 months prior to the ball to begin working on your collar and yes, many Krewe members will help you ...

Krewe Mardi Gras Ball is a night of entertainment and partying...The theme and court will be discussed and voted upon at the first meeting of the new year....Invite your friends and remember this is a method of promoting our Krewe & recruiting new members for the future... the attire will rotate each year, with formal being a yearly option for anyone, cocktail, and themed/costume... Table assignment will start first for Court, Board Members, and general membership.

Mardi Gras Events

12th Night is held at the Civic Center on January 6th ~ it is a night held to honor the previous years royalty... the Krewe will have a table set up for us to support our outgoing King & Queen...

Children's Parade ... All member's kids welcome - just make sure they have a Krewe shirt... held the Sunday before "Fat Tuesday" we generally need to be locked ~ loaded ~ lined up by 2pm for this parade...

Royal Gala... held on the Monday evening before "Fat Tuesday" at the Civic Center... the Krewe will have a table set up for us to cheer on our Court.

Krewe of Krewe's Parade... held on "Fat Tuesday" Only members are allowed to ride for this parade... we generally needed to be locked ~ loaded ~ lined up by 4pm... Members must wear their Krewe Parade shirt... Don't forget your mask ~ as MGSW asks that all float riders wear a mask for the beginning of the parade (until we pass the cameras).

** Just a tip - most folks order at least 1,500 beads per person - per parade...