

IT'S ALL ON THE LINE

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*Gulf Coast
Carnival Association*



The heart races.....
The palms are sweaty.....
The mind is darting to all possible outcomes....
These are the elements when high stakes are at risk.
The excitement of drawing the winning card.....
The satisfaction of pulling up a full trap.....
The fulfillment of finally striking the crude....
Knowing the decision was right and will pay off.....
The feeling of gratification when the stunt is landed perfectly....
Crossing the finish line before everyone else....
Knowing a life is in your hands.....
These are the components that link many different types of individuals.
All of these individuals are bound by the pursuit of.....
achievement, fulfillment, gratification.....
Whatever it is they seek.....they all understand one thing.....
the sacrifice it takes when.... **IT'S ALL ON THE LINE!!!!**

2019 GCCA ROYALTY



The 2019 Royal Court for Gulf Coast Carnival Association (left to right) Chad Warner Blalack, Mary Margaret Muths, Gregory P. Wyrosdick, Victoria Kathleen Mayer, Vincent J. Pisciotto, MD, Mallory Suzanne Welter, John Mallett, MD, Colby Raye McMurphy, Grace Elizabeth Munro, Robby Mack Williams, DMD, Leah Michelle O'Neill, David J. Leckich, Kameron Alexandra Simpson, Elliott Voivedich, Abbie Elizabeth Brashier, and Jeffrey Ward Bertucci

**KING d'IBERVILLE
2019**

James Franklin Hardin, Jr.



**QUEEN IXOLIB
2019**

Caitlyn Marie "Caty" Lesso

ROYAL COURT OF 2019

DUKES

*Chad Warner Blalack
Jeffrey Ward Bertucci
Gregory Paul Wyrosdick
Elliott Voivedich
Vincent Joseph Pisciotta
David Joseph Leckich
John Harrell "Johnny" Mallett
Robert Mack "Robby" Williams*

**IT'S ALL
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*World Series of Poker
Deadliest Catch
Search for Black Gold
The Bear & The Bull
Death Defying Acrobats
Real Estate Tycoon
Chasing Olympic Gold
Our First Responders*

MAIDS

*Mary Margaret "Meg" Muths
Abbie Elizabeth Brashier
Victoria Kathleen Mayer
Kameron Alexander Simpson
Mallory Suzanne Welter
Leah Michelle O'Neill
Colby Raye McMurphy
Grace Elizabeth Munro*

PAGES

TO HIS MAJESTY

*Kenner Martin McCaleb
Riggs Franklin McCaleb*

TO HER MAJESTY

*Mary Carlton Descher
Emma Joy Mitchell*

ROYALTY 2018

KING d'IBERVILLE

Keith Allen Williams

QUEEN IXOLIB

Katherine Camille "Kate" Rushton

MEMORIES OF ROYALTY

**TWENTY-FIVE
YEAR REIGN**

*King d'Iberville 1994
Frank Eugene Bertucci*



**TWENTY-FIVE
YEAR REIGN**

*Queen Ixolib 1994
Lori Blossman Brodowilz*

**FIFTY
YEAR REIGN**

*Queen Ixolib 1969
Susan Eugenia Courson*

KING JAMES FRANKLIN HARDIN, JR.



James Franklin Hardin, Jr of Biloxi is the husband of Lezlee Champaigne Hardin. They are the parents of Shanel Marie Williams and Cole Franklin Hardin. He is the son of James Franklin Hardin, Sr. and Barbara Hardin.

He is a graduate of Judson High School in San Antonio, Texas and The University of Texas at Austin where he earned a bachelor's degree in construction management. He is president and owner of Aladdin Construction Company in Biloxi and co-owner and partner in OHOS Land LLC in Ocean Springs. He was the 2011 president of the Mississippi Chapter of the Associated Builders and Contractors, 2017 president of The Mississippi Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America and currently is a board member of the Mississippi Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America.

He is a member Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. He is a member of The Revelers where he served as King in 2016. He is a member of the Gulfport Yacht Club, Bayou Bluff Tennis Club and Mississippi Gulf Coast Big Game Fishing Club.

GCCA Affiliations:

He was a duke in 2007. His daughter, Shanel Marie Williams, was a maid in 2004. His son, Cole Franklin Hardin, was a flag bearer in 2006. His son in law, Dr. Robby Williams, serves as duke in 2019. His cousin, David Leckich, is a duke in 2019. His cousin, Elliot Voivedich, was a flag bearer in 1981 and is a duke in 2019. His grandsons, Kenner Martin McCaleb and Riggs Franklin McCaleb, are pages to King d'Iberville in 2019. His uncle, Joseph Leckich, was a duke in 1980 and his nephew, Clayton Courtney, was a flag bearer in 1985.



QUEEN CAITLYN MARIE "CATY" LESSO

Caitlyn "Caty" Marie Lesso of Biloxi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Mavar and the late Rudolph Lesso III. Her maternal grandmother is the late Kathleen Frances Smith. Her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lesso Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mavar Sr.

She is a graduate of St. Patrick High School where she served as editor-at-large of the yearbook staff, varsity cheer captain, senior class vice-president and a member of the homecoming court. She was chosen as a member of the Spring Ball Court for the Cotillion Club of Gulfport. She is currently in her senior year studying construction engineering in the STEM Path to MBA program at the University of Alabama where she received a full academic scholarship. She has already been accepted into the Culverhouse College of Business at the University of Alabama to pursue her MBA. She is a member of the University of Alabama Honors College, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Student Chapter of International Justice Mission, Student Engineers in Action, a student member of American Society of Civil Engineers and has remained on the dean's list since her freshman year. She has recently been asked to join Chi Epsilon, a national civil engineering honor society.

Caty is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority where she serves as vice-president of standards. She serves as junior member of Kappa Delta Standards Board. She is on the University of Alabama Homecoming Service Committee. She volunteers at Matthews Elementary School in Tuscaloosa with Al's Pals organization. She is a parishioner at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Biloxi and St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Tuscaloosa.

GCCA Affiliations:

Caty was previously a flag bearer and was a maid to Queen Ixolib in 2018. Her late father, Rudolph Lesso III, was a duke in 1999. Her stepfather, Mark Mavar, was King d'Iberville in 2012. Her brother, Jarrod Lesso, was a flag bearer. Her brother, Christopher Mavar, was a page in 2014 and is a flag bearer this year. Her brother, Ryan Mavar, is a page to King d'Iberville in 2018. Her grandfather, Victor Mavar Sr., served as King d'Iberville in 1998. Her aunt, Elizabeth Mavar Spratlin, was Queen Ixolib in 1993.



MARY MARGARET "MEG" MUTHS



Mary Margaret Muths of Gulfport is the daughter of Sherman Muths and Wendy Muths. Her maternal grandparents are the late Robyn Rudat Allen and Clifton Graves Allen. Her paternal grandparents are Sherman and Celia Muths.

She is a graduate of Gulfport High School where she was an eminent scholar and annual staff editor. She is a junior at the University of Alabama studying to become a child life specialist. She is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority and Reformed University Fellowship as well as a member of the Honors College at the University of Alabama.

She is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.



KAMERON ALEXANDER SIMPSON



Kameron Alexandra Simpson of Gulfport is the daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Simpson. Her maternal grandparents are the late James Ewell Bost, Sr. and Mrs. Fann Graddy Bost of Amory, Mississippi. Her paternal grandparents are the late James Charles Simpson, Sr. and the Late Emily Jeanne Blake Simpson of Pass Christian.

She is a graduate of Gulfport High School where she served as yearbook editor and community service officer for the Key Club. She also served as corresponding secretary for The Cotillion Club of Gulfport and was a member of the 2016 Mississippi Gulf coast Debutante Society. She is a senior at the University of Mississippi majoring in integrated marketing and communications. She is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority where she is social chairman and parents weekend coordinator. She also served on the homecoming service committee. She volunteer with Lafayette Oxford University Community Kid's Club, Girl Scouts of America, Oxford Exchange Club Family Center and was a board member of the 2018 Martini Shakedown.

She is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Gulfport and Oxford University United Methodist Church in Oxford.

GCCA affiliations:

Her sister, Erin Simpson, was a maid in 2017.

ABBIE ELIZABETH BRASHIER



Abbie Elizabeth Brashier of Biloxi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Brashier of Biloxi and Karen Dibbs Brashier of Biloxi. Her maternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. John E. Dibbs. Her paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Brashier.

She attended Biloxi High School where she graduated with highest honors. At Biloxi High School she was senior class president, editor-in-chief of the yearbook staff, president of the history & law club, a member of National Honor Society and a Biloxi High School Hall of Fame inductee. She is a junior at the University of Mississippi majoring in public policy leadership with a minor in journalism. She is member of the Trent Lott Leadership Institute as well as a Patricia Lott Scholar and Bledsoe Scholar. She is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, the Associated Student Body, Rho Lambda Honor Society and The National Society of Collegiate Scholars.

She is a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. She was the 2016 recipient of the City of Biloxi Youth Volunteer of the year and was a member of the 2017 Mississippi Gulf Coast Debutante Society.

GCCA affiliations:

She served as a page to Queen Ixolib in 2009. Her father, Robert A. Brashier, served as a duke in 2003 and 2013. Her uncle, Jim E. Brashier, served as a duke in 2000 and served as King d' Iberville in 2003. Her cousin, Dewey Brashier Mason, served as a maid in 2008 and served as Queen Ixolib in 2009. Her cousin, Analise Brashier Riggins, served as a maid in 2009 and served as Queen Ixolib in 2013. Her great aunt, Mildred Eley, served as Queen Ixolib in 1927.

LEAH MICHELLE O'NEILL

Leah Michelle O'Neill of Biloxi is the daughter of Michael D. and Cynthia L. O'Neill. Her maternal grandparents are Donal L. and Betty J. Smith. Her paternal grandparents are Edgar L. O'Neill Jr. and Carol B. O'Neill.



She is a high honors graduate of St. Patrick Catholic High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, French Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and campus ministry. She was voted captain of the dance team and a member of the homecoming court. She is a senior at the University of Southern Mississippi studying nursing. She is a recipient of the Leadership Scholarship and has been recognized on the dean's list. She is a member of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority and USM Christian Nurses Fellowship.

She and her family are members of Trinity United Methodist Church in Gulfport.

GCCA affiliations:

Leah served as Key Girl in 2015. Her sister, Olivia o'Neill, was a maid in 2016. Her father, Michael O'Neill, serves as treasurer of the Gulf Coast Carnival Association board of director.

VICTORIA KATHLEEN MAVER



Victoria Kathleen Mayer of Gulfport is the daughter of Roman and Kathleen Mayer. Her maternal grandparents are Ben and Nancy Stone. Her paternal grandparents are Roman and Laurie Mayer and the late Mrs. Karin Ludewig.

She is a graduate of Gulfport High School, where she was on the principal's honor roll, a member of the National Honor Society, Beta Club and a member of the Gulfport High soccer and swim teams. She was also vice president of the Cotillion Club of Gulfport. She was a member of the 2016 Mississippi Gulf Coast Debutante Society.

Victoria is a student at the University of Mississippi majoring in accounting with a minor in finance. She is on the dean's honor roll and a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and is member of Chi Omega Sorority. She also volunteers with the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

GCCA affiliations:

Victoria was a flag bearer in 2010. Her father, Roman Mayer, was a duke in 2011 and 2016. Her mother, Kathleen Stone Mayer, was a maid in 1985. Her sisters, Jane Perrin and Karin Mayer, were both maids in 2017. Her grandfather, Ben Stone, was a duke in 1978. Her aunt, Virginia Robinson, was a maid in 1983. Her cousin, Reed Bourgeois, was a page in 2000 and her cousin, Elizabeth Bourgeois Lacy, was a maid in 2014.



MALLORY SUZANNE WELTER



Mallory Suzanne Welter of Biloxi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Michael Welter. Her maternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Shemper. Her paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. John L. Welter Jr.



She is a highest honor graduate of the Biloxi High School where she was a member of National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, Key Club and Mu Alpha Theta. She is a senior at the University of Southern Mississippi pursuing a degree in nursing. She is a recipient of the Academic Excellence Award, USM Leadership Scholarship, USM Alumni Scholarship, John M. and Elizabeth Beeman Bleuer Scholarship, Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, 1910 Foundation Endowment Nursing Scholarship and the Fredrick E. Tatum Nursing Scholarship. She is a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Golden Key Honor Society and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing Gamma Lambda Chapter. She has maintained a grade point average that has put her on the president's and/or the dean's list every semester. She is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Omicron.

She attends Venture Church in Hattiesburg. She volunteers at Southern Pines Animal Shelter in Hattiesburg and as a camp counselor at Camp L.U.C.K., a camp for children with heart defects located in Charlotte, NC. She is a 2016 member of the Gulf Coast Debutante Society as well as a member of the Order of Billikins and the Krewe of Athena. She was a member of Kelli's Steps School of Dance Award Winning Showstoppers and performed for GCCA for many years as part of the pre-parade entertainment in front of city hall and as special entertainment before the coronation ball.

GCCA affiliations:

Her uncle, Jeffrey Shemper, was a page to King d'Iberville in 1969. Her mom, Leah Shemper Welter, was key girl in 1981. Her cousin, Niki Canonici Shemper, was a maid in 1998. Her cousin, Derek Shemper, was a flag bearer in 1996.

COLBY RAYE MCMURPHY

Colby Raye McMurphy of Biloxi is the daughter of David and Angie McMurphy. Her maternal grandparents are Charlotte Yost and the late Charles R. Yost. Her paternal grandparents are A.J. McMurphy, Jr. and Judy McMurphy.

She is a graduate of Biloxi High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and secretary for Student to Student. She was a diamond girl, a cheerleader and two-time all American cheerleader. She is a 2016 member of the Gulf Coast Debutante Society. She is a senior at Mississippi State University studying business administration with a concentration in management with minors in finance and marketing. She is a member of Phi Mu and Undergraduate Women in Business. She received a scholarship to attend the annual Intercollegiate Business Conference at Harvard University.

She is a member of Christus Victor Lutheran Church. She is currently completing an internship at the Bank of Commerce in Starkville.



GRACE ELIZABETH MUNRO

Grace Elizabeth Munro of Ocean Springs is the daughter of Jerry Munro and Dee Dee Munro. Her maternal grandparents are Sandra Delean Patterson and the late Lynn Patterson. Her paternal grandparents are the late Tommy Munro and the late Elizabeth Falls Munro.



She is a high honors graduate of Ocean Springs High School where she was president of the National Technical Honor Society. She was selected for Ocean Springs High School Hall of Fame and Who's Who as the most well rounded. She was dance team captain and was Ocean Springs High School Most Outstanding Female Student. She was Lion's Club of Mississippi Camellia Queen 2014, North Bay Civitan Club Civistar Student of the Month, a member of National Honor Society, Ambassador/Mentor member, Gulf Coast Youth Leadership Member, Singing River Electric Youth Leadership member and Student to Student Club member as well as vice president, founding member and captain of Diamond Girls at Ocean Springs High School. She was a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Health Occupations Students of America and the student council where she served as freshman class president. She was awarded the National Math and Science Initiative Award and was on the principal's list. She was a Kelli's Steps School of Dance Competitive Dancer for 7 years. She was Miss Mississippi's Outstanding Teen in 2014 and served a Mississippi state page to Lt. Governor Tate Reeves and Representative Jeffrey Guice.

She is a senior at the University of Mississippi where she is majoring in communication sciences and disorders with a minor in psychology. She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, Alpha Epsilon Delta Medical Honor Society, Lambda Sigma Honor Society, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and Rho Lambda National Sorority Leadership Recognition Society. She is on the chancellor's honor roll and is a provost scholar. She is recipient of the Elk's Most Valuable Student Scholarship, University of Mississippi Catherine Ann Seely Scholarship and Ole Miss Academic Achievement. She was Miss All-America City 2018 and a contestant in the Miss Mississippi contest. She received the Debra Franco Non-Finalist Talent Award, Miss America 1959 Lynda Lee Mead Scholarship, Non-Finalist Overall Swimsuit Award, Quality of Life Finalist Award and Miracle Maker Finalist Award. She is a member of Ole Miss Big Event and Logistics subcommittee, judicial board of Panhellenic Council and Ole Miss Student Alumni Council. She is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority where she is assistant vice president of new member education. She was a member of Ole Miss Rebelette Dance Team and Student Activities Association where she served on the pageants committee and disability services note taker.

She is member of the Oxford campus of Pinelake Church where she is leader of 12th grade bible study and is involved with children's ministry. She is creator of "Volunteerism: Things Get Solved When You Get Involved" initiative. She is a Campus Crusade member. She volunteers volunteer for Buddy Walk, the Muscle Walk, Relay for Life, Supporters to Encourage Performing Arts Students, Breaking Barriers, The Lord is My Help, Humane Society and American Cancer Society. She is a multi-award winner at the Miss Mississippi Outstanding Teen 2014 Awards including Miss Congeniality, overall interview, overall evening gown and overall scholastic winner in 2013. She is Dance Educators of America national overall soloist winner and received a scholarship to the Las Vegas Ballet Company. She was Dance Makers, Inc. regional overall Redder scholarship winner and Contest of Champions national overall trio winner. As a local theatre performer she played Sandy in Grease, Annie in Annie and Scout in To Kill a Mockingbird. She was Ocean Springs High School Greyhound idol winner.

GCCA affiliations:

Grace served as a flagbearer in 2011 and as a page to Queen Ixolil in 2008. Her father, Jerry Munro, was lieutenant captain in 2003 and 2004, captain in 2005 and 2006 and a duke in 1989 and 2002. Her sister, Lilly Munro, was a page to Queen Ixolil in 2011 and a flag bearer in 2015. Her grandfather, Tommy Munro, was King d'Iberville in 1989. Her aunt, Jata Munro, was Queen Ixolil in 1982. Her aunt, Lizana Munro, was a maid in 1982.

CHAD WARNER BLALACK



Chad Warner Blalack of Gulfport is the husband of Dr. Ginny Blalack. They are the parents of Warner and Collins Blalack.

He is a graduate of Gulfport High

School. He graduated magna cum laude from Delta State University with a bachelor's degree in business administration and summa cum laude with a master's degree in business administration. At Delta State he was a 4-year football letterman and a member of the 2000 NCAA Division II National Champion Team. He was also a member of the Gulf South Conference All-Academic Team. He went on to graduate cum laude from the University of Mississippi School Of Law. He is president of Kare-In-Home Management of Gulfport.

Chad is a member of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Trinity United Methodist Church and Young Presidents Organization. He previously served on the executive committee for the American Heart Association Heart Ball and is founder of Kare-In-Home Ministries.

GCCA Affiliations:

Chad's father, Clay Blalack, served as a duke in 2010 and as King d'Iberville in 2014.



JEFFREY WARD BERTUCCI



Jeffrey Ward Bertucci of Gulfport is the husband of Lauren Farragut Bertucci.

They are the parents of Ward and Olivia Bertucci. He is a graduate of Gulfport High School. He received a bachelor's degree in finance from Louisiana State University and juris doctor degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law. While in college Jeff was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity where he served as tribune and IFC delegate. He served as treasurer of LSU Interfraternity Council and was a member of LSU Order of Omega. He is director of operations and general counsel at F.E.B. Distributing Co. in Gulfport.

In 2017, Jeff was recognized as One Coast Award Top 10 under 40. He has served as chairman of the Rapiscan Systems Classic Ambassador Club and president of Gulfport Gridiron Club. He is past president of LSU Alumni Association MS Gulf Coast Chapter and is a board member of Humane Society of South MS, Gulfport Rotary Club and Extra Table Community Board. He is a member of Mississippi Gulf Coast Marathon Advisory Committee, Mississippi Bar, Mississippi Beer Distributors Association, National Beer Wholesalers Association Next Generation Group, Gulf Coast Business Council, The Revelers, Gulfport Yacht Club, Bayou Bluff Tennis Club, and he is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

GCCA Affiliations:

Jeff served as a page to King d'Iberville along with his brother, Ryland, in 1994. His grandfather, Frank Bertucci, served a King d'Iberville in 1961. His father, Frank E. Bertucci, served as duke in 1986, associate captain in 1991 and 1992, King d'Iberville in 1994 and chairman of the board in 2002 and 2003. His uncle, Paul Bertucci, served as a duke in 1988 and 1994 and King d'Iberville in 2001. His sister, Lee Anne Bertucci, served as a page to Queen Ixolib in 1991.



GREGORY PAUL WYROSICK



Gregory P. Wyrosick of Biloxi is the husband of Melinda G. Wyrosick. They are the parents of Nicholas and Noah Wyrosick. He is a graduate of Harrison Central High

School where he was student body president, a member of the Harrison Central Hall of Fame and played varsity baseball. He attended Tulane University as a member of the Naval ROTC and studied biology. At the University of Mississippi he studied biology and electrical engineering. He studied electrical engineering at the University of South Alabama where he earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He was a member of the Eta Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society and Thu Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society. He is owner and principal engineer of Welcon Electrical Consultants of Gulfport.

He is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Mississippi Engineering Society and the National Electrical Contractors Association. He is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce and Gulfport Gridiron Club. He is a 2004 graduate of Leadership Gulf Coast. He is a past board member of Orange Grove Youth Association where he volunteered as a coach for 14 years.

GCCA Affiliations:

His son, Nicholas Wyrosick, served as a page to King d'Iberville in 2007. His cousin, Austin Creel, was a flag bearer in 2009.



ELLIOTT VOIVEDICH



Elliott Voivedich is a lifelong resident of the MS Gulf Coast. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Schultz Jr. and the late Charley Voivedich. He is a graduate of Mercy Cross High School in Biloxi. Upon graduation, he attended the University of Southern Mississippi where he earned a Bachelor's of Science in business administration. While at USM, he was a member of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity and USM's Who's Who. He is a past member of the Phi Kappa Tau Board of Governors. He is currently employed as the Associate Campus Director for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University at Keesler AFB.

Elliott is a member of the St. Patrick Alumni Association, the USM Alumni Association, Ohr-O'keefe Museum of Art and Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum. He is also a member of the Revelers. He served as a duke in the Krewe of Athena in 2004. He is a past member of the Veterans Affairs Administrators of Mississippi and the Western Association of Veterans Education Specialists. He is a Gulf Coast Carnival Association volunteer and has volunteered with both the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce and Habitat for Humanity.

GCCA Affiliations:

He served as a flag bearer in 1981. His sister, Rose Sekul Dellenger, was as a page to Queen Ixolib in 1971. His sister, Dana Voivedich Farris, served as a maid in 1983. His sister, Reva Schultz Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 1986. His niece, Evelyn Dellenger, served as a maid in 2015. His nephew, Ezra Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 2017. His uncle, Joseph Leckich, served as a duke in 1980. His cousin, David Leckich, serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Ashleigh Pickich Lamas, served as a flag bearer in 1993 and a maid in 2004. His cousin, Victoria Leckich, was a flag bearer in 2010. His cousin, Shanel Marie Williams, served as a maid in 2004. His cousin, Robby Williams, serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Cole Hardin, was a flag bearer in 2006. His cousin, Kenner McCaleb, serves as a page to King D'Iberville in 2019. His cousin, Riggs McCaleb, serves as a page to King D'Iberville in 2019. His cousin, Clay Courtney, was a flag bearer in 1985. His cousin, Jim Hardin, served as a duke in 2007.

DR. VINCENT JOSEPH PISCIOTTA



Vincent J. Pisciotta, MD

Vincent J. Pisciotta, MD of Biloxi is the husband of Michele Pisciotta. They are the parents of Laurie, Cara, Quinlan, Vincent, and Sophia Pisciotta.

He graduated salutatorian from Independence High School in Independence, LA. He received his bachelor's degree from Southeastern Louisiana University and his medical degree from Louisiana State University Medical School. He did his residency training at the MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston and LSU Medical Center in New Orleans. He has board certifications in ENT and Sleep Medicine. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

He serves as president of The Foundation of St. Patrick and a member of the boards of Charter Bank and the Mississippi Gulf Coast Big Game Fishing Club. He is a member of St. James Catholic Church and the St. Patrick Gold Club. He is a purple jacket recipient of the Tiger Athletic Foundation.



DAVID JOSEPH LECKICH



David J. Leckich of Biloxi

is the husband of Ann-Marie Leckich. They are the parents of Victoria Leckich. He is a graduate of Notre Dame High School and the University of Southern Mississippi. He is the court administrator for the City of Biloxi Municipal Court.

He is a board member of the Revelers and a member of The Order of Mithras. He serves as a member of the board of trustee of the Slavic Benevolent Association, an advisory board member of the Maritime & Seafood Industry, and a past member of Nativity BVM Elementary School Board and The Peoples Bank advisory board. He and his family are members of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary parish.

GCCA Affiliations:

David's father, Joseph Leckich, served as a duke in 1980. His daughter, Victoria, was a flag bearer in 2010. His cousin, Rose Dellenger, was a page in 1971. His cousin, Elliott Voivedich, was a flag bearer in 1981 and serves a duke in 2019. His cousin, Dana Farris, was a maid in 1983. His cousin, Reva Hopkins, was flag bearer in 1986. His niece, Ashleigh Pickich Lamas, was a flag bearer in 1993 and a maid in 2004. His cousin, Shanel Williams, was a maid in 2004. His cousin, Jim Hardin, was a duke in 2007. His cousin, Evelyn Dellenger, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Ezra Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 2017.

FLAG BEARERS



Fleur De Lis of France Flag 1699	Rylan Price Fairly
British Flag 1763.....	Anderson Peyton Hage
Spanish Flag 1781	Hudson Davis Williams
Lone Star Flag 1810	Ava Riley Seymour Harkins
United States Flag 1811	Sohni Rainna Beamon
Magnolia State Flag 1861.....	Alexandra Danielle "Alex" Ward
Confederate Flag 1861	Ryland Baily Buford
Mississippi State Flag 1894.....	Caroline Allen Dellenger
United States Flag 1908	Thomas Henry Mueller, Jr.
Our Proud National Flag - Old Glory.....	James Hillman "Hill" Gainey

**DR. JOHN HARRELL
"JOHNNY" MALLET**



John Mallett, MD of Biloxi is the son of the late Harrell and the late Tillie Mallett. He is a graduate of St. Martin High School. He attended Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and graduated with a bachelor's

degree in chemistry from Delta State University. He received his medical degree from the University of Mississippi Medical Center. He did his residency training in OB/GYN at the University of South Carolina. He is president of Biloxi OB/GYN PA and has been practicing medicine in Biloxi since 1989.

He is a member of the board of directors for Bancorp South and Merit Health Biloxi. He served on the school board of Mercy Cross and St. Patrick High School. He is a member of the Order of Mithras where he has been a duke and king. He has been a duke and king for both the Krewe of Athena and the Order of Billikens. He is member of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary parish.

GCCA Affiliations:

John served as a duke in 1997. His brother, Presley Mallet, was a duke in 2015. His niece, Christina Pitzer Mason, was a maid in 2008. His niece, Shanel Marie Williams, served as a maid in 2004. His nephew, Robby Williams, serves as a duke in 2019. His nephews, Kenner McCaleb and Riggs McCaleb, serves as pages to King D'iberville in 2019.



**DR. ROBERT MACK
"ROBBY" WILLIAMS, JR.**



Robby Mack Williams, DMD of Biloxi is the husband of Shanel Marie Williams. They are the parents of Gavyn, Kenner, Riggs and Anne Ramsey. He is a graduate of St. Martin High School. He attended The University of Mississippi where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in secondary education. He is a graduate of The University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Dentistry with a Doctorate of Medicine in dentistry. He is the owner of Southern Magnolia Smiles Dentistry in Ocean Spring and co-owner of Escatawpa Family Dentistry in Moss Point.

He is a member of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church Parish. He is a board member of The Mississippi Gulf Coast Big Game Fishing Club. He is a member of the Order of Mithras, The Revelers, Sunkist Country Club, Treasure Oaks Country Club, and the Slavic Benevolent Association. He has served as king of Bonne Vivantes and as a duke of The Revelers and Krewe of Athena.

GCCA Affiliations:

His wife, Shanel Marie Williams, was a maid in 2004. His father in law, James F. Hardin, was a duke in 2007. His sons, Kenner Martin McCaleb and Riggs Franklin McCaleb, serve as page to King d'Iberville in 2019. His brother in law, Cole Franklin Hardin, served as a flag bearer in 2006. His uncle, Joseph Leckich, was a duke in 1980. His uncle, Johnny Mallett, was a duke in 1997 and serves as a duke in 2019. His uncle, Presley Mallett, was a duke in 2015. His cousin, Christina Pitzer Mason, was a maid in 2008. His cousin, Elliott Voivedich, was a flag bearer in 1981 and serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Dana Voivedich Farris, was a maid in 1983. His cousin, Rose Sekul Dellenger, was a page to Queen Ixolib in 1971. His cousin, Reva Schultz Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 1986. His cousin, Evelyn Dellenger, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Katelyn Johnston Derouen, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Ezra Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 2017. His cousin, David Leckich, serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Ashleigh Pickich Lamas, was a flag bearer 1993 and a maid in 2004. His cousin, Victoria Leckich, was a flag bearer in 2010. His cousin, Clay Courtney, was a flag bearer in 1985.



KENNER MARTIN MCCALED



Kenner Martin McCaleb of Biloxi is the son of Dr. Robby Williams and Shanel Williams. He attends Nativity BVM Elementary School where he has been on the honor roll since kindergarten and is in the gifted program. He is a member of Nativity BVM Catholic Church and attends Twin Lakes Summer Camp in the summer.

He plays Biloxi Little League baseball. He is on the Biloxi Baseball All Star, Biloxi Bombers travel baseball, the underclassmen travel baseball and the Biloxi Red Hawks travel soccer teams. He is point guard for the Nativity BVM Elementary School basketball team as well as a member of the school robotics team and track team and is a member of The Academy Baseball, MS.

In Kenner's free time, he likes to ride dirt bikes, deep sea fishing, snow skiing and going to any and all OLE MISS sporting events.

GCCA Affiliations:

Kenner's mother, Shanel Williams, was a maid in 2004. His father, Robby Williams, serves as a duke in 2019. His brother, Riggs McCaleb, is a page to King d'Iberville in 2019. His grandfather, James F Hardin, was a duke in 2007. His uncle, Cole Hardin, was a flag bearer in 2005. His uncle, Joseph Leckich, was a duke in 1980. His uncle, Johnny Mallett, was a duke in 1997 and serves a duke in 2019. His uncle, Presley Mallett, was a duke in 2015. His cousin, Christina Pitzer Mason, was a maid in 2008. His cousin, Elliott Voivedich, was a flag bearer in 1981 and duke in 2019. His cousin, Dana Voivedich Farris, was a maid in 1983. His cousin, Rose Sekul Dellenger, was a page to Queen Ixolib in 1971. His cousin, Reva Schultz Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 1986. His cousin, Evelyn Dellenger, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Katelyn Johnston Derouen, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Ezra Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 2017. His cousin, David Leckich, serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Ashleigh Pickich Lamas, was a flag bearer in 1993 and maid in 2004. His cousin, Victoria Leckich, was a flag bearer in 2010. His cousin, Clay Courtney, was a flag bearer in 1985.



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RIGGS FRANKLIN MCCALED



Riggs Franklin McCaleb of Biloxi is the son of Dr. Robby Williams and Shanel Williams. He attends Nativity BVM Elementary School where he has been on the honor roll since kindergarten. He is a member of Nativity BVM Catholic Church and attends Twin Lakes Summer Camp in the summer.

He plays Biloxi Little League baseball and is on Biloxi Baseball All Star team. He also plays Biloxi recreation soccer. He is a member of Nativity Elementary choir and Lego club as well as a member of The Academy Baseball, MS.

In his free time, Riggs likes to ride dirt bikes, go fishing, play piano and go to OLE MISS.

GCCA Affiliations:

Riggs's mother, Shanel Williams, was a maid in 2004. His father, Robby Williams, serves as a duke in 2019. His brother, Kenner McCaleb, is a page to King d'Iberville in 2019. His grandfather, James F Hardin, was a duke in 2007. His uncle, Cole Hardin, was a flag bearer in 2005. His uncle, Joseph Leckich, was a duke in 1980. His uncle, Johnny Mallett, was a duke in 1997 and serves a duke in 2019. His uncle, Presley Mallett, was a duke in 2015. His cousin, Christina Pitzer Mason, was a maid in 2008. His cousin, Elliott Voivedich, was a flag bearer in 1981 and duke in 2019. His cousin, Dana Voivedich Farris, was a maid in 1983. His cousin, Rose Sekul Dellenger, was a page to Queen Ixolib in 1971. His cousin, Reva Schultz Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 1986. His cousin, Evelyn Dellenger, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Katelyn Johnston Derouen, was a maid in 2015. His cousin, Ezra Hopkins, was a flag bearer in 2017. His cousin, David Leckich, serves as a duke in 2019. His cousin, Ashleigh Pickich Lamas, was a flag bearer in 1993 and maid in 2004. His cousin, Victoria Leckich, was a flag bearer in 2010. His cousin, Clay Courtney, was a flag bearer in 1985.

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MARY CARLTON DESCHER



Mary Carlton Descher is the daughter of Meredith & Gregg Descher of Ocean Springs. She is a 6th grader at Ocean Springs Upper Elementary School where she is a student in the Connections Gifted Program. She was elected by her peers to the school leadership council and currently serves as the Vice President. She is also a member of the volleyball club. Mary Carlton has been a Dancer for Donna's Visual & Performing Arts Studio for nine years and has danced on the award winning DKG competition team for the past 4 years. She has been a recipient of dance scholarships from 24/7, Jump, NRG & Art in Motion dance companies for the last 2 years. She was just selected as a member of the Ocean Springs Middle School Dance Team for the 2019-2020 school year. Mary Carlton is in her first year of travel volleyball for STORM Volleyball Club in Mobile, Alabama. She and her family are members of St. Paul Methodist Church in Ocean Springs where she is a member of the youth group and 2019 Confirmation class.

GCCA Affiliations:

Her mother Meredith Cash Descher served as a maid in 1998. Her father Gregg Descher served as duke in 2012 & 2013. Her sister Kate was Page to King d'Iberville in 2013 and served as a flag bearer in 2015.

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EMMA JOY MITCHELL



Emma Joy Mitchell of Biloxi is the daughter of Jamie Barhanovich. She is a student at North Bay Elementary School where she is an honor roll student and a member of the 2018-2019 yearbook staff. She is a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. She is in her fifth year as a dancer at Kelli Steps School of Dance and her second year on Kelli's Steps Showstopper competition team.

GCCA Affiliations:

Her mother, Jamie Barhanovich, was a maid in 2004. Her aunt, Dana Barhanovich, was a maid in 2014 and a flag bearer in 2009. She has numerous cousins & uncles who have served as maids, dukes, pages and flag bearers for GCCA.

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KEY GIRL – ELIZABETH ANNE POLK

Elizabeth Anne Polk of Biloxi is the daughter of Melissa and Steve Polk. Her maternal grandparents are Patricia Pryde Galle' of Biloxi and the late Keith Galle' and paternal grandparents are Hal and Joyce Polk of Starkville.

She is a student at Biloxi High School where she is a member of the National Honor Society, president of the Environmental Club, president of the Beta Club, a member of the Key Club, a Diamond Girl and a member of Mu Alpha Theta. She has been recognized for MHSAA Academic Achievement in 2016 and 2017.

She is a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. She is a graduate of the

Biloxi Chamber of Commerce Junior Leadership program. She is a member of the Junior Auxiliary of Biloxi/Ocean Springs Crown Club and Gabrielle's Trendsetter. She participated in the American Legion 2018 Girls State and will attend the Donald Zacharias Leadership Conference in 2019. She plans to attend Mississippi State University in the fall of 2019.

GCCA Affiliations:

Elizabeth was a page to King d'Iberville in 2012 and flag bearer in 2014. Her mother, Melissa Galle' Polk, was a maid in 1994 and has served as a GCCA board member at-large since 2006. Her father, Stephen Hal Polk, was a duke in 2009, lieutenant of carnival in 2014 and 2015, captain of carnival in 2016 and 2017 and serves on GCCA board of directors.

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I want to thank each of you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of your Mardi Gras lives. Without Gulf Coast Carnival Association, I would not have had the privilege of meeting so many of you who I call my GCCA family. It has been my pleasure!

Nancy Ross Rogers

Executive Director - 1996 thru 2019



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NO MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

1909	1938
1910	1939
1911	1940
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1922	1943
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1908	John Carraway
1912	Jules D'Aquin
1913	T.K. Devitt
1914	E.L. Dukate
1915	U.S. Desporte
1916	A.P. Linfield
1917	George Quint
1918	W.P. Kennedy
1920	JJ. Kennedy
1925	Albert Brown Russ, D.D.
1926	Louis Braun
1927	Colonel J.W. Apperson
1928	Mark Miller
1929	A.J. Catchot
1930	Walter E. White
1931	J.W. Milner
1932	Hermes Gautier
1933	Bidwell Adam
1934	John J. McDonald
1935	Clark Griffith
1936	John Swansy
1946	James Love, Jr.
1947	Jesse Smith
1948	Leon Hall
1949	Howard McDonnell
1950	Dr. Harry Schmidt
1953	Ed Barq, Jr.
1954	Dr. Joseph Kuljis
1955	Dave Rosenblum
1956	Frank P. Corso
1957	Roy P. Bellande
1958	Dewey Lawrence
1959	John P. Gimma
1960	Merle F. Palmer
1961	Frank Bertucci
1962	Vernon Pringle
1963	E.W. Blossman
1964	Alphonse Babin
1965	T.M. Dorsett
1966	Dr. James Alexander
1967	Dr. Cecil Guyton
1968	Donald Cumbest
1969	Glenn L. Swetman
1970	Joseph Creel
1971	Sam Allman III
1972	Thomas Kennedy, Sr.

QUEEN

Blanche Picard
Ellen Joullian
Irma Dukate
Norita Lopez
Katherine Henley
Mamye Lewis
Mary Chinn
Blanche Davis
Augusta Coulter
Josephine Folkes
Evelyn Desporte
Mildred Eley
Mercedes Wilkes
Pearl Lee Atkinson
Martha Guice
Ella Edmonds
Virginia Theobold
Marjorie Dukate
Evelyn Ramsey
Katherine Weeks
Josephine Gorenflo
Jane Matthes
Natalie Thiac
Esther Coulson
Mary Rose Venus
Ella Mae Barq
Bessie Mae Corso
Sarah Roberts Tremmel
Mary Jo Sternberg
Helen Elizabeth Henley
Carolyn Bolton
Johnette Walker
Peggy Jay Harry
Elizabeth Ann Corso
Natalie Easterly
Tommye Switzer
Alice Calmes Talbot
Betty Peruse
Linda Ingrassia
Jo Ellen Kalif
Lydia Mary Salloum
Sandra Hatten
Susan Eugenia Courson
Clare Sekul Hornsby, Jr.
Christa Dunn
Vita Margaret Canizaro



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DATE	KING	QUEEN
1973	James Goodwin, Jr.	Gayden Green
1974	John Blossman	Laurie Turnbough
1975	Frank Schenck	Linda Kennedy
1976	Gerald Piltz	Eileen Mahoney
1977	Roland Weeks, Jr.	Deveaux Munro
1978	John Thompson	Sharon Neiryndck
1979	Sherwood Bailey	Rebecca Claire Breeland
1980	James Corso	Lisa Ann Lewis
1981	Boyce Holleman	Motsie Jo Creel
1982	Jerry O'Keefe, Sr.	Jata Munro
1983	Harroll Castle	Melissa Jaynell Schloegel
1984	Dr. Magruder S. Corban	Lauren Leigh Gutierrez
1985	Ernest C. Melvin	Stella Patricia Pierce
1986	Chevis C. Swetman	Constance McKellar Bolton
1987	Glen Cothorn	Jennifer Evelyn Thompson
1988	George A. Schloegel	Susan Louise Cain
1989	Tommy Munro	Helen Catherine Werby
1990	Sherwood R. Bailey, Jr.	Elisa Corso Joachim
1991	Joseph C. Wink, Jr.	Donna Michelle Haynes
1992	Dr. Douglas C. Lanier, Jr.	Stacy Leigh Mahoney
1993	Lyle M. Page	Elizabeth Olivia Mavar
1994	Frank Eugene Bertucci	Lorie Catherine Blossman
1995	William Davison Dennis	Rebecca Watts Thompson
1996	Alben Norris Hopkins	Randi Carolyn Peresich
1997	Dr. C.A. "Buddy" Brice III	Kelly Christina Lanier
1998	Victor Vadrian Mavar	Mary Catherine Mahoney
1999	Roy Anderson III	Kathryn Marchand Minor
2000	Jeffrey Hugh O'Keefe	Elizabeth Lang Byrne
2001	Paul Joseph Bertucci	Denise Lauren Haynes
2002	Alwyn Hall Luckey	Sarah Chaffin Dees
2003	James Eley Brashier	Blair Elizabeth Lanier
2004	William Gully Yates III	Nicole Danielle Pitalo
2005	Carl J. Chaney	Kathryn Elizabeth Dennis
2006	Governor and Mrs. Haley Barbour, <i>Parade Marshall/Hurricane Katrina</i>	Audry Miles Bailey
2007	James Howard Haynes	Annie Rachel Anderson
2008	Ron Peresich	Dewey Brashier
2009	J. R. "Rick" Carter	Kathryn Anne Bailey
2010	John M. Hairston	Laural McKay Luckey
2011	A.J.M. "Butch" Oustalet III	Christina Ann Carter
2012	Mark Donlon Mavar	Linden Analise Brashier
2013	James K. "Jimmy" Wetzell	Katelyn Irene Watts
2014	Charles "Clay" Blalack	Alexa Faye Carter
2015	David Files Riemann	Kimberley Nicole Rushton
2016	James W. Jim Hardaman	Molly Catherine Atherton
2017	Kent G. Nicaud	Katherine Camille "Kate" Rushton
2018	Keith Allen Williams	

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To our float sponsors, who make our decorative floats possible every year, you have our sincere gratitude. Certainly, your civic support is rewarded by the happy expressions on the faces of thousands, and especially the children, who view our parades. To you, we say, thank you for sharing.

To our community and new associate sponsors, we continue to improve our format of activities to provide you with greater enjoyment. The sponsors program has given interested persons an opportunity to be involved with "Carnival," while also making the Mardi Gras celebration possible. Thank you for getting into the "Carnival Spirit" and doing your part to ensure that our 111 year legacy continues on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

MARDI GRAS VOLUNTEERS

The Board of Directors and the Captain of Carnival wish to recognize those individuals who are responsible for the planning and execution of the Mardi Gras celebration. All give of their time so that others might enjoy Carnival on our Mississippi Gulf Coast. We thank them for caring and sharing their time and talents.

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Mayor and City Council, City of Biloxi; Board of Supervisors, Harrison County; Commanding General and Personnel of Keesler Air Force Base; Public Works Department, City of Biloxi; Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department, City of Biloxi; Public Safety Department and Auxiliaries, City of Biloxi; Mississippi Highway Patrol; Harrison County Sheriff's Department; Law Enforcement Departments and Auxiliaries, Gulf Coast Cities; Keesler Air Force Base Volunteers; Bands Throughout the State of Mississippi; Golden Nugget Casino Hotel; Butch Oustalet Autoplex, Butch Oustalet; Representative Steven Palazzo; Rusty David; Ole Biloxi Marching Club; Biloxi Elks Lodge #606; Biloxi Screen Printing; Mary Mahoney's Old French House Restaurant; All Signs; The Paper Moon; Toomey's Mardi Gras; The Sun Herald; WLOX-TV; FEB Distributing Co. Jeff Bertucci; Mitchell Companies; Don Marie, Jr.; Coca-Cola; Half Shell Oyster House; Mardi Gras Museum; Maritime and Seafood Museum; and Gollott Moving and Storage.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CAPTAIN

I can't begin to express how truly honored Donna and I are to have been entrusted as your Captain of this great organization for the past two years. It has been the most rewarding labor of love that we could have never imagined, mixed with the most amazing people we have ever met in our life.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Executive Committee for their consistent and strong support of our vision for this organization and for being such an active body during our tenure as Captain. We accomplished many great things, but we have a long way to go and I look forward to helping you continue the mission of making this THE premier Mardi Gras organization on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

We would like to also recognize the amazing team that we have had behind us for the last two years. Lieutenant of Carnival, Jeff and Cindy Elder, Ball Chairman, Paul and Karen Arguelles, Parade Chairmens Robby Schmidt and Bill Holmes, as well as Stacy Thacker with the City of Biloxi. Without all of you, none of this would have been possible and we appreciate all of the hard work and dedication to GCCA.

To our beloved, Nancy Rogers, I can't tell you how honored we are to be your last Captain served. You have given so much to this organization that can only be appreciated when you sit in the Captain's Chair. We thank you for all that you have done to help us get through the chaos of planning this massive spectacle and we hope that you enjoy every second of your retirement! You will truly be missed and we love you!

Donna and I would like to thank some special families that took "The Ride of Your Life" and who put "It's all on the Line" for us. The Williams Family, Oustalet Family, Hardin Family, Mavar Family, and all the families involved in CX and CXI. You aligned with us from the first minute of your selection as King d'Iberville, Queen Ixolib, and Royalty. You not only celebrated our great tradition of Mardi Gras in the most spectacular way, but you also made sure that all GCCA sponsors felt included in your celebration. You have done an amazing job and we want you all to remember one thing...we will always be your Captain!

GCCA is an amazing organization that brings unsuspecting individuals and families together to celebrate our tradition of Mardi Gras. It also creates joy and a sense of community that spreads beyond just the Sponsors of GCCA. These bonds, friendships, celebrations, and community do not end on Fat Tuesday, but rather last a lifetime! Donna and I have come to the end of our LINE and will take our last RIDE tomorrow as Captain. But, our love and dedication for this great organization will always remain. We hope that you will join us in telling your story about GCCA to a prospective Sponsor so that we may ensure that our traditions continue for another 111 years!

Laissez les bons temps rouler,

David Machado
Captain of Carnival

Gulf Coast Carnival Association



Association Parade 1:00 p.m.

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