



### Frequently Asked Question

**Q: What are the costuming Requirements for the Krewe?**

**A:** Bosom Buddies wear a hat and bra to match their costume theme, which matches the Krewe's theme for that year, a wig and tutu. All accessories are determined by the member. The Breast Friends wear a white lab coat that can be decorated to match the theme. Hats, t-shirts and accessories to match are encouraged.

**Q: Are there specific costuming requirements for being a Training Bra (New Member)?**

**A:** The only requirement is that you need to buy a Krewe TShirt. At the Stiletto Stroll, Mid Summer Mardi Gras, and other costuming events for the Krewe, you will wear a tshirt, tutu, wig, and accessories as you wish.

**Q: Do the costumes have to be made by the member?**

**A:** Definitely not unless you want to make them. We will work with members to teach them to make tutus if desired. However, you can buy all pieces of the costume. We get a discount at Miss Claudia's on Magazine. She gives us 10% off of gloves, frilly panties and hosiery.

**Q: Are only women allowed to be Bosom Buddies?**

**A:** Absolutely not! Your costume determines whether you are a Bosom or a Breastie, not your gender.

**Q: How long can I sign up to be a member?**

**A:** Of course , the sooner, the better, but we do not close membership until December 1, or we reach 75 members, whichever hits first. Ideally we walk with 50 Bosoms and 25 Breasties.

**Q: What are the dues?**

**A:** The dues structure is created to allow us to retain and order the venues, throws, permits and bands up front. There are 3 levels of membership. General Membership includes transportation and all events the day of the parade. Green membership includes general membership plus throws and a t-shirt. Purple membership includes all of this plus a ticket to the Breastivus, our formal event. Prices increase in October due to administrative issues incurred.

**Q: Are there refunds?**

**A:** Unfortunately, No. But we recognize that life happens and sometimes folks cannot make it a t the last minute. Membership is transferable, however. We will refer last minute interested parties to the members who cannot use their membership.

**Q: Are there other events throughout the year?**

**A:** Of course!! Through the years, we have learned it is fun to get together and get to know each other before the big event as we are able to. There are happy hours, an evening at Painting With A Twist, and our 3 signature events: The Breastivus, The Breast Stroke and The Bra Summit. Each event is a stand alone event and funded by the attendees.

We also have fundraisers to help keep the costs as low as possible. This includes an annual raffle of a membership.

**Q: Can I invite my friends to the events?**

**A:** Absolutely!! The only event that is members only is the after party. (Well, except for a few VIPs). All other events are open to anyone!

**Q: What about throws?**

**A:** We absolutely do not throw other Krewes' throws, but recycled beads are definitely allowed. Krewe logo'd throws are available through the Krewe, and orders are placed as early as June for the medallions. We also usually have koozies and bottle openers. The Breast Friends throw stress balls shaped like breasts and also hand out Breast inspector tickets. Our most sought after throw, though, is the hand decorated Bra.

**Q: How about the bras?**

**A:** The Bosom Buddies throw hand decorated bras, which are limited to a maximum, but there is no minimum. It is up to each member as to whether or not they want to create and throw these. At the Bra Summit, members bring completed bras and membership votes on the best match to the theme and 3 People's Choice. The Boobah chooses a bra to wear on his hat the day of the parade.

**Q: How does the Krewe communicate?**

**A:** We send out a monthly newsletter which has all events coming up and a list of themes already taken by members. We have 2 FaceBook pages, one a closed groups for members only, and the other a publicly accessed page. We use FB to set up the events. And we are available for questions at the information on the newsletter. You will get an invitation to join the Secret page once an application is received.

We also have 2 general meetings throughout the year. The first is shortly after the parade and elections are held as well as input sought from the membership. The second is the Bra Summit, which is a few weeks before the main event. We review the events of the big day, the meeting times and places, and go over Krewe expectations and safety precautions.