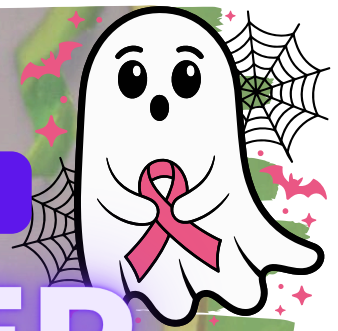




ORDER OF LASHE'S

# NEWSLETTER



## A Word from President Cindy

Happy October, Everyone!

Ladies, what an exciting season we're in! Last month's Costume Presentation was nothing short of spectacular. The creativity, color, and attention to detail truly captured the magic of our upcoming year. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the evening a success—from our Costume Chair and committee to the members who came ready to celebrate in true Mardi Gras spirit!



We also want to extend our heartfelt **thanks to our Costume Chair and committee** for organizing and overseeing the costume fittings. Everything ran so smoothly thanks to your hard work, coordination, and patience.

We are also happy to announce that **Kanja Weldy has graciously accepted the position of Parade Chair**. With her extensive experience—including her time as Past President and previous Parade Chair—we know she will do an outstanding job leading this year's parade efforts. Congratulations, Kanja, and thank you for stepping into this important role!

October also marks Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and we want to show our love and support for all who have been affected. We encourage everyone to wear pink at this month's meeting as a symbol of unity, strength, and hope. Let's fill the room with pink and celebrate the power of our sisterhood.

SAVE THE DATE

Oct. 21, 2025  
7 pm  
General Meeting  
The Locale

Oct. Bar Raffle  
Room 7



And don't forget — our **Ways and Means Top Golf Fundraiser is coming up on October 26th from 1-4 PM!** The cost is \$50 per person, and we encourage you to get your team of six together and join the fun. It's the perfect opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of friendly competition, laughter, and support for our organization's fundraising efforts. Spots are filling up fast, so don't wait to reserve your team!

♥ **Laissez les bon temps rouler** — and wear your pink proudly!

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**Queen Melissa**

**Thank you to the Costume Committee, Float Captains, and Co Captains** in presenting the Costumes. I had so much fun with all of you stepping out of my comfort zone. Each of you is a delight and your enthusiasm is contagious.

**Thank you to Rooms 2, 3, 5, and 10** for elegant and empowered brunches and parties. Thank you for the honor and sisterhood in these get togethers. They are appreciated beyond words.



**Emblem Marissa**

If you missed Costume reveal, you missed a fun show! **Thank you Costume Committee and Float Co-Captains** for an amazing presentation. Each of you looked amazing and kept the membership on their feet!

**Thank you Room 10** “The Fun Room” for a day of fun with Roller Derby! I loved getting to learn a new sport and even have my own Roller Derby Name now!!

**Also thank you Room 2** for a lovely brunch at Penton’s Bistro. I love the décor, atmosphere and the food is amazing as well! If you haven’t tried Penton’s Bistro downtown, you don’t know what you’re missing!





**Vice President - DD Payne**

**JANUARY 11th!!!! - MANDATORY New Member Orientation. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!**

Hello, again, ladies! We had no NEW pledges at the September meeting; **HOWEVER, we have a FABULOUS group pledging this month**, so stay tuned for your directory additions next month!

Our running total since April is 36 pledged new members and counting!!! We have 6 ladies pledging this month, one more already on schedule for next month AND we are **voting on the following five ladies this month!**



- Desiree Barbato – Moss Point, MS
- Payden Smith – Montgomery, AL
- Kaylee Ann Wilkes – Orange Beach, AL
- Madeline Isabela Hirst – Daphne, AL
- Sarah Aloys Gaston - Spanish Fort, AL



**Keep up the recruiting!** I think we are getting some great ladies this year to make the OOLs just THAT MUCH BETTER!!!

**Treasurer - Stacey Jessee**



**REMINDER: All monies on accounts are due by December 31st, 2025.** You can make a payment on your account anytime by mailing a payment to the PO Box (850176 Mobile, AL 36685) or paying online at <https://squareup.com/store/order-of-flashes>.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions regarding your account.

**Recording Secretary - Donna Diaz**

In September, 53% of our Active/ANR/FE, 46% of our Associate and 15% of our Honorary/Costume Honorary members attended our meeting. That's about 47% of the membership. Stay informed-attend the meetings!

**We only have four (4) more General Meetings for the year.** Per our Bylaws, Active, Active (Non Riding) and Associate members must attend three General Meetings. If you will not make your mandatory, three meetings, get excused as soon as possible!

**Remember to sign in and check your meeting attendance.** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask me and we will check it out together!



**Corresponding Secretary - Tracey Taylor**

Thank you, ladies, for your patience as I update all the things in all the places!!

**Important:** Be sure to check the **member directory** and submit the update form if any of your information has changed. Keeping our directory current helps us stay connected!

**You can also support the organization by placing an ad in this fabulous Newsletter.** Plans start as low as \$10 per month! Contact me for details.



**Parliamentarian - Kendra Isenhower**

Happy Fall! **The bylaw committee currently does not have any bylaws for review or to present for voting.** Remember, bylaw changes are submitted to President Cindy. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

**I hope everyone has a safe and Happy Halloween!**



**Historian - Gabby Smith**

Hello ladies!

Work continues in the Historian Room. **Cleaning and painting are happening to preserve our memories!**

In addition, we invite you to explore more photo albums from previous years in the OOL History corner during our October general meeting. We hope to see you there!



**Board Seat 1 Parade - Kanja Weldy**

Happy October everyone!

**I am jumping in to all things parade** and will be meeting with the committee soon!

More to come, stay tuned!!





### Board Seat 2 Ball – Nicole Rayborn

Hi ladies! Halloween is around the corner with Thanksgiving and Christmas on its heels and before we know it New Year's and then the best season of all, Mardi Gras!

To recap last month's ball announcements, we are able to have our individual rooms at the ball. I am working out the bar and food details with OVG and hope to have more information at the General Meeting. Also, the member dressing rooms are being moved to the first floor close to the stage entrance of the main ballroom. This is where our pre- and post-ride gathering area will be located to make it easier for our escorts to meet us.

**Mark your calendars for mandatory Rehearsal on Wednesday, January 21, 2026.** It will take place at the Convention Center from 6:30-8:00pm. Since we are on a tight schedule and to help stay within budget, there will be no food or alcohol. Once we are done, all of downtown's restaurants and bars await. Everyone knows it only takes a LaShe or two to start a party! 🥳🎉

You won't want to miss the treats at this month's general meeting! The ball committee will be revealing more about the layout of the ball and this year's bands (yes, that's bands with an s)! I can't wait to see everyone on the 21st.



### Board Seat 3 Ways & Means – Christine Bramlett

**Ladies, this is your last call for pre-order sweatshirts and charm bracelets!** I cannot believe the response to these items—thank you all so much for your continued support and shopping love in the Ways & Means store. Those who ordered this month can pick up their custom sweatshirts and sparkling bracelets at the November general meeting, along with this year's fabulous theme charm! ✨



And while we're talking shopping... it's never too early to get a jump on your holiday list! Whether you're looking for a beautiful pair of earrings or a **Dave & Buster's play card** (the perfect little stocking stuffer!), we've got something for every budget and every LaShe on your list. 🎁

Now for the big one — our very first **Top Golf Fundraiser!** 🏌️ This month's general meeting is the absolute drop-dead date to get your team registered and paid for. You do not want to miss this Sunday Funday! Huge shoutout and thank-you to a handful of our amazing sponsors and donors: The Stables Bar, Dobson Sheet Metal, Wintzell's, Taco Mama, Judy's Place, and Veet's!



**Float Review – Summer Frahm**

We are excited to sell our perpetual raffle tickets in August and September! **Only 100 tickets will be sold. GET YOUR NOW!!** These tickets are \$25 each for the chance to win 6 different cash prizes! If you win your ticket goes back in. We will draw live on Facebook.

- \$50 Sept 7th
- \$50 Oct 7th
- \$50 Nov 7th
- \$50 Dec 7th
- \$100 Jan 7th
- Float Review drawing \$200



This fundraiser is to ensure kids zone stays free.



Hello Sisters,

**Hospitality – Paula Harris**

Thank you so much for your support for Hospitality. We had a great Bar Raffle from Room 5, so let's see what Room 7 can bring!!! Our specialty drink this month will be in honor of Halloween and is called "**Spell On You**". **This drink will consist of White Rum, Peach Schnapps, Tart Cherry Juice, Grenadine and Edible Dust.**



We will be having **PIZZA** this month, so come hungry and thirsty!!!!

Also, Hospitality will be selling **Iron Bowl Squares for \$35 a square and Stevie's Kitchen Gumbo for \$28 a quart** and will be available for pick up at the November General Meeting.



**Invitations – Robin Brown**

Hello ladies!



It's that exciting time of year again — time to fill out your Invitation Request Forms for the 2026 LaShe's Ball!

**Where to Get Your Form:**

Invitation request forms will be available for pick-up at the October, November, and December General Meetings. Please stop by our Invitation Committee table to pick up your form. For your convenience, the form will also be available on the Order of LaShe website.

**Deadline:**

All completed forms must be submitted by December 16, 2025. Members who do not submit their form by the deadline will receive invitations based solely on their current membership status.



**How to Submit:**

If you are unable to turn in your form at a meeting, you may:

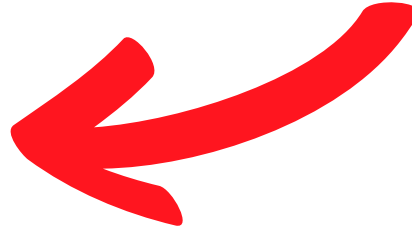
- Mail your completed form to: Order of LaShe's, P.O. Box 850176. Mobile, AL 36685
- Email your completed form to: 2026oolinvitations@gmail.com

**Tickets & Pick-Up Information:**

Additional tickets may be purchased through the Finance Committee. Please bring your receipt to the Invitations table for processing. No tickets will be issued without a receipt.

**Invitations will be available for pick-up at the following events:**

- o January General Meeting
- o Rehearsal
- o Layaway Pickup
- o Float Review (12–1 PM)
- o Float Load (12–2 PM)

**Committee Chairs:**

Please send a list of your committee members who should receive a set of invitations in recognition of their hard work and dedication.

**PR/Special Events - Lisa Bullock**

Hello ladies! The overwhelming support for our September Spotlight Organization, **Aubreigh's Army**, was truly inspiring. I loved seeing everyone take part in the Lemon Face Challenge, and I deeply appreciate your generous donations and your efforts to spread awareness through your participation. Thank you for making such a meaningful impact!

**Our October Spotlight Organization is Bras Across the Causeway!**

This organization focuses on alleviating the financial strain that often accompanies a breast cancer diagnosis.

Many patients face overwhelming financial burdens beyond medical bills, including transportation, childcare, and everyday living expenses, while undergoing rigorous treatment. This organization steps in to bridge that gap by covering various essential costs. Please help us in supporting this organization by donating during our October meeting.

🎉 Ladies, get ready for a night of enchantment! 🎉


**We're thrilled to announce this year's Queen & Emblem Party**—and it's going to be absolutely magical!

 Save the Date: Sunday, **December 14th**

 Time: 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM

 Location: The breathtaking **Bellingrath Gardens**

After the party, we'll take a festive stroll through the gardens to experience the 30th Anniversary of Magic Christmas in Lights—a dazzling display that will leave you glowing with holiday cheer!

 Tickets - \$55: Available at the October & November General Meetings and online through our website. Important! All tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. We only have 120 tickets, so grab yours fast before they're gone! Don't miss out on this unforgettable celebration filled with laughter, lights, and sisterhood. Let's make memories that shine as bright as the season!

**Roof - Kanja Weldy**



**Permit in hand-** by the time you read this, our roof install is happening! Excited to bring this project to a close.



**Sunshine - Melanie Suiter**



I missed last month's newsletter due to being on vacation so I will be adding August and September sunshine news together.

**Our continued thoughts and prayers for our Sisters/Marshal:**

- Carrie Isakson (Former Member) who passed away.
- Former Marshal, Matt Perryman, spouse to Jo Perryman, who passed away.
- Alex Coarsey (Room 11) whose cousin Garrett Robertson passed away.
- Cindy Paul (Room 7) and Katie Paul (Room 7) on the loss of Cindy's mother & Katie's grandmother, Betty Minto.
- Linda Yde (Room 1) whose Uncle David passed away.



**Get Well Wishes:**

- Tina Jenkins (Room 14) who had shoulder replacement surgery.
- Nora Myers (Room 11) had a bad fall and broke several bones.
- Brenda McDonald (Room 11) whose husband Michael had a biopsy at Duke Brian Cancer Center.
- Jennifer Sharitt (Room 14) whose husband, Carl, had major kidney stone removal surgery.

**Wonderful news:**

- Kimberly Rouse (Room 1) who had her last treatment of cancer and was able to ring the bell.
- Congratulations to Sterling Weller (Room 14) on the birth of her baby boy Jackson Thomas Weller. This is also a new grandson to GiGi aka Lynn Pryor (Room 14).





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## How common is breast cancer?

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the United States, except for skin cancers. It accounts for about 30% (or 1 in 3) of all new female cancers each year.

The American Cancer Society's estimates for breast cancer in the United States for 2025 are:

- About 316,950 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women.
- About 59,080 new cases of [ductal carcinoma in situ \(DCIS\)](#) will be diagnosed.
- About 42,170 women will die from breast cancer.

Breast cancer mainly occurs in middle-aged and older women. The median age at the time of breast cancer diagnosis is 62. This means half of the women who developed breast cancer are 62 years of age or younger when they are diagnosed. A very small number of women diagnosed with breast cancer are younger than 45.



Visit the American Cancer Society website at [cancer.org/cancer/breast-cancer](https://cancer.org/cancer/breast-cancer) or call us at **1-800-227-2345** to learn more. We're here when you need us.



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