

## ORDER OF LASHE'S

# NEWSLETTER

### A Word from President Cindy

#### Important Reminders:

- **Membership Dues:** Final installment is due by November 18th. All other obligations (Room Dues, Layaway, Roof Assessment) are due by December 31st.
- **Room Captains:** The Food & Beverage Fee is \$180 per member (based on rosters as of November 30th). Invoices will go out shortly after that date.
  - ½ due at the December Meeting
  - ½ due at the January Meeting
  - Contact Nicolle or me with any questions.
- **Excusal Requests:** If you need to be excused from three meetings, rehearsal, the Ball, the Parade, or the Annual Meeting, please email your request to lashespresident@gmail.com.

#### 2026–2027 Committees:

- **Election & Evening of Chance:** Each Room must submit a representative for both committees by the December Meeting. The Election Committee Chairman will be chosen from these reps. If you're interested, let your Room and me know!
- **Interested in Chairing a Committee?** It's a fun and rewarding way to get involved! Chairmen will be announced at the January Meeting for the following committees: Elections, Evening of Chance, Hospitality, Costumes, Layaway, and Spring Dance.

#### SAVE THE DATE

Nov. 18, 2025  
7 pm  
General Meeting  
The Locale

Nov. Bar Raffle  
Room 8



#### Coming Soon:

Watch for a **Special Bulletin** with answers to the questions submitted to the Board. We've worked hard to provide clear, honest responses so we can move forward and get back to what we do best — **having fun and preparing for our Parade and Ball!**

Don't forget to **wear your TEAM COLORS** to the meeting!



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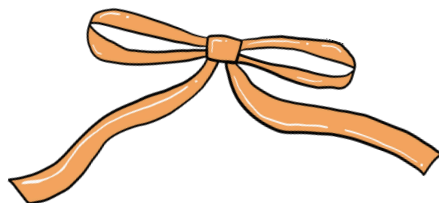
**2025-2026 Executive Board**

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**Emblem Marissa**

Hope you and your family have a wonderful and safe happy Thanksgiving!



**Vice President - DD Payne**



**JANUARY 11th!!!! – MANDATORY New Member Orientation.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** for 11am at the FLOAT BARN. Important information related to the Annual Ball and Parade will be provided. If you cannot attend, you must contact President Cindy to be excused. You certainly don't want to miss all of the fun, information, and snacks you will receive at the meeting! See Lynlee, your New Member Chair, for details!

Please welcome to the LaShe's our pledges from the October Meeting...

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Please add their information to your directories.

We have 6 ladies pledging this month and one more to vote on – Alexa Peacock (Mobile, AL)! This has been so exciting welcoming all of these wonderful ladies this year!

I received one new application last month so, keep on recruiting and getting those applications in! Also, with Mardi Gras right around the corner don't forget to reach out to President Cindy if you need to be excused from the Parade or Ball.

Also, for anyone expecting, be sure to pick up a Pregnancy Waiver from me if you wish to participate in the Annual Ball.



### Treasurer - Donna Diaz

I am diving right in to be your Treasurer for the remainder of the 2025-26 Mardi Gras season. Please be patient with me while I get settled into this new job. I look forward to serving the organization in my new endeavor.



### Your **FOURTH** and final dues installment is due by the November General meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2025.

Active and Active Non-Riding dues installment is \$137.50, and Associate dues installment is \$125.00. Per our bylaws, any payment received after this date will incur a late fee of \$25.00.

#### Methods of Payment:

- Pay at the finance table at the General meeting.
- OOL Website – <https://order-of-lashes.square.site/>
- Mail your payment: P. O. Box 850176, Mobile, AL 36685



**All financial obligations must be paid by December 31, 2025.** This includes all dues, layaway, fines, fees, assessments, or other charges on your account.

Statements will be mailed this weekend. Please note that our roof loan has been secured and your **\$37.00 assessment has been added to your account.** If you do not receive your statement, please contact me as soon as possible.



### Recording Secretary - Mikie Ganus

**Hello Ladies!! It's good to be back on the Board** and I'm so honored that this Board had the confidence in me to choose to offer me this position. It has been a while since I've served on the Board, so I will do my absolute best to live up to those expectations they had in me. I know that I have a hard act to follow, but I also know that I can do this job, and I promise I will serve you well.

**In October, 48% of our Active/ANR/FE, 45% of our Associates and 22% of our Honorary/Costume Honorary members attended the meeting.** This is about 45% of our membership. This is the time of year that a lot of information about the Parade and Ball is provided, and I know that you all want to be informed and up to date on what is happening with these events. To stay informed, please try to attend these meetings.



Just as another friendly reminder, we only have **three (3) more General Meetings** for the year. As our Bylaws state, Active, Active (Non-Riding) and Associates members must attend three General Meetings. If you know that you will not make your three mandatory meetings for this year, you must be 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 on this together. Hope to see you at the November meeting, but if I don't, please have a Safe and Happy Turkey Day.

### Corresponding Secretary - Tracey Taylor

**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

Hello Sister LaShe's! Wow, it is hard to believe that we are another month closer to the best ball and parade of the season! We will have one proposed bylaw amendment to vote on this month. See below.

The up-to-date digital version of the Constitution & Bylaws document is posted on the website. All changes made throughout the year will remain highlighted for easy reference.

Thank you for letting me serve you! I hope each and every one of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving with friends, family, and loved ones!



### BYLAWS - ARTICLE XI - FINANCE

Section 8. The Executive Board is responsible for compiling and submitting in writing to the General Membership a proposed balanced budget to be voted on and approved by membership for the current fiscal year at the first General Meeting after the Annual Meeting. (07-22-99) (10-01-20) (09-16-21)

#### Proposed Change:

Section 8. The Executive Board is responsible for compiling and submitting in writing to the General Membership a proposed balanced budget to be voted on and approved by membership for the current fiscal year at the first General Meeting after the Annual Meeting. **To ensure that all members have adequate time to review the proposed budget, the Executive Board is required to publish the proposed budget in the newsletter issued prior to the first General Meeting after the Annual Meeting.** (07-22-99) (10-01-20) (09-16-21)



**Reason for change:**

Under the current process, the Proposed Budget is presented to members during the first General Meeting after the Annual Meeting. This allows only a limited amount of time for members to review the budget and formulate any questions they may have. As a result, members may not have sufficient opportunity to thoroughly assess the budget or address concerns before voting.

Hello ladies!

**Historian - Gabby Smith**



**Let's gather in the spirit of thankfulness, sisterhood, and history.**

Please be sure to stop by the History Corner at this month's meeting, where you can explore some wonderful new items that will be on display. It's the perfect opportunity to reflect on our shared journey.

**Board Seat 1 Parade - Kanja Weldy**



**Wow Ladies!** Thanksgiving, Christmas, Mardi Gras...it will move really fast now! The Parade is coming together! The float builder is transforming our floats, the committee is solidifying our line-up, and we have our permit application ready to fill out. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about the Parade!

Gobble Gobble! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday –Eat the Pie, travel safely, grab some great black Friday deals and **ROLL TIDE ROLL!!!!**



**Board Seat 2 Ball - Nicolle Rayborn**

**Important Update: Mandatory Rehearsal Date Change**

Please note that the mandatory rehearsal at the Convention Center has been rescheduled to **Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM for all members.** MOOL, Q&E, & Board at 2:00pm.



This change allows us to rehearse using the exact layout planned for the ball, ensuring a smoother experience for everyone. Members are welcome to bring their ball escort to the rehearsal. If you are unable to attend, please submit a written notice to President Cindy.

**Entertainment Announcement**



At last month's General Meeting, we revealed our exciting entertainment lineup: **Journey 2 Mars and Lisa & the E-lusion** will alternate performances on the two main stages, keeping the energy high and the music flowing throughout the night.

## Food & Beverage Update

We continue to collaborate with OVG to finalize food service logistics in the member rooms, taking into account the varying number of members per room. The cost per member this year is **\$180**, which includes both food and bar service.

Wishing you a joyful Thanksgiving—and best of luck to your team in the Iron Bowl! Roll Tide!



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



**What. A. Month!** Ladies, I'm still riding the high from our Top Golf Fundraiser — what an incredible day of fun, laughter, and sisterhood! Thank you to everyone who came out, built a team, cheered from the sidelines, or supported in any way.

**Because of you, the event was a huge success!**

A special shoutout to our amazing sponsors and donors who helped make it all possible: The Stables Bar, Dobson Sheet Metal, The Electric Piano Bar, OEC, Port City Throws, and Ammons & Blackmon Construction, Wintzell's, Taco Mama, Judy's Place, and Veet's — we couldn't have done it without you!

Now, shifting gears back to the Ways & Means store — **it's time to pick up your pre-ordered sweatshirts and charm bracelets!** Those items will be ready for you at the November general meeting, just in time for those cooler temps we've all been waiting on. While you're there, make sure to snag this year's beautiful theme charm to complete your bracelet!

And of course, the store will be stocked and ready for some early holiday shopping. Whether you're after a little sparkle, something cozy, or a fun stocking stuffer like a **Dave & Buster's play card**, we've got something for every LaShe on your list — and at every price point.



As always, thank you to my hardworking committee and to all of you fabulous ladies for continuing to support the Ways & Means store month after month. Your enthusiasm and generosity keep our krewe shining bright!

HAPPY  
Thanksgiving 



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**Associate - Lynlee Evans**

Happy November to all our newest members!

**We're thrilled to have you join the LaShe's family.** Our associate roster is nearly full, and we'll soon begin preparing for New Member Orientation.

A friendly reminder: the LaShe's thrive because of the amazing volunteerism of our members (and yes — our spouses, too 😊). No matter how much time you can give, every bit helps us grow stronger. Whether you can spend an hour at float review or take on a hospitality role for a meeting, your time and effort are truly appreciated.



If you're unsure where to jump in, please reach out to me — I'd love to connect you with a committee that could use a hand.

**Save the Date: Mandatory New Member Orientation**


**Sunday, January 11, 2026**

**11:00 AM**

**OOL Float Barn, 453 Pillans St**


Welcome again and thank you for helping make the LaShe's such a special organization! ❤️



 **How to Submit:** If you can't turn in your form at a meeting, you may:


·Mail it to: Order of LaShe's, P.O. Box 850176, Mobile, AL 36685

·Email it to: [2026oolinvitations@gmail.com](mailto:2026oolinvitations@gmail.com)

 **Tickets & Pick-Up Details:** Additional tickets may be purchased at the Finance Table. Please bring your receipt to the Invitations Table for processing. Invitations will be available for pick-up at the following events:

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



 **Committee Chairs:** Please submit the names of your committee members who should receive a set of invitations in appreciation for their hard work and dedication.



### Layaway - Hayley Clough

Happy Fall Y'all! The "Ber" months are some of my favorites and I hope you are enjoying them too! We don't have too much longer before we're rolling through the streets of Mobile! Things with layaway are rocking and rolling along and I have a few announcements for you!

Mark your calendars!! **Layaway pickup will be Sunday, January 25, 2026, from 11-2 at the OOL float barn! Drop dead date to pick up your items will be Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 11-1 at the OOL float barn.**



If you do not pick up your items by the drop-dead date, you forfeit them with no refund or credit! If you cannot pick up your items, please arrange for a friend to pick them up! Layaway will be set up from 11-12 at Float Review to sell any remaining items and we will be set up all day for float load as well!



### Photography - Gail Filotei

It's hard to believe that it is already time to preorder ball picture packages. **We will be selling the packages at the December and January general meetings.**

You don't want to miss out on memories so make sure you place your order in December or January.



*Happy Thanksgiving*



### PR/Special Events - Lisa Bullock

Hi ladies! Thank you so much for your support to our October Spotlight Organization, **Bras Across the Causeway**. We raised a total of **\$750!!**

Our **November Spotlight Organization will be Ronald McDonald House** of Mobile. We will "pass the hat" to take up donations for this worthy organization to provide a Thanksgiving meal for the families residing in the House while their child is undergoing care at USA Children's and Women's.

We will have the meal delivered to the House. Any members that would like to volunteer to serve the meal Thanksgiving Day, please let me know! Any additional donations received over the cost of the Thanksgiving meal will be utilized by the House to stock their pantry.

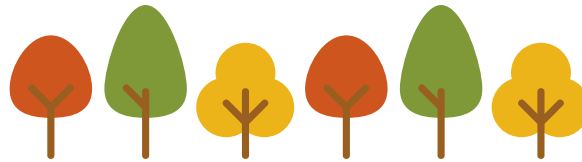
We will be sending out the VOA (formerly MARC) lists for Christmas presents soon!

**Tickets are now on sale for the Queen & Emblem Party.** The cost is \$55 and will include food, 2 glasses of Ballatore, and access to the gardens. They will also be available soon for purchase through our website. All tickets must be purchased in advance – no tickets will be sold at the door.

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

 **Time: 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM**

 **Location: Bellingrath Gardens**



### Sunshine - Melanie Suiter

**Please continue to pray for the following Lashe Members and Marshals:**

- **Sandi Fulmer** (Room 1) who had a recent Heart Ablation procedure.
- **Wayne Carroll** (Marshal) and **Kim Carroll** (Room 11)- Wayne had a recent surgery and has a swollen foot and is still in a lot of pain.
- **Laurie J Dueitt** (Room 2) and **Kolbi Wright** (Room 2)- Laurie's sister and Kolbi's aunt, Shelia Stiegman, passed away.
- **Nancy Lowe** (Room 14) has currently started hyperbaric therapy and wound care for her lower leg issues.
- **Peggy Hodge** (Room 5) husband **David**, had a work related accident with some facial burns.
- **Patsy Ownsby** (Room 11) husband **Donnie**, on his continued recovery after recent hospitalization.

Ladies, let's continue to pray for our sisters and Marshals that God will heal them and free them from pain.



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**You are cordially invited to a festive afternoon in celebration of  
Queen Melissa & Emblem Marissa!**

**Date: December 14, 2025**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM**

**Location: Bellingrath Gardens**

**Tickets: \$55**

**Join us in embracing the LaShe's Holiday Spirit!**