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Editors: Photo of the King and Queen attached, along with logo of parade sponsor LaCima.

King and Queen Okeanos XI Issue Mardi Gras Proclamation

Mardi Gras is celebrated world-wide as a time of celebration before the somber days of Lent. In San Marcos, Mardi Gras traditions have been established by the Krewe of Okeanos, organized in 2012, for the purpose of presenting events for the enjoyment of the community. The date of Mardi Gras changes every year and in 2023 falls on Tuesday February 21, 2023. The Krewe’s parade is the Saturday before Mardi Gras which will be February 18, 2023.

The King and Queen of Mardi Gras in San Marcos have issued an edict inviting San Martians and visitors from afar to join them this year for Mardi Gras festivities.

Proclamation

By the King & Queen of Carnival in San Marcos:

King and Queen Okeanos XI, the merry monarchs of Mardi Gras in San Marcos, Texas, send greetings, and announce with pleasure, our intention to return to our annual celebrations during the coming Carnival fortnight.

We invite everyone from far and near to put aside their cares and journey to San Marcos for a cheerful and glorious family celebration of Madi Gras.

In particular, we look forward, with boundless exhilaration, to the return of our tenth annual Grand Procession on Saturday February 18, 2023, which will unfold at noon with all of the joyousness and beauty that our Krewe can muster, and where the wonderous art and exuberant music of Carnival shall once again fill the streets of our Beautiful City.

The King and Queen await, with pleasure, the adornment of homes and businesses in San Marcos with festive decorations in our Yardi Gras community Carnival celebration.

The Court also relishes the tantalizing fares prepared by local establishments for Restaurant Week, and we invite the citizens of this good city and beyond to join us in this gastronomic celebration of the culinary arts.

We look forward with Great Anticipation in the Year of Our Lord 2023 with renewed revelries to Celebrate the 11th Anniversary of our glorious reign in our beloved city of San Marcos.

Given at Court, a fortnight from Mardi Gras.

The King & Queen

The Krewe of Okeanos Mardi Gras Parade is proudly sponsored by LaCima, Germer Insurance, and Palmer's Restaurant Bar and Courtyard.