

Dear Friends of Mardi Gras and Aquinas Catholic Schools,

Coulee Region Mardi Gras has been enriching the lives of our school-age children for 26 years. Through our efforts we have been able to raise over \$200,000.00 for Aquinas Catholic Schools (ACS). These funds helped provide tuition assistance, supported technology development and promoted music and theater within the ACS system of schools.

In 2016, through your generosity we have been able to make significant donations to all 5 schools in our system for capital improvements, technology upgrades, tuition assistance and mental health awareness.

- \$4,000 granted per elementary school—Cathedral, Blessed Sacrament and St. Patrick's for capital
- **\$4,000** granted to Aquinas Middle School
- \$4.000 granted to Aquinas High School

Each year we shake off the malaise of winter and celebrate the harbinger of spring with several fund raising events centered around the traditions of Mardi Gras. These events include...

Mardi Gras Ball • February 18, 2017 • La Crosse Center

Bourbon Street Bash • February 22, 2017 • Freighthouse (sponsors only)

Mardi Gras School Visits • February 24, 2017 • Aquinas Catholic Schools

Mardi Gras Family Day • February 26, 2017 • Shenanigan's

Fat Tuesday Celebration • February 28, 2017 • Location TBD

ACS is 1 of only 4 private schools in the state of Wisconsin to have been recognized by the Department of Education for achieving superior standards of academic excellence. We want to continue this legacy of excellence. We need your help to make this happen. Can we count on your support during our 26th Anniversary of Carnival?

We ask that you review the opportunities for Mardi Gras sponsorship and donations. *Cavort and support* Mardi Gras to educate and inspire children of ACS. Please fill out the attached form, choose desired sponsor level, and reserve your tickets for events by January 9, 2016.

Mail completed form to Coulee Region Mardi Gras • P.O. Box 1433 • La Crosse, WI 54602-1433

Thank you for your generosity!

Rex & Queen XXV, Ryan and Mary Jo Lium



Cavort & Support Our Schools...

Aquinas Catholic Schools is a Christ-centered learning community carrying out a fundamental mission of the Church to educate, challenge, & inspire students in the Catholic tradition of faith, service, & academic excellence.

It's our mission to help the children of ACS achieve this goal!

\$1,000 Rex Sponsor — Receive <u>6 tickets</u> to the following events: Mardi Gras Ball, Bourbon Street Bash, & Fat Tuesday Celebration. Your business will be featured at the ball, in the program & at Fat Tuesday. Your name & logo will appear on all our promotional flyers, email blasts, PLUS, highlighted in our newsletter, social media & website. Your logo will be prominently displayed on our float &/or vehicle during our parade season.

\$600 Queen Sponsor — Receive <u>4 tickets</u> to the following events: Mardi Gras Ball, Bourbon Street Bash, & Fat Tuesday Celebration. Your business will be featured at the ball, in the program & at Fat Tuesday. Your business will also be highlighted on our website & social media.

\$600 Family Day Sponsor — Your name & logo will appear on all our promotional flyers, email blasts, social media & website. Your logo will also be displayed on our float &/or vehicle during our parade season.

\$400 Jester Sponsor — Receive <u>2 tickets</u> to the following events: Mardi Gras Ball, Bourbon Street Bash, & Fat Tuesday Celebration. Your business will be featured at the ball, in the program, at Fat Tuesday & listed on our website.

\$200 & up — French Quarter In-kind Donation — Receive <u>2 tickets</u> to the Bourbon Street Bash & Fat Tuesday Celebration. Your business will be featured at the ball, in the program, at Fat Tuesday & listed on our website. Your generous in-kind donation will be used for our silent auction and raffle.

\$50 King Cake Sponsor — Support our Decadent Dessert Auction. A luscious dessert will be sponsored in your name. Your name will be featured in the auction program.

If you'd like to discuss other sponsorship options or would like to donate items for our silent auction or raffle, please contact Sue Stika, Mardi Gras President at 608-397-3008. Sue & the committee will work with you to develop a custom sponsorship.











Cathedral School Grades Pre-K-2 1319 Ferry Street Blessed Sacrament Grades 3-6 2404 King Street St. Patrick's School Grades 3K-6 127 11th Avenue North Aquinas Middle School Grades 7-8 315 South 11th Street Aquinas High School Grades 9-12 315 South 11th Street



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Contact Person:				_
Business Name:				_
Business Address:				_
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Web Address:				_
Phone Number:				_
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Sponsorship Package	: (circle one)			
Rex Sponsor	Queen Sponsor Family Day Sponsor Jester Sponsor			
King Cake Sponsor	Custom Sponsor			
French Quarter In-kir	nd Donation:			_
Approximate Value:				_
For \$50, I will sponsor an item for the Decadent Dessert Auction? (circle one)		Yes	No	
I will use event tickets associated with Rex, Queen or Jester package? (circle one)		Yes	No	
If yes, who will be at	tending?			
Mardi Gras Ball (Ava	ilable at Rex, Queen & Jester levels only)			_
Bourbon Street Bash	(Available at \$200 sponsorship/donation or higher)			_
Fat Tuesday (Availab	le at \$200 sponsorship/donation or higher)			_
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