



Krewe of Birney

Ran through the 80's 90's.

Held a very elaborate Mardi Gras Ball every year with maids, dukes, Lieutenants, court dancers. Our ball had similar pomp and circumstance to many of Mardi Gras' oldest Krewe's. We would do 2 showings of the ball. Thursday night for parents and guests and Friday morning for the general assembly.

Themes included Disney, Holidays, Moments in History, US Geography.

Dancers would be related to the theme and would consist of members of the under classes. Dukes, Maids, and Lieutenants were chosen from the upperclassmen.

I am a past duke from '89. Thanksgiving Duke

King and queen were picked with a bean in an envelope. The gold bean was king/queen.

Maids, Dukes, and Lieutenants had elaborately made costumes made by the parents.



- We had our own rendition of "If Ever I Cease to Love".

At Birney school on Hastings, in a song and a dance in a row. We did our thing for Mardi Gras, You saw the world's greatest show. We hope you enjoyed this evening (clap clap clap) We had a good time too. We're swearing on our bended knees if ever I cease to love. May teachers grow on apple trees, if ever I cease to love.

If ever I cease to love. (Oh Yeah!) If ever I cease to love. May the moon be turned to green cream cheese. If ever I cease to love.

We had a parade which went around the school's neighborhood.

We had wooden nickels

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