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Z Krewe Public Affairs Committee

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Z Krewe Announces Its Royal Court for Mardi Gras 2008!

GALVESTON, TX -- Z Krewe, one of Galveston's preeminent Mardi Gras krewes, announces its Royal Court for the 2008 Mardi Gras celebration.

On October 2, 2007, following its General Meeting, Z Krewe held its annual Royalty Cake Cutting Ceremony. Z Krewe's theme for Mardi Gras 2008 is Pirates, so there was a lot of interest in who would be selected as King and Queen Zanie XIV, the Pirate King and Queen.

Any regular Krewe member is eligible to serve as a member of Royalty, and can opt to select a piece of Mardi Gras King Cake, inside which is hidden a baby in one of five Mardi Gras-related colors: black, white, purple, green, and gold. Members who select the black, white, purple, or green babies serve as Royal Zoots and Zaftigs, Z Krewe's Royal Court. The individuals who select the gold babies get to reign as that year's King and Queen Zanie!

This year, the Mystic Hand of Fate has selected the following individuals as the 2008 Royal Court:

King and Queen Zanie XIV: Allen and Sandy Taylor (Houston)

Green Zoot and Zaftig: Alex Petty (Galveston) and Linda Potter (Galveston)

Purple Zoot and Zaftig: John and Carroll Pfeiffer-Cobb (Tiki Island)

White Zoot and Zaftig: Rob Lozano (Cypress) and Tommie McMillan (Houston)

Black Zoot and Zaftig: Leon Kaplan (Galveston) and Gretchen Lozano (Cypress)

The King and Queen will be crowned and the Royal Court will be presented at the Coronation Ceremony scheduled in the Strand Theatre on January 12, 2008. The Coronation Ceremony will begin at 7:00 p.m., and will be held immediately prior to the annual Z Krewe Ball, which will follow in the Davidson Ballroom of the Tremont Hotel, in Galveston. Guest tickets for the Ball are \$130.00 each, and include admission to the Coronation Ceremony.

Z Krewe is a Galveston-based not-for-profit Mardi Gras organization founded in 1994. Z Krewe has 150 dedicated members and a growing ambassador membership from around the world. We have a devoted elected and appointed leadership that delivers a year-round calendar of activities, which includes first class events and "zanie" fun gatherings in its drive to "perpetuate the spirit of Mardi Gras." Throughout its history, Z Krewe has been proud to have contributed thousands of dollars and volunteer hours to many local charities and organizations.

Tickets for the Coronation and Ball, or additional information, can be obtained by contacting the Ball Committee Chair, Barbara Rodgers, at 409-933-4413, or the Royalty Committee Co-Chairs, Toni Caputo at 281-357-4001, or Julia Vandiver at 713-991-9959. Information can also be obtained by attending a Z Krewe monthly meeting from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, at the Baywood Country Club, 5500 Genoa Red Bluff Road, in Pasadena, Texas.

Photo accompanies press release, on following page.

**Photo accompanying Z Krewe press release, dated October 3, 2007:
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Suggested caption: “On October 2, 2007, Z Krewe held its annual Royalty Cake Cutting Ceremony for Mardi Gras 2008, when the Krewe’s theme is Pirates! Pictured are members of the Royal Court (couples pictured, left to right) Rob Lozano (Cypress) and Tommie McMillan (Houston), the White Zoot and Zaftig; Leon Kaplan (Galveston) and Gretchen Lozano (Cypress), the Black Zoot and Zaftig; Allen and Sandy Taylor (Houston), King and Queen Zanie XIV; Alex Petty (Galveston) and Linda Potter (Galveston), the Green Zoot and Zaftig; and John and Carroll Pfeiffer-Cobb (Tiki Island), the Purple Zoot and Zaftig. The King and Queen will be crowned and the Royal Court will be presented at the Coronation Ceremony scheduled in the Strand Theatre on January 12, 2008, which will be followed by the annual Z Krewe Ball, which will be held in the Davidson Ballroom of the Tremont Hotel, in Galveston. Guest tickets for the Ball are available, and include admission to the Coronation Ceremony.”

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