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Sat., June 30th
Sack Race 5pm

Sun., July 1st
Neel's WFDT
(World Famous Drive Thru)
BBQ 4pm
Pie Eating Contest 5pm
Charles on Piano
Queen's Head Pub 5-8pm

Wed., July 4th Chicken Drop 6pm







the "official" dish

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Ambush Mag Celebrates GAA Top 5 & Pride Week in New Orleans

mbush Mag, now in it's 30th year, celebrates the selection of the Gay Appreciation Awards Top 5 Finalists, as well as Gay Pride week in The Big Easy. The readership of this publication decided the Top 5 finalists in each Gay Appreciation Award category of which one of those is the winner. The winners will be announced at the 25th GAA Gala on Saturday, July 21st, 8-10pm at Oz, 800 Bourbon Street. Results and more details follow below.

An entire week of festivities is featured for New Orleans 33rd Gay Pride Celebration running through Sunday, June 24th produced by the Official Pride of New Orleans. Find out all the details in *Under the Gaydar* on page 14 by columnist Tony Leggio who is also Co-Pride Grand Marshal 33 with Matthew Birkhoff.

To celebrate Pride, *Ambush* is hosting Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee Reviewing Stand on the balcony of the *Ambush* Mansion at 828 Bourbon Streetto observe the festivities.

The Royal Standard of the United Kingdom has arrived in duplicate to be flown from the balcony, direct from London. The



The Royal Standard of the United Kingdom

standard is flown when the queen is in residence in one of the royal residences, on the queen's car on official journeys and on aircraft (when on the ground). It may also be flown on any building, official or private, during a visit by the queen, if the owner or proprietor so requests. The Royal Standard was also flown aboard the royal yacht when it was in service and the queen was on board. The only church that may fly a Royal Standard, even without the presence of the Sovereign, is Westminster Abbey, which is known as a "royal peculiar".

Friends will join **Ambush** publishers on the reviewing stand for the Gay Pride Parade on Saturday, and for the Queen's Brunch on Sunday afternoon. Each guest will be gifted with Union Jack beads to wear for the occasion.

GAA Top 5 Finalists, Regina Adams to Receive Coveted Lifetime Achievement Award

he 25th annual Gay Appreciation Awards Top 5 Finalists have been selected by the readership of *Ambush Mag*. One of the finalist in each category is the winner which will be announced at the 25th GAA Gala on Saturday, July 21st, 8-10pm, at Oz, 800 Bourbon Street. VIP Tables with four seats are \$200 and are very limited. All proceeds benefit the William J. Fanning Foundation (Buzzy's Boys & Girls). Since 1997, the gala has raised \$42,672 for charity. Contact Rip Naquin for table sales at marsha@ripandmarsha.com or 504.522.8049. Door admission is \$10.

Regina Ann Adams has been selected unanimously to received the coveted 25th Lifetime Achievement Award by the GAA Board of Directors Lisa Beaumann, Teryl-Lynn Foxx, and Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain. Regina has been a main stay in the gay community for many decades entertaining in numerous troupes and shows as well as raising funds for numerous charities and causes. In 2005 and 2006, she reigned along with Lisa Beaumann as the first Southern Decadence Grand Marshals (33rd) to reign twice due to Hurricane Katrina which cancelled the 2005 Decadence celebration.

Past Lifetime Achievement Award recipients include Jimmie Callaway, the late Dan Fountain [Betty Buttons], the late Andy Boudreaux, the late Buzzy Fanning, the late Dirty Dottie, the late Miss Fury, Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain, the late Dan Romero, the late Miss Do, the late Louise McFarland, Miss Dixie Fasnacht, the late Alice Brady and the late John Dodt, Gene Adams, the late Charlene Schneider, the late Steve Mettner, Marty Curtin and Koo Gaffney, the late Donald "Donnie Jay" James, Kitty Blackwell, Michael "Fish" Hickerson, the late Marcy Marcell, Mary L. Lathouwers, Don Evans, Jean Redmann, and Chuck Turner and Bill Miller.

Sponsored by **Ambush Mag**, the awards thanks those in the Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Community who are often not recognized for the out-

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standing services and efforts they perform. These individuals and businesses have made the GLBT Community into the viable, successful and powerful community it is today across the Gulf South.

Entertainment for the GAA Gala will include production numbers from the Top 5 Finalists in the Show Bar of the Year category, as well as last year's Entertainer of the Year Elizabeth Bouvier. The exciting duo of Lisa Beaumann and Teryl-Lynn Fox will emcee the affair

Top 5 Finalists include:

Circuit Party/Event of the Year-Gay Easter Parade, Gay Depreciation Awards, Friday Night Before Mardi Gras, Halloween, Southern Decadence

Hair Salon of the Year-Avalon, Bobby Blue, Head Quarters, Mickey Nolan's Salon, Salon D'Malta

Gay Mardi Gras Ball of the Year-Krewe of Amon-Ra, Krewe of Armeinius, Krewe of Petronius, Lords of Leather, Mystic Krewe of Satyricon

Neighborhood Bar of the Year-Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Club LAX/Metairie, The Friendly Bar, Good Friends Bar, Tubby's Golden Lantern

Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award-Toby Lefort, Chris Leonard, David Mcray, Gay Easter Parade, NO/AIDS Task Force

Bitch of the Year-Tiffany Alexander, Tony Leggio, Lance Pippin, Princesse Stephaney, Persana Shoulders

Show Bar of the Year-Bourbon Pub Parade, JohnPaul's, Michael's On The Park, Oz, Tubby's Golden Lantern

Donnie Jay Performing Arts Award-La Familia Variety Show, *Greater Tuna*, New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, *Next Fall*, Running With Scissors

Restaurant/Deli/Coffee House of the Year-Clover Grill, Eat, Mona Lisa Restaurant, Quartermaster: The Nellie Deli: Verti Mart

Dance Club of the Year-700 Club, Bourbon Pub Parade, Drama Club/ Houma, Oz, Tubby's Golden Lantern

Bartender of the Year-Andy Ehlers/Tubby's Golden Lantern, Bobby Fisher/JohnPaul's, Lance Pippin/ Tubby's Golden Lantern, Jeff Palmquist/Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Frankie "Fierce" Wingerter/Oz

DJ of the Year-Chris Allen/Bourbon Pub Parade, E (Eddie Mitchell)/4

Seasons-Metairie, JRB/Oz, Myke Kolb/ Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Tim Pflueger/Oz

Leather Bar of the Year-Club LAX/ Metairie, Le Roundup, Michael's On

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Leather Bar of the Year

Club LAX/Metairie, Le Roundup, Michael's On The Park, Phoenix, Rawhide 2010

Cheridon Comedy Award

Zsa Zsa d'LaHor, Big Momma LaVouge, Princesse Stephaney, Persana Shoulders, Tittie Toulouse

Fly Fashion Glamour Award

Dusty Debris, Dominique DeLorean, Opal Masters Aubrey Synclaire, Monica Synclaire-Kennedy **GLBT Business of the Year**

Bourbon Pride, La Mina Sterling, Mary's Hardware, Rab Dab Clothing & Gifts, Scully'z Recordz

Leather Person of the Year

Jason Ashford, Cathy Fox, Pat Johnson,

Toby Lefort, Gary Vandeventer Transgender of the Year

Regina Adams, Dee Cooley, Jasmine Essex,

Joann Guidos, Jessica Vanderhurst

Lesbian of the Year Misti Ates, Marty Curtin, Pat McArdle,

Debbie Rulh, Sandy Sachs, Gay Man of the Year

Tommy Elias, Darrin Ferris, Ken Grandpre, Tony Leggio, Chuck Turner

Marcy Marcell Entertainer of the Year

Elizabeth Bouvier, Dusty Debris, Monique Michaels, Monica Synclaire-Kennedy, Tittie Toulouse



Honoring Regina Adams 25th Lifetime Achievement **Award Recipient**

(Photo by Larry Graham)

Special Guest: Entertainer of the Year '11 Elizabeth Bouvier

Invited Guests:

PRODUCTIONS by all Top 5 **Show Bar of the Year Finalists**

Gala Emcees: Lisa Beaumann

Saturday, July 21st • 8-10pm

25th G&& Gala

Announcing the Winners Benefiting Buzzy's Boys & Girls





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The Marsha Delain Award of Excellence is presented by Marsha Naquin-Delain

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