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ONE Gay New Orleans, "We Are Pulse"

In celebration of New Orleans Pride Parade on June 18, eighteen LGBT+ bars and clubs came together as ONE Gay New Orleans to stand in solidarity with the victims and families of Pulse in Orlando. Wrapping our heads around the horror of 49 innocents murdered and 53 injured following a Saturday night of celebration was a heart wrenching ordeal for us here in NOLA, and around the world to comprehend.

We were contacted on Monday, June 13 by old friend Charlie Weggmann with a wonderful idea to honor the victims of this tragedy. He suggested that since the Pride Parade was on Saturday, that every LGBT club cover their bar signs with the word "PULSE" which would mean every LGBT bar in the city would be Pulse for one day as a salute to the victims of this outrageous tragedy. He asked that we contact all of the LGBT+ bars and clubs. We sent an email to all 20 of them with this great idea.

By Thursday, June 16, the owners of 18 clubs and bars responded with a resounding YES, YES, YES! Wayne Chambless with Sir Speedy Printing offered to do the signs at his cost to each bar participating. Tim Wilson with Wood Enterprises offered to supply buttons for each employee to wear with the logo "We Are Pulse" while supplies lasted.

We cannot tell you how proud we are of ONE Gay New Orleans: 700 Club, Big Daddy's, Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Corner Pocket, The Country Club, Cutter's, Double Play, Four Seasons, The Friendly Bar, The Golden Lantern, Good Friends Bar, GrandPre's, Kajun's Pub, Mag's 940, Oz, The Page, Phoenix, and Rawhide 2010. Most were able to cover their signs, but those unable posted banners outside of their clubs.

According to Bourbon Pub & Parade's Darrin Mills, "We have made arrangements for our own tribute incorporating Pulse for the weekend." Napoleon's Itch did not respond.

Ambush Readership Votes Top 5 Finalists in 29th Gay Appreciation Awards

After a week of online voting, the readership of *Ambush Magazine* has selected the Top 5 Finalist in the 29th Annual Gay Appreciation Awards. One of those finalist is already the winner receiving the most votes in each category. The winners will be presented at the 29th GAA Gala on Saturday, July 23 at Oz New Orleans, 800 Bourbon Street.

This year the exciting event begins with "Walking the Red Carpet" emceed by Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Felicia Phillips as Joan Rivers, Tony Leggio, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek Penton-Robicheaux from 7-7:45pm. This is your opportunity to "dress to the nines" in one or all of the official colors of Southern Decadence: amethyst (purple), ruby (red), sapphire (blue), or pearl (white). The grand marshals will choose the "best dressed" which will be awarded the first ever Red Carpet Oscar Award during the Gala.

The Gala will follow from 8-10pm announcing the winners. GAA Board's Lisa Beaumann and Teryl-Lynn Foxx will emcee the festivities with entertainment including a production number from each of the Top 5 Show Club of the Year Finalists, and last year's Entertainer of the Year. Benefiting Southern Decadence 2016, VIP Table's for 4 are available for \$200 (contact Rip Naquin to reserve your table 504.522.8049 or ripna@ambushmag.com), or it's a \$10 door donation.

Top 5 Finalists include:

Circuit Party/Event of the Year: 17th Gay Easter Parade, Halloween 32, New Orleans Pride, Page Anniversary Party, Southern Decadence 44

Hair Salon of the Year: Fee & Art's Revival Studio, Head Quarters, Mickey Nolan's, Rocket Science, Two Guy Cutting Hair

Gay Mardi Gras Ball of the Year: Krewe of Amon-Ra, Krewe of Armeinius,

Krewe of Petronius, Mystic Krewe of Lords of Leather, Mystic Krewe of Satyricon

Neighborhood Bar of the Year: Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, The Page, The Phoenix

Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award: Misti Ates, Big Easy Sisters, Toby Lefort, NO/AIDS Task Force, Adikus Sulpizi

Bitch of the Year: Electra City, Willie Mackie, Persana Shoulders, Princesse

Stephaney, Aubrey Synclaire

Show Club of the Year: Bourbon Pub & Parade, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, The Golden Lantern, Oz New Orleans

Donnie Jay Performing Arts Award: AUX Colorguard, La Familia Variety Show, New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, The Southern Barbitchuates, Tennessee Williams Theatre Company

Restaurant/Deli/Coffee House of the Year: Cheezy Cajun, Chef Ron's Gumbo Stop, Clover Grill, Eat, Quarter-master: The Nellie Deli

Dance Club of the Year: Bourbon Pub & Parade, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Oz New Orleans, The Page

Bartender of the Year: Drew Kingswell/The Golden Lantern, Ashlee Logan/The Corner Pocket, Jake Morris/Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Jeffrey Palmquist/Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Chris Peterson/Bourbon Pub & Parade

DJ of the Year: OJ Carter/The Page, Kyle David/Oz, Dominick "Dom" Kolb/Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Tim Pflueger/Oz, Jonathan "JRB" Reed/Oz

Leather Bar of the Year: Cafe Lafitte in Exile, The Golden Lantern, The Page, Phoenix, Rawhide

Cheridon Comedy Award: Clorox Bleachman, Jeff DeRouen, Gia GiaVanni, Persana Shoulders, Tittie Toulouse

Fly Fashion Glamour Award: Adrian Claveria, Connie Hung, Chi-Chi Rodriguez, Aubrey Synclaire, Monica Synclaire-Kennedy

LGBT Business of the Year: Bourbon Pride, Crescent City Tour Booking Agency, Delaney & Robb Attorneys at Law, Formal Connection, Rab Dab Clothing & Gifts

Leather Person of the Year: Matthew Birkhoff, Tim Goodman, Troy Powell, Adikus Sulpizi, Gary Vandeventer

Transgender of the Year: Regina Adams, Adrian Claveria, Stephanie Lee, Rikki Redd, Chi-Chi Rodriguez

Lesbian of the Year: Misti Ates, Tracy Foxworth, Catherine Gaither, Mina Hernandez, Sandy Sachs

Gay Man of the Year: Andy Bergeron, Ken GrandPre, Tony Leggio, Frank Perez, Stephen Valiente

Marcy Marcell Entertainer of the Year: Nicole Lynn Foxx, Gia GiaVanni, Connie Hung, Coca Mesa, Aubrey Synclaire

For additional information, visit www.AmbushMag.com/gaa.

Southern Decadence Raises Another \$7,168

Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Tony Leggio, Felicia Phillips, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek-Penton Robicheaux are thrilled to announce that Southern Decadence fundraisers and sponsorships have brought in a whopping \$7,168!

The Press Party raised \$1,237, Dinner & A Show \$574, Cocktails & Queer History Tour \$2,257, a \$2,500 Platinum sponsorship and \$600 in Pearl sponsorships.

The 2016 Press Party and Sponsorship Drive hosted at Bourbon Pub & Parade raised 1,040.00 from the door and VIP Tables, 197.00 from stage tips for a 1,237.00 total, plus two 100.00 Pearl Sponsors from June Pennick and Alexix Grace.

The SD Dinner & A Show hosted at The Golden Lantern raised 315.00 in buffet donations, and 259.00 in Stage Tips for a 574.00 total, plus a 2,500.00 Platinum spon-

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sorship from Mike's Hard Lemonade, and a 100.00 Pearl sponsorship from Fabulous Flowers LLC.

The Cocktails & Queer History Tour hosted by Frank Perez and his Crescent City Tour Booking Agency at the home of SDGM XLII Jeffrey Palmquist and partner Coca Mesa raised 1,740.00 from tickets and donations, 230.00 from auctions, 146.00 from Perez's tour tips, and 141.00 from bartender Wilamena's tips for a 2,257.00 total, plus three 100.00 Pearl sponsorships from Cam Zimmerman, Bonita Folse/Solitaire, and Jay Crockett.

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