



The Gay Appreciation Awards Board of Directors presented the 19th Lifetime Achievement Award to Michael "Fish" Hickerson for his outstanding service to the community at the 19th GAA Gala hosted at the Marigny Theatre behind Cowpokes in New Orleans. The event raised \$3,517 for Buzzy's Boys and Girls through the generosity of VIP table sales, \$100 donations, door donations and stage performance tips. Photo: Rip & Marsha Naquin-Delain, SDGM XXXIII Lisa Beaumann, Michael "Fish" Hickerson and Teryl-Lynn Foxx.



For the first time in the 19 year history of the Gay Appreciation Awards, there was a tie for Entertainer of the Year. Both New Orleans' Donnie Jay and Austin Babbist Women's Widow Modine Murphy, Betty Bea Blessing, O'Feelya Faith and Deacon Dave took home the 2006 award presented at the 19th GAA Gala hosted at the Marigny Theatre in New Orleans.



The Mystic Krewe of Satyricon hosted the 96th birthday bash for the legendary Miss Dixie at the Friendly Bar Annex with a succulent buffet. Friends traveled far and wide for this annual event honoring one of the pillars of New Orleans gay society.



Dakota Springs joins birthday girl and Southern Decadence Grand Marshal XXXIII Regina Adams for her fab birthday blowout at her new home bar, Starlight By The Park in New Orleans. The club just celebrated their 3rd anniversary over 4th of July Weekend.



NO/AIDS Task Force is bringing healthcare services into the community with its 37-foot "CareVan," donated by Dame Elizabeth Taylor and Macy's department stores to help provide vital care to the HIV/AIDS community in the Gulf Coast following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. NO/AIDS Task Force executive director Noel Twilbeck was presented a check for \$40,000 from Elizabeth Taylor and the Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation, by Project Inform's Martin Delaney.

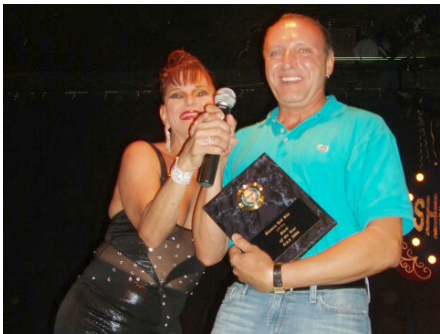


Twilbeck, said the donation goes a long way toward providing the necessary care and testing to the community. The 37-foot CareVan features two examination tables, an X-ray machine and flat screen TVs. "This is a phenomenal gift that Elizabeth Taylor wanted to make available to people with HIV/AIDS. We're incredibly grateful that she has reached out with such a valuable piece of equipment that truly fills a need in New Orleans," Twilbeck said. "Her donation has opened other doors and opportunities for our organization to provide better healthcare to the New Orleans community."





David Boyd & Mike Andrews accept Carnival Ball of the Year for Lords of Leather



Rhonda Roget (right) accepts Bitch of the Year for daughter-in-law Bianca Del Rio-Roget from Southern Decadence Grand Marshal XXXIII Lisa Beaumann



Steve Mettner accepts Restaurant/Deli of the Year for Quartermaster: The Nellie Deli



Michael "Fish" Hickerson accepts the Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award



Tittie Toulouse & Electra City accept GLBT Business of the Year for Queen Fashions



Southern Decadence Grand Marshal XXXIII Regina Adams accepts Transgender of the Year



Rusty Downing accepts Performing Arts Award for the New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus



Marsha Naquin-Delain presents the Marsha Delain Award of Excellence (Drag Ambassador Award) to Tami Tarmac



Mina Hernandez accepts Leather Person of the Year



Bobby Connell & Tim Miller accept Leather Bar of the Year for the Phoenix



GAA's Lisa Beaumann presents Robin Malta with Hair Salon of the Year



Barry Bareass accepts the Cheridon Comedy Award in memory of the late Sonny Cleveland



Bartenders Rusty Downing & Marty Curtin accept Neighborhood of the Year for the Friendly Bar



Cowpokes Lance Pippin accepts Bartender of the Year



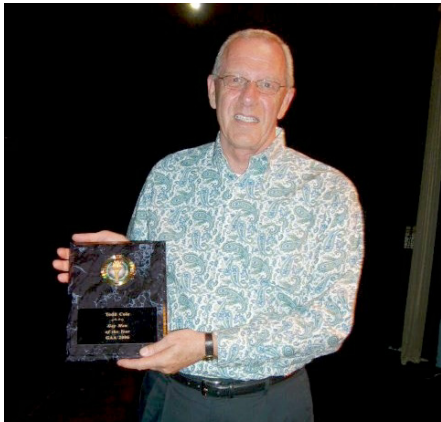
Showgirls' Lisa Beaumann, Vivica Devereaux, Coca & Persana Shoulders join bartender Randi Holmes accepting Dance Bar of the Year for Oz



Mina Hernandez accepts Lesbian of the Year



Madam Adam accepts the Fly Fashion Victim Award in memory of the late Ms. Fly for Starlight By The Park's Jaded Jade



David Boyd accepts Man of the Year for Todd Cole, Lords of Leather President



GAA's Lisa Beaumann presents Bourbon Pub/Parade showgirl Savanna DeLorean with the Fly Fashion Glamour Award in memory of the late Ms. Fly



Showgirl Lisa Beaumann, GM Ted McCrary, showgirl's Persana Shoulders, Coca & Vivica Devereaux accept Show Bar of the Year from GAA's Teryl-Lynn Foxx



19th Gay Appreciation Award Winners/Marigny Theatre Raise \$3,517 for Buzzy's Boys & Girls ~ New Orleans

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Gay Appreciation Awards Gala emcees Teryl-Lynn Foxx & Lisa Beaumann



Special Guests, the Austin Baptist Women



Rikki Redd & Madam Adam represent Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Starlight By The Park



The men of Cowpokes represent Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Cowpokes



Princesse Stephaney, Starr Daniels, Electra City, Tami Tarmac & Tittie Toulouse represent Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Cowpokes



Vivica Devereaux & Lisa Beaumann represent Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Oz



Gay Appreciation Awards Founder Marcy Marcell



Donnie Jay & Klorocks Bleachman represent Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Golden Lantern



The Corner Pocket Boys join Electra City, Lisa Beaumann, Barry Bareass & Tittie Toulouse representing Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalist Corner Pocket



Electra City, Star Daniels, Tami Tarmac & Tittie Toulouse



Top 5 Lesbian of the Year Finalist Red Velour from Phoenix



Top 5 Bartender of the Year Finalist Aletha Bryant from Lafitte's



Miss Gay Pride Elizabeth & partner Steven



Fly Fashion Glamour winner Savanna DeLorean, Boom Boom Laverne, GAA Founder Marcy Marcell & Transgender of the Year Regina Adams



Sandy Phillips & Starlight By The Park bar baron CW Stambaugh



Marsha Delain Award of Excellence winner Tami Tarmac, Marsha Naquin-Delain & Fly Fashion Glamour winner & former Marsha Delain Award of Excellence winner Savanna DeLorean



David & Rhonda Roget



Top 5 Entertainer of the Year Finalists: ABW's O'feelya Faith, Princesse Stephaney & ABW's Widow Modine Murphy & Betty Bea Blessings



The whole family: Nan, Momma Mina & both Leather Person & Lesbian of the Year Mina Hernandez herself



Top 5 Fly Fashion Glamour Award Finalist Tyriq Davenport Kennedy