



Gay Appreciation Awards Board of Directors Teryl-Lynn Foxx, Lisa Beaumann, and Rip & Marsha Naquin-Delain present the prestigious 26th annual Lifetime Achievement Award to Mina Hernandez for her outstanding community service at the 26th GAA Gala. Hosted at Oz in New Orleans, the gala presented 23 awards, most voted on by the readership of **Ambush Mag**, and raised \$3,005 for Buzzy's Boys & Girls. (www.AmbushMag.COM/GAA)



Ginger and Patricia join the festive Razzle Dazzle Christmas in July party hosted at Razzle Dazzle Headquarters in New Orleans.



Jerry Ehlen accepts two 2013 Nappie Awards for Best Mobile Alternative Bar B-Bob's and Best Mobile New Bar Flip Side voted on by **Lagniappe** readers in Mobile, Alabama.



Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XXXIX Venus Santiago and Tami Tarmac accept \$500 towards Kajun's Pub's Gold SD sponsorship at the club's SD Karaoke Gong Show raising \$\$\$ for SD 2013 in New Orleans. The show brought some great performances from SDGM Tami Tarmac, Rikki Redd, Lesbian of the Year Johnny Passion, Reba Douglas, Entertainer of the Year Monique Michaels, and SDGM Venus Santiago. (www.SouthernDecadence.COM)



Nadya Simone celebrates her birthday at Emerald City in Pensacola, Florida. First photo is before Jose Quervo and the second is after Jose Quervo. She had a great night!



Queen and King Petronius LII Larry Anderson and Lee Worrells, and Captain C. Alice present Queen and King Petronius LIII-Elect Theresa Greenhouse and Eunice Evans (center) at the Krewe of Petronius' annual Cocktails & Crowns held at the krewe den in New Orleans. They also announced the 2014 ball theme as "Fill In The _____ Ball." To keep up with the krewe, visit www.KreweOfPetronius.ORG.



Miss Gay Louisiana America 2012 Dextaci congratulates newly crowned Miss Gay Louisiana America 2013 Mercedes Ellis Loreal who entered the pageant as Miss Gay Capital City America at Splash in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Both Loreal and 1st Alternate Delanie Valentine will represent Louisiana at the upcoming Miss Gay America Pageant. (Photo Credit: www.MissGayLouisianaAmerica.INFO)



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never really ends during Decadence) stay at the Phoenix for round two of the Lords of Leather Saturday \$5 Beer Bust from 10pm until 2am at the Phoenix Block Party.

Be sure to stop by to see friends or make new ones, have a cold beverage or two and enjoy the sights as New Orleans and the Lords of Leather celebrate one of their most famous events—Southern Decadence XLII.

Winston's 82nd Surprise Birthday Aug. 17

Winston Gray's big surprise 82nd Birthday Bash is set for Saturday, August 17th at the Home of Southern Decadence, Golden Lantern.

Dinner, which includes a whole suckling pig, begins at 6pm followed by his annual 2nd Line and Drag Show at 8pm. The show is under the direction of Rikki Redd.

In lieu of gifts, please make a donation to Running With Scissors, www.norunningwithscissors.com.

Petronius to Present Vampire Lesbians of Sodom Oct. 24-27

The New Orleans carnival Krewe of Petronius announces plans to produce Charles Busch's *Vampire Lesbians of Sodom* under the direction of Larry W. Anderson for four special Halloween performances, October 24 to 27 at the Café Istanbul Performance Theatre in the Healing Center at 2372 St Claude Ave. in the Marigny.

Each performance will feature an Intermission Contest for the Best Vampire or Zombie costume. Tickets will be \$35, with a \$5 discount or refund to everyone wearing a costume.

Charles Busch's vampire spoof which opened and ran for many seasons beginning in 1984 was for many years the longest-running Off-Broadway non-musical play in theatre history. Written by Busch as a starring vehicle for himself as an established drag queen performer at the time, the play is a spoof of classic movies about vampires and the entertainment industry, with some memorable characters in campy situations over a period spanning over two centuries.

Director Larry Anderson has been actively involved with amateur and community theatre for over forty years, having directed and served as Artistic Director at Theatre Marigny for several years in the 1990s. Tickets to the performance will be available from members of the Krewe of Petronius as well the krewe's website, www.KreweOfPetronius.ORG.

Ghostly Galavant set for Oct. 25-27

Friends of the Cabildo, the support organization for the Louisiana State Museum, will host its 27th annual Ghostly Galavant Fundraiser, October 25th-27th. The three-day event kicks off with a Friday night "Gala" at the Cabildo from 7:30 - 10pm. The Saturday and Sunday Ghostly tours leave from the 1850 House on Historic Jackson Square. The tours will run every half-hour from 10am until 3pm each day.

The Ghostly Galavant weekend begins with the "Gala," a Halloween costume party at the Cabildo on Jackson Square. Guests are encouraged (but not required) to dress up in costume and get in the Halloween spirit! Tickets include food and drink (beer and wine) from restaurants in the French Quarter. Live Entertainment will be provided. Tickets for the "Gala" are \$40 dollars in advance and \$45 dollars at the door.

On Saturday and Sunday, Friends of the Cabildo tour guides will take guests on a haunting and hilarious tour of the French Quarter. Ghosts, such as Louisiana Governor Earl Long, voodoo priestess Marie Laveau and the Baroness Michaela Pontalba, may all be happened upon in French Quarter buildings and courtyards. Tours begin at 10am on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are only \$20 for adults (+21), \$10 for students and children are free.

To purchase your "Gala" or tour tickets, contact the Friends of the Cabildo office at 504.523.3939 or online at www.friendsofthecabildo.org.

ACLU Statement on Arrests of Men in Baton Rouge Parks

According to ACLU, "The East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Department has been persecuting and arresting men in public parks for doing nothing more than what the law permits them to do: have conversations setting up private meetings, in private places outside the park. These conversations are fully protected by the First Amendment. To the extent that they might involve issues of private sexual conduct, that conduct itself is fully protected under *Lawrence v. Texas*, which in 2003 struck down laws banning consensual sex acts among adults.

The Louisiana statute that remains on the books, banning 'crimes against nature,' has been unenforceable against consenting adults for a decade. It is the job of law enforcement to know what is valid law and what is not. The people of Baton Rouge are entitled to a law enforcement system that actually enforces the law. That means protecting people whose conduct is legal - such as adults engaging in conversation about anything they choose in public places. The men who have been arrested should have had the protection, not the persecution, of their law enforcement officials, and Sheriff Hicks must educate his staff on the proper role of law enforcement in a free society.

It is time for these wrongful arrests, and the persecution of these individuals, to stop."

New Orleans Ranked #2 Aspirational City

The Daily Beast named New Orleans the #2 Most Aspirational City in America based on jobs and culture. Cities were ranked based on the health of the economy, quality of life, and demographic factors. New Orleans ranks between Austin at #1 and Houston at #3. Most cities on the list are rich with culture and modest in size, which make them easily enjoyable.

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commentary

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Father of Modern Computers To Be Posthumously Pardoned for Being Gay

Alan Turing, British mathematician and the father of the modern computer, was recently pardoned by the House of Lords for being gay. The bill has yet to be considered by the House of Commons but Parliament observers predict it will pass easily. Turing was convicted in 1952 of "gross indecency with another adult." As an alternative to prison, the British government "chemically castrated" Turing by forcing him to take female hormones. He was also declared mentally ill and subsequently ostracized both socially and professionally. Turing committed suicide two years later.

Turing's outing and conviction was shocking at the time because he had achieved great success as a scientist and war hero. During World War II, Turing worked for the Government Code and Cypher School at Bletchley Park. Drawing on his background in mathematics, Turing was instrumental in breaking Adolph Hitler's Enigma war code. Turing's code-breaking skills helped the Allies defeat the Nazis and probably cut the war short by as much as two years, thus saving untold thousands of lives. In 1945, Turing was awarded the Order of the British Empire by King George VI for his war-time services.

Immediately after the war, Turing developed a design for what he called the ACE, or Automatic Computing Engine. The ACE was never completely built but its design became the cornerstone of the modern era's earliest computers. He then

began developing software for early stored-program computers. Turing also did pioneering work in the field of artificial intelligence. In addition, he also performed groundbreaking work in the field of mathematical biology. Because of his contributions to technology, Turing is widely considered to be the father of computer science as well as the Information Age.

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ness is working," said Michael Hecht, President and CEO of Greater New Orleans, Inc. (GNO, Inc.). "Truly, the 'new' New Orleans offers a combination of business conditions and lifestyle that most other regions can only aspire to."

According to *The Daily Beast* writers

email

Subject: Louisiana Same Sex Marriage Federal Lawsuit

Good Morning,

I am writing you this morning in an effort to shed light for the public on our Same Sex Marriage Case here in Louisiana filed in Federal Court on Tuesday July 16th 2013.

My husband and I were married in Iowa while on vacation last year, we returned to our home in Louisiana to our normal lives living with a legal marriage license from another state that is not recognized here in Louisiana.

After DOMA was struck down, we were still surprised to find out that in reality, because of the Louisiana Constitution and Louisiana Civil Code, not much change had been bestowed upon us.

Questions arose about property, death, taxes, and what would really happen in the

event of one of our demise. We decided to challenge the unconstitutionality of Louisiana civil code and constitution under the Full Faith and Credit Clause of the US Constitution in Federal Court.

While we know this will be a long and drawn out battle. It will take a toll on us emotionally and financially. We have a website up so people can support is by signing up for email updates about the case. There is also a donate button at the top. While we are not soliciting and saying hey give us money, we are giving those an opportunity that can help us an avenue to do so.

If you could help us get the word out and bring this to the public eye to get support for such an important issue, it would be greatly appreciated.

The link below is the link to our page where people can read the complaint, sign up, and donate. http://spiveyesq.com/Robicheaux.html?no_redirect=true

I hope you will share this with your audience and spread the word.

Thanks for your time,
--Derek Penton

Joel Kotkin and Wendell Cox, "Our top two cities reflect the importance of this arbitrage opportunity. Both No. 1, Austin, Texas, and No. 2, New Orleans, are places where people can enjoy the cultural amenities and attitudes of "progressive" blue states but in a distinctly red-state environment of low costs, less regulation, and lower taxes. These places have lured companies and people from more expensive regions, notably California and the Northeast, by being not only culturally rich but also amenable to

building a career, buying a home and, ultimately, raising a family in relative comfort."

To determine rankings, Mr. Kotkin and Mr. Cox evaluated economic growth, per capita income, unemployment, the growth of domestic migration, the movement of college-educated people and the foreign born, the amount of traffic congestion, housing affordability, and crowding.