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The 5th Annual Sponsorship Party brought together a large group of past Easter Grand Marshals (EGMs) to welcome new Grand Marshals Johnny Passion and Deja Deja-Vue' for the first fundraiser of the 16th Gay Easter Parade (GEP) season. Hosted at Cutter's by the bar's Mac McAll, Jimmy Kilgour and Dudley LeBlanc, the event raised a whopping \$8,800 for the parade which benefits NO/AIDS Task Force Food For Friends program. The party was under the direction of GEP Boards Darwin Reed and Steve Patrick.

EGMs included 1st row: I Rip Naquin, XIII Darwin Reed, I Marsha Delain, VII Opal Masters, XI Tittie Toulouse; 2nd row: X Tony Leggio, XVI Johnny Passion, VIII Michael Elias, XIII Rhonda Roget, XII Gary Vandeventer; 3rd row: XIV Starr Daniels, XVI Deja Deja-Vue', IX Safonda Peters, XV Stuart Nettles, IV Electra City, XV Todd Blauvelt.



Easter Grand Marshals XV Todd Blauvelt and Stuart Nettles present Easter Grand Marshals XVI Johnny Passion and Deja Deja-Vue' at the Gay Easter Parade's 5th Annual Sponsorship Party hosted at Cutter's in New Orleans. The afternoon event of camaraderie included complimentary well cocktails, domestic beer and wine for sponsors, as well as a delicious buffet of chicken and sausage jambalaya, salad, and bread provided by Cutter's. Each sponsor also received a complimentary commemorative bunny pin for their generosity. Several auctions raised even more \$\$\$ for Food For Friends. (Photo right by Rip Naquin) (www.GayEasterParade.com)



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Gay Easter Parade's 7th Eggstravaganza under the direction of GEP Board's Opal Masters and Darwin Reed brought in another \$2,619 at GrandPre's for an exciting and unusual evening of entertainment and auctions in New Orleans benefiting Food For Friends. From the opening of "Proud Mary" live by Easter Grand Marshal XVI Johnny Passion, and "Annie Lennox" by Easter Grand Marshal XVI Deja Deja-Vue', to more over the top spots by Bootsie DeVille, Barbara Ella, Nikki Max, and bartender Scott Turberville live as Boy George, the close of Philip Anthony and Lana Luscious doing "Looking For A City" brought the house down with even an encore performance. The Giant Easter Basket auction raised a whopping \$700 from Silver Sponsor Gene Theriot of Gene's Po-Boys. (Photo below by Rip Naquin: Auctioneer Tony Leggio, Bronze Sponsor Jeremy Weinberg, Silver Sponsor Electra City, Eggstravaganza co-host Darwin Reed, Top Bidder Gene Theriot and Tonya)

