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Question & Answer

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12th Gay Easter Parade Presents

9th Spring Fever: Star-Studded Show & Auction

Honoring Easter Grand Marshals XII Elizabeth Bouvier & Gary Vandeventer
(Photos by Larry Graham)

Parade minus expenses benefits Food For Friends

● **Friday, April 8th, 10:30pm**

\$5 Door

*Bunny Basket, Musical Angel Egg,
Plush Bunny Couple, Ashton Drake
Doll & Tapestry-Lace Purse Auctions;
50/50 Raffle; Egg Raffles & Buffet*

*Hosted by Gay Easter Parade's
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the "official" dish

by Rip & Marsha Naquin-Delain
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Gay Easter Parade Sponsorship Kick-Off Party Raises \$4,361; Drag Extravaganza April 2 & Spring Fever April 8 Up Next

The first Gay Easter Parade Sponsorship Kick-Off Party was hosted by Easter Grand Marshals XII Gary Vandeventer and Elizabeth Bouvier at Cutter's in New Orleans bringing in an astounding \$4,361 in a two hour period on March 19. Anyone who became a sponsor at the party received a wrist band for FREE well drinks, domestic beer and wine courtesy of, and through the generosity, of the grand marshals for the duration of the party. Bar Baron Mac McAll along with Jimmy Kilgour and Dudley LeBlanc provided one of the bars famous buffets. The event brought in \$4,000 in sponsorships, \$100 for the Copper/Glass Bunny Auction, \$80 for the Bunny Basket Auction, \$35 for the tapestry lace purse auction, \$86 buffet donations and a \$60 donation.

The 10th Super Star-Studded Drag Extravaganza & Auction is up next under the direction of GEP Board's Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain set for Saturday, April 2nd from 8-10pm with a \$10 door donation at JohnPaul's, 940 Elysian Fields in New Orleans. Five great auctions will be featured at this fundraiser including: Easter Basket worth \$1,000, "Man I Feel Like A Woman" Put Gary Vandeventer in Drag, Faux Faberge' Musical Bouquet Egg, Giant Floral Arrangement, and Pink Brocade Lace Purse. Emceed by GEP Board's Tony Leggio and Opal Masters, this show will feature the talents of EGMs XII Gary Vandeventer and Elizabeth Bouvier, Queen Amon-Ra XLVI Tami Tarmac, Queen Petronius L Bootsie DeVille, Queen Satyricon IX Sadie Sheperd, Lord Consort XXVIII Pat Johnson plus King Cake Queens IX Lisa Beaumann, X Teryl-Lynn Foxx, XIII Raven Kennedy, XIV Princesse Stephaney, and XV Marsha Naquin-Delain.

Next up is the 9th Spring Fever: Star-Studded Show & Live Auction under the direction of GEP Board's Electra City and Tittie Toulouse on Friday, April 8th, 10:30pm, at 4 Seasons, 3229 N. Causeway in Metairie with a \$5 door donation. Here the fab auctions include a Bunny Basket, Faux Faberge' Musical Angel Egg, Plush Bunny Couple, Ashton Drake Doll, and two beautiful Tapestry-Lace Purses, plus a 50/50 raffle, egg raffles and a great buffet courtesy of 4 Seasons. Electra and Tittie will emcee the show which will star Pride Grand Marshal Cathy Fox, Starr Daniels, Southern Decadence Grand Marshal Toby Lefort, Easter Grand Marshal IX Safonda Peters, Johnny Passion, Regina Adams and other special guests.

The remaining fundraisers include:

12th Purple Party Easter Grand Marshals Reception & Auction on Saturday, April 16th, 8-10pm, \$5 donation, at Double Play, 439 Dauphine in New Orleans; and

2nd Bunnies in The Big Easy under the direction of GEP Board's Tony Leggio and Rona Conners on Friday, April 22nd, 7-10pm at Harrah's Masquerade Club



Easter Grand Marshal XII Gary Vandeventer & Elizabeth Bouvier join Bar Baron McAll @ Cutter's raising \$4,361 for 1st GEP Sponsorship Kick-Off Party

in New Orleans. Advance tickets only will be available for this event at \$30 with only 110 tickets to be sold.

The parade minus expenses benefits Food For Friends and \$80,825 has been raised for charity in the past nine years. Please join these fundraising efforts and help support Food For Friends, a vital service of the NO/AIDS Task Force.

The 12th Gay Easter Parade rolls on Easter Sunday, April 24th beginning at 4:30pm on Rampart at St. Ann winding through the French Quarter. Only 8 and 9 person carriages are still available for the parade.

The parade is presented by **Ambush Mag**, LSGRA and Harrah's New Orleans. Parade Entry/Sponsorship forms are available at GayEasterParade.COM.

Parade Sponsors thus far include:

Platinum (\$1,000)-EGM XII Elizabeth Bouvier, John Vignone & Paul Chiriaco/JohnPaul's;

Gold (\$500)-EGM XII Gary Vandeventer & Tim Lott, Rhonda & David Roget, Deja Deja-Vue' & Jim May, Krewe of Amon-Ra, Misael Rubio/Quartermaster, Stuart Nettles & EGM IX Safonda Peters, Lord King & Consort XVIII Ben Bourgeois & Pat Johnson, Michael Ducote/Mona Lisa Restaurant, EGM IV Electra City & EGM XI Tittie Toulouse;

Silver (\$250)-Dwain Hertz - Al Dugas & Gene Theriot, JoAnn Guidos & Lisa Thomas/Kajun's Pub, EGM VII Opal Masters & Darwin Reed, EGM VIII Rona Conners & Bob Boler, King & Queen Petronius L Jimmy deBlanc & Bootsie DeVille, Bebe Scarpinato & Chris Linwood, George Tresch, EGM VIII Michael Elias & Jay Sewell/The Corner Pocket, Darrin - Robbie & 'Lil Debbie, Big Mama/Jerry Miller, Jr.;

Bronze (\$100)-EGM X Tony Leggio, Bruce Orgeron, Dawn Leggio, Starr Daniels & Justin Moffatt, Nina M. Clore, Don Dubay & Rusty Downing, Mark Givens/Givens Graphix, Barbara Ella, Darlene & Harvey Mallory, Randy Chauvin/Designer's Workroom, David Aranda & Daryl Dunaway, Vince & Ron Randazzo/Gallagher, Jay Cooper & Gizelle Bouvier, EGM IX Orlando Aloe/Society Page, Bobby Vallecillo & Andy Ehlers, Anonymous, Michael Albracht, Jill Dolese, Glenn O'Berry & Roger Copenhaver, Craig Nero/Who Dat Coffee Cafe, FourPlay; and

Venue/In Kind-4 Seasons, 700 Club, Billy's, Cutter's, Double Play, JohnPaul's, Michael's On The Park, 42Below Vodka, Martini & Rossi Wines.

The Gay Easter Parade Board of Directors includes: Electra City, Rona Conners, Tony Leggio, Opal Masters, Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain, and Tittie Toulouse.

Past Grand Marshals include EGMs I Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain, II Larry Bagneris and the late Miss Do Moreland, III Timm Holt and Teryl-Lynn Foxx, IV George Simons and Electra City, V Brett Messmer and Princesse

Stephaney, VI James Swire and Lisa Beaumann, VII the late Doc Reed and Opal Masters, VIII Michael Elias and Rona Conners, IX Orlando Aloe and Safonda Peters, X Tony Leggio and Marcy Marcell, and XI Chuck Turner and Tittie Toulouse.

What's New at the 2011 French Quarter Festival

Last year was full of historic moments – the Saints won the Super Bowl, a new Mayor took office, and French Quarter Festival broke records. The 2010 French Quarter Festival surpassed all attendance expectations, with an estimated

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Easter Grand Marshals XII
**Elizabeth Bouvier
& Gary Vandeventer**
(Photo by Larry Graham)

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EGM XII Elizabeth Bouvier, John Vignone & Paul Chiriaco/JohnPaul's

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