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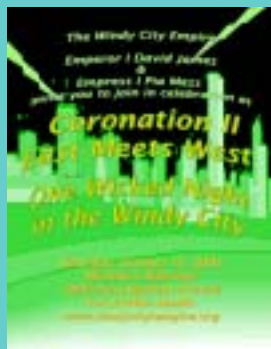
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Baroness II Fabiola

MONARCHS-ELECT ANNOUNCED AT MONARCHS BALL

**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS**

Wednesday
September 7
BOARD MEETING
Nookie's Restaurant
3334 N Halsted
8 p.m.

Saturday
September 17
General Membership
Meeting
Nookie's Restaurant
3334 North Halsted
6 pm



SATURDAY
OCTOBER 15
CORONATION
II
EAST MEETS WEST
ONE WICKED NIGHT



Emperor & Empress-Elect
David Graham & Fabiola the Great

Voting for the election of Monarchs for next year's reign was held on Sunday, August 14th at T's Bar & Restaurant, 5025 North Clark Street, Chicago. Imperial Crown Prince David Graham and Baroness II Fabiola the Great were announced as the Monarchs-Elect following award presentations at the Monarchs Ball that evening following voting.

There reign will begin when they are crowned on Saturday, October 15 at Coronation II—East Meets West—One Wicked Night in the Windy City?

BOARD ELECTIONS TO BE HELD AT SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Nominations for the Board of Directors were held at the August General Membership Meeting. Nine nominations were put in place and election for the new Board will take place at the September Membership meeting with the new Board taking office at the October meeting.

Those members seeking office are:

David James, Richard Clough, Alexandra St James, Remmington VanAllen, Andrew Masterson, Steve Swan, Andy Szwiec, Marc Peurye, and Neil Eaves.

Nominees must obtain a majority of the votes cast to move forward in the election process. Officers for the Board will then be determined by a second vote. Further details on the election process are available in our website at www.windycityempire.org or by contacting the Secretary of the Board.

BOARD ELECTIONS—SEPTEMBER 21ST

Lend Us A Hand, Please!

I'm saving Marlboro Miles and Camel coupons to assist in the collection of raffle prizes for events.

Also, don't forget those pull-tabs from your soda and beer cans for

Ronald McDonald House!

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GREETINGS FELLOW COURTERS! FROM THE MONARCHS

We would like to thank everyone who came out to support ILGRA at the Rodeo. We are in the process of planning Coronation II; our next coronation meeting is scheduled on September 6 at Nookies on Halsted at 8:00 p.m.. This will be an excellent opportunity to come and find out what all is being planned, get updates on events for the weekend, and volunteer to work on the different committee's. We will be needing your assistance to make sure that this weekend comes together and that all of our guests have a wonderful time. If you are interested in volunteering please e-mail Empress 1 Pia Mess at:



ChicagoEmpress1@yahoo.com or call 773-882-7769

The In Town Show is scheduled at Jackhammer on October 8 from 9—midnight , The Out of Town Show will be held on October 14, from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. at Annex 3, followed by the Trolley Tour of Boyztown being put together for us an our guests. Coronation II on October 15, at Michelle's Ballroom 2800 W. Belmont and Victory Brunch on October 16 at Ann Sather's on Belmont in the upstairs Party rooms.

Wanting to let you know of upcoming event being hosted by Empress 1 Pia Mess on September 7, 2005 at Jackhammer from 9 p.m. - Midnight is "Do It Some More" - An Evening of Songs that have at least 2 performers. On September 14 at Jackhammer from 9 p.m. - midnight, our Imperial Crown Princess Alexandra St. James is hosting "A Tribute to Big Daddy" where the songs will be honoring Daddy. This is a spoof off of the Golden Girls and Big Daddy will be Baron 1 Earle Lewis.

Emperor I David James Archer

Empress I Pia Mess Tasse DeBall Trevino Nightmares Turner

CORONATION COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Ball Coordinator Program

Set Design

Construction Set Up / Strike

Centerpieces

Ticket Sales

In Town Show Hospitality

Out of Town Show

Richard Clough
Pia Mess / Andy Szwiec / Steve Nokes
David James / Pia Mess / Felicity St. James
Line members
Line members
Felicity St James
[floral pieces provided by ballroom]
Richard Clough / Steve Nokes / Andy Szwiec
Alexandra St James
Andy Szwiec / College
David Graham

Trolley Tour

Victory Brunch

Victory Party

Audio / Visual

Production Numbers

Silent Auction

Security Advertising / Sales

Douglas St James / Kevin Morris
David James/ Pia Mess
David James / Pia Mess
Monarchs Elect
Steve Swan
Members / Line College / Monarchs
Alexandra St. James
Steve Swan
David James / Pia Mess
Line members



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Yes, but it's not midnight yet. It's getting closer... Before you know it, the ball will be here. The reservations are starting to be made. The trolley stop sponsorships are starting to come in, the payments are going out to our vendors. Your monarchs, board and line are making things happen. Things are starting to pop, but we need help in many places. If you have time to make phone calls, help with the set building, or anything else, don't be afraid to step forward. We have a tiger by the tail here. We have a HOT HOT HOT theme that is very timely and a pin you won't believe until you see it. "Wicked" is getting people excited and, as usual, it's the queer community leading the way. Get your tickets soon. We only have 150 seats and 50 are already reserved by locals.

Richard Clough, Board President

EMPIRE II PLANNING UNDERWAY



Planning is underway for next year's reign with several events already being submitted to the Board for approval. Budget requests have also been sent to all standing committees.

Investiture has been planned for Sunday, November 13 so that all members of the Imperial Family will be inducted prior to upcoming Coronations and the ICS Conference in December.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

We're looking for seamstresses, dancers, hairdressers, and cast members for

Grandma Got Run Over By A Reign Dear!

Please lend your support by contacting

Fabiola at 773-386-1387

or fabiola@windycityempire.org

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MONARCHS BALL

AWARDS PRESENTATION & MONARCHS-ELECT ANNOUNCEMENT



GLHF
CHICAGO GAY AND LESBIAN
HALL OF FAME



Chicago Gay & Lesbian Hall of Fame
Celebrity Auction @ Sidetrack 3349 N Halsted
Tuesday, September 27th Registration begins at 7 p.m.

Coronation II
East Meets West
One Wicked Night in the Windy City
Saturday October 15
Michelle's Ball Room
2800 West Belmont, Chicago
Tickets \$40 available online at www.windycityempire.org

We're on the web
windycityempire.org