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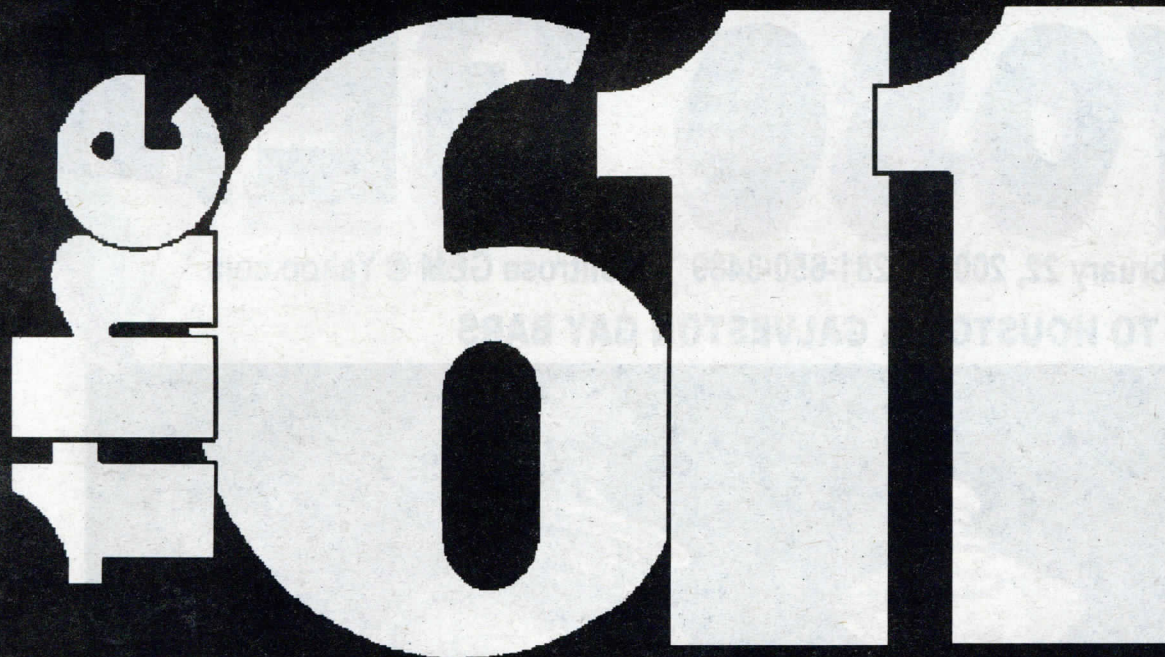
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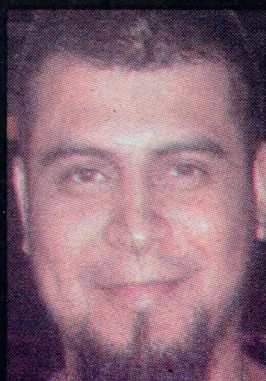
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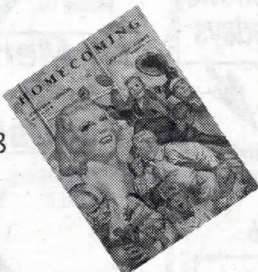
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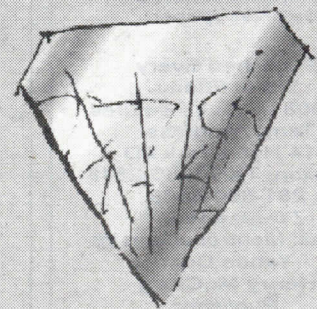
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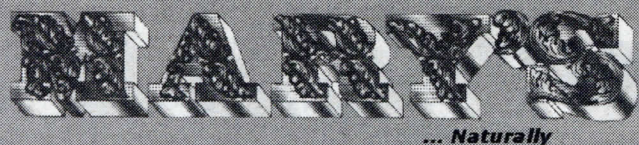
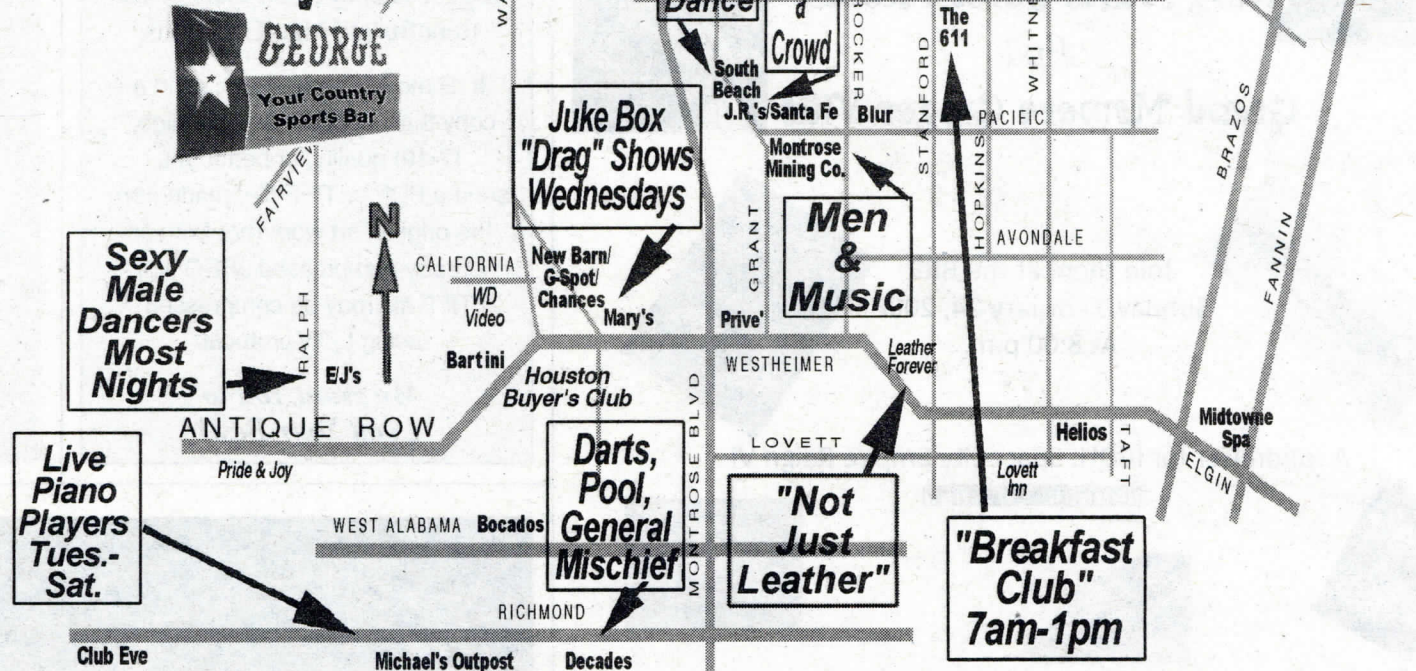
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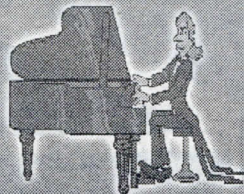
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Thursday 8pm-Midnight
817 West Dallas
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611 Hyde Park Pub
Tuesday 4-8pm
611 Hyde Park
713-526-7070

All Star News and Video Emporium
Thursday 4-8pm
3415 Katy Freeway & Studewood

Brazos River Bottom
Thursday 8pm-Midnight
2400 Brazos
713-528-9192

Club 1415
Thursday 10pm-1am
1415 California
713-522-7066

Club Houston
Tuesday 8pm-Midnight
Wednesday 8pm-Midnight
2205 Fannin
713-659-4998

Cousin's
Thursday 8pm-Midnight
817 Fairview
713-528-9204

Decades
Wednesday 6-10pm
1205 Richmond
713-521-2224

E/J's
Wednesday 10pm-1am
Friday 10pm-1am
2517 Ralph
713-527-9071

EROS 1207 Boutique
Wednesday 3-7pm
7330 Southwest Freeway
713-271-4999

George Sports Bar
Monday 6-10pm
617 Fairview
713-528-8102

In & Out
Thursday 4-8pm
1537 North Shepard
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Mary's, Naturally
Wednesday 4-8pm
1022 Westheimer
713-527-9669

Michael's Outpost
Tuesday 4-8pm
1419 Richmond
713-520-8446

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611 Hyde Park Pub 611 Hyde Park, 713-526-7070. Customers are a wide mix of all types. Open 7am (noon Sun.). One of the more popular bars for happy hour and into the night

Bartini 1318 Westheimer, 713-526-2271. Lots of soul. Shows on Thursdays & Sundays. Dancing nightly. Open 10pm

Blur 710 Pacific. 713-713-529-3447. Nightly dance bar, Sunday Tea Dance, closed Mon. & Tues.

Brazos River Bottom (BRB) 2400 Brazos, 713-528-9192. Cowboys are here. Open every day noon-2am. Dancing at night. Various Sunday shows. \$2.50 drinks all day, all night Fridays

Bocados 1312 W. Alabama, 713-523-5230. Ladies nights on Wednesdays

Chances/G-Spot/New Barn 1100 Westheimer, 713-523-7217. The New Barn is open as this women's club repairs itself from the fire.

Club 1415 1415 California, 713-522-7066. Open for theme parties some nights.

Cousins 817 Fairview, 713-528-9204. All types of customers, from the retired to the young. Drag shows Thurs.-Sun. Open 11am (noon Sun.)

Decades 1205 Richmond Ave., 713-521-2224. A neighborhood bar. Open 11am (noon Sun.). Pool tables, darts, a great jukebox

E/J's 2517 Ralph, 713-527-9071. Open 7am (10am Sun. with breakfast). Male strippers most nights. Frequent shows and benefits

George 617 Fairview, 713-528-8102. Your "Neighborhood Sports Bar." Open 7am (10am Sun. with breakfast) Large morning crowd

Guava Lamp 570 Waugh Dr., 713-524-3359. Open daily 4pm. Happy hour 4-8pm, piano playing sometimes, DJ other times

J.R.'s/Santa Fe 808 Pacific, 713-521-2519. Always a crowd. All types of people but generally younger. Open mid-day

to 2am
Mary's 1022 Westheimer, 713-527-9669. The oldest gay bar in Texas, open 7am (10am Sun.) Good happy hour crowd. Frequent shows and community events on the patio, especially Sundays

Meteor 2.0 2306 Genesee at Fairview. Upscale crowd, open 1pm

Michael's Outpost 1419 Richmond Ave., 713-520-8446. Piano players nightly Tues.-Sat. plus Friday happy hour. Open 3pm (11am Sat., noon Sun.) Host of many community events

Montrose Mining Co. 805 Pacific, 713-529-7488. A butch bar. Lots of cruising. Crowd, mostly men, is of all ages. Draft beer on the patio

The Peacock International 2312 Crocker, 713-523-0026. slogan: "A bar where everyone unites"

Ripcord 715 Fairview, 713-521-2792. Houston's leather bar, open 1pm daily. Man-hunting crowds at night. After hours weekends

South Beach 810 Pacific, 713-521-9123. Major dance club. Get there early to get ahead of the line. Open Wed.-Sun. with after-hours weekends

Tony's Corner Pocket 817

W. Dallas, 713-571-7870. Pool and other games, open noon daily. "How ya doin'?"

Galveston

3rd Coast Beach Bar 3102 Seawall Blvd., (409) 765-6911. Overlooking the Gulf. Frequent shows

Groove 2416 Post Office Blvd., (409) 766-7771. Open evenings

Pink Dolphin 904 Ave. M at Stewart Beach, (409) 621-1808. Patio overlooks the Gulf. Open midday to 2am

Robert's Lafitte 2501 Ave. Q, (409) 765-9092. A down-to-earth bar open 7am (10am Sun.). All ages of people. Drag shows Sat. & Sun. nights. Swimming pool

Other Areas

Southwest Houston

La Academia 5829 S. Gessner, 713-334-5422, dance club

Club 69 6121 Hillcroft, 832-891-2241, Latino.

Club Big Yo 6305 Skyline, 713-953-0268. Women's club open Thurs.-Sun.

Crystal U.S. 59 at Hillcroft, 713-278-2582. Drag shows Wed. & Thurs., dancing Fri. & Sat.

Mona Lisa 6101 Wilcrest at Harwin. Diamond Cut Sisters Thursdays

Toyz 5322 Glenmont, 713-632-2544, 281-451-2094. Open Tuesdays (shows and dancing) and Fridays ("girls night")

North Houston & Spring

Amazonia 11449 I-45 at Aldine Bender, N. Houston, 281-260-9885, 832-244-4354. Latin-flavored dance club with male strippers, impersonators

Northeast Houston

Viviana's 4624 Dacoma, 713-681-4104. Frequent impersonation shows

Other Inner Loop

In-N-Out 1537 N. Shepherd, 713-589-9780. "MetroSocial" open daily 4pm

Beaumont

Copa 304 Orleans, (409) 832-4206. Dancing and shows

Chris' Crockett St. Pub 407 Crockett at Park, (409) 835-4243. Beaumont's general neighborhood, city-wide gay watering hole

Bryan/College Station

Halo Video Bar 121 N. Main, Bryan, (979) 260-2437

Revolution Cafe & Bar 211B. S. Main, Bryan, (979) 823-4044, "gay-friendly," live music nightly

Private

Houston Clubs

Club Houston 2200 Fannin, 713-659-4998. Open 24 hours. Gym, pool, whirlpool, sauna. Private rooms and lockers

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Press Release from Houston GLBT Caucus

Brian Thompson

Candidate for State House of Representatives Texas, District 46 Brian Thompson is seeking to become the LGBT community's "lone star" in the Texas State House of Representatives and would become only the second openly LGBT person to ever serve in the state legislature.

Texas has a long history of conservatism. Time and time again, we have seen the ability openly LGBT legislators have to change the hearts and minds of their colleagues and their ability to change the debate around the lives of the LGBT community. While the current incumbent has a pro-LGBT voting record, she has never championed any pro-LGBT legislation and in a district that defeated the anti-gay marriage amendment with 57% of the vote, it is time that our community has a seat at the table.

Brian will try to unseat the incumbent Dawnna Dukes in the Democratic primary. Dawnna has been supportive of the Republican Speaker of the House and also voted against fully funding the State Children's Health Insurance Program, an unpopular vote in this progressive district. Dawnna's campaign will be funded from far-right Republicans, several which contributed to the anti-gay marriage amendment as well as the Swift Boat ads against John Kerry.

If Brian's breakthrough campaign is successful our community will have representation in 38 of 50 state legislatures in the country (not including the possibility of other successful campaigns in the 2008 election cycle).

Brian has received the endorsements

of several Austin Democratic clubs, including the Capital Area Progressive Democrats, the Capital Area Asian American Democrats, the Texas Environmental Democrats, the South Austin Democrats and the Southwest Austin Democrats.

Brian is an attorney with the Austin law firm, McGinnis, Lochridge & Kilgore. In 2006, he was appointed to the City of Austin Human Rights Commission. As an attorney, Brian contributes pro-bono legal services to the Political Asylum Project of Austin, which is a nonprofit organization that promotes justice and equality by providing free and low-cost legal services and educational opportunities to the poor and underprivileged. Brian also serves as a volunteer for Out Youth, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to support and provide services to LGBT and questioning youth ages 12 to 19.

Brian must financially compete with Dukes to be able to highlight her negatives and increase her vulnerability among the electorate. With no contribution limits, a generous gift today will put Brian one step closer to taking his seat in the Texas State Capitol. info **Andres Pereira**

Candidate for Judge, 190th Civil District Court Andres is answering the call to serve his community and use his extensive legal and public service experience as judge for the people of Harris County, Texas.

Before opening his own firm, Andres worked as an attorney for 12 years with Fleming & Associates, LLP, a nationally known litigation firm. Pereira also clerked for Texas Supreme Court Justice Lloyd Doggett. He is a member of the Texas State Bar, the Texas Trial Lawyers Association and the Houston Trial Lawyers Association.

He serves on the board of Texans Together, a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to increasing civic participation through education

and advocacy.

Andres is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and South Texas College of Law. Andres is a member of the Texas State Bar, the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, and the Houston Trial Lawyers Association. info

Steve Kirkland

Candidate for Judge, 215th Civil District Court Steve Kirkland is currently a openly LGBT appointed official serving as a judge for the city of Houston. He was first appointed in 2001 as an associate municipal judge and has been serving full time since 2002. Kirkland has been an active member of the Houston LGBT community for over 20 years. In addition to his responsibilities as a judge, Kirkland serves as a Vice Chair of the State Bar of Texas's Section on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues.

In the May 2007 Houston Bar Association poll, 73% of the lawyers responding had a favorable view of Steve's Courtroom, and 56 % gave him an outstanding rating for being fair. In December 2006, the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County recognized Steve's work in making our Courts accessible.

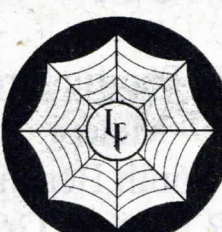
The Coalition named Kirkland their Government Friend of the Homeless Award for developing and implementing Houston's Homeless Recovery Court, the first such Court in the State of Texas. While Kirkland is running for a district court position, he must run county-wide to win this seat. 9 Harris County has over 4 million people and Steve's success in this race will further prove that LGBT candidates can win in "red" states. Kirkland is the front-runner in the Democratic Primary. If he wins the nomination, he will go on to face the Republican Incumbent in the November General Election. Harris County has been trending Democratic in recent years and Steve has an excellent shot at winning this race.

GLBT Caucus Endorsements for Democratic Primary

PRESS RELEASE from Houston GLBT Political Committee

United States Senate Rickhard J (Rick) Noriega
 United States Rep. 10 Dan Grant
 Railroad Commissioner Dale Henry
 Supreme Court Place 7 Sam Houston
 Supreme Court Place 8 Susan Criss
 State Representative 46 Brian Thompson
 State Representative 127 Joe A. Montemayor
 State Representative 129 Sherrie L. Matula
 State Representative 133 Kristi Thibaut
 State Representative 138 Virginia "Ginny" Stogner McDavid
 State Representative 140 Armando Lucio Walle
 State Representative 145 Carol Alvarado
 State Representative 146 Boris Miles
 State Representative 147 Garnet F. Coleman
 State Representative 148 Jessica Christina Farrar
 1st Court of Appeals -Place 5 Leslie C. Taylor
 District Judge, 61st Alfred "Al" Bennett
 District Judge, 80th Tanner Garth
 District Judge, 125th Jim Wrotenbery
 District Judge, 127th R. K. Sandill
 District Judge, 151th Mike Engelhart
 District Judge, 152nd Robert Shaffer
 District Judge, 164th Alexandre Smoots-Hogan
 District Judge, 174th Ruben Guerrero
 District Judge, 176th Shawna L. Reagin
 District Judge, 179th Randy Roll
 District Judge, 190th Andres Pereira
 District Judge, 215th Steven E. Kirkland
 District Judge, 337th Herb Ritchie
 District Judge, 339th Maria "Terri" Jackson
 District Judge, 351st Silvia Pubchara
 Family District Judge, 312th Robert Hinojosa
 District Attorney C. O. "Brad" Bradford
 County Judge David Minberg
 County Attorney Vince Ryan
 District Clerk Loren Jackson
 County Sheriff Adrian Garcia
 County Tax Assessor-Collector Diane Trautman
 County School Trustee, Position 5, At Large Debra "Debby" Kerner
 County Commissioner Precinct 3 Dexter Handy
 Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Place 1 Dale M. Gorcznski
 Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, Place 1 Raymond Stewart
 Justice of the Peace Precinct 6, Place 1 Richard C. Vara
 Constable, Precinct 1 Jack Abercia
 Constable, Precinct 7 May Walker
 Precinct Chair 1 C. Patrick McIlvain

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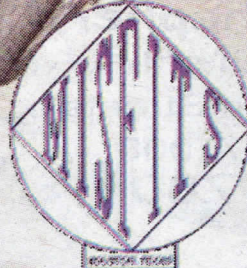
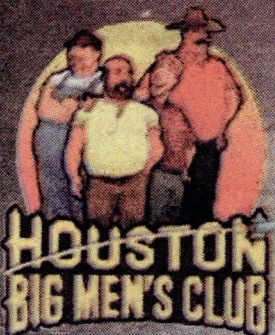
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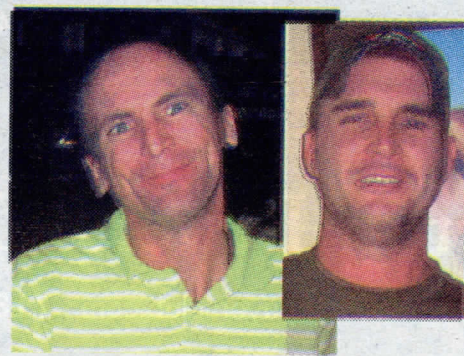
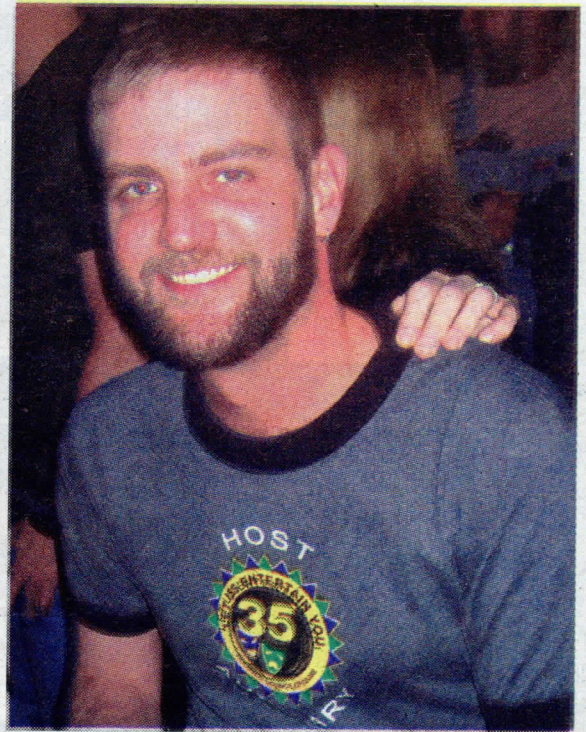
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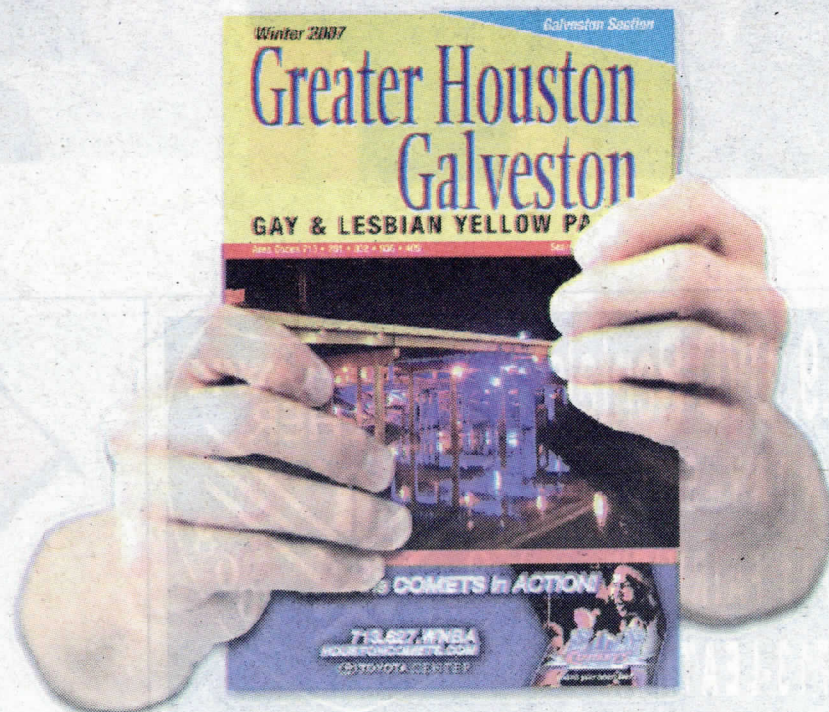
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Restaurant Review
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Thumbs Down at 369 Oriental Bistro

Welcome to your well deserved review of a bad experience.

I've ran into a few people who have given me mediocre, at best, reviews of this place but I thought I'd give it a chance because I'm a giving person. Some of you know this all too well.

I walked in with my guest Abraham. This is a person I was doing my best to impress with our local Asian fare.

We waited eight minutes to be sat and it wasn't because there was any kind of line streaming out the door. The listless lady that came to our rescue asked if we were waiting for a to-go order and after politely telling her that we were there to be seated, she looked completely confused.

I looked around the place and saw that there were only two tables sat at 12:30 p.m., which is normally the time that a restaurant with any pull would be packed. There is a clear reason for this. She came back to us after about five minutes of brainless deliberation? and sat us at a table that had not even been cleaned. There were traces of won-ton gracing our underdressed wobbly table.

I asked if they had a wine selection, but was rudely cut off by the waitress who told me in several dialects that they didn't carry any wines by the glass. Funny, since they are right next to Specs and even though they only carry a beer and wine license, could very well have been able to offer some type of cheap ass chard. No luck on that one. I settled for a Bud Light which was warm and given to me without the offer of a chilled mug. Even after asking for one she was never able to produce.

I ordered the spring rolls as an appetizer and upon their delivery, realized that they must have made them three or four days prior to my arrival. The rice paper was as hard as ... well, I can't go there. I gnawed through with the hopes that I would be saved by the next course. Not so much.

I ordered the hot and sour soup which basically wreaked of MSG and had a bad consistency. Abraham had the won-ton soup and found very quickly that their idea of broth is pretty much equal to salted water. It was purely disgusting.

I thought that the crispy asparagus would brighten our experience, but found that this establishment considers "crispy" to be a soggy, poorly coated vegetable that made me want to shank the chef.

My entree yearned for flavor more than the rest of the meal. I had the shrimp with lobster sauce. This was seriously a big mistake. Aside from the rice being close to crunchy, the shrimp were overcooked and the sauce tasted about as bland as a pair of wet underwear. Actually, I think the underwear would have probably enticed me more.

I told the waitress that we were pretty dissatisfied with our experience and she offered to let me speak to the manager. I waited 10 minutes and wasn't visited by any member of the volatile staff. Surprise, surprise.

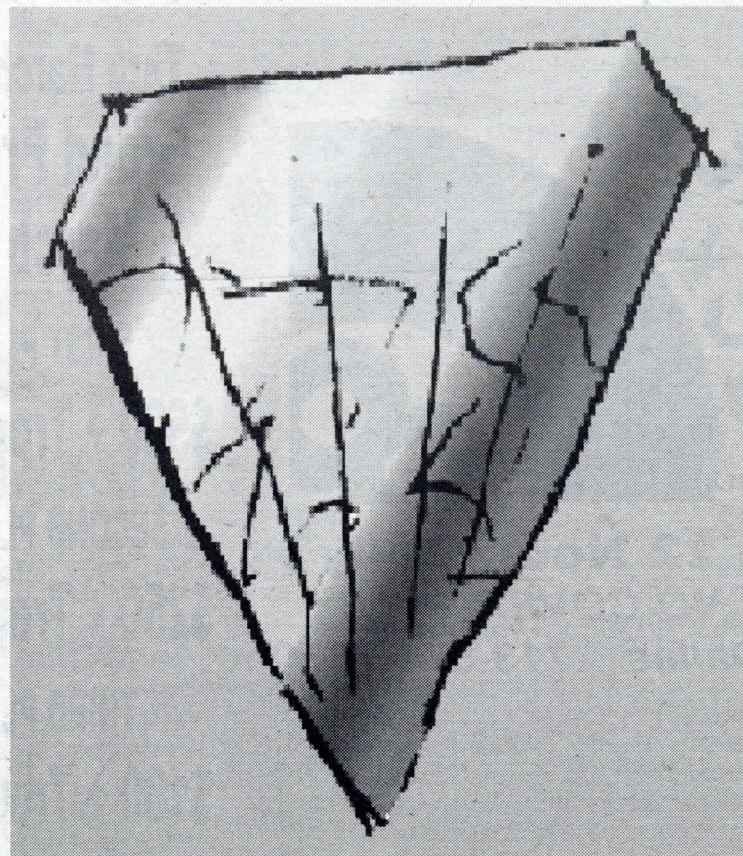
I gave her a \$20 tip because I felt the need to somehow carry her from her misery.

I'm not the type of person who is normally hateful or mean, but I want the best for my readers and if I can save one person from the drudgery which is 369 Oriental Bistro, I will. Do yourself a favor and go to Rice Village and visit Chino. That is a place where you can find some real Chinese food that will keep you from thinking of how sad the service, food, and atmosphere is at 369.

See you in a couple of weeks when I review Saga in Midtown. I'm quite confident that it will shine much brighter than the place that we just left.

369 Oriental Bistro, 1009 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX 77006.

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Texas Ban On Sex Toy Sales Overturned

Ruling on Valentine's weeks of all weeks, a federal appeals court has overturned a statute outlawing sex toy sales in Texas, the Associated Press reports.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the Texas law making it illegal to sell or promote obscene devices, punishable by as many as two years in jail, violated the right to privacy guaranteed by the 14th Amendment, AP reported.

Companies that own Dreamer's and Le Rouge Boutique, which sell the devices in its Austin stores, and the retail distributor Adam & Eve, sued in federal court in Austin in 2004 over the constitutionality of the law. They appealed after a federal judge dismissed the suit and said the Constitution did not protect their right to publicly promote such devices.

The appeals court cited Lawrence and Garner v. Texas, the U.S. Supreme Court's 2003 opinion that struck down bans on consensual sex between same-sex couples.

"Just as in Lawrence, the state here wants to use its laws to enforce a public moral code by restricting private intimate conduct," the appeals judges wrote. "The case is not about public sex. It is not about controlling commerce in sex. It is about controlling what people do in the privacy of their own homes because the state is morally opposed to a certain type of consensual private intimate conduct. This is an insufficient justification after Lawrence," the ruling was quoted.

Phil Harvey, president of Adam & Eve Inc., said the 5th Circuit Court's decision was a big step forward. He said his business plans to expand to sell in stores and at home parties, something company consultants had been fearful of doing, AP reported.

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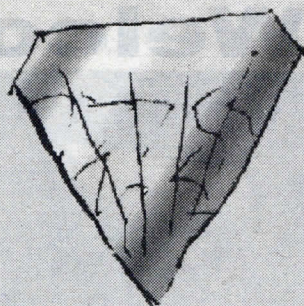
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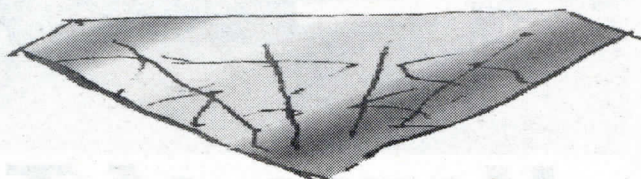
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Here's to Sadie Hawkins

This is a leap year. Were you aware? Friday is Feb. 29th, an extra day on the calendar. In normal times, those of us who are just regular guys sit around and wait for the pretty boys to make an approach. But not on Sadie Hawkins day. It's quite appropriate for you and I to just walk right up to Mr. Right and invite him to a dance (on the dance floor or back in your private abode). Go ahead. The most they can do is slap you.

Bunnies on the Bayou

The Community Center once again thankstheirsteadfastfriendswithBunnies on the Bayou for selecting them as a beneficiary of the annual downtown party, held this year on March 23. Info: www.bunniesonthebayou.org

Softball Season Opener

The Montrose Softball League, another longtime supporter of the Community Center, opens its spring season March 30 at Slo-Pitch City softball park. Info: www.montrose-softballleague.com

Transgender Unity Banquet

Tickets for the 2008 Houston Transgender Unity Banquet, set for April 26, are now being sold. The Transgender Committee, the nonprofit consortium, hosts this annual event, one of the largest single-night transgender events in the nation.

Tickets are \$50 in advance (\$60 at the door) and may be purchased online

through TicketWeb. Info is available at www.htuc. Tickets are also available at the Heights boutique Vanity: A Trans-formation Studio, 1442 Yale, 832-767-3252.

Politics Anyone?

I'm a political junkie but even I am wondering why we Democrats are still trying to decide who our nominee will be. Well, Texas (with Ohio) may just help settle it in a week or so.

On the G.O.P. side, McCain's going to be the nominee but the "conservatives," lead by the windbag Rush Limbaugh, has to make up a fight where none exists. Otherwise, he doesn't exist.

Just what does "not conservative enough" mean? 1) Does not believe global warming is made up by liberals, 2) We don't torture enough at Guantanamo, 3) We need to bomb and invade Iran today, 4) You don't believe strongly enough that the ho-mo-sex-u-als are recruiting your children, 5) Laws must be immediately enacted to protect my domination in my family over my submissive and obedient wife, 6) You are not doing all you can to protect my brain and precious bodily fluids from having to hear those that disagree with me. I don't want to be reminded that I'm dumb.

Black Hawk Thanks Mary's

"I would like to thank the staff at Mary's for returning one of my vests that was taken during my burglary January 29. Great work guys. This is what community work is all about."

From Daddy Bob

Quickies

Tony's has a quite festive Sunday afternoon crowd, which starts off every week with a hearty breakfast.

BRB has, of all things, Bingo on Saturdays at 2:00 p.m. It's just 25 cents a card and that money goes to charity.

Don Gill is back running (slowly)

around the bars. The Brazos River Bottom will host a "Night of Gratitude" to him on Sunday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

One of Mr. Gill's big events over the years has been Night in Black Leather. This year it's at the BRB on Sat., Feb. 23, 7:00 p.m.

Mary's will soon host a weekly Latino Night. We'll have more on this as the date gets set.

Bumper Stickers

I've seen a few Obama bumper stickers on cars in the neighborhood but not a single Hillary sticker. Why is that? Okay, the all-knowing Henry will tell you why. Obama has more money to buy things, like TV ads and bumper stickers.

Well, it's not that simple. Here's the real explanation. In the beginning, God created ... wait, not that explanation.

In the beginning, all the right wing nuts were anti-Hillary. These are the people in America who always rank in the bottom 20% of I.Q. polls. They were anti-Hillary because, in their infinite lack of wisdom and not being able to think for themselves, they followed the GOP talking points as though they were reading God's word.

And we, those of us smart enough to logically form conclusions, had had enough of these nuts and if they were anti-Hillary, we were pro-Hillary. Let's just see if we can make these idiots blow a gasket. It would feel good.

But along came Obama. Much of us switched allegiance to him because we saw that by supporting a black man for the White House, these right wing nuts were really in a bind. They could not outright say they're against Obama because, Heaven forbid, this was a white nation and no non-white should enter the White House except to shine shoes.

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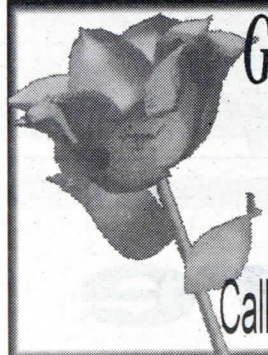
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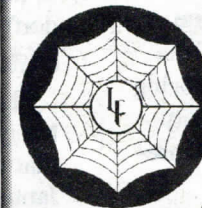
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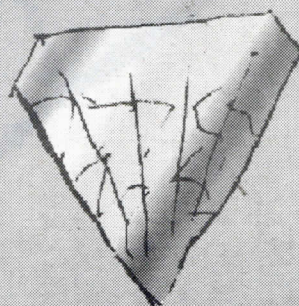
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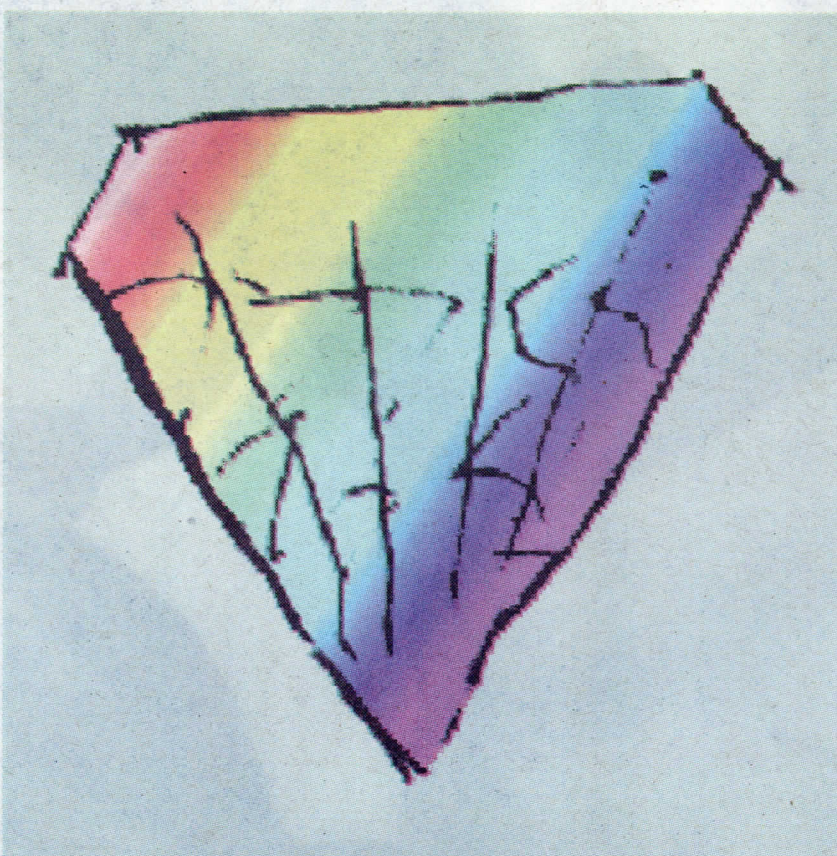


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