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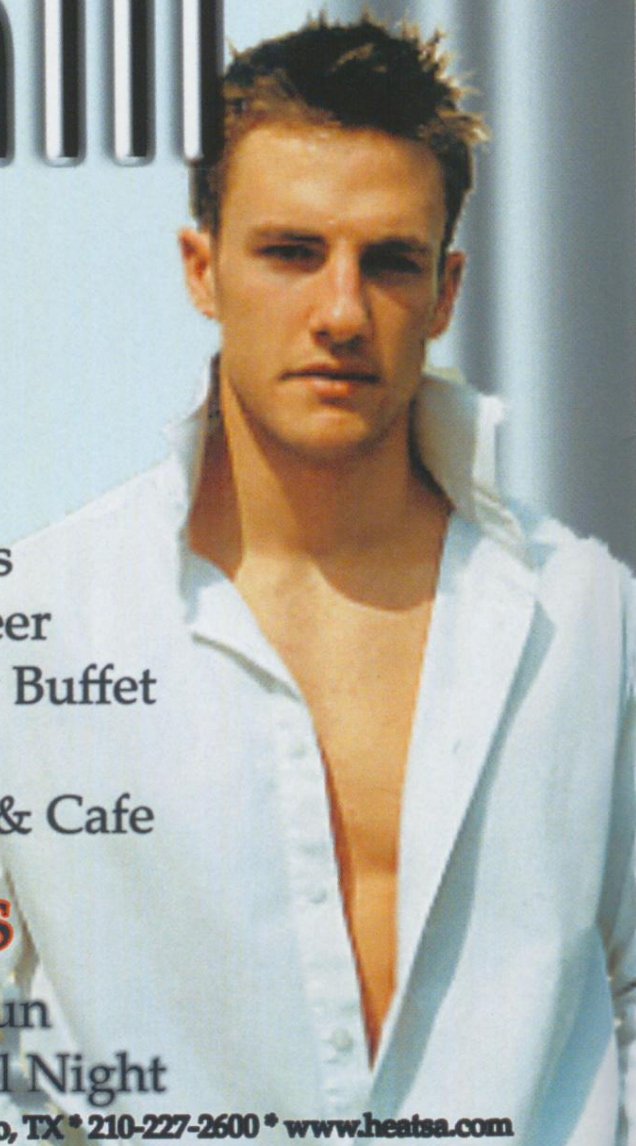
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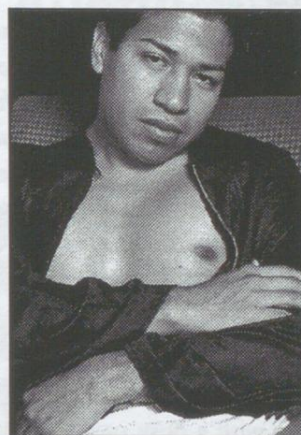
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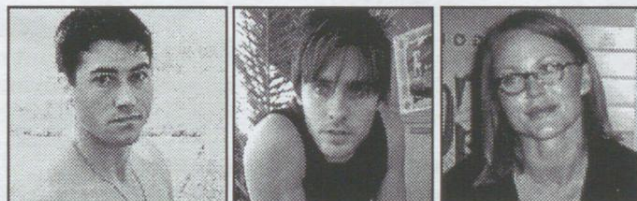
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Dear Helen

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BY HELEN D'SAQUE

Dear Helen:

My roommate has a habit that drives me crazy. No matter where he is - here at home, at a party, a bar, wherever - no cell phone is safe from him. If he sees one unattended, he swoops it up and starts reading the text messages. Even worse, the only thing he likes more than reading the messages is telling people about them. Sometimes, he even sends replies. I don't know what to do with him.

- Jake in Dallas, TX

Dear Jake:

Oh precious, you are living under the same roof with a nosy snoop! I'd keep things locked up around him. The next time you are at a party with him, you and some other accomplices should play a little game with him. Send text messages to each other about him - unflattering ones. Mention weight gain, thinning hair, horrible outfit - things that nobody would want to hear said about them. Then leave your phones unattended to allow him to do his snooping. It may not cure him of his nasty little habit, but I bet he won't be going around gossiping about those text messages. - Helen

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Helen D'Saque is a North Dallas matriarch who - in her own words - "married well, but divorced better." Email your letters and requests for advice to DearHelen@ShoutTexas.com.

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Horoscopes

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BY ALFRED KINGSBURY

GEMINI (5/21 - 6/20): You'll be the life of any social gathering this week. You'll be treated like an A-list VIP, so take advantage of your temporary celebrity status.

CANCER (6/21 - 7/22): This week, you'll feel like the odd man out. Don't worry, it's only temporary; but be careful not to step on any toes during this strange week ahead.

LEO (7/23 - 8/22): Expect a busy week, both in business and pleasure. Make sure to take time to relax and recharge your batteries, because you'll need the extra energy to accomplish all your goals.

VIRGO (8/23 - 9/22): Last week, I told you to face up to your problems and fix them. This week, tie up all the loose ends, and you'll finally be able to consider the case closed.

LIBRA (9/23 - 10/22): Your friends and co-workers will be there for you this week, so don't be afraid to ask for help or advice. If you need someone to cover for you, they will be ready.

SCORPIO (10/23 - 11/21): This will be a capricious week for you, so don't put any plans to paper just yet. Ride out the craziness of this week first, before you make any definite decisions concerning big issues in your life.

SAGITTARIUS (11/22 - 12/21): You really want to accomplish that big goal, but you've been having trouble making a plan and getting started. Don't worry - the path will become clear this week, and you'll be well on your way.

CAPRICORN (12/22 - 1/19): The planets are working in your favor, but you need to be alert to how they are affecting everyone around you. Be on your best behavior in social situations, and you'll still be the belle of the ball by next week.

AQUARIUS (1/20 - 2/19): This is not a week for words. Instead, hold your tongue and think through your options instead of acting on your impulses.

PISCES (2/19 - 3/20): Your nagging questions will finally find answers this week, but just be careful that you ask the correct questions. And don't be surprised if the answers are not always "yes."

ARIES (3/21 - 4/19): Health-related matters will command your attention this week. Take care of yourself, but make sure your remedies do not come at the expense of your emotional and professional well-being.

TAURUS (4/20 - 5/20): A special person will strike a chord with you this week. You might find a new love, or spark a new romantic episode with your current partner. Either way, enjoy the attention.

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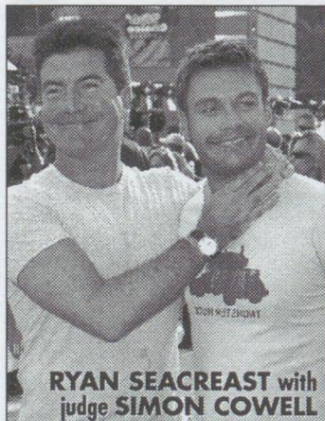
BY BILLY MASTERS

WHILE EVERYONE

was watching the "American Idol" finale, **Billy** was at the Orpheum Theatre in downtown LA with Joan Rivers, who was filming a comedy special for **Bravo**. Actually, three ladies filmed comedy specials this week at the same venue - **Paula Poundstone, Caroline Rhea, and Auntie Joan**.

But unlike the other ladies, La Rivers taped *two* concerts on the same night, and I had a hunch the later show would be somewhat racier. I wasn't disappointed - Rivers was on fire! No target was off limits - including the possibility of setting her grandson up with **Michael Jackson** for a few million bucks! Definitely worth watching when it's on Bravo next fall.

Back at the **Kodak Theatre, Taylor Hicks** became the latest "American Idol". Ho hum. The event wasn't without drama - at



RYAN SEACREST with judge SIMON COWELL

dress rehearsal, **Ryan Seacrest** was standing on a glass table that shattered beneath him. Since he claims to be ten pounds lighter than moi, I have nothing to say - except to mention

that I'm also an inch taller! You'll be either happy or disappointed to learn that Ryan was not injured during the mishap.

Just because **Katharine** didn't win, don't feel bad for her. Many non-AI winners have gone on to have stellar careers. Why, just last week, **William Hung** was crowned *Artichoke King* at the Castroville Artichoke Festival.

Before you scoff, **Marilyn Monroe** was the first *Artichoke Queen* at the 1947 festival.

Something tells me **Mary Wilson** would kill to sing at the Artichoke Festival. But that

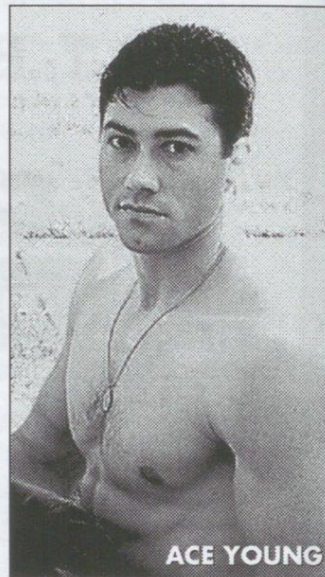
"Is it true that 'Playgirl' offered Ace Young \$100,000 to pose nude?"

JAY LENO TO SIMON COWELL

"Ryan [Seacrest] offered him \$200,000!"

SIMON COWELL TO JAY LENO

WHILE WE DON'T HAVE ANY NUDE SHOTS OF ACE, WE DO HAVE A SHIRTLESS ONE ON DISPLAY AT BILLYMASTERS.COM.

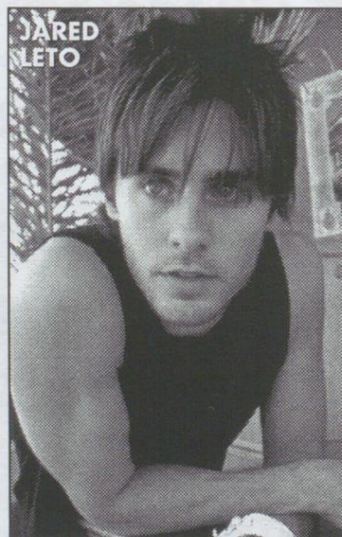


ACE YOUNG

will have to wait.

Last week, the Supreme Lady was admitted to a Las Vegas hospital after complaining of chest pains (which, undoubtedly, were like an itchin' in her heart). However, Miss Wilson did *not* have a heart attack, and she is not having bypass surgery. She does, however, have hereditary high cholesterol and artery blockage. As a result, Mary underwent an angioplasty and plans to return to her busy touring schedule sometime mid-June.

Just as we were putting this column to bed, **Jared Leto** CAME OUT! Yes, in an



JARED LETO

exclusive **AOL Music** Interview, Jared said: "I'll give you an exclusive...I'm gay as a goose." No word if he was pulling our leg, or if the goose community is going to protest the new CD of his band "30 Seconds to Mars". God help him once **PETA** gets wind of this!

Last week, I got the chance to hang out with **Sara and Keren**

of **Bananarama** at **Mickey's** in West Hollywood (where, days later, I hosted an evening with porn legend **Ryan Idol**). I don't know who was more surprised by the capacity audience of young gay men - me or the girls.

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Believe it or not, a record number of autographed copies of the new Bananarama CD *Drama* were sold during the evening. The gals told me that gay men have been the overwhelming majority at every stop on this promotional tour. Sara asked me if there would be an audience if the duo did a concert tour of gay clubs around the US. Honey, if you sing it, they will come!

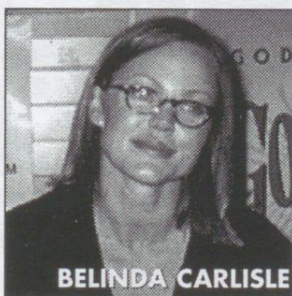
You may know that **Siobhan Fahey**, another original "Banana", retired to marry **Dave Stewart** of **Eurythmics** (they've since divorced). But here's something you may not know - Keren has lived with **Andrew Ridgely** of **Wham** for the past fifteen years.

I've previously referred to singers **Jason** and **deMarco** as a gay Christian pop duo (there's a niche market if ever there was one). The sexy singers have a new CD, *Till The End Of Time*, due out on June 27th. The single "Trying to Get to You" is currently on the Billboard Dance Chart (the remix is by **Tracy Young**, who also remixed **Madonna's** single "Hung Up"). Get more information at www.JasonAndDeMarco.com.

The Go-Go's are celebrating the group's 25th anniversary with a mini-tour, which commenced last week with a live performance on "The Today Show" (if anyone taped it, do let me know).

While the band was in DC, **Belinda Carlisle** visited some of the historical buildings in our capital with her son. Little

Duke Mason may only be fourteen, but he's already taller than his famous mom. I'd be remiss if I didn't mention some solo projects the various Go-Go's are working on. Belinda just recorded an entire album in French (she lives most of the year in France), which will be out this fall. Bassist **Kathy Valentine** just

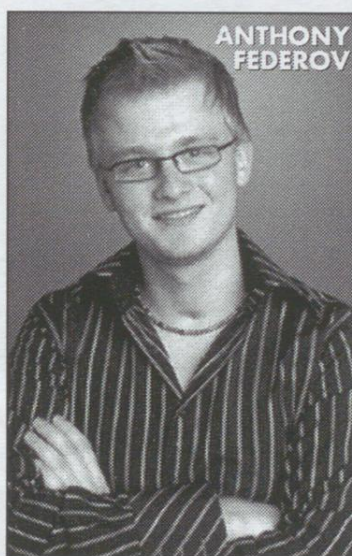


BELINDA CARLISLE

released her first solo CD, *Light Years*. And the irrepressible **Jane Wiedlin** recorded an acoustic rendition of "Our Lips Are Sealed" for a new CD called *80s Hits Stripped*. This compilation will include original artists doing revamped versions of their hits and should be available in stores on May 30th.

ASK BILLY

With Idol fever peaking, I wasn't surprised by this *Ask Billy* question from Reggie in Orlando, FL: "I thought that **Anthony Fedorov** [an Idol contestant last year] had a great voice



ANTHONY FEDEROV

and was so sexy. Lots of previous contestants have acted or recorded. Any chance Anthony will? And do you have any shirtless pictures of him?"

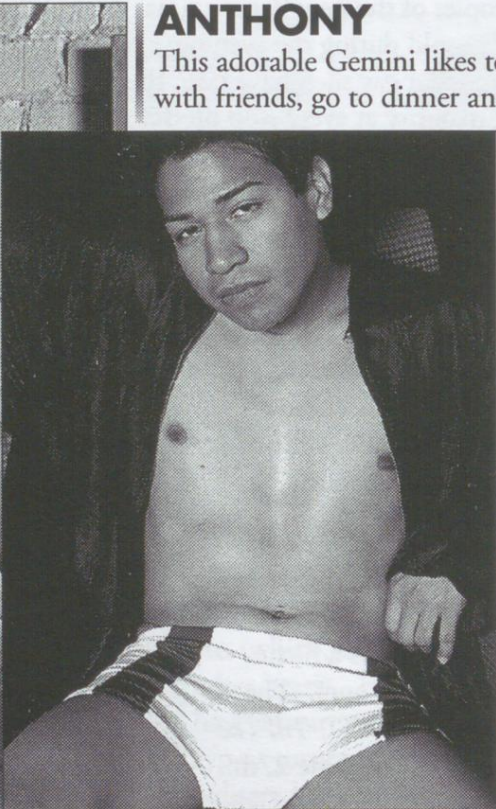
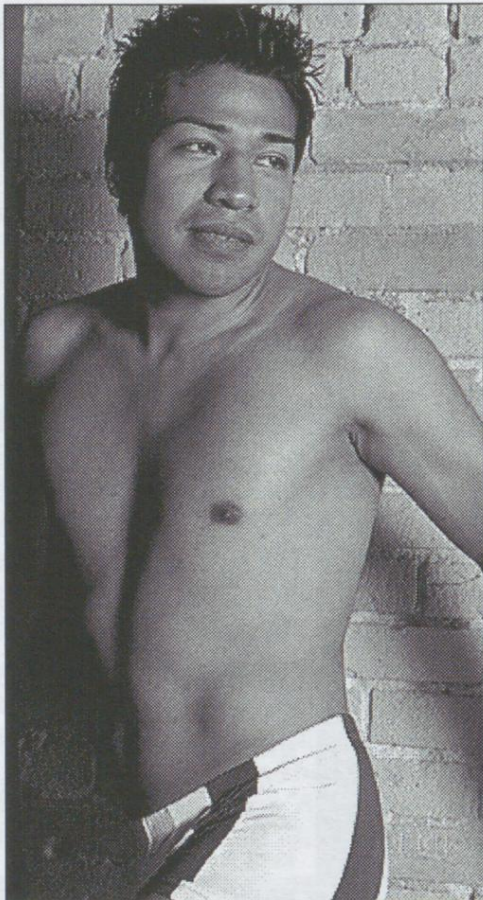
Aside from some appearances on the talk show circuit ("Tyra", "Tony Danza", and "Regis and Kelly"), Fedorov has kept a relatively low profile. There was talk of a record deal, but I don't believe anything came of it. However, last

year, Anthony was on a special reality stars edition of "Fear Factor". During one of his tasks, he did indeed take off his shirt - actually, he stripped down to his shorts to wade through some waist-deep mud - he's also dirty!

When Jared is gay as a goose - and I didn't even know geese were gay - it's definitely time to end yet another column. I have another reason to toot my own horn this week: I've been named one of the *Icons of LA*. I'm not exactly sure what this means - I know two things - I'm in good company with the other *Icons*, and there is no cash involved. Oh, well - the Lord giveth... There's going to be an exhibition of these *Icon* photos at "Sassy" at **iCandy** here in WeHo on the eve of **Pride**, June 9th, and a book will be published. For gossip inquiries - write me at Billy@BillyMasters.com ! Until next time, remember, one man's filth is another man's bible.

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ANTHONY

This adorable Gemini likes to hang out with friends, go to dinner and movies, and hopes to someday be an actor. In the meantime, he works in retail and is still looking for Mr. Right. So if you are outgoing and personable and easy to talk to look for Anthony this weekend during any

of the Texas Pride events and introduce yourself.

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National Country Top 10

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DJ JEFFREY RIGBY Round-Up Saloon, Dallas

1. Get Drunk and Be Somebody - **Toby Keith**
2. Boondocks - **Little Big Town**
3. Who Says You Can't Go Home - **Bon Jovi with Jennifer Nettles**
4. Harper Valley PRA - **Martina McBride**
5. Tequila Makes Her Cloths Fall Off - **Joe Nichols**
6. Livin' in the Fast Lane - **Kenny Chesney**
7. Your Man - **Josh Turner**
8. Seashores of Old Mexico - **George Strait**
9. Not Ready To Make Nice - **Dixie Chicks**
10. Back in Your Arms - **Zona Jones**

DJ ANDREW BOORSTYN New York City's Big Apple Ranch

1. Not Ready To Make Nice - **Dixie Chicks**
2. Like We Never Loved at All - **Faith Hill and Tim McGraw**
3. Crimson and Clover, **Dolly Parton**
4. Nothin' Like the Lonely (Two-Step) - **Patty Loveless**

5. It's Allright - **Trisha Yearwood**
6. Big Hopes - **Ty Herndon**
7. Movin' Train - **Joe Diffie**
8. Ashes by Now - **Lee Ann Womack**
9. If It Hadn't Been for Love - **Darryl Worley**
10. I Will Not Be Denied - **Bonnie Rait**

DJ KEVIN, Charlie's Denver

1. Forever & Always - **Shania Twain**
2. Bring It On Home - **Little Big Town**
3. Your Man - **Josh Turner**
4. Suds In The Bucket - **Sara Evans**
5. Somebody Like You - **Keith Urban**
6. Why - **Jason Aldean**
7. Not Ready To Make Nice - **Dixie Chicks**
8. Pickin' Wildflowers - **Keith Anderson**
9. Two Pintas Coladas - **Garth Brooks**
10. Findin' a Good Man - **Danielle Peck**

DJ MARCUS TOLIVER Charlie's Las Vegas

1. Must be Doing Something Right - **Billy Currington**
2. Your Man - **Josh Turner**
3. When The Stars Go Blue - **Tim McGraw**
4. Get Drunk & Be Somebody - **Toby Keith**

5. Suspicious Minds - **Dwight Yokam**
6. Heartland - **George Strait**
7. Not Ready To Make Nice - **Dixie Chicks**
8. Kerosene - **Miranda Lambert**
9. Who's Says You Can't Go Home - **Bon Jovi and Jennifer Nettles**
10. Better Life - **Keith Urban**

DJ BRYAN SCHULTZ Charlie's Phoenix

1. Your Man - **Josh Turner**
2. You Oughta Know That By Now - **Leanne Womack**
3. Must Be Doin' Somethin' Right - **Billy Currington**
4. A Real Fine Place to Start - **Sara Evans**
5. Why - **Jason Aldean**
6. Awful, Beautiful Life - **Darryl Worley**
7. I Got You - **Craig Morgan**
8. What Hurts the Most - **Rascal Flatts**
9. Lessons Leared - **Carrie Underwood**
10. Somebody Like You - **Keith Urban**

DJs INGU YUN & JOHN HOFFMAN San Francisco's Sundance Saloon/Sundance Association

1. On Again Tonight - **Trent Willmon**
2. I Love My Life - **Jamie O'Neal**
3. Seashores of old Mexico, **George Strait**

4. I'll Take You Back - **Brad Paisley**
5. Head South - **Neal McCoy**
6. The World - **Brad Paisley**
7. Coalmine - **Sara Evans**
8. That's How They Do It In Dixie - **Hank Williams, Jr. with Gretchen Wilson, Big & Rich, & Van Zant**
9. I Don't Want To Say Goodbye - **Teddy Thompson**
10. The Woman in My Life - **Phil Vassar**

DJ RICK, Oil Can Harry's Studio City, CA:

1. Would You Go With Me? - **Josh Turner**
2. Something's Gotta Give - **Leann Rimes**
3. Seashores of old Mexico - **George Strait**
4. Those Were the Days - **Dolly Parton**
5. I Got You - **Craig Morgan**
6. Brokeback Medley - **Rick's Oscar Mix**
7. Favorite State Of Mind - **Josh Gracin**
8. Me and My Gang - **Rascal Flats**
9. Down In Mississippi, **Sugarland**
10. Everbody Knows - **Dixie Chicks** **IN2IT**

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BY ROB FAUBION

Gay Pride celebrations in Austin kick off this weekend with **Project Transitions'** 10th annual Texas Swing party. The honky-tonkin' good time takes place on Friday night, June 2nd, at **Saengerrunde Hall** and **Scholz Beer Garden**, located at 1607 San Jacinto near the **UT** campus. The event features two-step dance lessons, music by **Alvin Crow**, a bar-b-que buffet, an extensive silent auction, and beer and liquor set-ups.

Proceeds benefit Project Transitions, which provides hospice and housing programs for people living with HIV/AIDS. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. For more information, visit

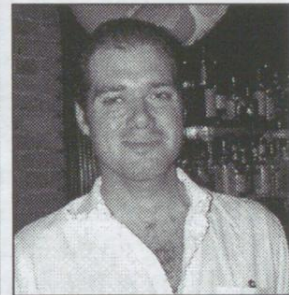
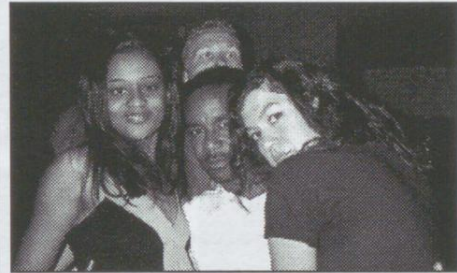
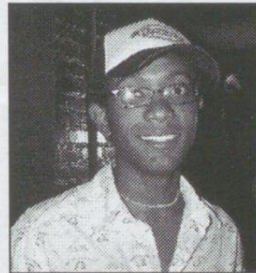
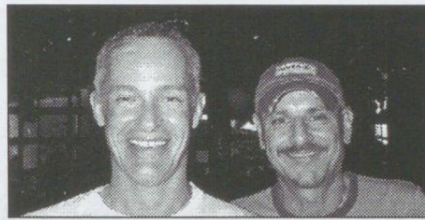
ProjectTransitions.org

The next day, the new Pride Family Picnic invades the **Zilker Park Polo Fields** on Saturday, June 3rd, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Equality Texas** has added this event to the Texas Pride line-up specifically for LGBT families to celebrate Pride as a family. Pack a picnic and enjoy the afternoon, as there is no cost to attend.

Then Saturday night, the 5th Annual **Austin Pride Parade** takes to downtown Austin streets, starting at 8:30 p.m. Grab a good seat along 4th Street in front of the bars. Early birds will be treated to a special pre-parade concert outside **RAIN**, featuring Austin musicians.

With this year's theme "Celebrating Family," the parade features floats, vehicles, and walking groups from more than 70 Central Texas organizations and businesses. The parade stages from the **Texas Department of Transportation** parking lot at Congress and Riverside, heading over the Congress Avenue bridge and into downtown Austin. The procession turns west at 4th Street, passing through the **Warehouse District** before circling

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Republic Park and returning to Congress via 5th Street.

Special guest emcee **Murrah Nobles** returns this year to provide a play-by-play of the entrees as they pass the 4th Street nightclubs. Visit www.AustinPrideParade.org for more information.

Immediately following the parade, the **Austin Gay and Lesbian International Film Festival** will present a special sing-along screening of the 2001 film favorite *Hedwig & The Angry Inch* at the **Alamo Drafthouse Downtown**, 409 Colorado. Seating begins around 11:15 p.m., show begins at midnight.

Patrons receive free Gummi Bears and a mini-tambourine to use during the show. There will also be a "Best Wig" contest before the show, with the winner walking away with a real piece of the Berlin Wall. Tickets are \$10 for aGLIFF members and \$12 for general seating. For more information, visit www.aGLIFF.org.

Then on Sunday morning, Equality Texas hosts the Pride Sunrise Brunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at **Whole Foods Market Plaza**, 6th and Lamar Street.

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BY CHINA BLUE

Dallas was host to the crowning of the new *Miss Gay USofA* this past weekend. Congratulations to winner **Alyssa Edwards**, and **Asia O'Hara**, the first alternate – and two of Dallas' own.

This week, **Woody's** presents Show Tunes Tuesdays with **Charity Case** at 10 p.m. Stop by early for **Michael's** 8-Ball Pool Tournament at 8:30 p.m. And you can catch Charity on Wednesdays as well, performing with a special guest.

As always, the Caven clubs will be Cruisin' the Crossroads on Friday and Saturday nights. Start at **JR's**, from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. with \$1.75 well drinks. The party then moves every 30 minutes. Next Stop, **Sue Ellen's**, **The Mining Company**, and finally **S4**. While at S4, stop by the **Rose Room** and enjoy some of Dallas' best entertainers.

Coming up on Friday, June 9th, the Queer as Folk Babylon Tour returns to S4. The show features world-renowned music artist **Roland Belmares**, with performances and décor by **RKM**. The show is 21 year of age and up only, and doors open at 9 p.m. A limited number of advance tickets are available for \$10 at S4, or take your chances that night and pay \$15.

As always, Sue Ellen's is the best place to hear live music on the street at Cedar Springs. The patio is always packed, and the music is always great. Go see **Kathy Corbin** and **Ciao Bella** on the outdoor stage.

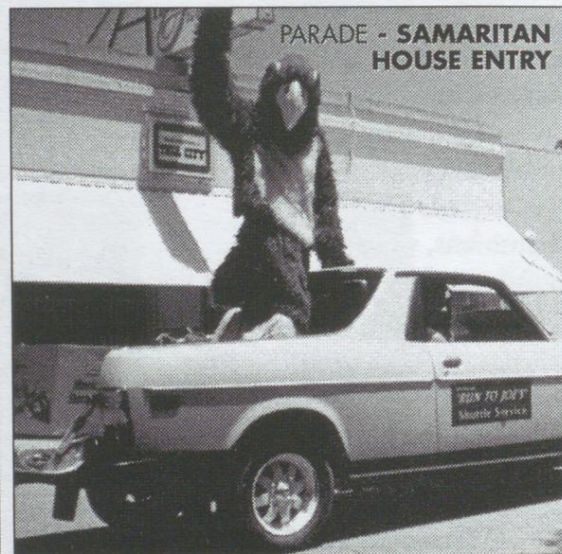
The Metro Ball will be at TMC Saturday June 10th, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Advance tickets are \$20 and proceeds benefit the Greg Dollgener Memorial AIDS Fund. Your ticket also enters you in a drawing to win a 32" HDTV-ready LCD TV. You can also be a sponsor and enjoy exclusive VIP privileges; check out www.gdmf.org for all the different VIP levels and advance tickets.

The **Round-up Saloon** will play host to the Switch Hitter's Ball on Sunday, June 4th, starting at 7 p.m. Some of your favorite softball teams will compete in groups to win

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the title. On Saturday, help support **Randy Bilbry**, Mr. *TGRA* candidate, by stopping by his car wash fundraiser in the parking lot from 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

New this week at **Mickey's** - and every Tuesday night - experience Broadway and More, starring **Wayne Smith**. Join in the Broadway musical sing-a-longs, and also receive a chance to win concert and musical tickets, CDs and DVDs.

Until next week, have a fun and very fabulous weekend!

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BY VICTORIA DEL RIO

Buenas, muchachas! Well, this may be old news, but there's been a change in the lineup at **Bonham Exchange**, and **Neicy's** now the one in charge as general manager. According to Rumor Central, **Eva's** gone and owner **Kenny** has plans to move the club more toward being a gay men's disco, so look for some changes to be coming down the pike over there. Good luck to our friend Eva, and we wish her great success in whatever she chooses to do.

Tonight's the Annual Studmuffin Show at **2015 Place** at 9 p.m. Join the **Alamo Empire** in deciding who's a stud, a muffin, or a studmuffin! Remember, all proceeds go to local charities, so bring money and be generous!

Speaking of the Alamo Empire, it's time to buy your tickets for this year's Coronation XV, happening July 1st. Go to the Empire's website at www.AlamoEmpire.org for more information; sounds like a huge time will be had by all.

HEAT has a great lineup this weekend. Today, you should go by the club and enjoy their happy hour from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., with \$1.75 well drinks and a complimentary buffet created by **Madhatters Tea Room**. And there's a great atmosphere in Chill Lounge, with darts and pool – and the ever-handsome man of my dreams **KC** behind the bar. Too bad I have to drive to Houston...

Also tonight is 80s night, with no cover until 11 p.m. and \$1.75 well drinks all night. Tomorrow, there's no cover until 11 p.m., \$1.75 well drinks and domestic beer until 11 p.m. On Sunday, HEAT has San Antonio's Super Sunday Show hosted by **Shady Lady** plus no cover until 10 p.m. Weekday hint: check out Hot **Tristan** on Tuesdays at happy hour - you won't be sorry!

At the **Bonham**, this weekend features the *Miss Gay Pride Universe 2006 Pageant*, on Saturday night at 10:30 p.m. The show is presented by the Bonham and **S.A.S. Productions**, and will also feature the current reigning *Miss Gay Pride 2005 Sasha Taylor*. So come ready to be dazzled by fabulous costumes and fabulous entertainment. Don't forget Sunday night's "The Pussycat
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Lounge," with up-and-coming comedians performing for your humorous pleasure.

Since it's June, it's time to celebrate **Gay Pride**. Be sure to enjoy the first annual Pride Idol competition starting next week at **The Saint**, with several preliminary competitions at different clubs leading up to the grand finale. I hope this event does well, because I think it's a great addition to the Pride celebration.

Also, the Annual **PrideFest** celebration this year will be held at **Hemisfair Park** on the 17th, starting at 3 p.m. And don't miss the **Gay Pride SA Celebration** held on the Main Avenue drag on 4th of July weekend. There'll be a night parade, so bring all your light sticks and plan to have a great time.

Well, our email box remains empty, so I guess there's no gossip worth printing this week. Obviously, this city has more drama than **Oprah, Montel, and Jerry Springer** together, but we're just not telling it.

Got a story you think we should all know about? Does someone need to be read in black and white? **Vickie** needs to know, little pumpkins, or she can't exaggerate it and spread it all over Texas. Send your whispers to VickieDelRio@yahoo.com, and let the world know about that secret you promised not to tell - it'll be just between us. Have a great week and show your PRIDE!

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Well, I wish I had a **Jorge** update, but not this week. Friday was a mess - my car was acting up and I was hotter than Hades since the air conditioner doesn't work - but what was even hotter was the young man who consented to assist me with the magazine deliveries. If you were one of the lucky ones that saw him Friday evening, you'll know exactly what I mean.

Chris is 18 years old, and physically perfect in every way. He wants to help make the deliveries again this week, so keep your eyes peeled for the cute young Latin, dressed like a thug, and popping in to your favorite bar to drop off the new issues of **IN2IT**.

Fortunately, I missed all the rain - this time. My first trip to Houston was in 1978, and it rained like Noah's flood. I visited all the Westheimer clubs, such as **Numbers**, **The Phoenix**, **Midnight Sun**, something about chickens, and **Mary's**, naturally.

Jeez, was that a shock! I was dressed in my finest disco attire - raw silk and linen, all ecru - and was talked into going to **Mary's** by someone I met on the street. Back then, there was a motorcycle over the pool table and you peed in a bathtub, usually with someone in it. Until then, I had never even heard of fisting or watersports.

I was not dressed for the occasion, but if this happens to you, you can get all the leather you need by visiting Houston's premiere leather and fetish shop, **Black Hawk Leather**, on Fairview. They've got some great stuff there. I'm especially impressed with their selection of rubber and neoprene goods. You know, whoever invented the neoprene cockring should be awarded the Nobel Prize - comfort and good looks in a neat, inexpensive package.

A little flooding doesn't dampen Houston's spirits, however. Although Westheimer was about three feet underwater, and there was no electricity, everyone brought out the candles, iced down the beer, and we partied by candlelight.

Well, wistful memories of urinals aside, I suppose I should mention some of what is going on this week in Houston. I just got off the phone with **Christian**, that handsome,

tall, Swedish-looking manager at **EJ's**. I spent a little time there recently, and this is a great spot. Owner **Ed** has really created a country club-like atmosphere with some of Houston's hottest guys and greatest ambience.

And I met a nice man there. His name is **Troy**, but he hasn't called me. The big news at **EJ's** is not about **EJ's**, believe it or not. The guys are bustin' hump getting their new club ready for its debut, and this one is called **In and Out**. Look for it to open in about a week.

Something else exciting that I haven't attended - but will, very soon - is Thursday's at **Meteor**. They've got New World Diva **Hedda Lane**, an Austin vocalist with extraordinary talents, according to reports. Shows start at 10 p.m..

Tonight at **South Beach**, it's dance time with resident **DJ Tucker**, and free cover from 10:30 to 11 p.m. Also, experience their drink specials from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. with afterhours until 5 a.m.

Tonight at **Rich's** is Fusion, and tonight at **Club Inergy/Amnesia**, it's the Friday Night Party with **DJ Cool Raul**, and a show featuring **Melissa Clinton** at midnight. Sounds like a fun time.

Also, I mentioned **Jeffries Bar** last week, and according to their website, it looks like the dance floor is open this week, and tonight is blur's first Friday night! No cover, and drink specials all night.

Saturdays are a blast in Houston, and tomorrow night will be no exception. A few examples include **DJ Mike Snow** at the aforementioned blur inside **Jeffries**, and **South Beach** has Circuit Saturdays, with resident **DJ Jimmy Skinner**. At **Rich's**, it's Guy Candy with **DJ Elliott DeHoyos**.

Sleeper event of the week: This Sunday, June 4th at 7 p.m., **Miss Stella Link Seville** presents the *Miss/Mr./Ms. Gay Pride Pageant* - Houston, which is the original Gay Pride Pageant, at **Keys West** to benefit **ERSICSS**.

Up next week: hopefully a **Jorge** update, and I'll tell you more about **Chris** and our adventures in Houston. Send your news and information, along with any gossip and rumors, to virtualdon@yahoo.com.

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Bar & Club Directory

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Austin Area

AREA CODE 512

A **Bout Time:** 9601 IH-35 North; 832-5339, BoutTimeAustin.com

B **Charlie's Austin:** 1301 Lavaca; 474-6481, CharliesAustin.com

C **Chain Drive:** 504 Willow St; Chain-Drive.com.com

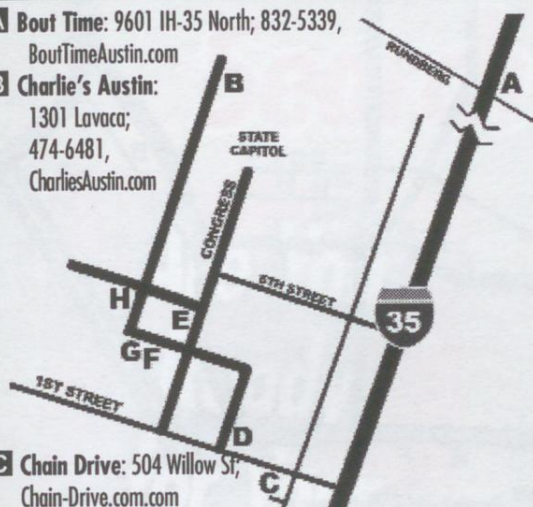
C **The Cockpit Club:** 113 San Jacinto; 457-8010, CockpitAustin.com

D **Fabric:** 101 West 5th Street

E **Oilcan Harry's:** 211 W 4th Street; 320-8823, OilcanHarrys.com

F **Rain:** 217-B West 4th Street; 494-1150, www.RainOn4th.com

G **Rainbow Cattle:** 472-5288, 305 W 5th St; RainbowCattleCo.com



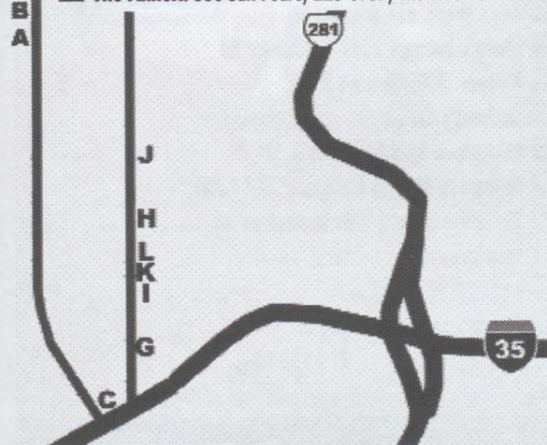
San Antonio

AREA CODE 210

A **2015 Place:** 2015 San Pedro; 733-3365, 2015Place.com

B **Alternatives -** 2211 San Pedro; 737-9191

C **The Annex:** 330 San Pedro; 223-6957, TheAnnex-SATX.com



D **The Boss -** 1006 VFW Blvd (210) 534-6600

E **Bermuda Triangle -** 119 El Mio; (210) 342-2276

F **The Bonham Exchange -** 271-3811, 411 Bonham St; www.BonhamExchange.com

G **Essences:** 1010 N Main; 226-2300

H **HEAT -** 1500 North Main; (210) 227-2600

I **Pegasus -** 1402 N Main; (210) 299-4222, Pegasus-SA.net

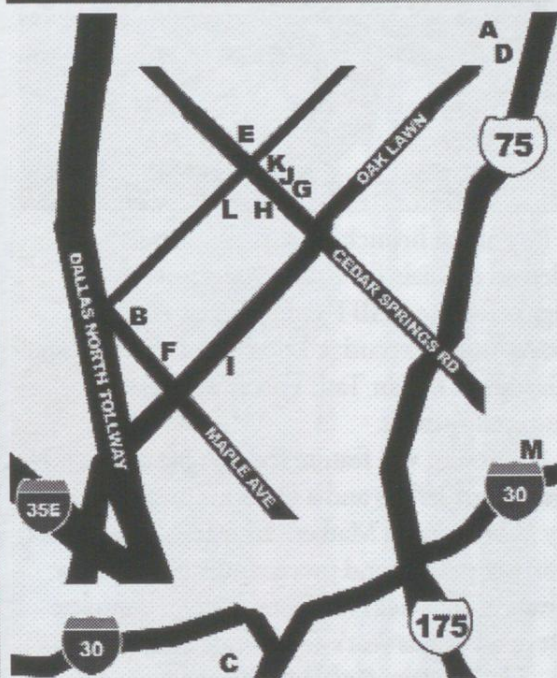
J **Petticoat Junction -** 1818 N Main; (210) 732-0333, www.PetticoatJunctionNightclub.com

K **Silver Dollar Saloon -** 1418 North Main; (210) 227-2623

L **The Saint -** 1430 North Main; 225-7330, TheSaint-SaTx.com

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Dallas Area



A **Bill's Hideaway:** 4144 Buena Vista St

B **Buddies II:** 4025 Maple Ave

C **Cosmo Rouge Bistro & Lounge:** 407 N. Bishop Street

D **Crews Inn:** 3215 N Fitzhugh Ave

E **Dallas Woody's Sports & Video Bar:** 4011 Cedar Springs Rd

F **Grapevine Bar:** 3902 Maple Ave

G **JR's Bar & Grill:** 3923 Cedar Springs Rd

H **Round-Up Saloon:** 3912 Cedar Springs Rd

I **Side 2:** 2615 Oak Lawn Ave Ste 101

J **Station 4 & Rose Room:** 3911 Cedar Springs Rd

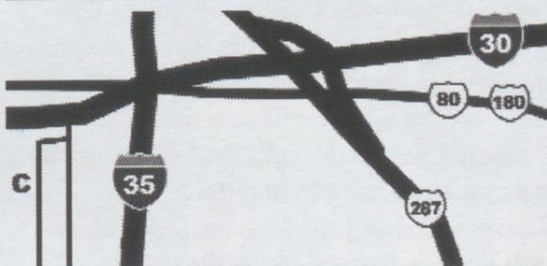
K **Sue Ellen's:** 3903 Cedar Springs Rd

L **Throckmorton Mining Co:** 3014 Throckmorton St

M **Trestle:** 410 S Haskell Ave

Fort Worth

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A **Best Friends Club:** 2620 E. Lancaster Ave, 534-2280; BestFriendsClub.net

B **Changes -** 2637 East Lancaster Avenue; 413-2332

C **The Stampede -** 621 Hemphill St; 335-0196

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The annual brunch honors supporters and elected officials for their support of equal rights for the LGBT community. **Matt Foreman**, Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, will be the featured speaker.

The event will feature champagne cocktails by **Barefoot Wine** and a delicious meal catered by Whole Foods Market. Individual tickets are \$50 per person, and proceeds benefit Equality Texas. Visit www.PrideTexas.org for a complete list of all of this year's Texas Pride events.

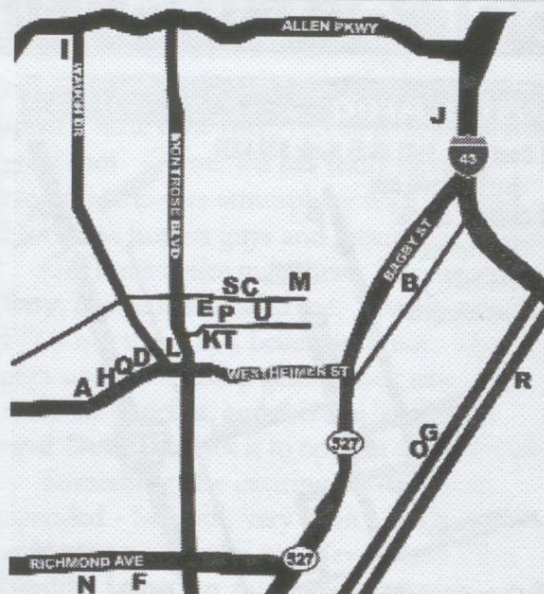
The **Austin Babtist Women** are also getting the Pride spirit, teaming with the **Heart of Texas Bears** (HOT Bears) and the Austin chapter of the **Texas Gay Rodeo Association** (TGRA) to present "A CommUNITY of PRIDE" Celebration on Sunday, June 4th, a **The Cockpit Bar**, located in downtown Austin at 113 San Jacinto. The event will feature the HOT Bears Beer Bust and TGRA Cook-out, both starting at 6 p.m.

Then at 8:30 p.m., a big show takes the stage, with amazing entertainment from the Austin Babtist Women, TGRA Royalty Candidates **Celicity Cash** and **Randy Edlin**, special guests **Carmelita Brazil** and **Crawline deGutta**, cabaret performer **Victoria Weston** of Dallas, and other talented guests. All proceeds from this celebration and show benefit Project Transitions. For more info, visit www.BabtistWomen.com

Finally, the spring volleyball tournaments at **Bout Time** are winding down, with final playoffs scheduled for June 7th, 11th and 18th. **Office Depot** and **Miller Beer** are sponsoring the playoffs this year, with a big party planned for the June 18th final night. For more information, call the North Austin nightclub at (512) 832-5339.

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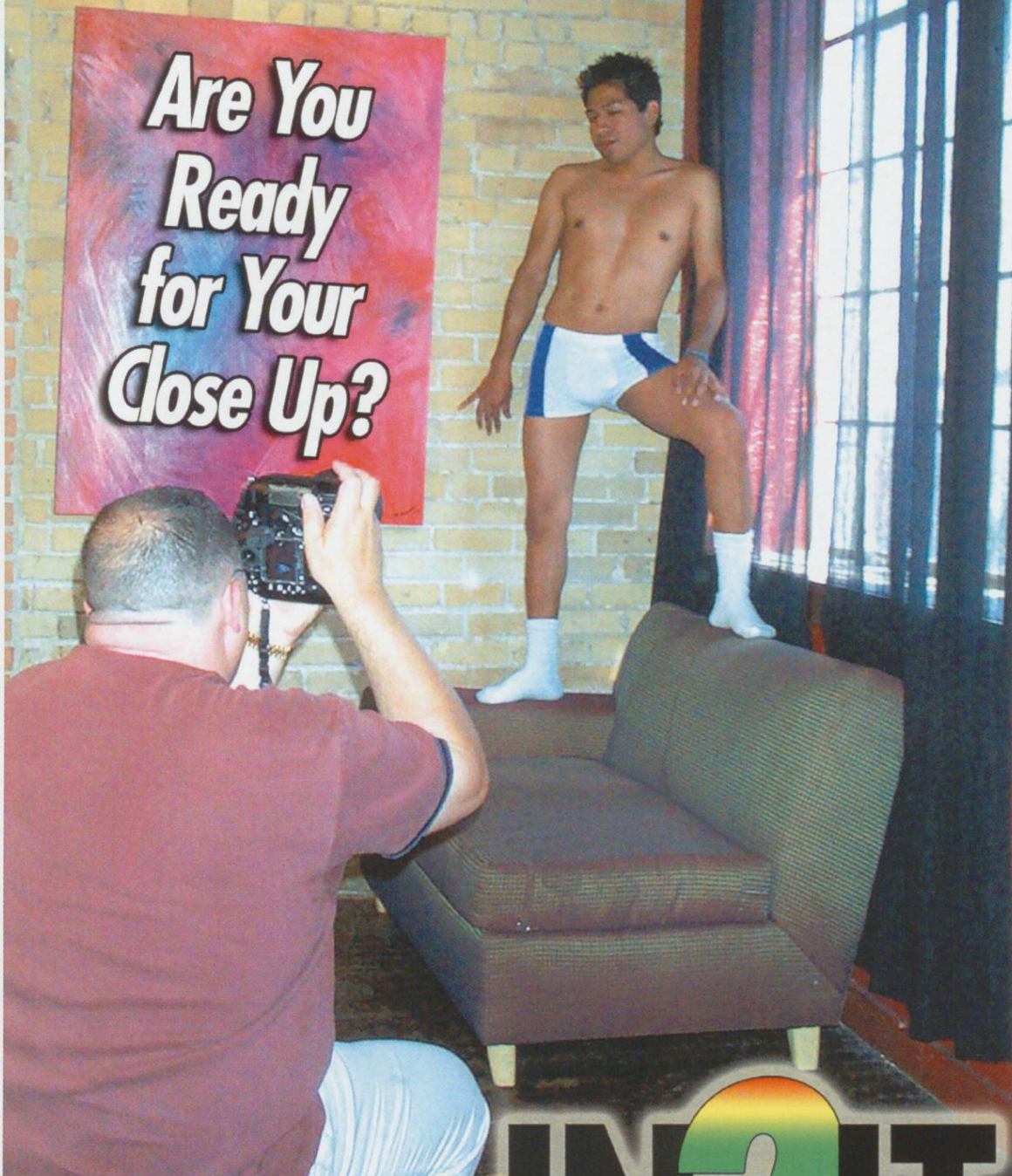
- A** Bartini: 1318 Westheimer Rd
- B** Brazos River Bottom Club: 2400 Brazos St
- C** Bricks II: 617 Fairview St
- D** Chances Bar: 1100 Westheimer Rd
- E** Cousin's: 817 Fairview St
- F** Decades: 1205 Richmond Ave
- G** EJ's Bar: 2517 Ralph St
- H** G-Spot: 1100 Westheimer
- I** Guava Lamp: 570 Waugh
- J** JR's: 808 Pacific St
- K** Keys West: 817 W Dallas St
- L** Mary's Lounge: 1022 Westheimer Rd
- M** Meteor: 2306 Genesee St
- N** Michael's Outpost: 1419 Richmond Ave
- O** Midtowne Spa: 3100 Fannin St
- P** Montrose Mining Company: 807 Pacific St
- Q** The New Barn: 1100B Westheimer Rd
- R** Rich's: 2401 San Jacinto St
- S** Ripcord: 715 Fairview St
- T** South Beach: 810 Pacific St
- U** 611: 611 Hyde Park, 713-526-7070

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