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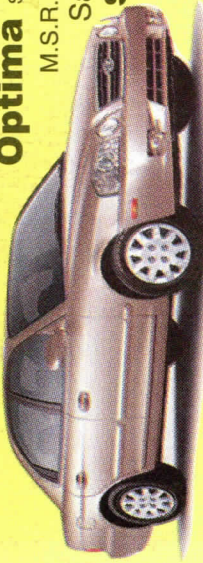
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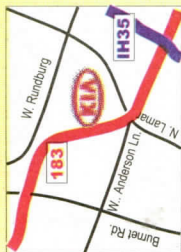
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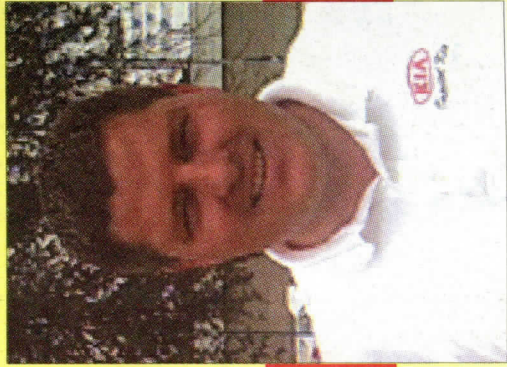
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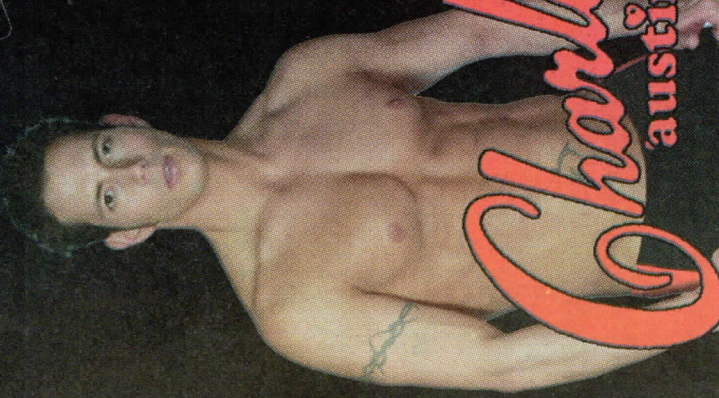
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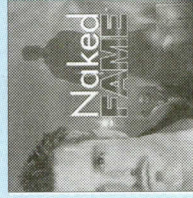
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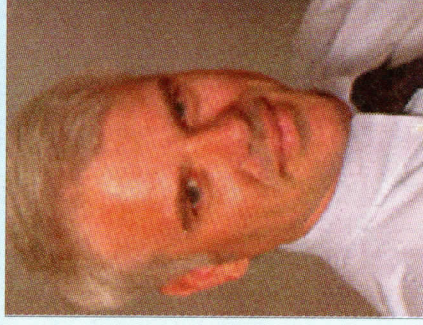
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A Time to Be Proud

June is traditionally Gay Pride Month throughout Texas, with most of the major cities in the Lone Star State celebrating with festivals, parades, and special events. Both Austin and Fort Worth will host two full weeks of activities beginning June 3rd.

With all the political and religious attacks on gays and lesbians lately, it's especially important for us to celebrate the diversity and rich culture that Texas gays and lesbians bring to the state. It would be a very boring - and economically devastated - society if all the Texan gays and lesbians suddenly ceded.

Most days during the past few months, that's exactly what I've been thinking we should all do - all the gay and gay-friendly people in Texas should just find a nice patch of land nearby and let the hate-mongers and the homophobes have the state all to themselves. It wouldn't take long for them to destroy themselves - hey, without gays to pick on, they'd turn on one another - and then we can all just come back and pick up where we left off.

But being an eighth generation native Texan, I just can't see myself doing that. Sam Houston is in my family tree, as are many other prominent Texas statesmen and figures from history. So I'm going to puff up on Texas pride and parade it down the street. And as for anyone who doesn't care for "my kind," I'll gladly draw you a map of the evacuation routes to Oklahoma.

Rob Faubion, Editor of *SHOUT Magazine*

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Two Full Weeks Celebrating Gay Pride

Annual Gay Pride Celebration Covers Two Weeks of Events

Every year, Austin hosts the Lone Star State's first major Pride celebration. This year, for the first time ever, festivities in Austin will span seven days.

Organizers are expecting attendance numbers to skyrocket. Austin Pride Week runs June 4th - 11th, with events ranging from a new Downtown Block Party to the traditional Pride Festival.

With the unprecedented level of media attention focused on the LGBT community recently, Pride organizers are predicting a record-breaking year for the celebration.

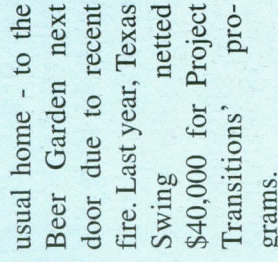
"There is definitely an 'enough is enough' attitude in our community right now," said Heath Riddles, Director of Pride Austin. "The marriage and foster care issues seem to prove that there is a real priority being placed on targeting our families and trying to fundamentally hurt us. We're ready to show our pride, now more than ever."

10th Annual Texas Swing on June 3rd

Downtown Austin will be alive with swing music when the tenth annual Texas Swing takes over the Scholz Beer Garden at 1607 San Jacinto on Friday, June 3rd, from 8 p.m. to midnight. The annual dance is hosted by Project Transitions to benefit its hospice and housing programs for people living with HIV and AIDS.

The evening begins at 7 p.m., with two-step dance lessons, followed at 8 p.m. by Alvin Crowliver on stage. A catered Texas BBQ dinner, extensive silent auction, and cash bar for beer, wine and liquor setups completes the evening.

The event was moved from Saengerunde Hall - its



Alvin Crowliver

(Picture by Winker)

Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Tickets can also be purchased by phone at (512) 454-8646. For more information or to volunteer, call (512) 454-8646 or visit www.ProjectTransitions.org.

Fourth Annual Austin Pride Parade Takes to the Streets on June 4th

feature more than 50 organizations and businesses from throughout Central Texas, including several out-of-town entries, plus corporations such as Dell, Sears, Blockbuster Video, Washington Mutual, Velocity Credit Union and Yellow Cab.

Grand Marshalls for this year's celebration will be the Hill Country Ride for AIDS and the Austin Babist Women. Organizers say they are both very deserving organizations that have done so much for our community and deserve recognition for their efforts.

The parade will line-up at the Texas Department of Transportation parking lot, at the corner of Congress and Riverside, then proceed up Congress Avenue toward the State Capitol Building. The procession will turn west at 4th Street and travel through the Warehouse District to San Antonio Street, loop around Republic Square to 4th Street, and travel east back to Congress. The parade then turns right and travels south back down Congress Avenue and across the bridge to the starting point.

The first AGLCC Pride Parade walked up Congress and through the Warehouse District in 2002, with 325 participants and an estimated 20,000 spectators in

attendance. By 2003 and 2004, the participants grew to 800 and 1,100, respectively. This year, more than 30,000 spectators are expected to line the streets to witness the moving spectacle.

Immediately following the parade, and awards ceremony will be held at Sidekicks, 110 Riverside Drive. For more information on the parade, visit online at www.AustinPrideParade.com.

Downtown Block Party a New Event

A new Austin Pride tradition will be born on June 4th with the creation of the Downtown Pride Block Party. The party will be held in the middle of Austin's warehouse district, in the 300 block of Guadalupe Street, beginning at 9 p.m., immediately following the AGLCC Austin Pride Parade.

The party will feature live music from local artists, including Liviya Compean, Trent Durham and Ginger Leigh. The headliner for the evening will be Hedda Layne. Plus, special guest television star Brini Maxwell will be the emcee the big event.

The music and entertainment will continue until 1 a.m. Organizers say the event is limited to those 21 years of age and older, due to City of Austin restrictions. For more

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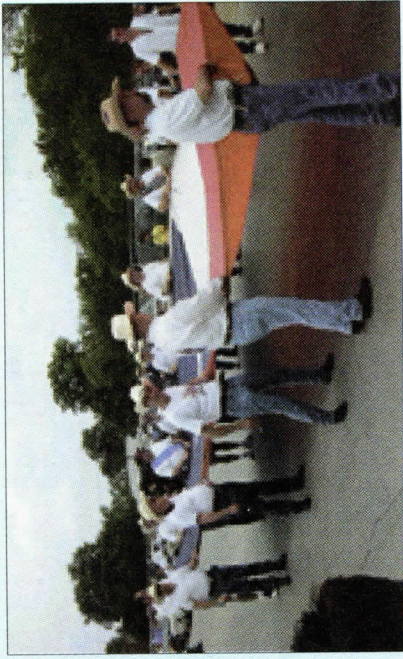
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Fort Worth Celebrates GAY PRIDE!

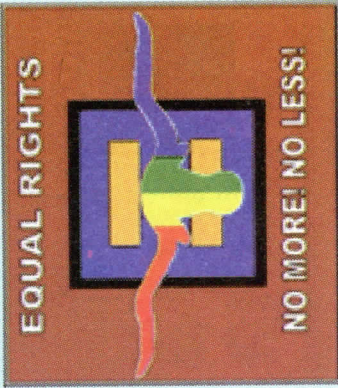
Annual Gay Pride Celebration Covers Two Weeks of Events

Fort Worth comes alive with rainbow colors beginning June 4th when Tarrant County celebrates its Gay Pride with two full weeks of entertainment and events. Preliminary events, such as the annual Fort Worth Gay and Lesbian International Film Festival, continue on Saturday, June 4th, with a softball tournament at Greenway Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The big celebration gets underway on Sunday, June 5th, with the annual Gay Pride Parade, sponsored by the Tarrant County Gay Pride Week Association



Fort Worth Gay Pride Parade (Picture by TCGPWA) (TCGPWA). Entrees will line-up at the corner of South Jennings Street and West Terrell Avenue beginning at 1 p.m. Then at 2 p.m., Grand Marshalls Scott Jones and Joyce Raines will lead the procession down Jennings to Pennsylvania, around the corner to Hemphill, and up Hemphill to West Lueda Street.



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Sunday, June 5th - "After the Parade Party"

Everyone Welcome - Cookout on the Patio

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Wednesday, June 8th - Gay Pride Week Karaoke, 9:30 pm

Thursday, June 9th - Empresses AIDS Starlight

Benefit Show

Buffet at 8 pm, Show at 9 pm

Sunday, June 19th - Tarrant County

Gay Pride Week

Association Pageant at 8 pm

Packets will be at Best Friends Club by June 1st

The announcement stand will be set up along Jennings at West Cannon Street, providing color commentary as each entrée passes along the street. Immediately following the parade, GayFest 05 begins in the Corral Club's North 40 complex - located at 621 Hemphill - and continues until 10 p.m. The 16,350 square foot, fenced area adjacent to the club will be filled with food and information booths, entertainment, music, and activities.

One of the largest components of the annual Gay Pride celebrations, this year's festival will be one of the largest to date. Presented by the Fort Worth Festivals Community, GayFest will include dozens of local organizations who will be on hand with booths filled with games, food, literature displays, and information displays.



Gay Fest (Picture by Corral Club)

The trophy ceremony for the parade takes place at 4 p.m. at on the GayFest stage. Best Friends Club at 2620 E. Lancaster Avenue will also host an "After the Parade Party" with a cookout on the patio and DJ playing all day.

Entertainment and eating take center stage beginning Wednesday, June 8th, when the Corral Club presents a special Pride version of the Rhonda Mae's Wall of Food Show. The weekly entertainment event has raised more than \$18,000 and continues to raise funds for the AOC Food Pantry.

On Thursday, June 9th, the Imperial Court de Fort Worth/Arlington stages its Empress AIDS Starlight Benefit Show at Best Friends. The evening begins

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DATELINE

By Jennifer Parello

I went to a political fundraiser last week. It was a typical lesbian event. The price of admission entitled you to cheap champagne and several awkward encounters with women you've been trying to avoid for months.

I ran into Ingrid as soon as I walked in the door. Ingrid and I have been on the verge of rubbing indiscriminately against each other for years. We've just never gotten around to it, and probably never should.

Our relationship has been built on a shaky foundation of ambiguously worded emails, smoldering stares, and mutual mistrust. The result has been a dangerous buildup of sexual tension that has left us both feeling confused and a bit miffed.

Our recent meeting was filled with equal measures of hostility and desire, and - as always - I walked away from Ingrid feeling vaguely aroused, insulted, and rather peckish. So, I made my way to the snack table, where I found my friends Delores and Stacy picking through the food, searching for something made of meat.

Delores had recently played the role of "the other woman" in the breakup of a very popular lesbian couple. This couple regularly appeared in the mainstream press, flashing their commitment rings and stressing the importance of graceful suburban living. They were often pictured in newspapers pushing each other on a swing.

The fundraiser was Delores' first public outing since the scandal broke. As she walked through the crowd, her whispered name fell like quiet bombs all around her.

Stacy was stabbing a carrot into a bowl of dip as if she had a long-standing beef with it. She had retreated to the food table after a run-in with an ex-lover, who still hasn't forgiven Stacy for

breaking up with her via voice mail.

My merry, little crew was soon joined by Greta, fresh from a failed attempt to infiltrate a group of women who were wearing serious glasses. Greta's New Year's resolution had been to sleep with one graduate from each of the Seven Sister schools by year's end. But it was already October, and she had only managed a sloppy public make-out session with a Mount Holyoke sophomore.

She also had spent an evening cuddling with a weepy Vassar alum. But I told her it didn't count, since her conquest was a gay boy who just happened to have full breasts. So, Greta was desperate and hitting on anyone who looked like they might possess an over-priced liberal arts degree.

"I was making some progress with that girl who looks like Queen Elizabeth I," Greta said, referring to a woman with a too-many-years-in-the-Tower complexion and a receding hairline. "But then one of my ex-girlfriends whispered something in her ear, and suddenly I was persona au-gratin."

I quickly handed Greta a piece of cheese, but the irony was lost on her. She stuffed the cheese in her mouth and shook her head in disgust at the crowd.

"At gay-boy charity parties, they do drugs, dance in their underwear, and have sex with anyone kind enough to bend over," said Delores wistfully, as we watched women diving for cover behind pillars each time they caught sight of an ex-lover or current stalker.

"Yes," said Stacy, raising a brown thing impaled on a toothpick that looked like an anemic meatball, "but we have tofu."

Jennifer Parello is a nationally-syndicated humorist and journalist.

Pack Your Bags



Naturally Healthy

By Dr. Jeanne Galloway, ND

Creating a First-Aid Kit For the Road

Let's see...toothbrush, boxers/thongs, swimsuit, beach ball, binoculars, hair care, sunglasses....what else? Here is a handy, first-aid kit list you can take with you to the store. Pack these items for your trip so you aren't suffering in paradise, or searching the hotel gift shop at noon trying to find something for your hangover.

Air Travel:

-“No Jet Lag” - homeopathic, for trips across more than four time zones.

-“Airborne” - vitamin, to prevent catching something on the plane.

-Saline spray - nasal spray, to prevent your sinuses from getting so dry during flights.

-Water - bring a water bottle aboard, and drink at least 24 ounces every three hours of flight.

Tummy Troubles:

-“Pepto Bismol” - medicine, for indigestion and diarrhea.

-Activated charcoal - when you drink too much, or eat questionable, street-vendor foods.

-“GasX” or Digestive Enzymes - when you have bloating after meals.

Injuries:

-“Arnica 30c” - homeopathic, to avoid muscle pain and bruising, if you overdo it hiking.

-Band-aids

-“Neosporin” - anti-bacterial ointment, for minor scrapes and cuts.

Sunburn Awareness:

A savage tan may look good, but I assure you, skin cancer is not pretty. Please wear skin protection if you are going to be outside for more than an hour. There are tons of great skincare products at your drug store; find the ones that suit you.

Remember to reapply every hour or two. Don't forget to apply it to your nose, ears and chin - big areas for skin cancer. Find a hottie to apply it to your back; that way it is fun for everyone.

Play safe, Texas. Remember, a healthy body is an attractive one.

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The Corral Club in Fort Worth

June 11th - Austin Gay Pride Festival
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Sunset Station in San Antonio



Dear Helen

By Helen D'Saque

Editor's Note: Helen is on vacation in the Big Easy - no, not Helen, New Orleans - so until she returns in the next issue, enjoy this "Classic Helen."

Dear Helen: I recently caught my boyfriend of over two years cheating on me. What should I do? *Betrayed in Belton, Texas*

Dear *Betrayed*: Oh sugar, that is just scandalous. My Great Aunt Vesta would advise you to "Wait 'til he's asleep, wrap him in a sheet, and beat him with a baseball bat!"

However, unless you just can't wait for Martha's new show and want to go visit her in person, it would probably be best to take my more sane advice instead. You should book a trip to New Orleans and consult a

Voodoo Queen (I find that the legitimate ones usually don't open their shop until midnight) and have them put a spell on the cheater that gives him hemorrhoids so big he becomes the top story on CNN and then is attacked and sexually brutalized by a herd of horny toads. - *Helen*

Dear Helen: In my group of friends there is an individual who constantly embarrasses me in front of everyone - spilling the beans about my personal business and secrets. How do I make him stop? *Keith in Dallas, Texas*



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Dear *Keith*: Oh sweetie. I see this sort of problem all the time. Didn't your mother ever tell you that it takes two to tango? You already know that this person can't keep two beans in their mouth, so have you considered being more discrete and just not telling him about your business in the first place? Remember, the three fastest ways to spread news is telephone, tele-fax, and tell-a-fag. As for your friend, he should be old enough to know that a secret is something that you tell one person at a time. - *Helen*

Dear Helen: After the office Christmas party last year, my boss and I wound up in bed together. While the experience was enjoyable, I am now interested in somebody else. However, he is still interested in me. He leaves sexually explicit messages on my answering machine and has said that if I see other guys instead of him that my job is in jeopardy. I don't know what to do. *Frustrated in Fort Worth, Texas*

Dear *Frustrated*: At the office, have you tried setting the laser printer to "stun"? Seriously though - what color is the sky in your world? You are sitting on a gold mine. Do the words "Sexual Harassment Suit" mean anything to you? Seems like your boss has the brains of a "gerkochanachen" (gur-kaa-ka-nah-kin) which technically speaking is what dog doo is when it turns white.

I certainly hope you have saved some of thesesalacious messages. If not, you should start. I have already sent you the contact information for my attorney to help you pursue this. He is just wonderful. With my first husband I married well - with this attorney's shrewdness, I divorced even better. Let me know how it goes! - *Helen*

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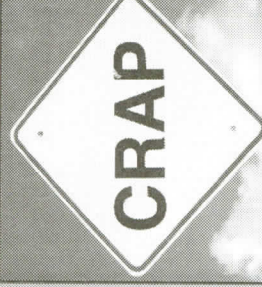
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GROOVE LINES

By DJ Chris Allen

Our hearts, prayers, and positive energy goes out to Aussie pop diva Kylie Minogue who was recently diagnosed with early breast cancer while visiting family in Melbourne in May. Kylie, 36, was forced to cancel the Australian leg of her new Showgirl tour and an appearance at Britain's annual Glastonbury Festival. She immediately underwent early-stage breast cancer surgery. Dr.

Jenny Senior released a statement after the operation confirming that the procedure was a success. They are confident the cancer was caught in time. No word yet on Minogue's plans for future **t r e a t m e n t**. Checkout Kylie's website to stay updated on her progress at www.Kylie.com.

New York based DJ Joe Gauthreaux is featured on Centaur Music's new release in the Party Groove series, *Cherry Volume 2*. Cherry is one the largest benefits put together wholly by volunteers

with all earnings benefiting service organizations in the gay and lesbian community in Washington, DC. Cherry is known for its superior **p r o d u c t i o n** quality, striking

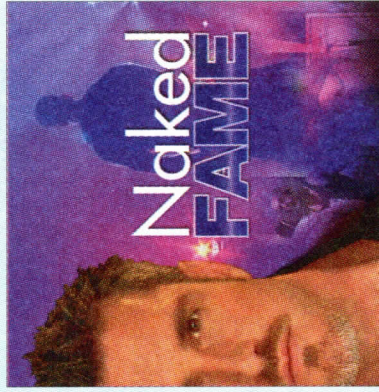


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Centaur Music is *Naked Fame*, the soundtrack to the new documentary from Colton Ford. *Naked Fame* chronicles ex-adult film star Colton Ford's transition from

porn back to music. Colton was signed with the majors before he made his money from sex. The film takes a look at the question of whether or not Colton can use his porn past to launch a new career as a song writer. Hmm...Ford's had one Top 10 hit so far. His duet with Pepper Mashay, *Signed Sealed Delivered*, was a smash on dance floors across the country.

This disc has some pretty cool stuff on it. Featured on *Naked Fame* are Samantha Fox, Pepper Mashay, Melissa G, Erin Hamilton, Solar City, Debbie Holiday, and of course Colton Ford!



Available now from Woobie Bear Music is *Bear Tracks 1, 2, & 3* - a group of compilations of music written for and by the "bear" community. Ranging from folk ballads to off beat electronic to full on dance tracks, the music on these discs is as unique as the community they represent. Be sure to check out www.WoobieBearMusic.com to order your copy today. Remember - if you can, always listen before you buy.

Next issue I'll be taking a look at DJ Sammy's sensational new disc, *Rise Again*. Deep in the heart of Texas, that's the groove lines for now. Remember, life may not always be the party you had hoped for, but while you're here you might as well dance!

Chris "Dig'm" Allen is a journalist and DJ who spins at Rain in Austin, Halo in Bryan/College Station, and Guava Lamp in Houston.

Austin Pride 05 (Continued from Page 7)

information, visit on-line at www.PrideAustin.org.

Austin Multifaith Pride Service

The annual Austin Multifaith Pride Service celebrates its fifth anniversary on Thursday, June 9th at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in downtown Austin. Almost 40 supporting faith communities from eight religious traditions will join in "Letting Our Light Shine," the 2005 theme.

The featured speaker will be the Rev. Mary Wilson. Music will be provided by the Austin MCC Choir, the choir of First United Methodist Church and the Capital City Men's Chorus, in addition to a local cantor. A special AIDS and breast cancer remembrance will be led by Sensei Barbara Kohn from the Austin Zen Center.

Austin Multifaith Pride (AMP) hosts the annual event as a way of celebrating and healing the spiritual presence found in all people, and to by unifying as people of diverse religious traditions to nurture the spiritual needs of the Austin gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered and straight communities. All donations taken during the service benefit the Interfaith Care Alliance. For more information, visit www.AustinMultifaithPride.org.

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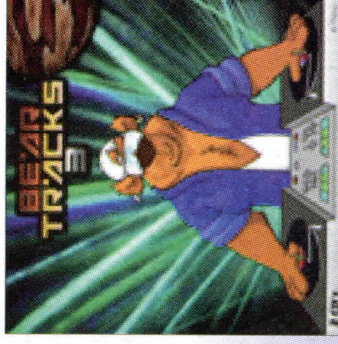
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"Madagascar" Cast Lets Loose About Their Animal Instincts

By Ryan Stevens

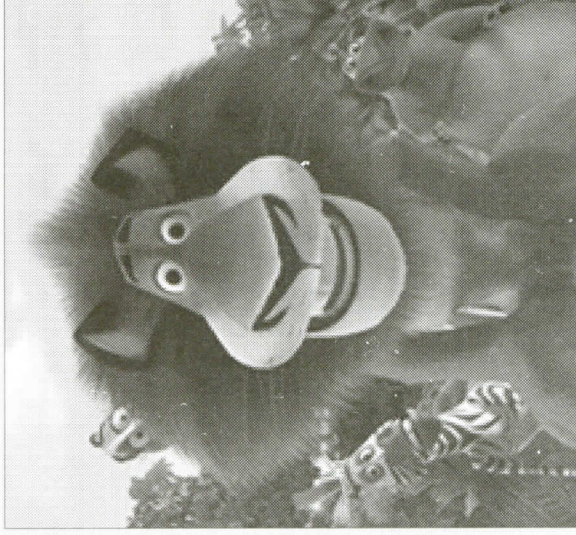
I recently talked with cast members of the new Dreamworks film *Madagascar*, including Chris Rock (who provides the voice of Marty the zebra), Ben Stiller (Alex the lion), Jada Pinkett-Smith (Gloria the hippo), and Andy Richter (Mort the lemur). Joining in the conversation was Jeffrey Katzenberg, DreamWorks CEO and co-founder.

Ryan: *Each of you plays a very unique character in the film. How did you get into your animal's character?*

Andy: I looked at the picture of the character and made up a squeaky voice. When I hear other actors talk about the work they've done on their characters, I just assumed they were lying, because I can't relate to it. I pretty much ran on B.S.

Ben: Ditto. You know, it was a weird process, because it goes on for a long time. In the beginning it was like a trial and error, because you're alone in this studio with a microphone and nothing exists yet, except some picture you see. So, six months to a year into the process, when you start to see scenes coming back, then it really helps because you start to see what the character is doing. That's one of the things that I liked about the movie is that the characters are really unique.

Jada: I agree with Ben. It's about throwing a bunch of lines out and trying different stuff. It's a pretty



challenging process, because there is no one there. You try different lines and different interpretations, and then they (the sound editors) put it together and it's fantastic.

Chris: How did I get into my animal's character? (Jokingly) I didn't even know I was a zebra until yesterday.

Ryan: *Jada, were you offended when you were asked to play a hippopotamus?*

Jada: You know, I keep getting asked that question, and it never occurred to me when Jeffrey (Katzenberg) showed me the picture of Gloria that she was a hippo. I thought she was adorable. So, it never occurred to me that it was something I would be mad about.

Ryan: *How did you guys meet and how was your friendship behind the scenes?*

Jada: We just met on the press junket. Well, I just met Ben.

Ben: Yeah, we've just been meeting here... Umm, yeah, yes. What was the question? Oh, are we friends behind the scenes. (Humorously) Well, there's nothing going on, if that's what you mean. Actually, Andy and I go back.

Andy: Yeah, we've known each other for a long time.

Ben: And Chris and I go back. So I've known these guys for a while and Jada is the only person I'm starting to get to know now. And I've enjoyed it. She's okay.

Ryan: *What kind of reaction did you get from your kids when you told them you were doing this movie?*

Jada: Well, they actually told me. I didn't say anything. They saw a clip of *Madagascar* on a video. They said, "Mommy, you're playing a hippo!" So, they are very excited. I told them I was coming here today, and they thought we were having the premiere and they were all upset - "You're supposed to be taking us." I told them "It's just press; it's not going to be the movie. That's next week." So it made them very, very excited.

Ryan: *Chris, a lot of actors say they do animated movies because of their children. Was that your motivation/attraction to do this film?*

Chris: It's nice to have something that my kids can see of my movies. I let them see anything, but they can't see my movies until they are 30. So, I wanted to make something they could see right now. So that was my attraction to doing the film.

Ryan: *Jeffrey, what are your thoughts about the way DreamWorks presents animated films compared to the way Disney presents them?*

Jeffrey: In our mind, we make adult movies that appeal to the adult in every child. We try to come at it from the opposite direction, but if we achieve our goal, we come to the exact same place (as Disney does). What do you think Ben?

Ben: (singing the theme to *Aladdin* out of tune) "I can show you the world. Shining, shimmering, splendor..." My daughter keeps watching *Aladdin* over and over again. I see it all the time.

Ryan: *Chris, you did a good singing job.*

Chris: Yeah, but I had Dr. Dre with me.

Ryan: *Ben, did this movie bring out your love of show tunes?*

Ben: You mean my lack of talent in the voice department. No, in fact, the "New York, New York" scene in the movie was really one of the most uncomfortable sessions. It was horrible. I kept putting it off. I think for months I kept on saying, "then there's the 'New York, New York' scene. We'll do that next time." And then it came to the day to do it. It was bad. I was horrible. I guess it sounded better when everyone sang it in the movie, but when you are recording it alone, it's different.

Ryan: *With all the poses, facial expressions, and hand gestures you did with your character, was Alex the lion a tribute to Zoolander.*

Ben: You know what, I think he might be. You know some people picked up on it. I didn't even know they did that until I saw the movie. It was homage.

Ryan: *Jeffrey, you've had pretty great success with DreamWorks animated films over the years. Now, we hear your next project is going to be 'Shrek 3.' What can you tell us about the film?*

Jeffrey: When *Shrek 3* opens, Shrek and Fiona have to take on the duties of the acting King and Queen, because if you remember, the king was literally "croaking" (as a frog) when we last saw him. They are not very comfortable in these roles, so the King tells them if they can find the heir to the throne and bring him back, then they can return to the swamp and live their life - which is what they want to do. Shrek, Donkey, and Puss head out to the Far Side of the Kingdom of Far Far Away (which is far away) where young Artie - who is the nephew of Queen Lillian - is about to graduate from school. Artie turns out to be young King Arthur and Shrek, Donkey, and Puss have to convince this extremely rebellious young man - who is being voiced by Justin Timberlake - to come back and assume the throne.

Ryan: *Who and from where do you get the ideas for your animated films?*

Jeffrey: It's different for every movie. As you know, *Shrek* came from a book, the little short story by William Steig. The idea of *Shrek* was from our creative team out of our story department.

Madagascar actually started with me. I grew up near the Central Park Zoo and I thought of the idea of what would happen if these animals were born and raised in the zoo, but ended up in the wild. And then a team of writers, directors, and producers turned it into a story. So, a good idea can come from anywhere.

Madagascar is one hour and 25 minutes and rated PG for mild language, crude humor and some thematic elements. *Madagascar* is now showing at theaters nationwide.



Fort Worth Gay Pride (Continued from Page 9)

with a buffet at 8 p.m., followed by a lavish show at 9 p.m. The following night, Pride festivities return to the Corral Club on Friday, June 10th, for the Trinity River Bears Steak Cookout from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., followed by a special Texas Gay Rodeo Association Show at 10 p.m.

The annual Picnic Day takes to Trinity Park on Sunday the 11th from noon to 6 p.m. Enter the park off University, at either Crestline or Rock Springs, and continue through the park along Trinity Park Road to the 7th Street side.

Sponsored by the Tarrant County Gay Pride Week Association (TCGPWA), the picnic will include free food and beverages while they last. In addition, the day of fun in the sun will include entertainment, events, contests, activities, and vendors.



Gay Pride Week Pageant (Photo by TCGPWA)

Gay Pride Week concludes Sunday the 19th with the big Gay Pride Week Pageant at Best Friends Club beginning at 8 p.m. Under the theme "Boots, Tiaras, Buckles and Pride," the pageant will top off one of the most-extensive Gay Pride celebrations in Tarrant County's history.

The Tarrant County Gay Pride Week Association hosts an extensive web listing of Fort Worth Gay Pride information, including a detailed calendar of event listings. Visit them on-line at www.tcgpwa.org.

Austin Pride 05 (Continued from Page 15) Pride Festival Moves Downtown

The Pride Festival has outgrown its traditional home in East Austin's Festival Gardens, so this year's celebration will take place in the heart of downtown Austin at Waterloo Park. The Festival will also be held on a Saturday this year - June 11th - instead of the usual Sunday slot.

Organizers are expecting the changes to translate into dramatic increases in attendance. The new location affords more space for booths and events, plus parking is more readily available around and near the new venue.

The Festival will feature live music, community booths, a wide variety of food and drinks, and artists from across the state. As always, the music is a big focus, a nod to Austin's status as the Live Music Capital of the World.

The Festival will be held from noon to 8 p.m. on Saturday June 11th. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years of age. For more information, visit on-line at www.PrideAustin.org.

"La Cage" Pride Production June 12th

"La Cage: Vegas in Austin" - Austin's monthly fund-raising stage spectacle - officially closes Austin Pride on Sunday, June 12th, at 8:30 p.m. at The Silver Spur Saloon, 113 San Jacinto in downtown Austin. The production benefits the Lesbian Gay Rights Lobby (LGRL).

The show will feature the regular La cage cast, several guest illusionists, a live on-stage band, back-up singers and dancers, and an elaborate set and lighting design. Doo-wop singing group Flamin' Desire will also perform as special guests during the show.

Regarded as one of the best female impersonation shows in the nation, the June production of "La Cage: Vegas in Austin" returns to the 1960's with the likes of Dianna Ross and the Supremes, Gladys Knight, Tina Turner, Peggy Lee, Patsy Cline, Cher, Loretta Lynn, and many more female superstars of the era. A special VIP seating option is available for a minimum of \$10 per person, with reserve stage-side table and complimentary champagne.

General admission is a \$5 suggested donation at the door. For more information and table reservations, contact the club at (512) 457-8010.

Get Outta Town!

By Kee McDaniel

Editor's Note: We premiere our new travel column - with day trip and weekend travel suggestions - with at the new attractions at the Texas State Aquarium.

Located in the Gulf Coast city of Corpus Christi, the Texas State Aquarium promises plenty of fun and a "wild" experience to all who visit. Step under the waterfall and into a world filled with vibrant, beautiful animals of the Gulf of Mexico. The Aquarium is home to hundreds of species and over a dozen exhibits displaying techniques used to aid in the preservation of aquatic wildlife.

The latest exhibit, AMAZON, recently opened in March 2005, and was built to simulate a "smuggler's camp," allowing visitors to have a sneak peek into the dynamics of the illegal exotic animal trade. A number of exotic animals can be seen in this exhibit, such as hawk-head parrots and bird-eating spiders. Not only will visitors catch a glimpse of extremely rare members of the animal kingdom, but they will also learn interactively about the exotic animal trade and the potential dangers it may pose to both humans and animals.

If you've ever fantasized about working closely with dolphins, then live out your fantasies working side by side with a professional dolphin trainer for a day. As "Trainer for a Day," one is responsible for preparing for as well as performing in a dolphin presentation. Trainers also take part in the feeding process and learn several methods of training, as well as gaining an invaluable experience working so close with these animals. The dolphin training program is available four days per week, and the cost of the half day experience is \$250.00.

The Texas State Aquarium is a not-for-profit educational institution that promises first class

Texas State Aquarium

service to its guests. The TSA hosts half a million visitors annually and is a Coastal Bend leading visitor attraction. This three-level complex has every amenity to make guests feel comfortable, including an inviting food court and a memorable gift shop, where fine art and sculptures are also available for viewing and purchasing.

Making this aquatic journey from the shore to the "depths of the gulf" allows visitors to experience this mysterious underworld with a refreshing underwater perspective of Mother Nature and all that she possesses.

Since the Texas State Aquarium does not receive any city, state, or federal funding for its operations, it relies on funds generated for support, a few which include admission fees, parking fees, and gift shop sales. For more information about upcoming events at the Texas State Aquarium, check out www.TexasStateAquarium.org.

Kee McDaniel is a journalist living in Austin.



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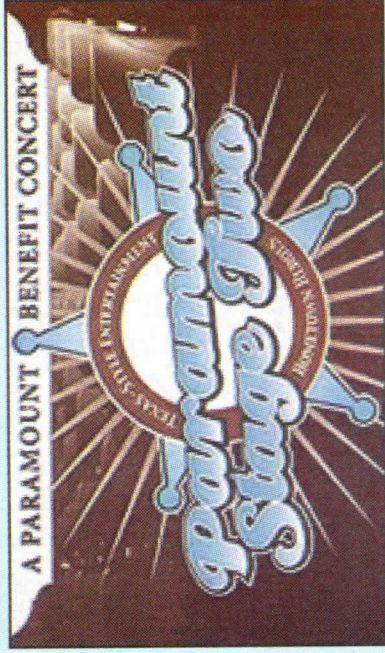
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benefit the Paramount and State Theatres. The evening also includes a catered dinner and auction at the historic Inter-Continental Stephen F. Austin Hotel - with complimentary valet parking- prior to the show. For tickets and information, call (512) 692-0534 or visit online at www.AustinTheatre.org.

Vocal quartet Manhattan Transfer comes to intimate One World Theatre in the hills of Austin for a one-night-only concert experience on June 8th at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

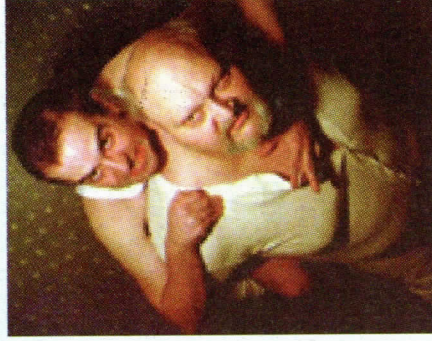


Renowned for their dynamic big band harmonies, the foursome of Tim Hauser, Janis Siegel, Alan Paul, and Cheryl Bentyne have amassed an astounding

amassed an astounding 12 Grammy Awards. For tickets and information, call (512) 32-WORLD or visit online at www.OneWorldTheatre.org.

Ethos performance group presents *hOle*, a world premiere performance installation in the yard of the Vortex Theatre, 2307 Manor Road in Austin. Beginning June 7th and continuing for the next eight consecutive Tuesdays, the avant-garde performance troupe, brings to life a serial performance installation based on the discoveries of a fictitious archeologist, who in the Chihuahuan Desert in 1937, discovered the artifacts of a previously unknown pre-historic culture and cosmology. Patrons can experience one or all nine episodes. Call (512) 478-5282 for reservations and information.

Also at the Vortex, the Rubber Repertory Theatre stages Dan Basila's "matricidal sodomitic cancer riddle" *Holes Before Bedtime* through June 18th. Set in a womb that is populated with adult-sized babies, this



bizarre tale includes corn soup and cancer, death by frying pan, and a pregnant boy named Sodomy in the Corner. Visit www.VortexRep.org for more information.

The final installment of Salvage Vanguard's popular radio series, *The Intergalactic Nemesis*, finally arrives in the form of *Twin Infinity*. Nine years in the making, the show picks up in the year 1942 and returns to the life of heroine reporter Molly Sloan and her groom-to-be Ben Willcott - who doesn't show up at the altar - and once again, the fate of the world hangs in the balance. Keeping true to the radio-series format, *The Intergalactic Nemesis: Twin Infinity* encompasses all aspects of the radio drama: live music (by SVT resident composer Graham Reynolds), audience participation and, of course, live sound effects.

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The Austin Symphony Orchestra fills the early evenings of downtown with music on Sundays through August 21st with free Concerts in the Park. Each Sunday, a different ensemble of the Austin Symphony is featured under the Wooldridge Park gazebo, performing music from jazz and light classical to pops selections and film scores. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner and blanket and make it a group outing. Call (512) 476-6064 for information, or visit www.AustinSymphony.org for a wealth of concert information.

After five years of planning and dedication, the Lenora and Walter F. Brown Asian Art Wing has become a reality, making the San Antonio Museum of Art - at 200 West Jones Avenue in San

Antonio - the largest center for Asian art in the southwestern United States. SAMA's Asian art collections, which have been amassed over the past 70 years, now including more than 1,400 works from China, India, Japan, Korea, Nepal, Pakistan, Southeast Asia, Sri Lanka and Tibet. The collection spans nearly 6,000 years of history. Call (210) 978-8100 or visit www.SAMuseum.org for information.



The National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, located at 1720 Gendy Street in Fort Worth, opens their new exhibit *Manuel: Star-Spangled Couture* beginning

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Cowtown will be looking skyward when "Hubble Space Telescope: New Views of the Universe," an exhibition coming to Fort Worth from the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, brings the Hubble's extraordinary discoveries down to earth. Through activities, video, artifacts and vivid images, visitors can learn about the telescope's history, design and purpose, as well as gain a greater understanding of planets, stars, galaxies and intergalactic space. The exhibition opens June 18th at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, located at 1501 Montgomery Street in Fort Worth's Cultural District. For more information, call 817-255-9300 or go to www.FortWorthMuseum.org.

The national Broadway tour of The Producers heads to Dallas June 7th through 19th as part of the Dallas Summer Musicals at Music Hall in Fair Park. Following Dallas, the show goes to Casa Manana at



at Bass Hall in Fort Worth for one week. One of the principal performers - Rich Affannato, who plays flaming queen assistant "Carmen Ghia" - is from Wichita Falls and lived in Dallas for a time. For tickets and show information for both venues, visit online

www.BroadwayAcrossAmerica.com.

Finally, Fort Worth's Stage West presents the regional premiere of Melissa James Gibson's comedy *[sic]* through June 26th at the Sanders Theatre, 1300 Gendy Street. Dealing with the lives of three friends in New York, the trio exists at arm's length from their own situations in this quirky stage production. For tickets and information, call (817) 784-9378.

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Austin Happenings

Margaret Cho Returns to Austin

Comedian Margaret Cho returns to Austin for a one-night concert event on Friday, June 10th, at 8 p.m. at the UT Bass Concert Hall. Cho's Austin performance is part of her current tour presenting her new one-woman show *Assassin*.

"It's a raw interpretation of what's happening daily in our ever-evolving or devolving state of the union," says Cho.

Featuring fresh doses of Cho's fearless, and risqué brand of humor, the show itself will change as events of the day unfold. In addition, the tour includes some of the more popular routines from her critically-acclaimed *State of Emergency* tour, presented in Central Texas last Fall.

Cho will also be supporting local non-profit

OutYouth, with a special VIP show package available for the event. The package includes a ticket to show, a Margaret Cho DVD, and an exclusive post-show reception - with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails - to meet Cho and get an autograph.



Cho received GLAAD's first-ever Golden Gate Award, honoring her as "an entertainment pioneer who has made a significant difference in promoting equal rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity." For tickets and information on the Austin show, call (512) 477-6060 or visit www.UTPac.org.

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Art Show to Benefit Wright House Wellness Center

Client and community artists will join together for an art exhibition and sale on June 24th to benefit the artists and the Wright House Wellness Center. Proceeds from the sale will support the organization's holistic therapies program for HIV/AIDS, Cancer and Hepatitis C clients.

Artist donations are currently being sought for the sale. Art work will be on display at the Wright House office, located at 4301-B North IH-35, throughout June.

The closing show and silent auction will be held on June 24 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Wright House will split the proceeds of each individual piece of artwork sold with the creating artist.

The Wright House Wellness Center - formerly the HIV Wellness Center, - was founded in 1988 by PLWAs (Persons Living With AIDS) and several holistic health practitioners who believed that many symptoms of HIV could be effectively treated with holistic therapies. In December 2001, the HIV Wellness Center became the Wright House Wellness Center to reflect the organization's expansion to other chronic illnesses besides HIV.

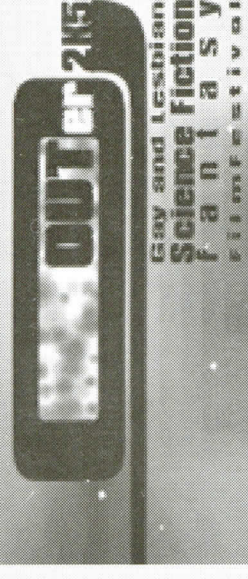
For information on the art sale or to donate artwork, call the organization at (512) 467-0088.

Film Festival Call for Films

The OUTer Gay and Lesbian Sci Fi/Fantasy Film Festival celebrates its second year on November 5th and 6th with its 2005 festival. The exhibition proudly showcases films by, for and about gay, lesbians, bisexuals and transgender in the genre of science fiction, fantasy and/or horror.

The festival is seeking narrative features,

shorts, documentaries and animated works on DVD and VHS formats to exhibit at this year's show. The festival will also exhibit shorts from its competition portion of the festival.



"The 2004 festival was a great success," said Tim Caswell, Festival Director. "We had a good number of entries and a well attended festival for the short amount of time that we put it together."

"We learned a lot and now that our first year is behind us, we have developed an even more exciting and fun festival for 2005," he said.

Submission deadline is September 1st. For entry forms and specific details, visit the OUTer Film Festival site at www.OuterFilmFest.com.



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San Antonio Happenings

Cornyation's Donation Totals \$73,000 for Four San Antonio Charities

Fiesta Cornyation, the hilarious annual spoof of the Coronation of the Queen of Fiesta, presented checks totaling \$73,000 to four local charities as a result of this year's sold-out performance run at the Charline McCombs Empire Theatre. Sharing in the benefits from the show were BEAT AIDS, Inc., The San Antonio Battered Women's Shelter, the San Antonio AIDS Foundation, and Krissie's Kids.

Fiesta Cornyation, Inc. presents the annual Cornyation event with the assistance of Arts Center Enterprises, Inc., managers of the Majestic and Empire Theatres, and the hard work of more than 150 volunteers. This year's donations were

more than 25% higher than last year's \$55,000 box office receipts.

"We are proud to be an official FIESTA event," says Ray Chavez, the executive director of Cornyation, Inc., "and we would like to thank the people of San Antonio for your continued support."

Fiesta Cornyation has been part of the San Antonio FIESTA celebration since the early 1950's. The 2005 performance marked the 40th Court celebration, and the 24th since Cornyation's revival in 1982. Incorporated as a 501(c) (3) organization in 1992, Cornyation is produced and performed entirely by volunteers.

This year, King Anchovy XL Don Thomas presided over the festivities surrounding the crowning of the Empress and Vice Empress of The Court of Fabulous Fruits and Assorted Nuts.



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Advance Ticket Packages for Coronation Still Available

The annual coronation of the Royal, Sovereign, and Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire returns to San Antonio beginning July 1st, and advance discount tickets for all the events are available for a few more weeks. The entire weekend package can be purchased in advance for a special price of \$70 by June 24th.

After the 24th, the weekend package can be purchased for \$75 or by individual ticket for each event. All events will take place at the at the Clarion Hotel Riverwalk, 110 Lexington Avenue, and proceeds from the events will benefit local non-profit organizations.

The weekend kicks off with the Out of Town Show and Bus Tour on Friday, July 1st. Doors open at 6 p.m., with the show running until 9 p.m., featuring reigning monarchs from across the nation. The guests will board chartered buses to tour the area nightclubs for an evening of socializing. Individual tickets are \$15.

On Saturday the 2nd, the spectacular Coronation XIV - "Asia, America, Atlantis: An Intercontinental Journey Through Time" -takes over the Clarion Hotel's Coronado Ballroom. His Majesty Emperor 13 Jay Henry Smith & Her Majesty Empress 13 Lupita "Mamita" Trevino will preside over the nights activities, culminating with the crowning of the new Emperor and Empress.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with Coronation running from 7 p.m. to midnight. Individual tickets are \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door.

Sunday the 3rd brings the Awards Brunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. In addition to a catered brunch buffet, all the stepping down awards from the prior monarchs will be given and the new monarchs welcomed to their reign. Individual

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PRIDEFEST 2005

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San Antonio Happenings (Continued)

brunch tickets are \$25.

The Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire is an all-volunteer 501(c)3 organization dedicated to the betterment of the San Antonio community through direct assistance to any city non-profit agency that assists those living with a life-threatening illness. While the organization's primary focus is on individuals diagnosed with AIDS and HIV disease, the group's reach into the community touches on a broader range of issues that affects the population as a whole.

Through performances, events, and activities, the group raises money for local charities in an effort to educate the community as a whole with the sole intent of creating a more informed, aware, and healthier citizenship. For advance ticket purchases to Coronation weekend and for more information, visit the Court on-line at www.geocities.com/alamoempire.

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Pauletta Leigh Passes Away

Entertainer and fund-raiser Pauletta Leigh, the alter-ego of long-time community member Paul Briner, passed away on May 15th due to complications brought on by pneumonia and kidney failure. At the time of her passing, Leigh was at home with family members and friends.



Born in 1949, Briner performed as Pauletta Leigh for more than 30 years, electrifying audiences with high-energy production numbers and a commanding stage presence. Leigh was the first entertainer to win the title of "Miss Gay Texas" twice in a role, and she continued to win numerous pageant titles throughout her career. A long-time cast member at The Saint, Leigh was also employed for many years as a special needs teacher in the San Antonio School District.

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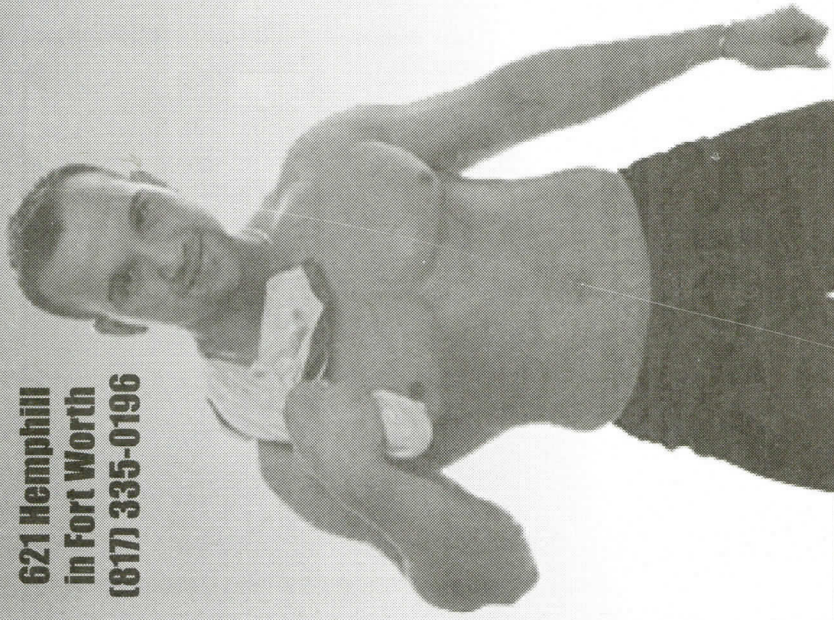
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Fort Worth

Fort Worth Poets Sought for Contest

The Dallas Poets Community (DPC) is seeking Fort Worth poets for its tenth annual Poetry Contest. The contest is held annually as a fundraiser for DPC, a non-profit organization that seeks to advance the cause, expression and appreciation of poetry.

The winning and top six honorable mention poems will be published in September as part of the organization's literary journal *Illya's Honey*. Fifteen finalists will be invited to read their poems at the awards ceremony, to be held in Dallas in late August. In addition, cash prizes of \$300, \$200, and \$100 will be awarded to the first, second, and third place entrées (respectively).

Each poem submitted should be on a separate page, with out the author's name. There is \$5 fee for each poem entered.

Each poet should include a cover sheet the author's name, address, phone number, email, and the titles of the poems submitted, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope. Entries must be postmarked by August 7th and submissions should be mailed to Dallas Poets Community Poetry Contest, P.O. Box 700865, Dallas, TX 75370.

The DPC does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, gender, religious persuasion or personal ideology. Organizers of the competition say the DPC has always and will continue to support diversity. If an author cannot travel to Dallas, his or her poem will be read at the event on their behalf. Winners who cannot attend will have their money and prizes mailed to them.

2005 marks the tenth anniversary for the contest. In the past, Tom Sime of *The Dallas Morning News* carried the finalists' names and winners' names in his "ARTS" column.

For more information the organization and the contest, visit on-line at www.DallasPoets.org.

Happenings

Court Prepares for Annual Coronation

The Imperial Court of Fort Worth/Arlington is preparing for their annual Coronation, scheduled for July 23rd at the Fort Worth Plaza Hotel. Deadlines are approaching for potential candidates for the new reign to submit their intentions of running for Emperor and Empress.

Candidates who meet the requirements for office will be interviewed on June 21st and publicly presented at the Corral Club, 621 Hemphill, at 10 p.m. Public voting takes place July 17th prior to the Coronation XXVII on July 23rd.

The Court is an all-volunteer service organization that raises money for area non-profit organizations. For more information on the Court and Coronation XXVII, visit on-line at www.fwaic.org.

CHANGES

Fort Worth

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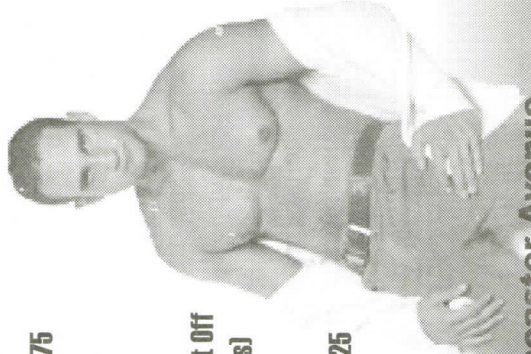
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Cinderella Man



The Reel World

By Ryan Stevens

"Cinderella Man" Is a Heavyweight Winner for Crowe

Grade: A-

Based on the true life story of James "Jim" Braddock, *Cinderella Man* takes us four years into the Great Depression in 1933 to the streets of New Jersey where Jim (Russell Crowe - *A Beautiful Mind*, *Gladiator*) and his family reside. As a winning prizefighter in nearby New York City, Jim is able to provide for his family by having a career in a sport that he loves - boxing.

Even though she does not approve of his profession, Jim's wife Mae (Renée Zellweger - *Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason*, *Cold Mountain*) stands by him during this period in his life. But when an injured wrist causes Jim to perform poorly in the ring and he begins losing fights, his license for boxing is revoked. Jim is reduced to working at the docks - but only if he is selected, -to support his family.

As the depression continues, the bills start to pile up, the children begin to get sick, and the food in the house becomes scarce. Mae decides to send the children away so they will not be affected by the family's situation. However, this does not settle well with Jim, who is now more determined than ever to bring his family back together.

After mustering up the nerve to ask for money from the boxing association - who has dismissed him - Jim's



former boxing manager, Joe Gould (Paul Giamatti - *Robots*, *Sideways*), sets him up with one more boxing match so that Jim can obtain extra money and reclaim his family. Seeing a great window of opportunity - and a chance to return to a career in boxing - Jim is more determined than ever to win each and every fighting match he is given.

As Jim begins to win his boxing matches, he is dubbed by news reporters as the "Cinderella Man" for his fairytale story and his amazing comeback as a boxer. One by one, Jim's victories in the ring bring him closer and closer to the 1935 heavyweight championship at Madison Square Garden Bowl against the undefeated champion - Max Baer - who has already killed two boxers in the ring.

Now, I am not a sports fan at all, especially sports like boxing, tennis, golf...you get my point. But I have to say this movie was amazing. Of course, how could it not be? With director Ron Howard and producers Brian Grazer and Penny Marshall, how could you go wrong?

This movie was boxing at its finest. It was everything you would expect from a boxing film and more. I had wanted to compare it to the *Rocky* films, but this movie is much better than any of them. A tale about a man who is beaten down by life, had everything and lost it, and was on the verge of losing his family, *Cinderella Man* delivers a powerful story that brings these characters to life and puts you actively in the midst of the Depression. You know you've been drawn into a movie when the fight scenes make you dodge and duck in your own chair.

Almost as emotional and moving as last year's *Million Dollar Baby*, this is definitely a movie not to be missed. Expect this movie to come up again when Academy nominations are given out next year. *Cinderella Man* is two hours and 24 minutes and rated PG-13 for intense boxing violence and some language.

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants

Young Cast Grows Up Quickly in This "Sisterhood"

Grade: A-

Based on Ann Brashares' best-selling young adult novel of the same name, this movie is a story about a summer in the lives of four teenagers who are lifelong friends and have never spent a summer apart. Prior to their separation, the girls go shopping at a local thrift store and stumble upon a pair of jeans that - despite their various shapes and sizes - fits each one of them perfectly.

To keep in touch during the summer apart, the girls decide to equally share the pants by passing them along to each other - after wearing the jeans one week at a time - to determine if the jeans bring them any luck. Unfortunately, the pants do not give the girls exactly the kind of luck they were expecting.

The pants first travel to Greece where Lena (Alexis Bledel - *Sin City*, *Tuck Everlasting*) is visiting her grandparents. While wearing the pants, Lena almost drowns, but she is rescued by a young Greek man whom she's attracted. Little does she know that the young man's family and Lena's family are in a bitter feud, and her grandmother forbids her to see him again. Much against her grandmother's disapproval, Lena continues to see the young man, which causes a rift in the household.

Lena then sends the pants to Tibby (Amber Tamblyn - *The Ring*, *TV's Joan of Arcadia*), the only one who stayed behind in their hometown of Bethesda, Maryland, so she could make a "suck-u-mentary" about her life and the people she encounters and works with at the local department store. When Tibby receives the pants, she meets a young girl named Bailey (Jenna Boyd - *The Missing*, *Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star*), who latches herself onto Tibby and becomes a big nuisance.

Next the pants travel to South Carolina, where Carmen (America Ferrera - *Lords of Dogtown*, *Real Women Have Curves*) is visiting her father and his soon-to-be new wife and children. Since her father never mentioned his new life to Carmen, she's shocked and immediately turned off by the entire situation. However, after receiving the pants, Carmen tries to make it work with her father's fiancé and future

siblings. Much to her dismay, Carmen realizes her father cares more about his "new family" than he cares about her.

The pants are then shipped to Mexico and the Las Campeonas soccer camp in Baja California, where Bridget (Blake Lively) has fallen for Eric, one of the soccer coaches. Thinking the pants will make all her dreams come true with Eric, Bridget finds out that becoming a woman was not everything she was expecting. Though miles apart, the four friends still experience life, love and loss together in a summer they'll never forget.

Even though it sounds like I've given away the entire movie, I've only explained the plot of the film; there is so much more to this film than I mentioned. Needless-to-say, it is very obvious this film is geared towards young adult females, though I think any woman would be able to relate to these characters on some level.

This movie is full of heart and sorrow that will make you laugh and cry. Females of all ages will enjoy this film, as well as men who are in touch with their sensitive side. *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* is one hour and 48 minutes and rated PG for thematic elements, some sensuality and language.

Ryan Stevens is an industry insider living in Los Angeles who writes for SHOUT Magazine.



COCKTAIL CALENDAR

Mondays

2015 (SA) - Bartender's Night Out with \$1.75 wells & longnecks and \$1 schnapps
The Annex(SA) - \$1 wells and non-premium longnecks, plus pool tournament at 8pm
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - \$2 longnecks
Bout Time (Austin) - Karaoke with AJ Kline 9 p.m.-2 a.m., FREE anonymous HIV/AIDS/STD testing 2nd & 4th of the month
Charlie's (Austin) - Wet Underwear Contest hosted by Paris Chanel, plus \$1 draft and \$3.75 Jack Daniels all night
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - Karoke and \$5 giant martinis
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - Martini Mondays with \$5.50 giant specialty martinis from open to close, plus DJ Scot Free Spins
SA Eagle (SA) - Free pool, \$1 wells and non-premium longnecks
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - Happy Hour all day and all night and \$3 premium drinks, plus free pool
Tagz (SA) - Martini Madness with \$4 well martinis

Tuesdays

2015 (SA) - \$1 mugs and \$4.75 pitchers on domestic draft all day
The Annex(SA) - White Trash Tuesdays and Dart League TeamNight; \$1.25 Wells & \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Bermuda Triangle (SA) - Dart tournament
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - \$1.25 domestic draft beer and \$1.75 imported draft beer, Dart Tournament at 9 pm
Bout Time (Austin) - \$2.75 Frozen Marg's open to close, plus open volleyball - bring a team or just bring some friends
Charlie's (Austin) - Amateur Strip contest with host Jame Perry, plus \$1 draft all day and night and wheel specials til 11 pm
The Closet (Harker Heights) - No cover, open 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - S.I.N. Night with Happy Hour all day and night
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - "S.I.N." Service Industry Night with DJ Scot Free
SA Eagle (SA) - Dart League Night, \$1.25 Wells & \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Sidekicks (Austin) - Happy Hour with Teresa, 4-9 pm; pool tournament; Karaoke with Steve and lan @ 9:30 pm
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - Happy Hour w/Brandy 4-9 pm, Karaoke w/Steve & lan 9pm, Pool Tournament w/Waterloo Records gift certificates
Tagz (SA) - Karaoke from 9:30 to whenever, with \$1.75 non-premium longnecks

Wednesdays

2015 (SA) - Karaoke Night from 9 p.m. to 1a.m., with \$1.75 wells & longnecks and \$2 frozen margaritas all day
The Annex (SA) - 75 cent wells & \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Bermuda Triangle (SA) - Karaoke Wednesdays, with \$1.00 schnapps all night
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - Free dance lesson at 7 pm, Pool Tournament at 9 pm, Karaoke with JR. at 9:30 pm
Bout Time (Austin) - Frozen Marg's are \$2.75 2-8 p.m., then \$3.75 8 p.m. - close, plus volleyball 6:30-9 p.m.
Changes (Fort Worth) - Amateur Show
Charlie's (Austin) - Happy Hour prices all day and all night
The Closet (Harker Heights) - Hump Night, with Hip Hop, R&B, and Reggae, plus \$4.00 Long Island Teas and .50 cent draft
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - Maleboxxx, prizes and give-aways, \$5 for under 21, no cover over 21
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - Brian hosts "Mailbox," LTD provides the tunes, plus \$3.25 Jack and Skyy and \$2 selected beers
SA Eagle (SA) - Military/Camo Night; 75 cent wells & \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Sidekicks (Austin) - Hump Day with \$2.50 wells from Happy Hour on, plus burgers & fajitas
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - Wet Wednesdays with Happy Hour all day and all night
Tagz (SA) - \$3 anything in the house from 9 pm to midnight, plus Karaoke starting at 9:30 pm

Thursdays

2015 (SA) - \$1 mugs and \$4.75 pitchers on domestic draft all day
The Annex (SA) - \$3 crispy taco plates, \$1.25 wells, \$1.75 non-premium longnecks and \$1 Long Islands
Bermuda Triangle (SA) - \$1.00 Slam Thursdays, with \$1.00 beer and well drinks all night
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - \$2.50 domestic longneck and Rain vodka drinks, show at 8:30 pm
Bout Time (Austin) - Pool tournament starting at 9 p.m. with cash prizes and open volleyball court all day
Changes (Fort Worth) - \$3.75 Royal Crown, plus male dancers
Charlie's (Austin) - The Vanessa Gordon Show at 11:30 p.m. with special guests each week
The Closet (Harker Heights) - No cover before 9 p.m., \$1 domestic longnecks and wells all night; open 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - The Muscle Mechanics male dancers at 10:30 p.m. and midnight, plus DJ Scot Free spins
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - Back to the Six country and western night
SA Eagle (SA) - \$1.25 wells and \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Sidekicks (Austin) - Happy Hour 4-9 pm w/ Brandy, Karaoke w/ Steve & lan, Hip Hop Night w/ Beat 104.3's DJ LL
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - Latin Night with DJ Nini, plus \$3 wells, domestic and import beer 9 a.m.-close
Tagz (SA) - \$3 anything in the house from 4 pm to 9 pm

Fridays

2015 (SA) - Happy Hour 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., with \$1.75 wells and \$1.50 draft, plus \$1.75 longnecks all day and night
The Annex(SA) - Leather Night; \$1.50 wells, \$1.75 non-premium longnecks, and \$1 Sangria
Bermuda Triangle (SA) - 75 Cent Fridays, with 75 cent well drinks all night
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - Reduced drink prices 3-9 pm, Manager Specials 9-11 pm, Dance till 2 am
Bout Time (Austin) - Free buffet 6-8 pm, free pool 4-8 pm, DJ Kimmakazi spins at 9 pm, and open volleyball all day
Changes (Fort Worth) - "Almost" anything in the house for \$2.50 (9-11pm), plus male dancers
Charlie's (Austin) - 5 After 5 Friday, with \$5 cover after 5 p.m. (\$7 after 9 p.m.) and \$1 wells and non-premium beers
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - College night, with male dancers 10 pm to 2 am; \$10 cover under 21, free 21 and up
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - Boys and Buffet with a happy hour buffet and Muscle Mechanics dancers
SA Eagle (SA) - \$1.50 wells and \$1.75 non-premium longnecks
Sidekicks (Austin) - Happy Hour 4-9 pm w/ Brandy, Women's Night Out w/ DJ AmEriKa
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - No cover, Fiesta Friday with DJ Nini, male dancers, and \$3 well and bottled beers 9 p.m.-close,
Tagz (SA) - Karaoke starting at 9:30 pm, pool tournament, and \$2 premiuomestic longnecks

Saturdays

2015 (SA) - Happy Hour 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., with \$1.75 wells and \$1.50 draft, plus \$1.75 longnecks all day and night
The Annex(SA) - Leather Night; \$1 wells and non-premium beer (til 9 pm), then \$1.75 wells and beer and \$1 Sangria
Bermuda Triangle (SA) - \$1.00 Saturday, with \$1.00 well drinks all night
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - Reduced drink prices 3-9 pm, Manager Specials 9-11 pm, Dance till 2 am
Bout Time (Austin) - DJ Kimmakazi spins 9 pm - 2 am, and open volleyball - bring a team or just bring some friends
Changes (Fort Worth) - Male dancers, and dance your butt off (with after hours)
Charlie's (Austin) - \$5 cover after 5 p.m. until 2 a.m. and \$1.50 wells and non-premium beers
The Closet (Harker Heights) - Special events each Saturday, no cover before 9 p.m., open 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - Dance night with hot music and male dancers
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - DJ Scot Free spins "Network" featuring the hottest dance sounds
SA Eagle (SA) - Party Night, \$1 wells and non-premium beer (til 9 pm), then \$1.75 wells and non-premium longnecks
Sidekicks (Austin) - Happy Hour 4-9 pm w/ Kevin, Music, Fun & Friends!
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - No cover, Sabado Sabrosa with DJ Nini, plus \$3 wells & beer 9 p.m.-close
Tagz (SA) - Lots of great music and drinks all day and all night

Sundays

2015 (SA) - \$2 Bloody Marys from 4pm-9pm and \$1.75 wells & longnecks all day
The Annex(SA) - \$2 hamburgers at 6 pm, \$1 wells, Sangria, beer; \$4 calls, \$5 premium calls, \$2 schnapps, and \$1 Jello shots
Best Friends Club (Fort Worth) - \$1.25 domestic draft beer and \$1.75 imported draft beer, charities shows start at 9 pm
Bout Time (Austin) - Rude Sunday with \$2.75 Frozen Marg's 2-8 pm, volleyball 2:30-8:30 pm, and karaoke 8 pm -1 am
Changes (Fort Worth) - Super Show, \$3.25 Absolut Vodka, and \$1.25 draft beer
Charlie's (Austin) - Super Sunday Show with Jame Perry at midnight, \$1 vodka until 10 pm, and \$1 draft all day and all night
The Closet (Harker Heights) - Closed
Hot Shots (Fort Worth) - Divas and dancers with special shows and entertainment
Oilcan Harry's (Austin) - \$2 beer & \$1 mimosas 2-7 p.m., Cookout with Margie, and \$2.50 dom. beer & well vodka 7-11 pm
SA Eagle (SA) - \$1 wells and beer; \$4 calls, \$5 premium calls, \$2 schnapps, and \$1 Jello shots and 50 cent cherry bombers
Sidekicks (Austin) -Happy Hour 4-9 pm w/Kevin, Chicks & Steers Steak Night w/Ingried
Silver Spur Saloon (Austin) - Latin Night and Happy Hour all day and night
Tagz (SA) - \$1.75 well, \$1.75 non-premium longnecks, and \$2.50 premium longnecks 4 pm-9 pm, plus pool tournament

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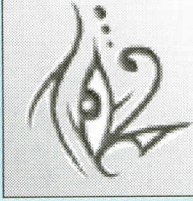


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by Psychic Norbert

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) You are an air sign, and your sister sign is Sagittarius. My dear Gemini's, your ruling planet is the great Mercury, which you share with Virgos. But you are not like Virgos, so this week I would watch my diet, exercise more, and pay a lot more attention to your neck and tummy.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) You are a water sign, and your sister sign is Capricorn. Oh my dear Cancers, your ruling planet is the moon, and it is all yours - you don't have to share it with any other sign. This week, pay more attention to your body's signals - especially anything out of ordinary internally nor externally; try to have it checked by a professional.

Leo (July 23 - August 22) You are a fire sign, and your sister sign is Aquarius. My dear Leo's, your ruling planet is the sun, and like Cancers you don't have to share to your planet with another sign. This week, please pay more attention to your job - either get that new promotion or get a new job - but let the old baggage go. Your job is not going to change for you; have to change for your new job. Have someone else do your resume.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22) You are an earth sign, and your sister sign is Pisces. My dear Virgo, your ruling planet is the great Mercury - just like the Gemini's. Please take good care of your legs and your lower back this week. Take some time off from the hardcore bodybuilding and rest a little. This week, watch your diet instead.

Libra (September 23 - October 22) My dear dear Libras, as you know I'm a Libra and I love most of you. Our ruling planet is Venus, the lover of the nice things. This week I sense a lot of pressure on your tummy and the left side of your lower back, around the left side of the kidney area). So drink more filtered water and eat right and light.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21) You are a water sign, and your sister sign is Taurus. Hello my loyal and stubborn Scorpios; your ruling planet is Pluto. We both know that you are very secretive - and you have many secrets, just like Librans- that is okay, as long as you can keep it in balance (and that is very hard work). This week, don't just run your mouth, do something about it.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) You are a fire sign, and your sister sign is Gemini. Sagittarius, your ruling planet is the big Jupiter. I'm very happy for you this week, but can you please let us know the real you? And when we talk to you, we don't want to talk to you about you. You do have a big heart, but you always have to care for yourself, too.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19) You are an earth sign, and your sister sign is Cancer. My dear Capricorns, your ruling planet is the Saturn. This week, please find some time to relax and find a hobby, like reading walking or gardening. Are you in full control of you? I sense something around your neck and forehead needs attention.

Aquarius (January 20- February 18) You are an air sign, and your sister sign is Leo. Hello dear Aquarius people; your ruling planet is the Uranus, the water planet. I do know for a fact that you hate changes made without your approval, and you don't like people who don't keep their appointments. But change is part of life, so get over it, because we are tired to hearing about it; people make mistakes, and so do you. Take time this week to organize and clean your house.

Pisces (February 19- March 19) You are a water sign, and your sister sign is Virgo. My dear Pisces, your ruling planet is Neptune. You are a home-loving, caring, people-loving person, so can we please let us love you too? Your mid- and upper-back is in focus this week, so stretch as much as you can. And don't take everything in and personally; you haven't done anything wrong, and things happening for a reason.

Aries (March 20 - April 19) You are a fire sign, and your sister sign is Libra. Dear loving sister sign of mine, your ruling planet is Mars. Are you paying enough attention to yourself, or are you trying to become someone you are not? You are the only sign I know that can take criticism with out any problems, and I do love you for that.

Taurus (April 20- May 20) You are a water sign, and your sister sign is Scorpio. My dearest Taurus - as you know, your ruling planet is Venus, which you share with Libras. But you are not like Libras, so this week you need to focus on the things coming out of your mouth. And watch your tone as well - you may think that no one else can hear you, but we can because you are being very loud again. So please be kind to us and quiet down.

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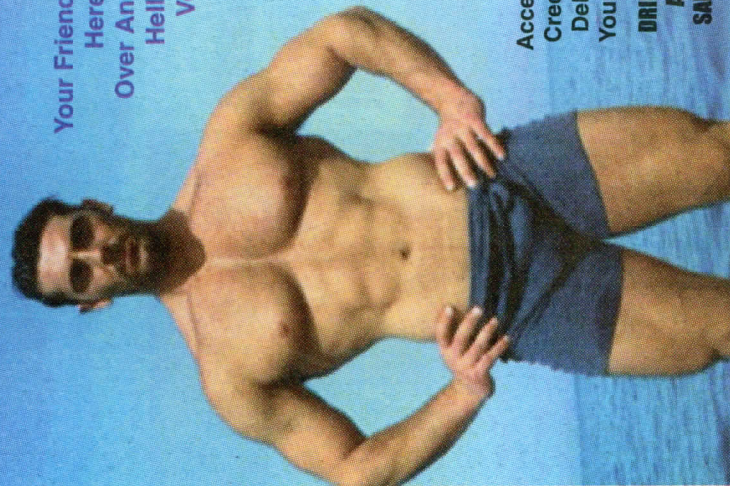


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