

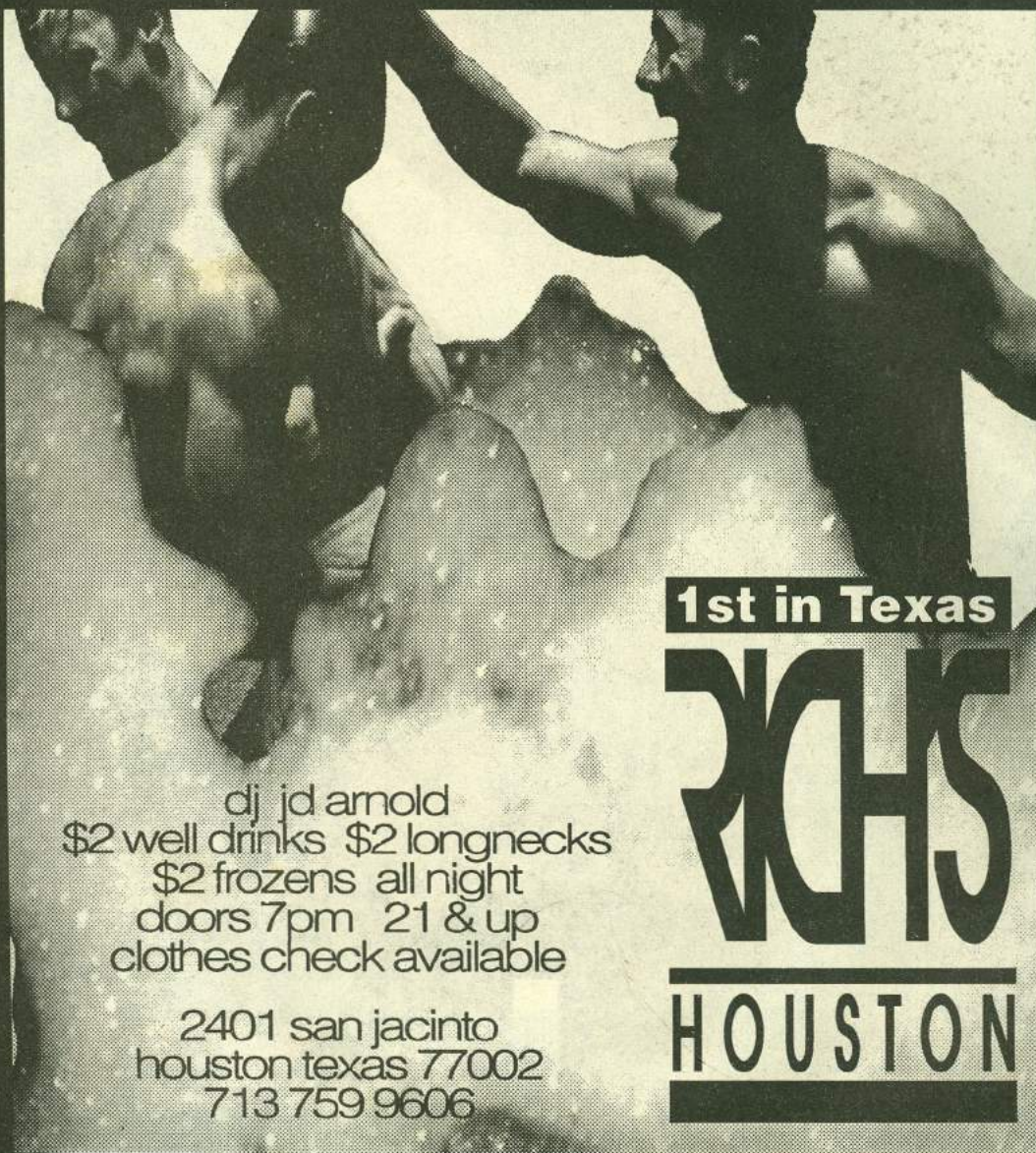


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## from the publisher

Greetings and salutations my red, ripened rosies. Welcome to another fun-filled issue of Texas' best gay magazine. We're all just pleased as punch here around the offices, well for various reasons really...

We had a fabulous **Last Splash** weekend here in Austin — the weather was fantastic, the crowds of queens everywhere were unbelievable. The **RIP'D 95** party just overwhelmed everyone with its magnitude and dizzying success. The bars and clubs were packed full of fun-lovin' gays and lesbians; we must've collectively fallen in love hundreds of times over the weekend.

I keep hearing the unconfirmed but hopefully true rumor that **Brad Pitt** has bought a house in Austin for 1.5 million. If this is the case, I want to be the first to welcome Brad to Austin. Feel free to give me a call at the **FAG RAG** offices, anytime Brad, if you need anything at all. I could probably get your name on some guest lists around town or something, and it would be no bother at all, really.

Our Dallas section is finally making some headway, despite forces at work trying hard to keep us out. We don't want to point any fingers, name any names or anything, at least not here, so instead let's focus on the positive and introduce some of the fine folks we've been welcoming to our team in the last couple of weeks. Our new Dallas writer, **Gregg Baethge**, is a veteran of the Texan gay scene who comes to us after being a rep for Calvin Klein, and most recently employed by the nationally-known, now-defunct gay mail-order company, Shocking Grey. He sings, he dances, he's a former aerobics instructor, and has a bizarre love for Belinda Carlisle, to such an extent that his friends won't go on a roadtrip with him without searching the vehicle for Belinda tapes. And best of all, Gregg has a nose for finding out all the hot poop; he'll be serving it up for you each issue, starting on page 31. I'm pleased to welcome him to our staff.

Sharp-eyed readers will also notice some other new names on our masthead at left; I'll tell you all about them in future issues. I'd rather use my remaining space to whine about a few little things that have been working my nerves lately...

First, the Rogaine commercial. I don't have the time to watch a lot of television, but we frequently have VH-1, MTV, E!, or Comedy Central on in the office during production, and that insipid commercial is on during almost every commercial break! You know, the one where the annoying guy sings, "I want to know..." repeatedly. If you don't know it, consider yourself lucky. I feel like tearing all the hair out of my scalp after hearing that guy's voice the twentieth time in a day — and I don't even have a hair loss problem!

Second — child-proof lighters. Whose bright idea was this? These things are so annoying that I refuse to buy them or even use them. I prefer matches. I fear that soon all lighters will be child-proof, and I'll be forced to buy the old kind black market from Mexico or something. Howabout we just keep lighters the way they are and *not give them to children to play with*... Oh, it's always got to be something.

Until next issue, have fun, play safe, and ask for us by name!

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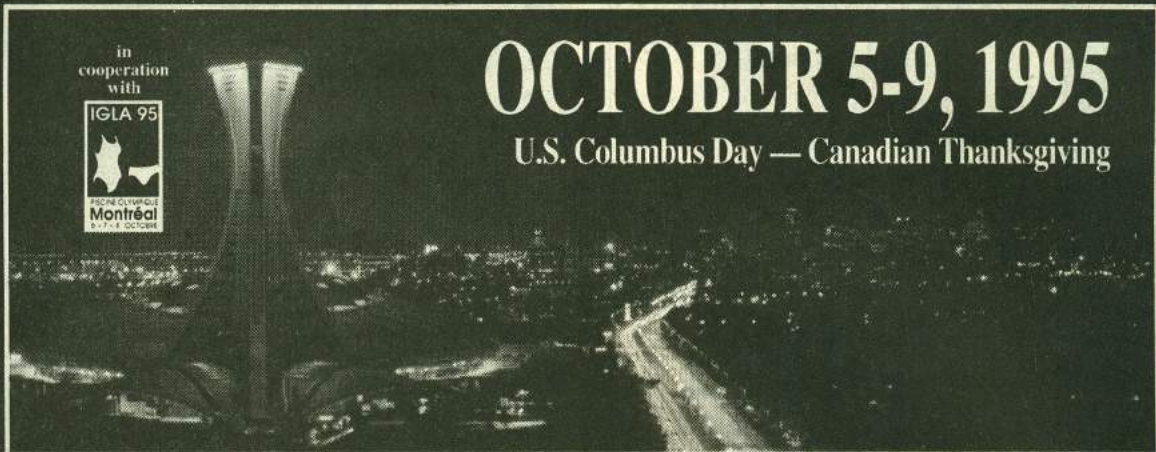
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# ask fag hag

ELIZABETH SWETON



Well I'm off on travels again, my eager little beavers, and I must hurry since I've ignored the impassioned pleas of my deadline-obsessed editors and my flight leaves in just a few minutes. But who can put time constraints on such genius? Did Einstein have to have his theory of relativity in on Friday? I think not. So get off my back you bitches; if it's not done in time I'll fax it from the buggy airplane.

**Dear Fag Hag,**

A friend of mine and I were drinking martinis in a club about a month ago when we got into a heated and somewhat inebriated debate on human nature. My friend took the position that people are born with their personality already defined by their genetic code. I, on the other hand, maintained that people are simply a product of their environment and subsequently shaped by their experiences. The more we drank, the more we held to our convictions until finally we decided to test our theories. With drunken bravado, I declared that my friend could pick any nelly, drug-crazed klub kid in the bar and within a month I could convincingly pass him off to as a college frat boy and have him pledged to the butchest fraternity on campus. My friend agreed and a bet was set for the sum of \$100. Within minutes, the subject of our experiment was selected; an effeminate boy of about 18 with long matted hair, bad makeup and an atrocious array of cloths-like objects hanging from his delicate limbs. My work was cut out for me. We introduced ourselves and in exchange for a few drinks and some cash, the boy agreed to participate. After the first week I realized that this was going to be a miserable failure, but I was driven by pride. To make a long story short, I did indeed fail. What's worse, the boy has

**moved into my condo, steals my money and pawns my expensive things for drugs and has his delinquent friends over to lounge around by the pool creating havoc and destruction and generally causing an uproar with the neighbors. I've asked him to leave, but he won't. I've tried to lock him out but somehow he always gets back in. If that wasn't bad enough, my friend with whom I had originally made the bet has taken up with this band of low-life druggies. What should I do now? —Vexed in Westlake**

Dear Professor Mary Higgins,

How many times do I have to tell you, you can take the Kid out of the Klub, but you can't take the Klub out of the Kid. I guess the question for you now is, can you take the Kid out of the Kondo? After all, it's not like you can just break out a handy can of Kidz-be-Gone and spray the offensive pest into oblivion. I'm afraid you've fed this stray Kat, now he's yours. If you can't keep him, you'll have to find some way to get rid of him since he obviously won't leave on his own accord. Unfortunately he's not a real cat so you can't pull a Martha Stewart by throwing him into a burlap sack and squashing him under your car tires. (Besides the obvious legal ramifications, this option proves a bit too messy and bad for your rear suspension.) You should first try to find a new home for him. Put an ad in the paper and maybe someone will call. If not, wallop him on the head with an industrial weight frying skillet is right out. Here's a possible alternate plan. Take another friend out for cocktails (preferably one who doesn't live in the same neighborhood) and reenact the same debate you had with your friend this time taking the

opposing view. When the patsy is hooked point out your houseguest and make the same bet. If you play your cards right, and this will include cautioning the little bastard in advance to keep his mouth shut, your pesky rugrat will be relocated by the night's end.

In the future, keep your uppity psychological ravings and buttinsky meddlings confined to your drawing room. —FR

**Dear Fag Hag,**

**My friends think I'm gay 'cus I hang out with gays and am part of that environment a lot. But I have a girlfriend and I love to have sex with girls. But I'm still young, 19, and sometime I wonder about my sexuality. I think I may just be confused because my friends keep putting ideas into my head and that makes me think things. Is it possible to be gay**

**and not know it? If I am gay, how can I be sure? Thanks for your help. —Confused**

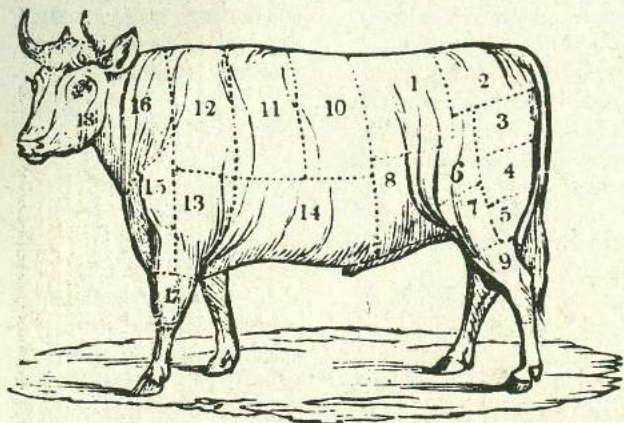
Dear Label Queen,

Some people don't come out of the closet until their 20's, 30's, 40's or later. As I've patiently tried to explain, time and time again, being gay isn't about putting a label on oneself and trying to conform to some notion of a stereotyped lifestyle. If you want to sleep with a guy, *do it*. Don't spend your time riddled with teenaged angst, gather your experiences with relish. If you find yourself attracted to a man and are comfortable with the situation, act on it. If not, *don't*. You can decide if you're gay (or not) at any point. If that doesn't help any, try running through this oversimplified and highly-stereotypical checklist...

## You might be gay if:

- You spend more time checking out your butt in the mirror than you do checking out women's breasts.
- Your childhood memories of fishing with your father are overshadowed by your recall of your mother's shoe collection.
- It takes you more than ten minutes to do your hair.
- You know all the words to more than two Madonna songs.
- You have an overwhelming desire to trim up your pubic hair, shave your chest or constantly pluck at your eyebrows.
- You've ever looked a bartender dead in eye and with no hint of irony ordered a Crystal Carrington, cowboy cocksucker, or *pousse café*.
- You get all goose-pimply when you watch *Top Gun*.
- You apply Clearasil® religiously to your buttocks each night before bed just in case anyone ever sees you in your thong underwear.
- The time you spend showering at the gym exceeds the time you spend working out.
- Anyone has ever mentioned that you sound just like a sassy black woman when you get angry.
- You invariably have more luggage than your girlfriend when going on vacation.
- You tend to dawdle in the soap and toiletries aisles when grocery shopping.

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Alright for the **RIP95** party. I'm taking divas emeritus, **Gala Friese** and **Lauren Sommers** to Miami for the Winter Party next March so they can experience a genuine circuit extravaganza, but last Saturday's event came very close. It must be awfully frustrating though for my little vixens, all those hot bodies and gorgeous men... "Oh water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink!" But the view will be worth it, if not just to get out Texas for a few days.

Oh, the temptation to do wrong is there I know, and taking a boyfriend has been likened to bringing a sandwich to a bouffet, but really, I'm all guyed out. A fuckfest is the least of my concerns. There are much worse destinies that may await us. In the meantime, we'll see the sights and sample the culture, try not to get shot and most definitely not dance under any disco balls...

**Another one bites the dust.** It is very difficult for me to hide my dislike for some people so I usually just avoid them. However, the dynamics of friendships and social circles more often than not brings us into situations where we are forced to deal with people who we can hardly tolerate. So what do we do? This scenario is best illustrated, and gets complicated, when your best friend gets married to or starts dating someone who you frown

upon in the highest order. And so there is no longer a one-on-one friendship as there was before, because now the heathen is the common denominator in this equation. Every time you make plans with your friend Steve, he has to bring along his boyfriend Mike, whom you despise. Or worse, Mike won't allow Steve to see you anymore.

I always used to reassure myself that no matter how many guys may come and go, I'll always have my friends and nothing can take that away. But it happens to some people; friendships are split apart by guys who will probably be out of the picture anyway in a few months or years. What does one do?

If this scenario or one like it describes you, believe me, you are not alone — gay men create this drama all the time. Sooner or later, your friend will discover for himself the loser he's with and value your input and character analysis of his future husbands, that is, if your friendship survives the current relationship.

**Why we don't live in Iran.** Funny thing happened to me last weekend in the Alamo city. I seem to be a magnet for trouble because I certainly don't go looking for it but nevertheless somehow it always finds me. I decided to spend the weekend in San Antonio, as I rarely do, to tear up the town with my old friend **Ronnie**, A/K/A

'Catwoman,' who recently moved there. It's the only place in Texas where I don't care who sees me or how I look when I go out, and somehow, I always have the best time. We headed out to **The Silver Dollar Saloon** and went directly to bartender **Mark Silva**, who cheerfully sent us into a pleasant Cuervo orbit. While staring at a rather fat dick dancer, I discovered from a patron that they are no longer permitted to wear g-strings in the bars anymore.

"What!?" I asked, stunned. "You've got to be kidding." But, apparently not. A dancer was arrested and a bar fined as the good citizens of San Antonio passed some decency law that just went into effect, or so the story goes. Shaking my head in mild disbelief we left for the other bars and heard the story everywhere we went. I could not understand exactly who was being offended by having some cute, scantily clad boy shake his thing to the delight of happy bar patrons, but then again this is Texas and stranger things are still on the law books.

The next day, we went to the **River Center Mall** to do a little shopping and after a few hours, we were approached by one of those pseudo-police in the baby-blue cowboy uniforms, complete with hat and boots. He instructed us to turn our caps around.

"Excuse me?" I asked in total disbelief.

"You can't wear your hats like that in here," he said.

"And why not?"

"There's a gang problem. Turn your cap around!"

I thought to myself, as I usually do when thrown into situations like these, 'do I just obey like a good little citizen, even though I know in the pit of my stomach this is discrimination and wrong, or do

I stand up for myself like so many people don't and tell this creep to go to hell?'

The answer swelled up inside my young bones and I politely declined to comply...

While being detained in the security office awaiting the arrival of the police, I just couldn't help thinking unpleasant thoughts about the two security guards who whisked me into a hidden doorway and down to the dungeon.

It seemed to me that if there was a problem with kids and gangs, the solution is gun control and birth control, if I may be so bold, not dress code. Why should the law-abiding citizens of the public be told to change our style of dress because the system cannot cure or control a problem generated, in part, by the inaction and unwillingness of policy-makers to take such radical measures to keep the rest of us safe? And why were we stopped? Two young gay males, each carrying shopping bags and cappuccinos not exactly the profile of gun-packing punks who are loitering by the phones. I wondered what would have happened had this official told a Jewish man to remove his yamca because there was 'a Muslim gang problem in the city.' Or a man to remove his red ribbon because it 'upsets the tourists.' But alas, we are just 'kids' and we have no voice, or balls, right?

Too many people allow others to walk all over them and too few do anything about it. Maybe one day I'll grow into complacency like most people and let some young idealist fight the world for me, but for now it sure is satisfying even if it doesn't make a difference to anyone else but myself. Kisses to y'all, and stay cool.

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# horrible scopes

S P O O N I O N R A M P -



**AWAY AQUARIS:** Jupiter moves in conjunction with your ruling planet Pluto, giving rise to a number of unusual opportunities. Since the harvest moon is on the wane, don't be surprised if things don't turn out the way you expect. An invitation to shower with your sexy new companion proves a double edged sword when he offers to shampoo your hairy ass.

**PISCES:** Your love life has been bordering on pathetic for the last few weeks and Mercury's shortened orbit this week doesn't help. Your romantic situation takes another turn for the worst as your only trick suddenly deflates when you accidentally burst one of his vinyl seams.

**ARIES:** You are growing bored with your tired old habits, but then again, so is everyone else. Now is a good time to make some much needed changes in you life. Start with something easy and set your goals kind of low so the rest of us don't have to listen to your simpering self pity when you slip back to your old ways.

**TAURUS:** Your ruling planet is Venus, which of course, rhymes with "penis", and you'll be getting a lot of it in the next few weeks. Since you're self-absorbed by nature, you won't even mind that all that dick your playing with belongs to you're favorite person, namely *yourself*.

**GEMINI:** The sun is in retrograde which creates an aura of charisma and personal magnetism. Unfortunately, the people you're attracting aren't necessarily the ones you want. Don't waste your time sifting through this pack of dullards. Instead, bide your time, hone your virtues to emphasize your better qualities, and get ready to knock 'em dead.

**CANCER:** You are, as usual, the Renaissance queen of the nineties. But listen honey, sometimes you just need to focus. Your love of all things gets you in trouble this month when you simply can't decide which nipper you want to spend the evening with. Your intellectual faculties are stretched to breaking when you have to explain to your steady

why they're all sitting in your living room in their underpants.

**LEO:** Venus is in Gemini for the next week but shifts around the 20th. Now is a good time to catch up on those bothersome visits to the dentist and eye doctor, particularly when you spot a gorgeous butch stud across the room, only to find out on closer inspection that he's really a lesbian.

**VIRGO:** Mars shifting into Leo causes you to reassess your summer habits of watching talk shows for hours on end. Or maybe it was your recent visit to the beach where you were mistaken for a beached sea mammal and subsequently towed offshore. Don't worry, it's never too late to get in shape.

**LIBRA:** It's not that Mars in your lesser house is making you as thick as a whale sandwich, but it might not be a bad time to let others take the intellectual lead either. Instead of acting like you know everything, try keeping your mouth shut for a few days and see if that helps your social situation.

**SCORPIO:** A Venus-Neptune trine helps you mend fences you've damaged with your caustic personality and foul bodily emissions. A friend whose older than you may make some bitchy comments and generally get your dander up, but listen to what he says. Don't deny the truth — look for the good in his words. They can only help you in the long run and what do you have to lose right now anyway.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Life isn't quite as lively today, and you're glad. The Sun and Jupiter aren't getting along and when that happens, you overreact about even the slightest mishap. Really, Miss Mary Mack, just because your soufflé flopped doesn't mean you have to go around the house weeping and wearing all black.

**CAPRICORN:** Pluto intersecting your cusp causes you to be more of a pissy fussybudget than usual. You love to preach your convoluted values but enough of the tired "aren't I just a caution" platitudes, already. What makes you such a pillar of morals anyway, slutbag? **FR**



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# queer beats

CARLOS FUSARO



Last time around I wrote about the fab soundtrack to *To Wong Foo, Thanks For Everything, Julie Newmar* and **Cyndi Lauper's Twelve Deadly Cyns** cd.

Coincidentally enough, while I was on leave (a fierce one, mind you), I happened to catch **Wesley Snipes, Patrick Swayze** and **John Leguizamo** (sans drag) on *Oprah*, singing "Hey Now (**Girls Just Wanna Have Fun**)," with Cyndi. Those boys looked so butch, and well, so did the girls. Nasty rumor has it they may be getting **Damon Wayans** for the sequel, which will probably be called *I'll Rock Your World*. All drag talk aside, let's instead cover some post-**Splash** tuneage.

## THE PRIMO PICK

Dammit **Janet!** As if she wasn't already busy enough, Ms. **Jackson** is dropping a bomb on the dance community that is going to move those floors. "Runaway," the first single (and one of the few new songs) off of her **Design of A Decade 1985-95** cd kicks like a mule. Nothing much to say here except that it is a great dance record with fantastic full-length mixes and dubs from **Junior Vasquez**. The jewel cut on this single, however, is the flawless new remixes of her classic "When I Think of You." Pop-ish and progressive house versions by (among others) **Vasquez, Morales** and **Boys Own Jr.** There is definitely something for everyone in this double-pak, so what are you waiting for?

## HOUSE ■ DANCE ■ NRG

**Rozalla**, I love you, but why did you have to go and re-do "Losing My Religion" by **REM**. **Abigail's** version didn't work me, either... I guess I'm just one fickle bitch. **Madonna** fans

be on the lookout for **Justine**, a new superdiva hopeful from England whose sultry whisperings over fat house beats will remind you of how naughty you felt when you heard "Justify My Love" for the first time. Singles out there so far by Justine include "Be Sexy" and "Want Me" (sleaze at its best). "Set U Free" by **Planet Soul** continues to grow. For a live taste, check out their deejay **George Acosta** from Miami, Oct. 21 at Swank.

On the **Strictly Rhythm** Label comes "Tyler Moore Mary" by **Rageous projecting Franklin Fuentes**, a catchy little number with that irresistible hook over pounding beats that will remind you of **Club 69** with its sassy Latino queen style. "She's Tyler Moore! She's Mary!" And speaking of Club 69, the group's released remixes to their lukewarm summer release "Diva," which are an improvement over the original double pak but more noteworthy for the b-side: a fabulous cover of **Grace Jones'** classic "Warm Leatherette." This one worked me to the bone and once again features the booming lungpower of **Kim Cooper**.

The trio known as **Incognito** is back with "I Hear Your Name," and it shook my booty. Great melodic house piano running through the whole track plus nice lyrical vocals remind me of "Anything" from earlier this year.

## TRIBAL ■ TRANCE ■ TRIP-HOP

"Let's Play House" is the latest offering from **BB Club** and its got it all... hard beats, mean acid funk breaks, an uplifting piano groove, and chants and screams that will turn any party out (plus, two mixes by the hot new **Aquarius**-team). San Fran funk fans

here's two hotties for you: "Loose Caboose" by **Bassbin Twins** (whose deejay **Dan** recently tore it up at the **Austin Music Hall**) and "Rhythm" by deejay **Who** featuring **Taneesha**. Both titles pack some tight-ass breakbeats.

For a little taste of techno with that nineties house sensibility check out "The Feeling" by **Sugar**. Fierce builds and breaks, and the inevitable techno stabs have had this 12" gem burning up the dancefloors in Dallas already. Another hot one I first heard in Dallas is "Reach Up (**Pig Bag**)" by **Perfecto**. Roll out a slammin' bouncin' drum track, some thumpin' bass, borrow an old horn lick, and the result is a satisfying dance cut which will leave you feeling like you heard it before, and wantin' more!

## REMAKES ■ REMIXES

Check out **Blondie: The Remix Project**. She's been remixed, remade and remodeled for the nineties and girlz these numbers are workin'! Covered on the double album are all her standards, with yet another new nineties twist: "Heart of Glass,"

"One Way or Another," "Rapture," "The Tide is High," and more, remixed by the likes of **Utah Saints, E-Smoove, K-Klass** and **Armand Van Helden**.

## CDS THAT SHAKE

If you are into all kinds of dance music from yesterday and today, there is a new series that documents the evolution of it through the years. It is called **The History of Dance**, and it comes in two 5-cd box-sets. The first covers the late sixties to early eighties, and the latter from 1984 or so until the present. Some of the jewels here include "Chain of Fools" by **Aretha**, "Car Wash" by **Rose Royce**, and "Finally"

by **Ce Ce Peniston**. It makes a great giftee and hey, the holidays are not that far off. Also, if you like to deee-groove, check out DJ **Towa Tei's Future Listening**. This **Deee-lite** co-founder has come off with a splendid debut, filled with tracks that will remind you of the early days of deee-funk.

## AND IN CLOSING...

This issue's column was a bit short on titles listed, but then again, not every week is filled with music that moves me that much. Hopefully, next issue's page will be choc-full of trax for your body, mind and soul. Perhaps we'll also be seeing a new section, an addition to this page in the near future. Any suggestions? Send us your comments and we'll put them in the pile with all the others (jut kiddin' girlz)! Until next time keep the groove alive! **FR**



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*Planet Soul*
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4. **Everybody Be Somebody**  
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*KMFDM*
6. **You Are Not Alone**  
*Michael Jackson*
7. **Why '95**  
*Bronski Beat*
8. **The Disco Call**  
*Yo-Yo Rodeo*
9. **I'm Your Man**  
*Lisa Moorish*
10. **This Is The Go-Gos (Medley)**  
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RIP'D 95's mouth-watering Best Body Contest.



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RACHEL and CRAIG upstairs in the VIP Lounge at RIP'D 95



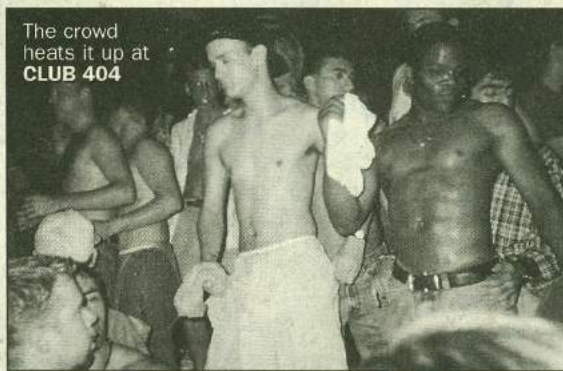
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SHANE bugs out at CLUB 404



STEVE W and HUCKABABY enjoy a giggle at HOLLYWOOD



The crowd heats it up at CLUB 404



HEATHER and BEN get ripped!



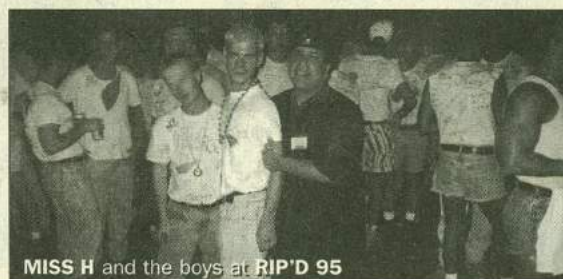
LAUREN does what she does best, as RONNIE looks on



The party is just starting after hours at HOLLYWOOD



RAG co-founder STEVE W makes contact with another world



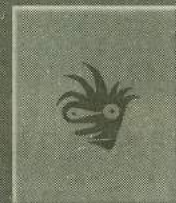
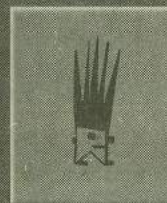
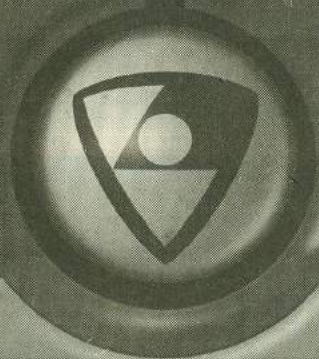
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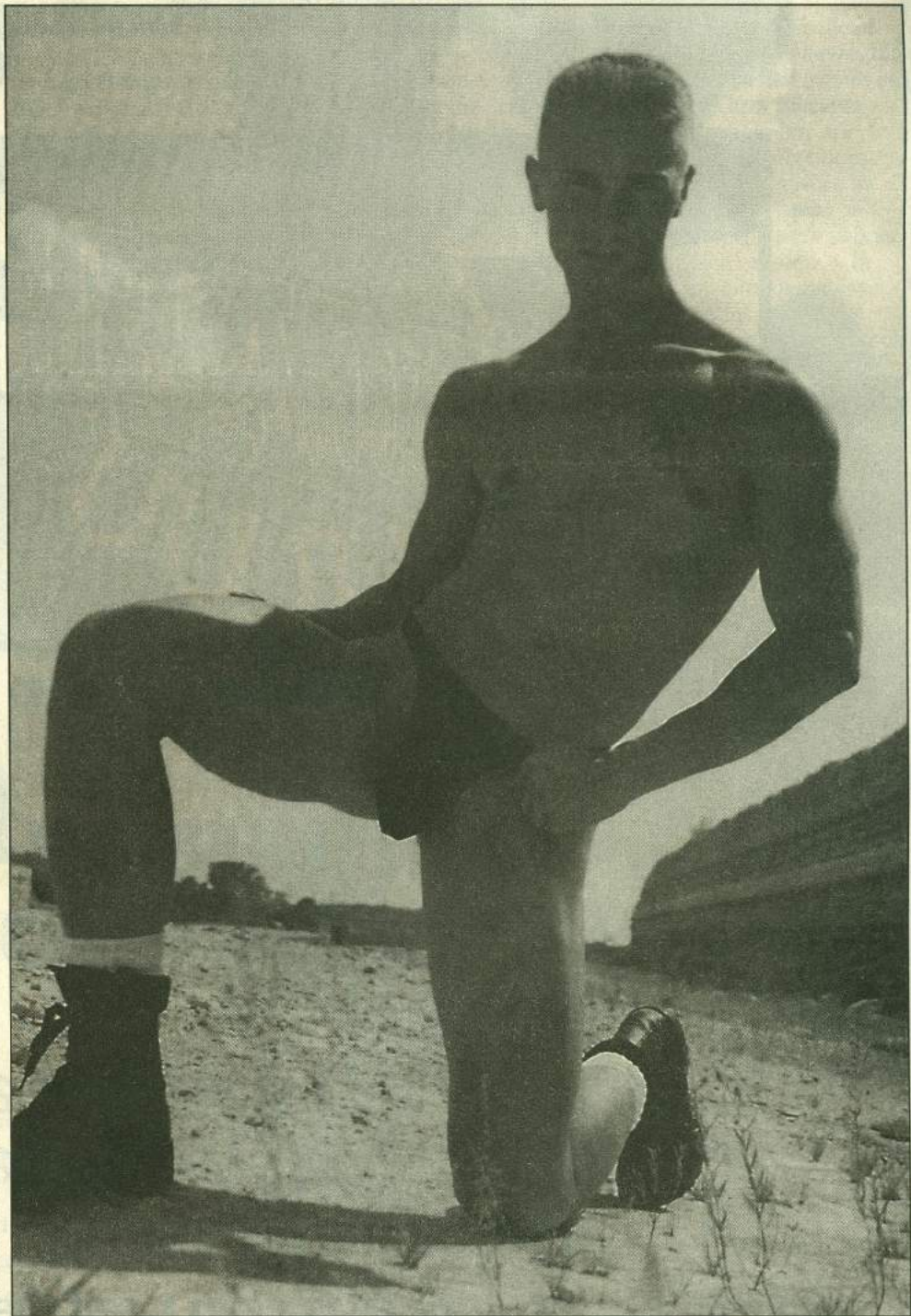
CRAIG EDWARDS

**Last Splash '95** was nothing, if not superlative in almost every way. To all the bar owners, managers and employees around town: congratulations for helping host the best

Splash weekend ever. And to all the fabulous fags and lascivious lesbians from Austin, around the state and even the whole country: thank you for coming in and turning it out in a way that made us party girls proud! Whew! And it was exhausting, too!

By Friday morning our house was full of houseguests from far and wide. The first to fly in Thursday afternoon was **Darren P**, the fabulous male model and big apple bartender who graced the cover of our Pride '95 issue (#58) earlier this year. Six-foot-something, blond and almost always laughing hysterically at something, his appetite for partying occasionally threatens to upstage even our own legendary stamina.

Next in the door, at 9am Friday morning, were **Brian D** and **Todd L**, the demon kids from the East, bursting through the door in a swirl of Aveda aromatherapy, sporting freshly-bleached buzzcuts and having just driven fifteen hundred and forty seven miles non-stop from Fredericksburg, VA. — in a *purple pick-up truck*, no less. These two are moving to Austin permanently in another few weeks, having fallen in love with Austin's charms (just like the rest of us) on their visits here for **First Splash** and now **Last Splash**. They have helped liberate a bar on the main street in the aforementioned small Northern Virginian town, transforming it from just another



restaurant/watering hole in a small town to a raging gay bar which is just barely discreet enough to avoid having the whole, somewhat conservative community up in arms. If you ever find yourself in Fredericksburg, Virginia, be sure and check out **Merriman's** on Caroline Street. It's quite a hoot. But we digress...

Friday was the first day

of the **Green Chile Festival** at the **Comida Deluxe** restaurants, wherein bushels and bushels of fresh green chiles from Hatch, New Mexico (which is famed for such) are harvested and trucked to Austin, roasted outdoors in huge drums, and turned into mouth-watering creations by the culinary geniuses at **Chuy's**, **Shady Grove**, **Romeo's** and

## ON OUR COVER: **KIRK**

The first thing you notice about our 21 year-old covermodel is the sleek lines of his lean body, which contrast so nicely with his chiseled features. Although he's Austrian by birth, **KIRK** recently moved here from Phoenix. His tattoo of **Scorpio the Scorpion** proclaims that he's "silent, swift and deadly." What a combo!

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**Hula Hut.** Feeling *molto italiano*, we opted for Romeo's, and after full courses of green chile appetizers and green chile entrées, not to mention quite a few glasses of chianti, we were feeling pretty silly. After a dash home to change clothes (red wine and marinara don't stain if you hit 'em with the stain stick quick), we rendezvoused with barback **Jake**, another platinum blond, for some poolside fun and sun. The cute straight boys were out in droves, and if our entourage's peroxide-hued hairdos (three out of five) didn't give us away, our loud house music probably did. After a quick shower and application of multiple hair and skin products, we loaded up the crew and went to **Mick's Place** A/K/A **DJ's** for happy hour, home of the fab fajita bouffet and mexican martinis. We whooped, we hollered, we tore the place up. We were happy to find

**Brandon B** working behind the bar once again, in a sort of encore performance, as he has now moved to Houston.

After a mandatory spin through **Proteus** and **Ohms** (both were fantastic and filled with many cute frolicking young thangs), we set our sights on opening night of the space formerly known as **Cowboys**, now christened **Mickey's**, and open seven nights a week (more or less), from 2am until 6am. They promise male dancers and drag shows every night, and considering they had little advance publicity, their opening night was pretty festive. We were welcomed in the door by **Mona** and **Glenn**, and once inside, our associate editor **Misha** was conked on the head without warning by an invisible object and rendered unconscious. He spent the rest of the evening passed out on one of the comfy sofas, his

dangly parts dangling out the bottom of his shorts (as observed by **Biss Mitch** and **Richard** the doorman).

Saturday we caught more rays by the pool, went shopping on the drag and found some fabulous bargains (**By George Men** rules), then went home to get gussied up for the biggest event of the weekend: **RIP'D 95**. Now you're probably used to hearing us rave about how great this one is and how fantastic that one was, but believe us when we officially declare **RIP'D 95** (known in previous years as the "Rip Your T-Shirt Party") the gay party of the year. Last year's party was held at the now-defunct **Café Brazil**, and was a grand party which seemed hard to top, but promoter **Ben Parsley** pulled out all the stops, truly outdoing himself this year. By making the party into a benefit for charity he was able to

attract national sponsors (**Absolut**, **Naya**, **Out**, **Genre**, **Hyatt Regency**, *et al*) and move the party to one of Austin's largest venues, the **Austin Music Hall** (where no less than **Ozzy Osbourne** recently recorded an album). We hadn't been inside the place since its previous incarnation as **Acropolis**, and were impressed at the renovation. In fact, the interior and even the exterior is virtually unrecognizable from the old **Return to Planet 9** days. We strolled about the place gazing at the fabulous lights, the festive decorations, tables covered in giveaway items (such as **ID Lube** and **Q Cologne**, the new gay fragrance), hundreds of big fat Crayola markers in every shade scattered everywhere, and more and more festive celebs every moment. **Zach Cochran** and **Miss H** had the steel wheels set up on a large stage over-

**RIP'D** Austin and Christopher House would like to thank the gay community for making **RIP'D 95** the overwhelming success that it was. With your help we raised approximately \$35,000 for Christopher House.

With your continued help we will do even more next year. Our information line will remain active at (512) 419-4763. Please call us and let us know what you liked and didn't like, so that we can only get better! If you are on the Internet you can also e-mail us at [benpar@agent.alienz.com](mailto:benpar@agent.alienz.com) as well as continue to visit our web page at <http://www.alienz.com/rip> where we will have updated pictures and information. If you are in Austin call **Alien Teknology** for gay-friendly Internet access at a very reasonable rate.

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Last and definitely most, a very special thanks to **Mick Faulkner**, for his extreme generosity.

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looking the immense dance-floor, laser-like beams of light shooting over their heads and sweeping the room while thumping, killer bass cranked out of a 50,000 watt soundsystem.

The best body contest turned up some fantastic treats for the eyes, and we saw so many familiar faces and friendly new ones.

Sighted in the crowd: fantastic former coverboys **John Gilbert**, **Doug Keating** and sexy friend, **Teddy**, **Rick Holmberg**, last issue's **Curtis**, plus **Chris** and **Chad** (and probably some others our enfeebled minds can't recall). Also: diva fag hags

**Lauren** and **Rachel**, **Ben LaMasters** with gorgeous friend **Heather**, transie superstar **Ramona**, former Ragger **Shane Perdue**, godlike massage therapist **Jason W**, realtor™ **Kelly Voelkel**, dj **Greg C**,

**Christopher House's** point man **Don Massa** (in muscle-tee and wireless headset), **Paul Masters**, **Ronnie V**, **Scott Free**, **FAG RAG** co-founder **Stephen Williams** (now of Atlanta) with two-faced optometrist friend, and goodness gracious, just so many more folks. They sold all three-thousand tickets that were printed, raised over \$35k for **Christopher House** (\$25k from one very generous spirit alone), the place was *packed*, the music was sensational ("*Officer, officer, where's you're brother?*"), and we had one honey of a good time. If we

were to whine about just one thing it would be the lack of drink tickets for VIPs... In any event, the RIP'D phenomenon has evolved into a full-fledged circuit party that can compete on a national level; just wait until next year, it's sure to be even bigger and better. Look out **Hotlanta**, **Viscaya**, and the **Saint at Large**... We congratulate promoter **Ben Parsley** on his fabulous success. Look for the review in next month's **Genre** magazine.

We teamed up with kindred spirits **Shane** and **Jason** on planet Jupiter, or perhaps Pluto (or was it **Planet K?**) and headed over to **Club 404**, where the joint was jumpin'. Wait a minute, you say, you thought we *hated* Club 404? No silly, we *love* 404. We've *always* loved 404. The ownership, management and theoretical sale of the club have all been the subject of much conjecture, even *gossip* lately, and we've been reporting it faithfully and somewhat objectively as always. There also are some differences between us Rag Faggots on the editorial staff here and some of the folks who run the club these days, really nothing more than misunderstandings allowed to escalate and spiral out of control. These 'differences' caused us to neglect 404 for several issues as we stewed; however, they're still the only *true* gay nightclub in town, and

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as long as they're open we'll always be the first to sing their praises (and air their dirty laundry from time to time). Just like all the rest of the bars and clubs. Some referred to our piece on 404 last issue as its *obituary*; not at all, girlfriends, it was a *tribute*. Sale of the place was perilously close when we went to press last time, but (believe it or not) one of the investors for the new owner pulled out of the deal after *consulting a psychic*. (We swear, we couldn't make this stuff up if we tried.) But, anyway...

We paid at *least* as much cover as everyone else (after cutting the line) and ducked into the basement for some visiting on the sofas in those dark corners down there. Moments later, we were out in the middle of the packed dance floor, gyrating to the pounding beats of deejay **Elektrik Messiah** and marvelling at

how *vivid* all the lights looked. The crowd was a select mob of shirtless, sweaty muscle hunks, flawless divas and far-out club phreaks. We had the best time we've had there for months, carried on like maniacs and loved it! Upon our departure we thanked the polite doorstaff [read: *irony*], and took off for **Hollywood** in **Steve William's** rental car, accompanied by **Jeff B** and Steve's travelling companion **John**. After a stop off at **Mickey's** we arrived at Hollywood and were shocked to find a line at 4am *all the way down the block* past **Mongolian BBQ**, and pleased to see a wildly decked-out **Sliver Cyberslut** at the head of the line, being fierce with a clipboard. Just where does he get those fantastic outfits? He waved us in ahead of the crowd, making the excuse to the disgruntled people waiting [of our publisher]:

"*He's my photographer, I have to let them in!*" Thanks, darling, we love you. Inside: an even more crazed collection of dawncrawlers than usual, wildly undulating to the heavy housebeats of deejay **Filthy Rich**, who was wearing some strange pair of mini-headlights on his head, presumably to see the steel wheels in the pitch black booth. After wandering around jabbering with the likes of **Ricco, Huckababy**, a tweaking **Mrs. Shock** with her newly Cybertrim™med muscles, and such, we traipsed off into the morning. Outside on San Jacinto, we wasted a good ten minutes interrogating some people partying on a balcony at the **Railyards** as to the whereabouts of our friend with the car keys before realizing we were at the *wrong* car... Oh, dear.

Back at *la casa*, we counted our ranks: all pre-

sent and accounted for, and then some... And the after-hours continued until disco nappers arose and it was time to head out to the marina. Once again, we were guests aboard **Dale Jordan's** Lakeway luxury yacht with full bar, bartendresses and fabulous catered bouffet. And don't forget the array of go-go boys. We're there, dude! Let's skip some of the details and just say it was another glamorous, fantastic fun-filled afternoon.

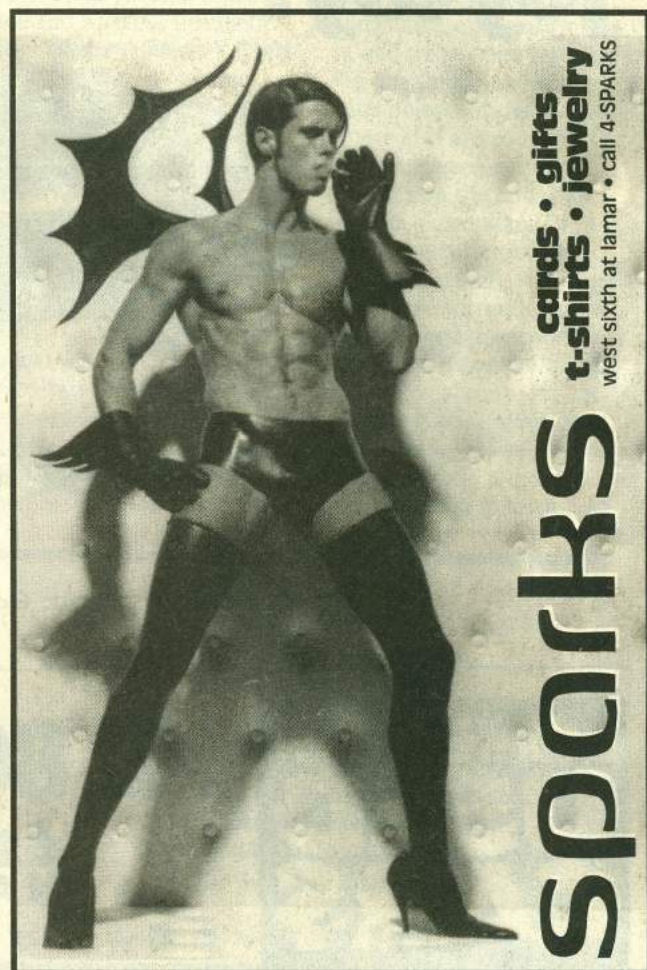
#### Anonymous Boatbits:

What coveted young straight boy loosened up enough to prance around the boat in a long blond wig? And just where'd he disappear to for the return journey? And exactly who was it that fell into a k-hole and passed out under the bouffet table, hidden by the long red tablecloths? And was it later revealed that he was not alone under there,

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and was busy for a good ten minutes?

The lake was quite crowded — an excellent turnout — and the weather was picture perfect. We saw so many faces we knew we couldn't even *begin* to name them, and cute naked folks everywhere, splashing around and swinging from the trees.

That evening, those of us who survived the day at the lake dined at the **Mustang Diner**, that fab new hotspot across Lavaca from **Ruta Maya**. Unfortunately, that didn't include any of the people who are presently here in the office as this column is being written — however, we understand it was very cute. They said they had the *hottest* waiter, that the food was *delicious* and elaborately presented, and that the place seemed très gay-friendly. It kinda has to be; it's right in the edge of the emerging mini gay ghetto/arts district thing happening there.

Later that evening we stopped in at **Oilcan's**, which was packed to the gills with a wait to get in, and this is Sunday night. Pretty amazing really. We looked around and got a drink from **Mike Roth**, but not well for the heat and cramped quarters (we forgot our sweaters), we hightailed it up to **Charlie's** which was also doing a bang up Sunday night. Fabulous! Fantastic! We're not sure what we did the rest of the

## MALEBAG

A space dedicated to sharing with you some of our love letters and hate mail, plus other stuff we find relevant, interesting, informative or in some way amusing. So write!

We'd like to start out by thanking the dozens of readers who have risen to our support with their calls, letters, faxes and email over the Whit Hanks homophobia incident detailed in last issue's editorial piece. We'd love to publish them all here but space limitations forbid it. It moves us to see the 'true' gay community take care of its own. Thank you all, your support is more meaningful than you can imagine. —FR

Hey Guys—

Did ya'll hear about the disco ball at Oilcan's crashing down onto a dancing queen's head? It happened around midnight Saturday night of Splash weekend to my friend. It sort of ruined her Splash plans. She was whisked away in an ambulance and suffered a concussion. Maybe you could warn people about the hazards of dancing under those disco balls. I remember when the one at 404 fell right behind a dancer one night. Maybe the balls should be checked on a regular basis. She was sent home [from the hospital] the night it happened, but is in a lot of pain with headaches and back troubles. — Todd R, via Internet

We're sorry about your friend; we hope she's alright. When we burst out laughing after reading your letter, it wasn't that we were laughing at her, rather at the absurdity of the imagery it evokes. Usually these mirrored balls are quite lightweight — they're made of Styrofoam" balls covered with thin glass mirrored tiles — and the chances of sustaining serious injuries from a plummeting mirror ball seems pretty remote. However, they should be securely fastened to their little rotators, so there's no good excuse for mirror balls raining down on dancefloors all night. Readers, consider yourselves warned: avoid dancing directly under mirror balls or you run the risk of getting bonked on the head and being laughed at by the staff of the RAG... —FR

Dear Craig,

First permit me to say FAG RAG is a delightful publication and one that I always enjoy perusing. I have been a reader for a number of years, in fact, I have copies from April of 1993 stored in my gay publication collection. I commend you on your innovative design and your commitment to publishing an informative work for gays in Dallas, Austin and San Antonio.

While looking through a recent copy that I obtained in Dallas over the Labor Day weekend, I noticed an ad that explained the many reasons for FAG RAG's success and I saw the young man on the cover. I thought the photograph was very serene and the pose was very flattering for the young man. I did not have an opportunity to go to Dallas at the time that issue came out and I did not have a chance to get that issue. I live three hours from Dallas and six hours from Austin, so my gay travels depend on my precarious financial situation.

I would like to formally request from you two copies of #68, "Summer Heat." If you can send these to me, I would be ever so appreciative. Please let me know how much it will cost to obtain these issues and I will happily forward the amount. I have a candidate for a photo session and he would be ideal for the pose on the cover.

Again, thank you for your commitment to your art, your humor and your sense of Gay pride. Keep up the good work and bring on more of those wonderful young men. The "Fashion" issue was great!

Sincerely with thanks,

— Richard B. Vernon, TX

Thanks for all the compliments, Richard. It's nice to know our work is appreciated. We're happy to send out back issues (while supplies last) for \$2 apiece (which just barely covers postage and handling). Don't even ask us for issue #50 — it's a bona fide collector's item. We have only six mint copies left in our archives.

Now as far as suggesting candidates for future covers, we're always happy to review all such persons, in fact, we're on the lookout for new coverboys all the time. Have him send us a snapshot or Polaroid, or even just call us here at our Austin offices. We welcome aspiring black, hispanic and even female cover wannabes to apply. Nothing is out of the question; all you gotta be is *fierce*.

Thanks again for writing. —FR

Dear Fag Rag Staff,

After reading in the last (#69) issue's *Queer Dish* column your hypocritical declaration of eternal devotion/epitaph for Club 404, we felt obligated to share with you our disappointment in your treatment of the 404 for quite some time. To confirm our initial assumption, we reviewed over dinner our collection of nearly a year's worth of back Rags. For numerous months your coverage of the Club has been virtually nonexistent or merely token, largely confined to special events such as the Pride Dance last April or the more recent Feel-X rave.

In addition to the fact that 404 is clearly one of your largest advertisers, it is also still the only club known publicly as a fundamentally gay venue that admits 18+, making it a crucial part of the Austin gay community. By not being more supportive of the 404, we feel you are doing a disservice to your thorough job covering the Texas gay scene, but the 404 has been sadly maligned and neglected lately. We would like to see more positive coverage and inclusion of the Club in the future, since everyone now knows that it's definitely staying open.

Thank you for your time and work as a mouthpiece of the gay community.

— Bernie M & Nicole R, Austin

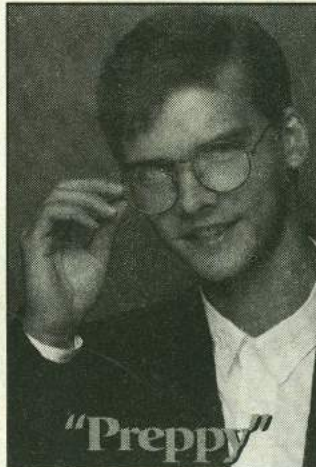
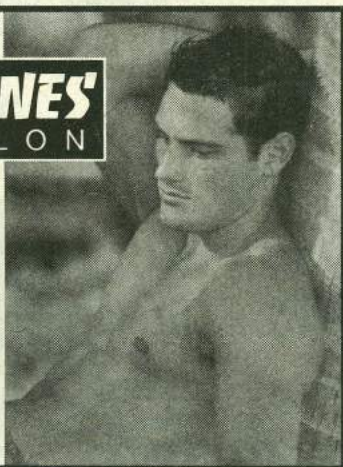
And thank you for your thoughtful and articulate letter, which raises some very valid points. We too are regretful of the soured relations between the club and ourselves of late, yet we refuse to take the solitary blame for them. For further digression on this topic, see the "Austin Dish" column. Is reconciliation possible? We'll see... —FR

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night but we know we ended up the night closing down **Mickey's** after dragging **Jake** out of the bathroom...

Was that the same morning we went to **Whataburger** and were quite entertained by the surreal antics that go on in that place at odd hours? The tweaking hippie chick wanting a job application at 5am, Robowoman running around with her grey bouffant quoting regulations, and a live bird flying around inside the place. At one point it actually landed *on the woman's head* who was working the front register, busily chatting with her friend, who brushed it aside nonchalantly, completely preoccupied with showing off the new tattoo on her thigh. "Oh, by the way you have a bird on your head, did you see my new tattoo?" This is completely silly; but we assure you we don't make any of this up. We

couldn't if we tried.

The next day (or the same day really) our digestive systems were feeling up to it, so back to the **Green Chile Festival** we went, this time feasting our fancies with a party of eight at **Chuy's**. Trying to find the rest of our group, the hostesses looked at us funny when we thought a party of eight under the name "Mary" already on the list might be *our* party... I guess it was too obvious. We laughed our way through the whole meal, ordered way too much food, and caused quite a ruckus in that back room. The high point was definitely when **Steve Williams** accidentally spilled his whole margarita into a huge bowl of queso, picked up a straw and sucked up the drink out of the bowl, getting a few blobs of cheese up the straw in the process. Hilarious.

Later that afternoon, after finding some fabulous club clothes for cheap at **Flipnotics**, our crazed houseguests took off for **Celebration Station**, where they drove go-karts, bumper boats, played miniature golf, and were last sighted standing three in a row on the wall bordering that big dyed-blue lagoon, dancing and lip-synching "don't go chasing waterfalls..." Although a minor injury was sustained by **Jake** when an errant air hockey puck flew off the table and struck him in the 'nads, our crew of bleached blonds found Celebration Station to be fun for the whole "family."

By Monday evening, the town had mostly returned to normal. Most of the out-of-towners had gone back home — but not *our* out-of-town guests, they were still here and still had some party left in them. We

descended upon **Oilcan Harry's** and were quite happy to find only a reasonable crowd there — no mob scene, no stifling temperatures, no line to get in. Thank goodness!

Goddess of cocktails **Matthews** catered to our every whim, fantastic bartender that he is, even going as far as to individually cool our beer bottles with shaker glasses full of ice and salt when we thought they weren't cold enough. You know, it's the quality service that makes the difference. Those of us with cash key cards picked out keys and tried to open the dadgummed box full of money, to no avail. (We understand someone came in and opened it right up the very next night.) Deejay **Dig'm** kept the mood lively, even getting us dancing by rolling out our favorite underplayed song of '95: "Missing" by

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**Everything but the Girl**, which incidentally has been added to medium rotation on **KHFI** lately — almost a full year after its initial release. And where in the world did he ever find the disco version of that **Supertramp** song? We absolutely loved it.

The next morning we went shopping at **Barton Creek Mall** and stumbled across a clearance sale at **Dillard's** — clearly a queer dream come true. We ran slightly amuck, adding a few dozen sensibly-priced new tops and designer shorts and jeans to our wardrobes. Oh yeah, also some sun-

glasses, belts and caps...

By that evening, we were probably all a little worn out. Might've been a good night to stay in and watch a little telly, right? Not us, sisters!

We geared up for another big evening at one of our favorite restaurants in Austin, **Hyde Park Bar and Grill**, where the food was fantastic as always, and the Long Island iced teas went down smooth. Our waiter was gorgeous, if dead butch, and might've been just ever so slightly annoyed by our carrying on, particularly by the end

of the meal, although he did his very best to hide it. A huge tip almost always makes up for it.

Piling back into the pick-up, we scooted back downtown to **Mick's Place** *née* **DJ's**, where their Tuesday night Amateur Contest was all but underway. One of our Virginia boys, **Brian**, who was nicknamed 'the Washington Monument' in high school gym class, just happened to be wearing clean drawers and decided to enter the contest. (And although the same could *not* be said for **Justin**, he too entered, much to the disbe-

lief of some spectators.) The competition was, shall we say, *stiff* that evening, with seven other contestants taking it off and shaking it around to compete for the cash. But it was ultimately Brian's sassy attitude and other obvious qualities that netted top honors... He went home with *over a thousand* dollars in prize and tip money that evening...

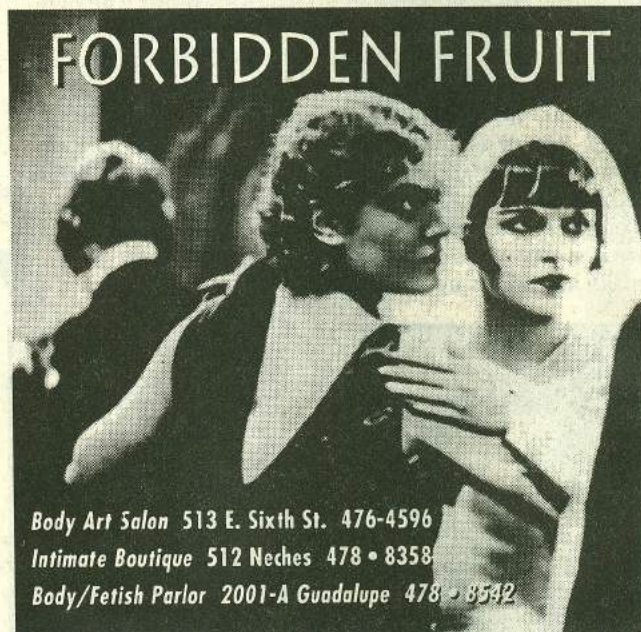
So howabout that fierce Daddy of a storm that russedled through town last week, wreaking havoc everywhere? Our editor and Fag Hag were holding court



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at the compound when it hit. No sooner than they had gotten down the hanging plants from the patio and general manager **Bob** had gotten comfy in front of the television than did the power go out. Not just our block or anything, but almost all of south Austin, from Town Lake on down — utter blackness for the next twelve hours. By the time we located all the can-

dles in the house and got them lit, we were bored, so Bob took a cab to **Mick's Place A/K/A DJ's** while Craig and Elizabeth, feeling more adventurous, got in the car and went driving all about. We could hardly believe the resulting mayhem in the streets: giant limbs and debris everywhere in the streets, trees twisted and ripped apart, roofs blown off, and a pretty good flash

flood on Barton Springs Road caught the **Whataburger** parking lot under about a foot of rushing water. It was amazing. Witnessing all that rampant destruction let us work up quite an appetite, so off we went to the nearest powered restaurant we could find: **Frank & Angie's Pizza**, right behind **Hutt's** on 5th Street. It's basically just a regular pizza joint with a yuppie lean to it, however the food was delicious and their beer really hit the spot. We learned that **Ohms** was hit by the blackout that evening but was able to stay open solely by virtue of an extension cord tossed over the fence from the Patio at **DJ's A/K/A Mick's Place**. They had their sound system on the patio cranking, folks were dancing, and drinks were being poured by candlelight. Others didn't fare as well, for example, **Oilcan's** was closed up tight

by about 12:30 when we passed by. The problem we had was trying to sleep without air conditioning, which required a kiss from Prince Valium to get the job done. And how!

So what's all the rumors about **Nexus** being sold, imminently closing, and so on and so forth? Well, we got it straight from the horse's mouth, or from Myra's mouth, more accurately, and it seems they are just that — rumors. Our womyn of 5th Street are still there, still open, and partying full force. Stop in and see them for a taste of the wild life any night of the week (except Monday).

As we go to press it looks as if another gay bar on Red River will be changing owners, names and formats soon. Stay tuned for all the details as they become confirmed...

Until then, we'll see you at happy hour. Kisses!

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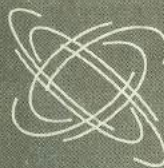
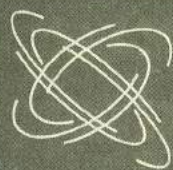
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### Friday, September 15

#### Bear of the Quarter Contest

Chain Drive, 504 Willow, 10:30pm

Heart of Texas Bears celebrates its one year anniversary tonight with the first Bear of the Quarter Contest.

### Fri-Sun, Sept 15-17

#### Staying Negative Retreat

Alma de Mujer Center for Social Change AIDS Services of Austin sponsors this retreat entitled "Relationships, Intimacy, Society and You." The weekend will provide support for non-infected gay and bisexual men whose needs are often unrecognized. Price for the weekend of self exploration, human connection and support is \$45 and reservations can be made with ASA by calling 406-6165.

### Saturday, September 16

#### Round-Up at the Ranch

Dry Creek Equestrian Center, Noon-2am  
The 2nd annual Round-up at the Ranch is today with barbeque, dancing, raffles, games of all kinds, vendor booths and more. Plus, entertainment by Sid Spencer, Tongue & Groove, De Shannon, Austin Baptist Women and more. The Round-up benefits Christopher House and the HIV Wellness Center. For camping and more info, call 512/243-2608.

#### Wild West Saloon

Franklin Plaza, 111 Congress, 8pm-Midnight  
The Capital City Men's Chorus hosts its second annual Wild West Saloon, complete with western performances by members of the CCMC, casino games, live and silent auctions, food and refreshments. Monies raised help with operating and traveling expenses of the chorus.

#### Blue Party

Oilcan Harry's, 211 W 4th  
Snag your favorite denims and get down with Oilcan Harry's Blue Party this evening. Deejays Kimball Collins and Carlos will spin you long into after-hours. Yes, that's right, Oilcan's will be open late tonight. And amidst all of the sexy men dancing around, free cd giveaways will be thrown out too.

### Sunday, September 17

#### Bacon Cheeseburgers

Chain Drive, 504 Willow, 4-9pm

The Heart of Texas Bears are grilling up burgers and bacon and slapping some cheese on your buns, too. Stop by for some action.

#### Free & Anonymous HIV Testing

Auntie Mame's, 912 Red River, 6-9pm  
The Travis County Department of Health will be giving free screenings for HIV, the disease believed to cause AIDS. The tests are also anonymous, so get tested.

#### Sid Spencer - Live in Concert!

5th Street Station Dance Hall & Saloon,  
5th Street & Red River, 10pm & 11:30pm  
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### Monday, September 18

#### National Leather Association Meeting

Baby Acapulco's, IH-35 & Airport, 6pm  
NLA meets at Baby Acapulco's for dinner before its regularly scheduled monthly meeting at 7pm. Call 703-8927 for more info.

#### Fiesta at Fonda San Miguel

Fonda San Miguel, 2330 W North Loop, 7pm  
AIDS Services of Austin and Fonda San Miguel present Chef Miguel Ravago, displaying his culinary talents by creating a gourmet mexican bouffet of traditional dishes. Special guest Lucinda Hutson (*Tequila Cookbook*) will prepare your libations and Mariachi Estrella will serenade you. Tickets are \$65 with \$50 going directly to ASA for HIV/AIDS prevention, education and direct client services. For more, call 406-6157.

### Tuesday, September 19

#### "Italian Cuisine" - Central Market Cooking Class

CM Cooking School, 40th & Lamar, 6:30-9pm  
Executive Chef of Mezzaluna Brad Yerkes shows the tastes of Italy. Included in the class: pomodoro and mozzarella salad with chiffonnade basil & balsamic vinegar, cozze in bianco with pesto & linguini, spiced chicken sauteed with cannellini & veggies, rum mango sorbet, and kiwi/lime sorbetto with berries. For reservations, call 206-1014. Class costs \$25.

#### Raedical Faerie Circle

Grassroots Peace Building, 227 Congress, 7pm  
This is the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the Austin Raedical Faeries, an Earth Mother spirituality movement hoping to attract those not comfortable in more mainstream religions. The Faeries believe that you can be social without being sexual. Take a break from Mundania. Meetings are conducted with no leaders, no rules, no peer pressure and no drugs.

#### Benefit for Heather Thomas

5th Street Station Dance Hall & Saloon,  
5th Street & Red River, 10pm & 11:30pm  
Tonight, everyone will be out in full force to send one of our favorite divas, Heather Thomas, to the *Miss Texas America Pageant*. Come out and show your support, and tell Heather good luck!

### Wednesday, September 20

#### Benefit for Project Transitions

5th Street Station Dance Hall & Saloon,  
5th Street & Red River, 10pm & 11:30pm  
Join your host, *Miss TGRA Candidate* Scarlett Leigh, as she presents tonight's benefit for Project Transitions.

#### "Thai Cookery" - Central Market Cooking Class

CM Cooking School, 40th & Lamar, 6:30-9pm  
The owner and chef of the world-famous Satay Restaurant, Foo Swasdee, will be showing you the secrets and savors of Thai cooking. Included in the class is bhan klip (Thai dumplings), tom kha (Thai coconut soup with galanga), kow mok gai with ajard (Thai chicken curry rice with cucumber salad), and ruam mitr (emerald and pearl in coconut milk). Class costs \$25. For reservations, call 206-1014.

### Thursday, September 21

#### HIV Negative Gay & Bisexual Men's Group

AIDS Services of Austin, 825 E 53 1/2, 7-9:30pm  
This group is designed to discuss the often unrecognized needs and concerns of the HIV-uninfected gay or bisexual man. Topics include dating, grief and loss, and intimacy and relationships.

### Saturday, September 23

#### The Question of Equality Screening

MCC, 425 Woodward, 7-10pm  
Cornerstone and Out Youth Austin cosponsor tonight's two-episode screening of *The Question of Equality*, a series that documents the gay and lesbian civil rights movement from the 1969 Stonewall riots until today. "Hollow Liberty", about the law and our rights, and "Generation Q", about the achievements of youth will be shown.

### Sunday, September 24

#### Grilled Chicken

Chain Drive, 504 Willow, 4-9pm

Did someone say chicken? The National Leather Association serves some juicy pieces of meat, grilled to perfection. *Chick it out!*

#### Free & Anonymous HIV Testing

Mick's Place, 611 Red River, 6-9pm

If you haven't been tested for HIV, the disease believed to cause AIDS, the Travis County Department of Health will be conducting free and anonymous screenings this evening at Mick's Place.

### Monday, September 25

#### Family Bereavement Group Begins

Project Transitions, 6-7:30pm

This support group sponsored by Project Transitions is designed to help those individuals experiencing a loss of a loved one to AIDS. To reserve a seat or to request more information, call 454-8646.

#### Dining for Life - ASA Benefit

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Dine at any of the 93 restaurants participating in Dining for Life and a portion of your meal cost will be donated to AIDS Services of Austin and other local AIDS care organizations. All you need is a free ticket, located at one of the 93 places you'll choose to eat at today. For a list of these participating restaurants, snag a copy of the *Austin Chronicle*, or call 406-MEAL.

### Wednesday, September 27

#### The VOICE Meeting

The United Way Bldg, 2000 E MLK Jr, 6pm

The VOICE is a coalition of people living with HIV disease and its purpose is to provide an organized voice to be heard by elected officials, social service agencies, care givers, neighbors and co-workers. This evening is the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the group.

#### Community Meeting - ALGPC

MCC Austin, 425 Woodward, 7-9pm

The Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus and the Cornerstone sponsor this annual meeting to discuss upcoming election interests. Director of ALGPC Diane Hardy-Garcia will report on the results of a focus group the Lesbian Gay Rights Lobby conducted over the summer also.

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## MONDAYS

- ▶ **Family Bereavement Group/** Austin's residential AIDS hospice, **Project Transitions, Inc.** provides this group for people who have experienced a loss of a family member due to AIDS, from 6-7:30pm. For more info and to reserve a place in this group, call 454-8646.
- ▶ **Dub Music/ KVRX 91.7FM, 11pm-1am/** A rougher version of ambient music, this **Rewind Selector Production** by the **Dub Vender** will help you chill every Monday.
- ▶ **The G-Spot/ KOOP 91.7FM, 5-7pm/** **Keith Fix** hosts this show that features women, girls, hermaphrodites and drag queens.
- ▶ **Showtoonz/ KVRX 91.7FM, 7-8:30pm/** **Courtney and Nicki** play only songs from musicals, so crank the radio and belt out the tunes!
- ▶ **Free Country Western Dance Lessons/ 5th St. Station Dance Hall and Saloon/ Southern Country Austin** teaches free Country Western dance lessons with **Beginner** at 8pm and **Intermediate** at 9pm. \$2 well and beer all day and night.
- ▶ **Steak & Chicken Night and Margaret Wright/ Auntie Mame's/** Join the gang at **Mame's** for \$2 well/domestics from 2-10pm, and steak or chicken tonight. \$5 gets you the works 6-9pm. Plus flawless pianist **Margaret Wright** works her magic 7-7. \$3 well and \$3.50 premium call til close.
- ▶ **Volleyball League Night/ Bout Time/** Happy 2am-2pm with \$2.25 beer and wells. At 7pm, join the volleyball tournaments.
- ▶ **Monday Nights/Chain Drive/** \$1 well, schnapps and draft beer all day and night. HH from 2-8pm.
- ▶ **Charlie's Centerfold Dancers/ Charlie's/ Charlie's Centerfold** boys strutting their stuff from 10:30pm-2am. \$2 well and non-premium beer 2-10pm, plus 25¢ draft.
- ▶ **Biss Mitch & Her Men/ Mick's Place/** Join the always witty **Mitch** as he shows you the current trends in men at 11pm and enjoy champers during the show. HH dancers and buffet 6-11pm, \$2 wells and longnecks 2-11pm.
- ▶ **Sky's the Limit/ Oilcan Harry's/** Free and outrageous-y delicious buffet 2-8pm with all **Sky** Vodka cocktails \$3.25 all day and night!

## TUESDAYS

- ▶ **DYKE TV/ Cable Ch 10, 9pm/** Join these fierce dykes trailing from New York as they

- give you a taste of lesbians from around the country.
- ▶ **Do The Write Thing/ cafezino/** A gathering of writers and poets reading their work to a coffee-sipping audience.
- ▶ **Proof Positive/ Out Youth Austin** welcomes all HIV+ youth to attend this group at 7pm. Info: 472-9264.
- ▶ **Lesbian Group/ UT Counseling and Mental Health Center/** A supportive group for exploring topics like coming out, relationships, homophobia & developing a positive identity. From 3:30 until 5pm. For info: 471-2515.
- ▶ **Movies with Mitch/ 5th St Station Dance Hall & Saloon/ 3-7pm/** Watch fabulous movies with **Mitch**. Beer and well drinks are \$2 all day and night. Karaoke with **Michael T.**
- ▶ **Happy Hour Prices/ Auntie Mame's/** Drink all day and enjoy \$2 well and domestic beer from 2pm-2am.
- ▶ **Tuesday Nite Talent Showcase/ Blue Flamingo/** Our favorite dive's all-new anything-goes Talent Show starts at 11pm, featuring drag, strippers, dancers, comedy, etc. Emcee **Courtney Campbell** keeps the show running.
- ▶ **Prize Night/ 'Bout Time/** Happy hour 2-8pm with \$2.25 wells and beers. And it's **Prize Night**, so get a ticket and win a prize!
- ▶ **Cheap Beer/ Chain Drive/** Enjoy 50¢ draft beer all day and night. HH from 2-8pm.
- ▶ **Steak & Chicken Night/ Amateur Male Strip Contest/ Charlie's/** Enjoy \$2 wells and non-premium beer from 2-10pm, **Daddy Wayne's** Steak and Chicken dinners for \$5 from 6-8pm, 25¢ draft beer starting at 6pm, and an **Amateur Strip Contest** at midnight hosted by **Nicole**. Drink wheel specials until 11pm. HH 2-10pm.
- ▶ **Happy Hour & Dance/ Hollywood/** It's Happy Hour all day and night, with **Sliver** spinning progressive house dance tracks until 2am.
- ▶ **Professional Strip-off/ Mick's Place/** Guzzle \$1 drafts and well drinks 9-11pm. Enjoy the action as Austin's finest take their clothes off, starting at 6pm, for a pile of cash.
- ▶ **Pool Tourney & Funk Dat/ Nexus Country/** The evening starts with a pool tournament and then DJ **Lo-n-Roq** presents funk and house beats.
- ▶ **The Chamber/ Ohms/ DJ**

- Mike Lawder** brings industrial music back into the clubs with a powerful mix of industrial and alternative music. And really cute boys don't hurt, either.
  - ▶ **Happy Hour/ Oilcan Harry's/** Sip Happy Hour drinks from 2-10pm.
- ## WEDNESDAYS
- ▶ **Ifaustinal/ Austin Cablevision, Channel 10, 11pm/** **Fausto Fernos** returns with the help of video wizard and producer **Mindy Hill** to put Queer images with a sense of humor on your television. From eye shadow to fighting apathy in America, you'll see it all.
  - ▶ **18-22 year-old Support Group/ Out Youth Austin, MCC, 425 Woodward, 7pm, Info: 326-1234/** This support group helps a younger crowd cope with the stresses of being gay and dealing with people who aren't.
  - ▶ **Showdown at the Saloon & Pageants/ 5th St Station Dance Hall & Saloon/ 9pm/** Stop by and enjoy \$1 domestic beers all day and all night every week! Plus, every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, **MR TGRA Candidate Jesse Valdez** and **Miss TGRA Candidate Scarlett Leigh** present **Jesse's Outlaws** and **Scarlett's Harlots**.
  - ▶ **Chicken Fried Steaks at Happy Humpday/ Auntie Mame's/** Enjoy \$1 domestic beer and \$2 wells from 2pm-2am to help make the world a brighter place. Be sure to catch **Damn Bobby** and **Rodger's** \$5 Chicken Fried Steaks from 6-8pm.
  - ▶ **Live Bands/ Blue Flamingo/** Drop in and check out live band(s) every Wednesday night.
  - ▶ **Free Pool/ 'Bout Time/** Happy hour 2-8pm with \$2.25 wells and beers. Free pool 7-11pm.
  - ▶ **Humpday/ Chain Drive/** 85¢ bottled beer and \$1.50 Premiums are in line for today. HH from 2-8pm.
  - ▶ **Wicked Wednesday Show/ Charlie's/** Drink \$2 wells and non-premium beers from 2-10pm, and stick around for the show at midnight hosted by **Paris Chanel**.
  - ▶ **Strippers & Dancing/ Hollywood/** It's Live & Cold tonight as **Nicole** hosts the strip show at 11:15pm (Nicole time). Drink specials all night, with deejay **Sliver** groovin' house dance hits.
  - ▶ **Joe & Wild Drag Show/ Mick's Place/** Tonight, **Joe** hosts the Wild Drag Show. Exotic drinks are only \$5 from until 11pm, and HH dancers and buffet from 6

- until 11pm.
- ▶ **Country Hump-day/ Nexus Country/** Close out hump day with **Karen Roder** spinning your favorite country tunes.
- ▶ **Return to Planet 9/ Ohms/** DJ **Roger Wilson** of Planet 9 fame renews the sound of the early 80's music craze. \$1.50 wells all night.
- ▶ **Day & Night Happy Hour/ Oilcan Harry's/** Wednesdays are always hot with amazing \$1.75 well and domestics all day and night.
- ▶ **hip hop/ Proteus/ Deejay Soopy Soop** plays tonight.

## THURSDAYS

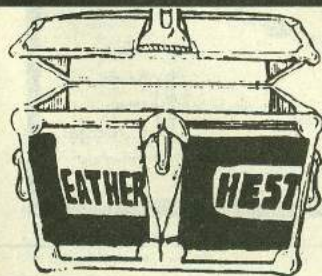
- ▶ **ALGPC Volunteer Nights/ 602 W 7th/** Help the **Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus** in one of the many areas aid is needed.
- ▶ **Lesbian Group/ 3355 Bee Caves Rd, Suite 403/** A group for lesbians interested in enhancing relationships with themselves and others from 6:45-8:15pm. Facilitated by **Karen Uminger**, and **Sue Marriott**, both LMSWs.
- ▶ **Living Positive: HIV/AIDS/ 2-3:30pm/** **KOOP 91.7 FM** presents this show in an effort to make living an important part of being positive. Hosted by **TJ Gaudette**, the show focuses on the emotional and mental aspects of living with HIV and features special guests and hosts.
- ▶ **DeShannon & the Funky Dives/ 5th St Station Dance Hall & Saloon/** The evening of entertainment kicks off at 10:30pm sharp, with \$2 wells and domestic beer all day and night.
- ▶ **Karaoke Night/ Auntie Mame's/** Stop by, grab the mic and be a star from 7-11pm, and enjoy \$2 wells and domestics from 2-10pm.
- ▶ **Middle Eastern Dancers/ Blue Flamingo/** Check out the exotic belly dancers doing shows at 7pm, 10:30pm and 1:30am, including **Zerohade, Shahkti** and friends.
- ▶ **Pool Tournament/ 'Bout Time/** Bring your big stick and knock around some balls. 1st Place: \$35, 2nd Place, \$15 with \$3 entry fee. \$1.75 well and \$2.25 domestics all day, all night.
- ▶ **90¢ Well Drinks/ Chain Drive/** Enjoy 90¢ well drinks all day and night. HH from 2-8pm.
- ▶ **Nicole's Variety Show/ Charlie's/** \$2 Happy Hour well drinks and non-premium beer from 2-10pm. **Nicole's** show starts at midnight. Fajita dinners for \$4 with

- Jerry and David** from 6-8pm. Plus, **Trash Disco** Thursdays, with HH prices all night when wearing your **Club T** t-shirt.
- ▶ **fuctdub/ Club 404/** The **Elektrik Messiah** spins a unique mix of dubhouse. Doors open at 10pm with \$2 cover and \$2 for any drink in the house.
- ▶ **Country, Tejano & Wet T-Shirt/ Hollywood/** Catch Country and Tejano music starting after 10:30pm. Sexy women in the **Wet T-shirt** Contest at midnight.
- ▶ **Happy Hour with Louria & Five Gorgeous Dancers/ Mick's Place/** Sip Chambord Kazi's for only \$3 from 9-11pm. HH from 6-11pm. Valet parking starting at 7pm. Five dancers from 9:30pm until 2am! Blackjack in the evenings, too.
- ▶ **Steak Night & Funk Music/ Nexus Country/** Enjoy grilled steaks and then hit the dancefloor at 10pm for funked-up jamz by **Lo-n-Roq**.
- ▶ **Swank/ Ohms/ Deejays Carlos and \$Filthy Rich/** flawlessly fuse groovehouse and freaky future funk. Oh, so fresh.
- ▶ **Male Dancers/ Oilcan Harry's/** Show up early and catch the HH from 2-9pm and the buffet 5-8pm. \$1.75 domestics and \$2.25 wells 9-11pm. Then stick around for hot male dancers during 6-8pm, 10:30pm and Midnight shows.
- ▶ **Super Special Steak Night/ Nexus Country/** Enjoy HH drinks until 2am, and fabulous steaks from 7 until 9pm.
- ▶ **wurk!/ Proteus/ Deejays Miss H, Chris Sill and Greg C** play incredible house mixes and after-hours that is intense. **Timm Groovy** is your host for the evening's libations.

## FRIDAYS

- ▶ **OUT FRONT/ Out Youth Austin** holds a creative expression **Drama Group** at 7:30pm. Info: 416-6075.
- ▶ **Rocky Horror Picture Show/ Northcross Presidio 6 Theatres, Anderson Ln @ Burnet/** Oh, **Rocky!** Venture north to be a part of this interactive moving picture every week at midnight. Start having fun with the original cult-classic and take caution if you are a VIRGIN!
- ▶ **5th Street Fridays/ 5th St Station Dance Hall & Saloon/** Drop in to party at Austin's tres festive country-western gay dance club while the deejay spins all night long. \$2 wells and beer 'til 9pm. Plus, Las

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game room.  
 ► **Mame's Fajita Fridays/ Auntie Mame's/** Enjoy \$2 wells and domestics from 2-10pm, Margie's fajitas at 6pm, and deejay Warren Mills spins all night.  
 ► **Ladies of Las Vegas/ Blue Flamingo/** Gamble away at **Casino Night** and win games and prizes, while your hosts **Courtney Campbell** and **Shy Brown** welcome special guests, including **Miss Blue Flamingo Tairre B.**  
 ► **Happy Hour At Bout Time/ 'Bout Time/** Happy Hour 2-8pm with \$2.25 well and beer. Don't forget the free buffet at 5pm, and the \$1.75 well and beer prices from 10-11pm. Deejay **Danny Cardiel** spins starting at 8pm.  
 ► **50¢ Draft Beer/ Chain Drive/** Stop by and sip 50¢ draft beer from 6-11pm. HH from 2-8pm.  
 ► **Dancers and Drinks/ Charlie's/** Happy Hour kicks in with \$2 non-premium beers and wells from 2-8pm, a free buffet starting at 5pm and Hot Male Dancers on side stage 6-9pm. Enjoy \$1 wells and non-premium beers, with a \$3 buy-in before 10pm and a \$5 buy-in after 10pm.  
 ► **Dimension/ Club 404/** DJ **Chris Sill** joins **Kevin K** for a special blend of fierce dance tracks. Watch the pretty boys and lights, and drink \$1.25 wells all night long. After-hours party until around 5am.  
 ► **All Night Dance/ Hollywood/** Move your body until dawn as \$Filthy Rich\$

enjoy \$2 wells and \$3 Goldschläger & Jägermeister.  
 ► **Happy Hour Fajita Buffet/ Mick's Place/** Dine on the buffet during HH from 6-9pm. Later, listen to a guest deejay spin your fave tunes. Go-go boys from 10:30pm until 1:30am. Blackjack during the evenings. Valet parking starting at 7pm.  
 ► **Dance Lessons/ Nexus County/** Stop by for line dance lessons at 8pm and enjoy \$2 longnex and wells during Happy Hour until 2am!  
 ► **Happy Hour Buffet/ Oilcan Harry's/** Enjoy a complimentary buffet 5-8pm and affordable happy hour prices 2-10pm. Lone Star Male Revue 6-8pm. Later, settle back as deejay **Carlos** grooves your bones.  
 ► **Sampladelic NRG/ Ohms! DJ Michaelangelo** spins as you sip \$1 schnapps, \$1.50 shots, \$2 Goldschläger & Jägermeister all night. \$1.50 wells until Midnight. Darren in the new ambient lounge & patio. Filter Queen after-hours starts at 3am with **Seville.**  
 ► **Bliss - New School & Guest DJ/ Proteus/** Deejays **Mike C** and **Joey Foley** spins you through the New School, while a guest deejay plays fresh vibes upstairs. Open for after-hours dancing til 4am.  
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**Celebration!**  
108 W 43rd St, 453-6207  
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shirts, incense, candies, jewelry &  
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**Congress Ave Booksellers**  
716 Congress, 478-1157  
Located conveniently downtown, this  
store stocks mags, books, et al.

**Deep Eddy Books**  
2401A Lake Austin Blvd, 479-1373  
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friendly staff.

**Liberty Books**  
1214-B N Lamar (11th), 495-9737  
G&L literature, photography, rugs &  
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clothes washed at the same time.

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**Gemini Tattoo**  
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**Hair by Moose**  
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**Harricane Hair Salon**  
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Casual bistro with micro-brewery,  
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ed meats.

**Cafe Spazio**  
5415 Parkcrest Dr, 459-9960  
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Gourmet Italian cafe with artful menu.

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European-style coffee house with food  
bar & wine. Live music.

**Calle 8**  
706 Congress Ave, 474-6605  
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**Captain Quackenbush's**  
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**Granite Cafe**  
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**Hickory Street Bar & Grill**  
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**Hyde Park Bar & Grill**  
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**Insomnia**  
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**Magnolia Cafe**  
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**Mars Restaurant & Bar**  
1610 San Antonio (17th), 472-3901  
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**El Mercado**  
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**Ruby's BBQ**  
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Thai-influenced menu changes daily.  
All-you-can-eat buffet for \$6. Spicy  
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**Z Tejas Grill**  
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All types of literature, music, videos,  
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Buys, sells & trades all sorts of music  
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**Inemind Records**  
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**I Luv Video**  
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All genres of film, including a rapidly-  
growing selection of gay interest films.

**Labo**  
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Book, video & novelty store with wide  
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by Scotty T.

I said No! to my date from Ft. Wayne  
(I suspected the guy was insane)  
And surely his habit  
To reach down and grab it  
He ought to have learned to restrain.

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## bars & clubs

Area code: 512

**5TH STREET STATION DANCE HALL**  
**SALDON** 505 E 5th (Red River), 478-6065.  
Open Daily from 2pm-2am  
Large country/western dance club with slick  
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video games, and a fabulous, seldom-used  
patio. Don't miss Steak Night Mondays, 7-9.

**BLUE FLAMINGO** 617 Red River (7th)  
469-0014, noon-2am daily, 18+  
A peculiar mix of young and old clientele  
patronize this hetero-tolerant bar. Some of the  
lowest drink prices in town (beer, wine and  
light liquors), the strongest coffee this side of  
Louisiana, and actually sells beer to go! Catch  
live music Wed & Sat 10:30pm.

**'BOUT TIME** 9601 N IH-35 (Runberg),  
832-5339, 2pm-2am daily, 21+  
Mixed Gay and Lesbian tavern-style bar.  
Relaxed, casual atmosphere. Pool & video  
games, large screen TV, and volleyball court.  
The only bar up north.

**CASINO EL CAMINO** 517 E 6th St,  
469-9330, Daily 4pm-2am, HH 4-7pm  
Austin's only psychedelic punk jazz lounge  
offers the biggest burgers, three pool tables  
and jukebox. Also serve cheap, delicious food.

**CHAIN DRIVE** 504 Willow (Red River)  
480-9017, Daily 2pm-2am, 21+  
The only Levi's and Leather bar. Dance floor,  
patio, pool table. Dress code supposedly  
enforced on weekends. Fabulous music, and  
the most dimly-lit bar in town! Leather Chest  
inside the bar stocks homoerotic art, various  
leather items, body jewelry and sex supplies.

**CHARLIE'S - AUSTIN** 1301 Lavaca  
(13th), 474-6481, Daily 2pm-2am, 21+  
Popular men's dance and cruise bar. Pool table  
and video games by the front bar. Main, large  
island-style bar in rear is near deejay and  
dance floor. The oldest queer bar in town, still  
pulls in a hot crowd! Hot new patio, and the  
best place to find a crowd Monday & Tuesdays.

**CLUB 404** 404 Colorado (4th),  
476-6292, Thurs-Sun 10pm-72, 18+  
The hottest gay dance club plays hot house and

semi-progressive music. Catwalk surrounding  
dance floor for prancing and preening. Outdoor  
patio. Vortex basement c'ill bar. Hot after-hours  
crowd bumps and grinds until the wee hours.

**ESTHER'S FOLLIES** 525 E 6th St,  
320-0553, Thurs 9pm, \$10,  
Fri-Sat 8pm 10pm, \$12.  
Large, queer-friendly skit-based comedy club  
draws a diverse crowd. All ages welcome,  
reservations accepted.

**HOLLYWOOD** 113 San Jacinto, 480-9627, 18+  
The newest lesbian bar in town. Beautiful  
women dance to hot music. Men welcome.  
Pool tables, video games and large dance floor.  
Friday and Saturday afterhours have become  
something of a sensation.

**MICKY'S** 705 Red River (7th),  
476-3611, Daily 2-6am  
Afterhours showbar with dancers, two shows  
nightly and progressive music between shows.

**NICK'S PLACE** 611 Red River (7th),  
476-3611, Daily 7am-2am  
This dance and cruise bar has been lavishly  
refurbished since its old Crossing days. Large  
island bar, dance floor, pool tables, large back  
bar with big screen television, and a beautiful  
patio with fountains.

**NEXUS COUNTRY** 305 W 5th (Lavaca),  
472-5288, Sun-Fri 6pm-2am, Sat 7pm-2,

18+ on Wednesdays only, 21+  
The largest women's bar in Texas with a  
country flair and a mix of music for all to  
enjoy. Spacious bar, large-screen TV, roomy  
elevated dance floor, sexy women and  
amazing drink specials. Happy Hour: 6-9pm.  
Cover Fri/Sat.

**OHMS** 611 E 7th, 472-7136,  
Tues-Sat 10pm-7, 18+  
An array of trance, tribal, and house beats  
designed for a universal experience. Mixed  
crowd, underground atmosphere and over-  
the-top, recently expanded lighting. Great  
big dark patio and newly revamped trip  
room in back, and don't miss the trade at  
the trough-style urban.

**OLCAN HARRY'S** 211 W 4th (Colorado)  
320-8823, 2-2am daily, 21+  
Crowded, preppy "upscale men's" dance bar.  
Big island bar, dance floor, outdoor patio, and  
side bar with pool tables and video games.  
Popular many weeknights, weekends and  
Happy Hours.

**PROTEUS** 501 E 6th (Neches), 472-8922,  
Wed 9pm-2am, Thur-Sat 10pm-4am,  
Sun 9pm-2am, 18+  
Austin's 6th Street gay dance club packs  
great lights and progressive music four  
nights a week. Afterhours heat up with  
plenty of good things to look at.



# culture zone

**MusicMania**  
3909-D N IH-35 #1 (by Fiesta),  
451-3361, Open Daily  
10am-Midnight  
Huge, varied collection of new & used  
music: CDs, cassettes, LPs, 45's, etc.

**Sound Exchange**  
21st & Guadalupe, 476-2274  
Large alternative selection. Buys &  
sells used CDs. Near campus on the  
drag.

**Soundways CDs and Tapes**  
13729 Research Blvd, Ste 815,  
219-5838  
NW Austin's most diverse selection.  
Buys, sells used CDs. Many imports.

**Tapelenders**  
Dobie Mall, 21st & Guadalupe,  
472-4206  
"The gourmet video store," with eclec-  
tic mix: gay, foreign, action, cult &  
more.

**Technophilia**  
504 W 24th St, 477-1812  
Near campus, stocks new, used  
imports & domestics. CDs only.

**Tower Records**  
2402 Guadalupe (24th), 478-5711  
One of the largest music stores,  
stocking chart toppers to alternative  
music.

**Waterloo Records & Video**  
8004 N Lamar, 474-2500  
Open 10-11 Mon-Sat, 12-11pm Sun  
Diverse selection leaning towards new &  
progressive. Videos & 12" imports, too.

## Stores

**Amazonia Aquariums**  
4631 Airport Blvd #118, 451-0958  
Aquarium store for fish, junks. Rare,  
unusual & oddball fish & reptiles.

**Armadio Antiques and Jewelry**  
1712 S Congress, 443-7552  
Fabulous nick-nacks, hard to find  
items, antiques & jewelry. Tasteful  
collectibles.

**Atomic City**  
1700 San Antonio, 477-0293  
All sorts of great stuff: t-shirts, clothing,  
Doc Martens, novelties & groovy toys.

**Austin Bead Shops**  
2102 S. Lamar, 448-8EAD  
Beads from around the world, free-  
dom beads, beading supplies, jewelry  
repair.

**Austnuts**  
2900 W Anderson Lane, 323-6887  
Austin's variety nut store. On-site dry  
roasting of all nuts. Pick your own mix.

**Back Again**  
South Austin Market Place,  
Woodward & Ben White, 441-2887  
(across from Dance Across Texas)  
Specialty shop with antique items,  
collectibles, furniture, glassware,  
clothing.

**book woman**  
918 W 12th, 472-2785  
Extensive selection of G&L books,  
magazines, T-shirts and gifts.

**Book People**  
4006 S Lamar (at Brodie Oaks)  
6th & Lamar (next to Whole Foods)  
441-9757, music & videos 462-0077  
All types of literature, music, videos,  
jewelry, incense and new age para-  
phenalia.

**Big Bertha's Bargain Basement**  
1050 S Lamar (Lamar Plaza),  
444-5938  
Hrs: Mon-Sat 10:30-8:30, Sun 11-5  
Vintage clothing, shoes, accessories,  
furnishings, collectibles, fetish  
shoes, too.

**Blue Velvet**  
3302 Red River, 474-5147  
Vintage clothing store offers great selec-  
tion of comical & '70s iron on shirts.

**by George men**  
2346 Guadalupe (24th), 472-5538  
Trendy store on the drag with unique  
and stylish men's clothing.

**Celebration!**  
108 W 43rd St, 453-6207  
Feminine-oriented bookstore with cards,  
shirts, incense, candies, jewelry &  
more.

**Central Market**  
38th & Lamar, 206-1000  
The best fresh veggie & meat market on  
earth, with gourmet items everywhere.

**De Chocolate**  
4001 N Lamar (40th), 454-0555  
Explore the fabulous world of fine  
chocolates in this great shop.

**Dressed To Kill**  
2419 Guadalupe, 476-3148  
Snazzy vintage guys & girls clothing  
with nice selection of Betsy Johnson

**Emeralds**  
624 N Lamar  
Men & women's fashions for all occa-

sions. Cards, gifts & great nick-nacks.

**Filipotics**  
1603 Barton Springs Rd, 322-9011  
Groovy new & vintage clothing, mod  
jewelry, hip shoes. Art gallery.

**Forbidden Fruit**  
512 Neches (6th), 478-8358  
2001 Guadalupe (24th), 478-8542  
Naughty gifts, exotic & tasteful lin-  
gerie, body jewelry, leather, latex, oils  
& cards.

**Garb A Go-Go**  
2001-A Guadalupe, 708-1566  
Alternative clothes for alternative  
lifestyles. Flashy, hip, classy & trashy!

**Good Gaud**  
2120 Guadalupe,  
Plies of vintage clothing everywhere...  
above Capot Quack's.

**Harmony Gardens**  
1834 N Lamar, 835-4740  
Hrs: Mon-Sat 9-7, Sun 10-6  
Nursery specializing in natives, organ-  
ics. Gay owned, operated. Will special  
order.

**Leather Chest**  
504 Willow (inside Chain Drive),  
478-2261, Hrs: Wed-Sun 8am-1am  
Stocks homoerotic art, leather items,  
body jewelry & sex supplies and more.

**Let's Dish**  
1102 S Lamar (Lamar Plaza),  
444-9801  
Strictly fabulous collectibles & vin-  
tage wear. You'll find something you  
need!

**Liberty Books**  
1014-B N Lamar (11th), 495-9737  
G&L literature, photography, mags &  
T-shirts. Community bulletin board.

**Lobo**  
3204-A Guadalupe, 454-5406  
Book, video & novelty store with wide  
selection of rentals, novelties & G&L lit.

**Lucy in Disguise with Diamonds**  
1506 S Congress, 444-2002  
Most comprehensive collection of ren-  
table vintage clothing, costumes.

**Lush Life**  
807 W 12th St, 476-8381,  
Open Daily 11-7  
Alternative wear from funky t-shirts to  
club-wear to formals & party dresses.

**New Bohemia**  
1014-B N Lamar, 323-2228  
Hrs: Daily 11:30am-11:30pm  
Retro re-sale with a bit of everything.  
Furniture, clothing, dishes, jewelry,  
hats...

**Originals**  
5408 Burnet, 453-8250  
Exquisite selection of just about any  
kind of bead imaginable.

**Planet K**  
9407 N IH-35 (North), 832-8544  
1516 S Lamar (South), 443-2292  
11657 Research Blvd, 502-9323  
Unusual things, jewelry, shirts, mags,  
posters, toys, smoking stuff, bengs...

**Service**  
807 1/2 W 12th, 476-1672,  
Open 1-7pm, closed Sun & Mon  
Cute little shop packed with cool retro  
and retro-inspired clothing for men.

**Sparks**  
1014 W 6th (Lamar), 4-SPARKS  
Card shop, also sells exquisite gifts,  
shirts, jewelry & objects d'art.

**Tapelenders**  
Dobie Mall, 21st & Guadalupe,  
472-4206  
"The gourmet video store," has large col-  
lection of t-shirts, jewelry, games & gifts.

**Thistles**  
1509 W Koenig Ln, 451-8552  
Gift store has everything: bears,  
angels, garden supplies, cruelty-free  
bath items...

**Top Drawer Thrift**  
4902 Burnet Rd, 454-5161  
A variety of clothing, housewares,  
books, & other timeless items.  
Proceeds benefit Project Transition's  
residential AIDS Hospice.

**Urban Outfitters**  
2406 Guadalupe, 472-1621  
As the name suggests this national  
chain's function is to clothe gen-X.

**Vertigo**  
411 E 6th, 476-1203  
Sixth street store stocks nick-nacks  
and curious items.

**Ya-Ya's Art Shop**  
4015 Guadalupe, 452-2299  
A unique gallery with various types of  
art created by Austin's best artisans.

**Support & Services**  
**AIDS Services of Austin**  
Physical address: 825 E 53 1/2,  
Mailing: PO Box 4874, 78795-4874

Ph: 458-2437  
Helping in many areas, ASA can side  
those in need. Volunteers accepted!

**Computer Dating Service - BBS**  
512/887-0787  
BBS with sexy pictures, 24-hour chat  
lines, match making and free internet  
mail.

**Kelly Voelkel Realtor\***  
8303 Mopac, Ste B  
512/502-7882, pager: 485-8857  
A certified Realtor\*, Kelly can help you  
find that perfect place to live.

**Lonestar Leasing**  
6318 Burnet Rd, 323-2266  
(800) 964-CARS  
Bubba and his staff are ready to put  
you in the car that you've always  
wanted.

**Out Youth - Austin**  
425 Woodward, 326-1234  
Youth organization helps to ease the  
frustrations of being gay & coming out.

**Pool Service**  
512/474-5055  
Steve Jeffers cleans & services your  
pool. Call for an appointment.

**Sherill Auto**  
2711 S Lamar, 445-5850  
Gay-friendly dealership helps you find  
the new/used car of your dreams.

**Soljourns**  
1-800-530-2299  
Full size travel agency ready to make  
your travel arrangements 24 hours/day.

**Triangle Software, Inc.**  
210/212-7107  
Full-service directory listing accomo-  
dations, nightlife, groups, restau-  
rants...

**Windsor Roommates & Leasing**  
1711 San Antonio (18th), 496-9988  
Roommate service uses computerized  
system & common sense. Free leasing.

## Theatres

**Dobie Theatre**  
2021 Guadalupe (Dobie Mall),  
472-3456  
Austin's best venue for seeing limited  
release, political & "artsy" movies.

**Paramount Theatre**  
113 Congress, 472-5411  
Fully restored playhouse shows big  
screen films & houses touring events.

**Village 4 Theatre**  
2700 W Anderson Ln, 451-8352  
Showing hard to see films and no so  
main-stream flicks.

## XXX

**All Star Video**  
1910 Guadalupe (The Drag),  
474-4711  
Packed little shop offers movies, mag-  
azines and 14 new video booths.

**Austin Six**  
521 Thompson Ln, 385-5328, 24  
hours  
Deluxe all-male theatre, selection of  
gay & lesbian videos, mags, &  
booths.

**Cinema West**  
2130 S Congress, 442-5719,  
Open 11am-2am daily  
Austin's only all-male theatre, large  
selection of videos for sale and rent.

**Dreamer's**  
North 11218 N Lamar, 837-5534  
South 3401 N IH-35, 469-0539  
Open 7days, 24 hours  
Adult superstore, with largest selec-  
tion of gifts, novelties, books &  
videos.

**New Paris Bookstore**  
Exit 226 (Slaughter) on S IH-35  
(Look for XXX sign on left and U-turn)  
Sun-Thu 'til midnight, 'til 4am week-  
ends  
Although hard to find, the fruits are  
bountiful at this arcade with unique  
features.

**Pleasureland**  
613 W 29th Street  
(29th & Guadalupe), 478-2339  
Open 24hours/day  
Large, well-lit store with good selec-  
tion videos, novelties. Mini arcade in  
back.

**The Pleasure Shoppe**  
803 W Oltorf (at S 1st), 445-9854  
Open 24 hours  
Sales & rental with eight viewing  
booths in the back. Friendly staff all  
day & night.

**OUR**  
listings of gay, gay-friendly,  
and of gay interest businesses are  
provided as a service to our readers.  
If you feel your business belongs  
here, or have a correction for us,  
give us a call at 512/416-0100.  
Additions/deletions are at the dis-  
cretion of the editors.

## The Bible Belt & Other Accessories

*The Yard at the Planet Theatre,  
2307 Manor Rd,  
Runs: September 14-17, 8pm  
Tix: \$11/\$7 discount, 499-TIXS  
Info: 478-LAVA*

Johnny, the irrepressible small town  
sissy boy, joins forces with his  
Chicana feminist best friend,  
Delinda, and his Home Economics  
instructor, to create a rag-tag team  
of defiance and accomplishment,  
and ultimately a fashion weapon of  
gospel truth—the actual belt of  
bibles—to protest the religious Right.

## Cross-Cultural Legacies Art Exhibit

*Texas Union Art Gallery,  
University of Texas,  
Runs: through Sept. 30  
The Texas Union Fine Arts  
Committee is hosting a new art  
exhibit in the Texas Union Art  
Gallery. "Cross-Cultural Legacies"*

features the works of ten culturally  
and ethnically diverse w/mn artists  
and three female Austin-area stu-  
dent apprentices. Artist and designer  
Sheila A Fossette directed this pro-  
ject which explores the importance  
of cross-cultural exposure and col-  
laboration through a variety of  
mediums.

## Forever Plaid

*Zach's Arena Stage,  
1510 Toomey Rd,  
Runs: through September 17,  
Plays: Fri-Sat at 8pm, Sun at 2:15pm,  
Tix: \$17-19, Info: 478-LAVA*

**Zachary Sott Theatre's** production,  
*Forever Plaid*, now enters its eleventh  
month and its harmonizing quartet  
continues to delight sold out houses  
with their rousing tribute to the best  
"guy group" hits of the '50s. The  
showq features **Kenneth Williams,**  
**Steven Michael Miller, Paul  
Parkin-son and Grady Basler.**  
Directed and choreographed by **Dave  
Steakley** (*Beehive, Dreamgirls*).

## From All Walks of Life Pledge

*Waterloo Park, 12th & Trinity,  
Sunday, October 22, 1995*  
AIDS Services of Austin will hold its  
8th annual **From All Walks of Life  
5K** fundraiser beginning at 3pm on  
Sunday, October 22. This is the  
largest single-day fundraising event  
in Central Texas, and is expected to  
attract about 6,000 people from the  
area and collect more than  
\$300,000 in pledges to support ASA  
and eighteen other AIDS service  
providers. Individuals and team  
walkers are encouraged to partici-  
pate in the walk. To obtain walk  
brochures and pledge forms, or for  
more information, call the Walk  
Office (452-WALK).

## FYT

*Planet Theatre,  
2307 Manor Rd,  
Runs through September 16,  
Plays: Thurs-Sat at 8pm, \$10/\$8,  
For reservations call 512/707-2504*  
FYT is a psychological thriller by  
Chicago-based playwright **Scott  
Turner** and was originally produced  
in Chicago. **The Fourth Wall  
Theatre** production is the Texas pre-  
miere of the play that draws a thin  
line between fantasy and reality. FYT  
explores the various realms of insan-  
ity, where fact becomes fiction, the  
past becomes the present and where  
battles in the recesses of the mind  
determine who are the inmates and  
who are the doctors.



**Jeffrey**  
*Dobie Theatre, 2021 Guadalupe,  
(in Dobie Mall), 472-3456  
Opens: September 17,  
Daily 4:45pm, 7:15pm, 9:45pm, &  
midnight. Additional matinees on Sat  
& Sun at 11:45am & 2:15pm.  
Tickets: \$3.50 before 6pm, \$5 after.*

**Paul Rudnick's** award-winning off-  
Broadway play about one man's search  
for love and intimacy in the '90s.  
Funny and often a touching explora-  
tion of love in the midst of the AIDS  
crisis, it is the story of **Jeffrey (Steven  
Weber)**, a young gay actor/waiter who  
decides to become celibate when the  
risk of AIDS has taken all of the joy out  
of sex. Jeffrey finally meets Mr. Right  
(**Michael Tweiss**), and struggles with  
the issues of dating, love and com-  
mitment. **Patrick Stewart** stars as  
Sterling, Jeffrey's best friend and an  
acerbic interior designer, whose  
boyfriend **Darius (Brian Batt)** is an  
adorably dim *Cats* chorus boy. Also  
starring **Sigourney Weaver, Olympia  
Dukakis and Robert Klein.**

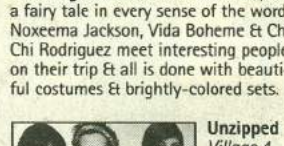
## Oleanna

*Capitol City Playhouse,  
214 W 4th Street,  
Runs through September 30,  
Tues-Sat at 8pm, some Sundays,  
Tickets \$14-16, Tues 2 for 1*

A female college student accuses her  
male instructor of sexual harassment  
in this drama that relates social prob-  
lems occurring now in this country.  
Pulitzer Prize winning **David Mamet's**  
latest work, *Oleanna*, is compelling.

## To Wong Foo, Thanks For

*Everything, Julie Newmar  
Great Hills, Lakehills, Lincoln &  
Riverside, Call for times.*  
Already number one in the country  
and much better than its Australian  
counterpart, *To Wong Foo* stars  
**Wesley Snipes, Patrick Swayze and  
John Leguizamo** in what some say is  
a fairy tale in every sense of the word.  
Noxema Jackson, Vida Boheme & Chi  
Chi Rodriguez meet interesting people  
on their trip & all is done with beauti-  
ful costumes & brightly-colored sets.



**Unzipped**  
*Village 4  
Theatre,  
2700 W  
Anderson  
Lane,  
452-8352  
Opens:  
September  
29th, Call  
for times.*  
Directed  
by

**Douglas Kieve**, *Unzipped* is an  
exciting, amusing and often very  
personal portrait of fashion designer  
**Mizrahi** that chronicles the evolu-  
tion of his 1994 New York Fall  
Fashion Show. From his early  
moments of inspiration to the actual  
runway show, the 73 minute film  
reveals an opening night fraught  
with frustration, exhilaration and  
terror. Features **Kate Moss, Linda  
Evangelista, Cindy Crawford,  
Naomi Campbell and Christy  
Turlington.** Don't sleep through this  
one, Mary!

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# dallas dish

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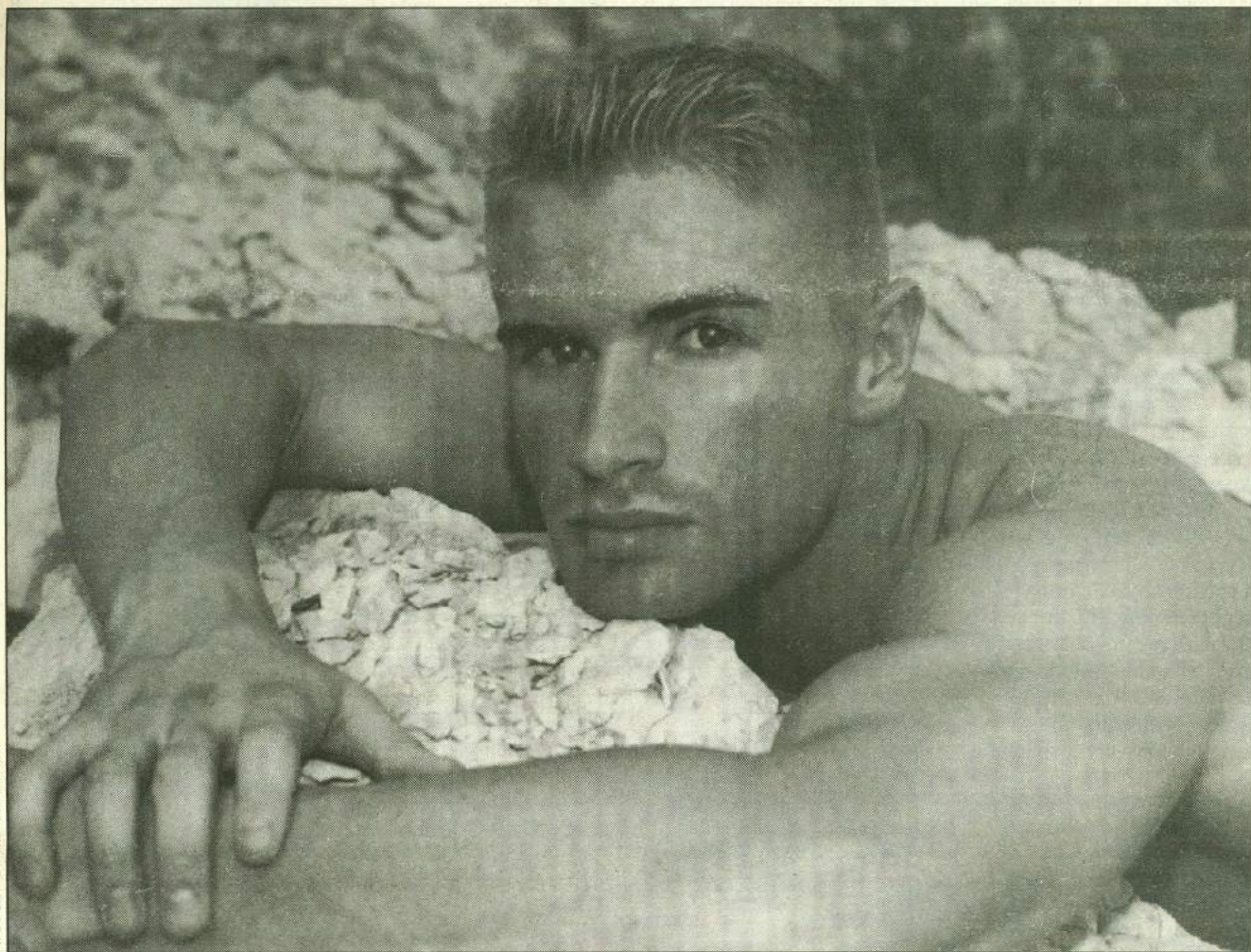


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How sweet it is to be back in Big D; what I call my homosexual home. You see, in the fall of 1995, then 20 years old, I moved to Dallas to find out what being gay really meant. A few years later, I married and moved away. I did this with great sadness because Dallas is very special to me — I vowed I'd be back someday. Aside from three visits over the years, I never had the time to come back. The marriage I left Dallas for crumbled like the last generic cookie and subsequently, I lived in a very small town outside of San Antonio while I went back to finish my education. We'll call it Hooterville South, OK? Well, I'm done and it's time for some fun.

In May, along with my friends **Kenneth** and **Rudy**, I crammed fifteen costume changes into my car for the three-day trip to Big D to see **Laura Branigan**. That's about right, don't you think; five outfits a day? After that weekend, it was over. We did roadtrips every weekend through Labor Day. We lost Rudy about three weeks into the summer. He found a really nice guy and decided to settle down. Congrats! So, that left Kenneth and myself on a string of roadtrips that Patsy and Edina would have killed for. We called it "The Wake and Bake Tour." As the summer drew closer to an end, I began to think about moving back to Dallas and trying it again, but seriously. Two weeks later, the catalog company I was working for went under (I wonder which one that was?) and I was unemployed and living in Hooterville South. The decision was made, so here I am. Back in Dallas, single and ready for a new life in a wonderful city.

Now I can begin to plot out my first week. Although I had spent the entire summer here, I wanted to get a real pro to show me the ropes. I filed through all the matchbooks, napkins and trick cards, trying to find my perfect tour guide, and I came across **Bitsy's** number. (I met her when she overheard me drool over a passing stranger. She went over and talked to him and came back with him — now I have a *Shrine o' Bitsy* in my house.)

First off, Tuesday night, she took me to the **Crews Inn**. It was packed wall to wall with gorgeous men and incredible margaritas. What a perfect combination! Although we had planned to hit a couple of other bars, she couldn't tear me away. Needless to say, we closed the place down.

Wednesday night, about 7pm, the phone rang. Guess who? **Bitsy** informed me that we had about 45 minutes to get ready before we headed to **Moby Dick's** for Absolutely Fabulous Wednesday and twelve flavors of Absolut martinis. Although I had spent several Saturday nights there throughout the summer, I was intrigued to see how it fared on Wednesday. *Not* disappointed. Gorgeous bartenders, incredible drinks and a really fun crowd. When I left, I definitely felt shaken and stirred. Next, we were off to the **Throckmorton**



**Mining Company** for Margarita Madness. Once my eyes focused in the light, the fun kicked in. So, I tracked up to the bar to try out those ritas. It was then that I met this hunky little bartender. He whipped out a rita to end all ritas. I had to know, was he single? *Yes!* After thanking God, I decided to look for my friends **Tim** and **Bitsy**, who had gone over to **JR's**, next door, to meet another friend, **John**. I waved goodbye to the bartender, but warned I'd be back, and he said "good" and gave me a smile like no other. Stay tuned and I'll keep you posted.

My last stop for the night was **JR's**, a Dallas club staple. This place still packs them in. I spent many a Saturday night working my way through the buffet of people, to find that perfect spot to stand and enjoy the scenery; watching the glistering bodies of those hunky

dancers, not to mention a crowd full of patrons that looked like they fell out of **GQ**. Things haven't changed much. Later, we moved the festivities to my home at 4242, the gay Melrose Place, but that's another column.

Much to my dismay, Thursday found me feeling a bit peaked (yes, I'm not Robofag), so wanting to rest up for the approaching weekend, I decided to make it a **Blockbuster** night. I headed over to the Blockbuster on Lemmon and was pleasantly surprised with their selection of movies (and men!). The climate for cruising rivaled any all-night cinema I've ever ventured into. And my video pick for the week: *The Granny*. It's worth the price of rental alone to hear **Stella Stevens** belt out to her on-screen estranged son, "*You're one load I should've swallowed.*" Classic! Easily the grossest movie I've ever

seen (watch for the flying penis!).

It's Friday and it's time to hit the buffet at **Moby Dick!** You can't go wrong: great eats and great scenery. Then, it's home for a disco nap to prepare for going to the **Round Up Saloon** to check out the Honky Tonk Hunks. Feeling the need for a change of scenery, we headed over to the **Brick Bar** only to run into my roommate **Joseph M** and his groovy boyfriend **Richard G**, manager of **Barney's Hair Salon**. After a tour of the bar and three really stiff drinks, it was off to the **Village Station** for the rest of the evening; dancing to the tribal beats 'til the end.

Saturday, after two bottles of Aleve and about fourteen hours of sleep, I was good to go. **JR's** was our first stop. Having to fight our way through the free admission line that stretched past the **Mining Company**, the first thing we saw was a very generously endowed dancer named **David**. Wishing I was Goliath, I proceeded to tip him only to be whisked away in the crowd. Feeling the need to breathe, we headed for the **Village Station**. **Richard** and **Joseph** know so many people that I was soon barhopping with a slew of new buddies. **Moby Dick** with **Clint A**, the

**Round Up** with **Bill**, and the **Crews Inn** and **Zippers** with **Chris S**. As my head started to spin (inside and out), I figured I better call it a night.

Don't forget that on Sunday, Sept. 10 from 2-7pm, is the Carnival at the 4001 parking lot. This is sure to be a feast for the eyes and it's for a good cause. It benefits the **1995 Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade**. That takes place on Sunday, Sept. 24. Hopefully at the Carnival, I can find some beefy guy to ring my bell and I'll give him a stuffed animal he'll never forget.

**Anonymous Tidbit:** What bisexual male dancer's innocent flirting caused the last catfight between a girl and a guy at the **Village Station**? Only to sneak out the back with a sexy blonde female impersonator? I guess he would rather not make a decision at this time!

There's a new star on the horizon and that's **Krystal Klear**. If you see the name, go to the show— you won't be disappointed. And Happy Birthday to **Rene A**, can't wait for the party on the 23rd. PS, tell **Curtis** "hi"! Next time, the latest chapter in "The Wake & Bake" saga as my old buddy **Kenneth** returns to assist me in my quest for the perfect Dallas fitness center!

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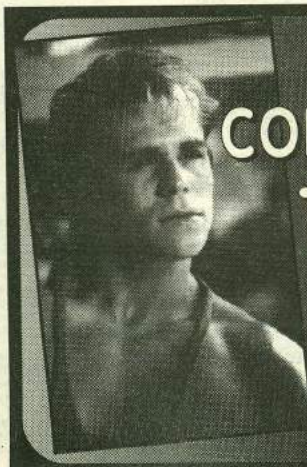
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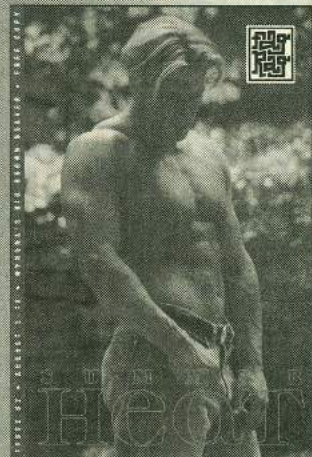
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CONGRATULATIONS! IF YOU'RE reading this copy of **FAG RAG**, you're not only reading the hottest new gay publication in Dallas, you're reading a magazine that a lot of people are trying very hard to keep you from seeing.

After almost three years of covering Austin and San Antonio, we're *excited* to be expanding into Dallas; we think our magazine has a unique and exciting perspective to offer the community. However, surprisingly enough, some of the largest gay bars and clubs in Dallas have refused to let us distribute our magazine on their premises. We're not sure why this is, especially since we list all the information we can get our hands on about what's happening at these places, free of charge.

It has been suggested that Dallas doesn't want another gay magazine; that the *TWIT* and the *Dallas Voice* are enough. Personally, we feel the more the merrier — competition stimulates creativity and cures complacency. Besides, we're much different from either of them.

And so we turn to you, dear readers. Our fate lies in your hands. If you like what you're reading in these pages, let it be known. Look for us in your favorite party spots and if we're not there, ask for us by name. Say it loud and say it proud: I want my **FAG RAG!**

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*Besides, when's the last time you heard of a twenty year-old that was afraid of a three year old?*

# dallas weeklies

## MONDAYS

- **Monday's Here!** *Anchor Inn* \$1.50 longnecks and well drinks from Noon-2am. Hot studs dancing for you.
- **Calling All Stars!** *Brick Bar* No cover until 10pm and show starting at 11pm.
- **Jazz!** *Club Escape!* Listen to soothing jazz from 5-9pm.
- **Beer Fest!** *Hidden Door!* \$2 buy in and 25¢ refills starting at noon.
- **Nakoma Shaye & Buddy Shanahan!** *Hideaway!* Your hosts will entertain you from 9:30pm until 2am.
- **\$2 Skyy & \$3 Absolut!** *JR's* Mix anything you want with these two liquors, specials run until 11pm.
- **\$1.75 Longnecks & Wells!** *Jugs!* Special lasts from noon until 7pm.
- **Get Down Under!** *Moby Dick!* Sip \$3 doubles all day and all night as you gaze upon sexy bartenders in their undies.
- **Fab Specials!** *Numbers!* \$1.50 all wells and longnecks, 50¢ draft beer.
- **Happy Hour!** *Sue Ellen's!* Happy hour drinks all day, 50¢ draft beer and no cover.
- **8 Ball Tourney!** *Throckmorton Mining Co!* Happy hour until 10pm and \$1 longnecks.

## TUESDAYS

- **Dancers & More!** *Anchor Inn!* \$1.50 longnecks and well drinks from Noon-2am. Dancers, too.
- **\$2 Tuesday!** *Brick Bar!* No cover all night as you enjoy \$2 any drink in the house and watch sexy dancers shake it.
- **Steak Night!** *Buddies III!* Bring your own meat tonight and it will be grilled to perfection. Pool tourney, 75¢ draft.
- **Tight Tuesday!** *Crews Inn!* Space in the bar is tight because everything in the house is \$1.75.
- **Lisa Michaels!** *Hideaway!* Show is from 9:30pm-2am.
- **Shameless Tuesday!** *John L's!* The Shameless Sisters host tonight's festivities. Various flavored Skyy martinis for \$4.
- **Broadway Night!** *Moby Dick!* Enjoy \$1.50 well drinks

and \$3 doubles all day and all night.  
► **Fab Specials!** *Numbers!* \$1.50 all wells and longnecks, 50¢ draft beer.

## WEDNESDAYS

- **Hump Day!** *Anchor Inn!* Sexy men dance for you, with \$1.50 longnecks and well drinks from Noon-2am.
- **Towel Boy Search!** *Brick Bar!* Wayne Smith is your host as some of Big D's finest strut their stuff wearing only towels. Show at midnight, no cover.
- **Girl's Night Out Show!** *Buddies III!* Marie hosts the show with all her girlfriends. \$1.50 well drinks.
- **Jazzfest!** *Club Escape!* Listen to soothing jazz from 5-9pm.
- **Foam!** *Club SOA!* Desejays Carl and Rob Vaughan spin you through the foam.
- **\$1 Longnecks!** *Crews Inn!* Sip your favorite domestic beer for a buck all day and night.
- **Double Elimination Pool Tourney!** *JR's!* Well drinks are \$1.50, longnecks are \$1 and Skyy vodka drinks are \$2 until 11pm.
- **Girl's Show!** *Jugs!* Performances by real women, \$2 longnecks from 7-11pm.
- **It's Absolutely Fabulous!** *Moby Dick!* Choose from 12 varieties of Absolut martinis for only \$3 all day and all night.
- **Tomorrow's Talent Tonight!** *Rose Room!* Valerie Lohr hosts this show that finds rising entertainers.
- **Tea for Two!** *Sue Ellen's!* \$2 well drinks, and Skyy vodka, and 50¢ draft beer.
- **Margarita Madness!** *Throckmorton Mining Co!* Wednesdays rock the house with fabulous margaritas.
- **Boy Bust!** *Village Station!* Cover for 18+ is \$6. Before 10pm, 21+ pays no cover, after 10pm, \$4, \$1.50 longnecks and 75¢ wells.

## THURSDAYS

- **Specials!** *Anchor Inn!* \$1.50 longnecks and well drinks from Noon-2am.
- **Show!** *Big Daddie's!* Raghenna and Melissa

- **Monroe** host tonight's evening of entertainment starting at 11pm.
- **Bartenders in the Showers!** *Brick Bar!* Due to popular request, all of the bartenders are getting taking off and getting wet at 10pm. No cover.
- **Talent Night!** *Club Box!* *Office!* *Obsession* is your host for tonight's competition.
- **Purple Haze!** *Club SOA!*
- **Thirsty Thursday!** *Crews Inn!* Longnecks and well drinks are only \$2.25 today.
- **Miss Sandra Kaye!** *Hideaway!* From 9:30-2am.
- **Dream Street!** *John L's!* A duo show, full of entertainment and excitement.
- **Women's Pool Tourney!** *Jugs!* Starts at 8pm, with a \$50 cash prize to the winner and \$25 to the runner-up. Happy hour all day and night.
- **Tantalizing Thursday!** *The Metro Club!* Amateur dance contest at 11pm.
- **Gym Night!** *Moby Dick!* Come out and sweat with hot studs as you sip \$1.50 well drinks, \$2 beer until 11pm.
- **Dance Lessons!** *Round Up Saloon!* Free lessons start at 8:15pm.

## FRIDAYS

- **Show Night!** *bamboleo!* Drag shows (sometimes live music) start at 9pm, with \$2.50 beer and well and \$1 draft beer.
- **Hot Men Search!** *Big Daddie's!* Special host Wayne Smith helps to locate Big D's sexiest men at 11pm.
- **Dance Till You Drop!** *Buddies III!* Cool off with \$1.75 longnecks all day and night and dance till you drop.
- **Pageant Night!** *Club Box!* *Office!* Pageants and pageant preliminaries are scheduled for most Fridays.
- **Ladies' Show!** *Club Escape!* Tonight is the Ladies Show.
- **Release!** *Club SOA!* Desejays Constantino and Gary O spin. Inside & outside sound system, no cover before 1am. 18+ welcome.
- **Happy Hour!** *Crews Inn!*

- **Drinks** are happy hour prices until 10pm.
- **Beer Fest!** *Hidden Door!* \$2 buy in and 25¢ refills starting at noon.
- **Showtime!** *Hideaway!* *Nakoma Shaye* and *Buddy Shanahan* from 6-9pm, *Lisa Michaels* from 9:30pm-2am. Valet parking from 8pm-2am.
- **Show Night!** *John L's!*
- **Friday Dance!** *Village Station!* \$1.50 wells from 9-10:30pm, 50¢ from 10:30 until 11pm, \$1.50 wells from 11pm until 2am, with \$6 cover.

## SATURDAYS

- **iBailor!** *Bamboleo!* Dancefloor gets crowded with people jamming to tejano, salsa and dance hits. \$4 cover before 11pm then \$5, with after hours dancing.
- **Saturday Showcase!** *Big Daddie's!* Tonight's show is hosted by Carmen del Rio. Showtime is 11pm.
- **Dance Hot!** *Brick Bar!* No cover before 10pm as *Desejays Troy Sands* pumps you into a frenzy until 4am.
- **Disco-a-Rama!** *Buddies III!* Dance your boogie off and enjoy \$1.50 well drinks.
- **Ladies' Night!** *Club Box!* *Office!* An exciting evening of entertainment.
- **Ladies Night!** *Club Escape!* Ladies get treated with royalty tonight.
- **Happy Hour!** *Crews Inn!* It's the weekend and happy hour lasts until 10pm.
- **Beer Fest!** *Hidden Door!* \$2 buy in and 25¢ refills starting at noon.
- **Miss Sandra Kaye!** *Hideaway!* Show from 9:30 until 2am. Valet parking from 8pm-2am.
- **Show Night!** *John L's!*
- **Saturday Dance!** *Village Station!* \$1 wells from 9-10:30pm, 50¢ from 10:30 until 11pm, \$1.50 wells from 11pm until 2am, with \$6 cover.

## SUNDAYS

- **Sunday Show!** *Bamboleo!* Show starts at 9pm with no cover.
- **Jockey Shorts Contest!** *Big Daddie's!* A cash prizes is

- given to the hottest guy in jockey shorts at 11pm.
- **Retro Dance!** *Brick Bar!* *Deejay Tim Clements* spins retro hits as hot boys strut their stuff wearing towels on stage at 10pm. No cover.
- **Water & Sand Volleyball!** *Buddies III!* Hit some balls in the tournament. \$50 cash prize to the winner. Dawn's yummy tacos and 50¢ draft beer from 3-11pm. \$2 frozen drink specials.
- **Cash Night!** *Club Box!* *Office!* *Nikki Foster* and *Kalexis Davenport* are your hosts tonight.
- **Sophie & her girlfriends!** *Club Escape!* An entertaining evening of performers.
- **Super Sunday!** *Club SOA!* \$2 gets you anything in the house, while *Desejays Mike Constantino* and *Robert Taylor* play jammies for you.
- **Vodka, sweetie!** *Crews Inn!* All vodka drinks are \$1.75 until 8pm, darling.
- **Beer Fest!** *Hidden Door!* \$2 buy in and 25¢ refills starting at noon.
- **Cookout!** *Hideaway!* Bring your own meat or buy one with all of the trimmings from 5-9pm.
- **Open Mic Night!** *Hideaway!* Hosted by *Buddy Shanagan*, 9:30pm-2am. Anyone can perform.
- **The Return of Myrna Hunt!** *Hideaway!* From 6pm until 9pm.
- **Open Mic!** *John L's!* Hosted by the identical cousins, *Edina Jean Robinson* and *Pitiful Sister*.
- **GS!** *Mimosas!* *Moby Dick!* All day and all night.
- **Dance Lessons!** *Round Up Saloon!* Free lessons start at 7pm.
- **Sue's Sundays!** *Sue Ellen's!* Drop by for \$1.50 domestic longnecks and 50¢ draft all day and all night. Plus, volleyball, live bands and an afternoon cookout. No cover.
- **T-Dance!** *Village Station!* Draft beer is 50¢, with 75¢ bloody marye and screwdrivers. Retro music from 7-9pm. Trash disco from 9 until close with \$1 wells.

## bars & clubs

Area Code: 214

### ANCHOR INN

4024 Cedar Springs, 526-4098, Open Daily Noon-2am  
Small cruise bar with cute go-go boys. Drink specials Sunday through Thursday, open to close.

### BACKSTREET

4040 Maple Ave, 522-4814  
Dimly lit bar with large drinking area and cute staff.

### BAMBOLEO'S

5027 Lemmon Ave, 520-1124  
Open Fri 9pm-2am, Sat 9pm-2, Sun 9pm-2am  
Predominantly Latin influenced danceclub plays tejano, salsa, disco and dance hits.

### BIG DADDY'S

4024 Cedar Springs, 528-4096, Open Daily 2pm-2am  
Dimly lit, spacious bar with cute Vegas show-stage at front for shows that occur nightly.

### BRICK BAR

4117 Maple, 521-2024, Open Daily 2pm  
Cruisy dance bar with sexy boys in showers every night. Happy Hour until 10pm every day.

### BUDDIES II

4025 Maple, 526-0887, Open Mon-Sat 11am-2am, Sun 12noon-2am  
The sister bar to the now closed Buddies, Buddies II is always entertaining. Great specials and always something going on.

### THE CLUB DALLAS

2616 Swiss, 214/821-1990, Open 24 hours a day, 365 days/year  
Complete physical fitness center for men with specials during the week and barbeque cookouts Saturday and Sunday from 1pm to 3pm.

### CLUB BOX OFFICE

2515 N Fitzhugh, 214/828-2665, Open Tues-Sun 6pm-2am  
Showbar with male dancers during the week and pageants on the weekend. Pool table.

### CLUB ESCAPE

2525 Wycliff #130, 214/521-7255  
Prominent jazz and showbar with ladies nights on weekends.

### CLUB ONE

3925 N Main Street, 214/741-1111  
Progressive late night club, with after hours, box dancers and great music.

### CREWS INN

3215 N Fitzhugh, 214/526-9510, Open Daily Noon-2am  
Dance bar with great drink specials and dancers every night of the week. Tuesday night is the night. No open toed shoes before 8pm. Never a cover.

### DALLAS EAGLE

2515 Inwood, 214/357-4375, Open Mon-Thurs 4pm-12am, Wed & Sun 4pm-2am, Afterhours Fri & Sat  
This levi and leather bar pulls in a sexy crowd.

### DESERT MOON

5039 Willis, 214/828-4471

### HIDDEN DOOR

5025 Bowser, 214/526-0620, Open Daily 7am-2am  
Neighborhood bar with mix of people. Two pool tables, pinball machines and a patio. Levi and leather, drag friendly. Happy Hour every day until 10pm.

### HIDEAWAY

4144Burgon Vista, 214/559-2966  
Dallas' original entertainment bar, is also Big D's social bar and piano bar, too. With valet service on the weekends.

### JR'S

3823 Cedar Springs, 214/380-3808, Open Daily 11am-2am, Lunch until 4pm  
Popular bar and grill with happy hour and dancers all the time.

### JOHN L'S

2525 Wycliff, 214/520-2525, Open Daily Noon-2am  
Cabaret and piano bar with super nightly shows. Classy entertainment and big shows during the weekend. Happy Hour until 9pm.

### JUSS

3810 Congress, 214/521-3474, Open Daily Noon-2am  
Predominately a ladies bar, but everyone is welcome. Jukebox and dancefloor.

### LAS MARIPOSAS

2515 Fitzhugh, 214/826-2806

### LIZARD LOUNGE

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### THE METRO CLUB

2204 Elm, 214/742-2101, Open Daily 9pm-2am  
No cover before 10pm and dancers at 11pm.

### MIDTOWN SPA

2509 Pacific, 214/821-8983  
Workout and treat your body right at this exclusive men's health spa. Cookouts form 1-4pm daily and male dancers nightly at 9pm.

### MOBY DICK

4011 Cedar Springs, 214/520-MOBY, Open Daily Noon-2am  
Cruisy video bar with a tropical flair.

### NUMBERS

4024 Cedar Springs, 214/559-4098, Open Daily 7am-2am  
Friendly mix of people in this neighborhood bar that has a pool table, a juke box and pinball games.

### PUB PEGASUS

3326 Fitzhugh, 214/559-4463  
Quiet bar with pool tables, pinball machines and friendly staff.

### THE ROCK

2815 Main Street, 214/698-9401

### ROUND-UP SALOON

3912 Cedar Springs, 214/522-9611,

Open Wed-Sat 8pm-2am, Sun 7pm-2am  
Country bar with sexy cowboys and fifteen years of experience under its belt.

### SANTE FE

3851 Cedar Springs, 214/521-3079  
Cute bar sings of New Mexico, with vibrant colors splashed around. Very cozy.

### SIDE 2 BAR

4006 Cedar Springs, 214/528-2026

### SEA

813 Exposition, 214/821-SOA1, Open Daily 10pm-4am  
Progressive dance scene with after hours and great deejays.

### SPANKEE'S CLUB

6750 Shady Brock Ln, 214/739-4760

### STEPHEN'S

2525 Wycliff, 214/520-2525, Open Daily Noon-2am  
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### SUE ELLEN'S

3903 Cedar Springs, 214/380-3808, Open Daily 3pm-2am  
Popular women's dance bar with pool tables, a patio and beach volleyball.

### THROCKMORTON MINING COMPANY

3014 Throckmorton, 214/380-3808  
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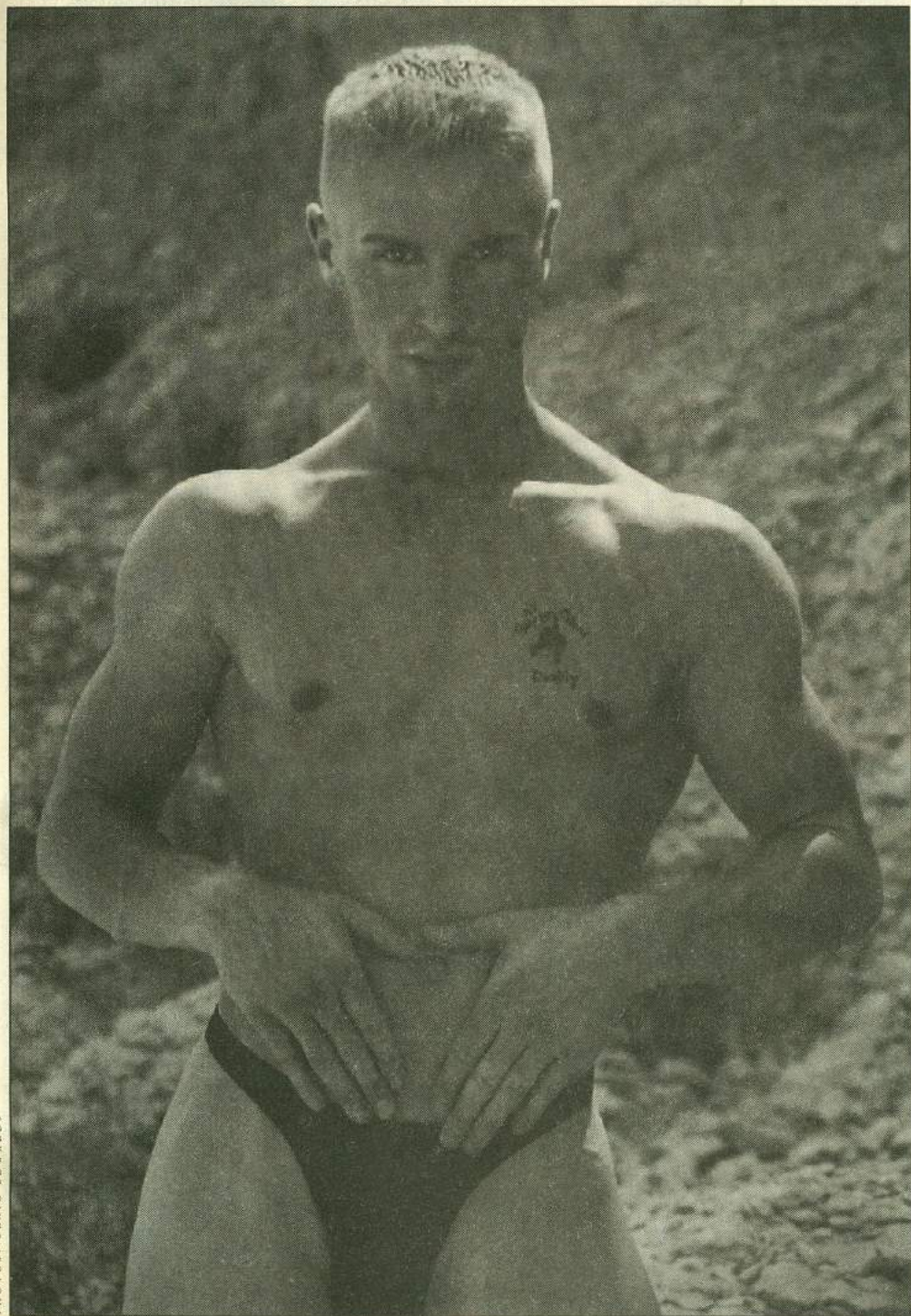
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### VILLAGE STATION

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### ZIPPERS

3333 N Fitzhugh, 214/526-9519



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Any excuse to party... that's the spirit! We move from Labor Day & **Splash** to **Diez y Seis se Septiembre**, followed by Gay Fiesta, then Halloween... someone spike my screwdriver with some No-Doz... and pardon me while we throw our heads back to drop some B-12 under my tongue. We have seen dawn far too many times lately, with a lot more sunrises to come, before you think we are auditioning for the *Valley of the Dolls* remake, let me roll another fajita and explain... celebrating

is a big part of the San Antonio's charm, and culture; we party in multi-cultural themes and styles. The **El Jardín** show week-

end is indicative of the fun planned this weekend... a special show honoring **Lefty Taylor** tonight, and then a Hispanic revue on Saturday.

**Leo & Jose** host shows on most of the Holidays in this, the oldest gay bar in Texas.

Any excuse to party... here we go!

**Anonymous Tidbit:** What crack-addict janitor got more of a "crack" than he/she bargained for? After performing in a local revue, she strolled down to the corner behind another cluster of bars to earn her phone bill payment. Soon she spied a hot piece of trade in an expensive looking vehicle, and began her mating ritual routine of waving and shaking her ass high in the air, while cranking her neck left and right to see through the heavily tinted windows... dollar signs in her eyes. Imagine her expression when the window slid down, revealing the face of the gentleman that *owns* the club competing with the one she had just performed in. Her mouth dropped, he said "hello" and calmly drove away... Wish we could be a fly on the wall when she asks to be re-booked. By the way, the phone bill got paid...

Apologies to **Blue Moon Clubwear** for not having some of their trendy garb in the Fashion Issue (#68)... although you do see quite a bit of it on **Dennis Rodman**; on the **MTV Video Music Awards** he was decked in duds from Blue Moon. **Michael** has just returned from a shopping spree in New York, following **Steven's** European jaunt a few weeks back. We wish our credit cards allowed the jet-set shopping that these garment gurus do... We have to be content with the **Outlet Mall**, and of course the now bulging racks at Blue Moon. Also on the strip this month will be a show presented by some new designers... Cool as Couture. Held at the **North St. Mary's Brewing Co. Pub & Deli** with live music by **Tears of Joy**, we will be checking out the creations. Make plans to join us.

**Anonymous Tidbit:** What former *Miss Gay Texas* will



be the lounge act in the *Trustee Room* at the **Travis County Hilton** temporarily. Originally booked without warning in Guadalupe County on her way back home from a show, her presence was requested in Austin for a few outstanding performances. All is "well", girl, don't worry... the infamous **Wells Sisters** have volunteered to take over your show for you... Wonder if those womyn/ men in blue tip as well as the food stamp people?

The official *Miss Gay Texas at Large* Pageant held recently at the **Bonham Exchange** ended up quite a pleasant experience, as we were reunited with the now wedded *Goddess of Cocktails* **Vikki** and many old friends. Arriving fashionably late, we waved across the crowded Ballroom to **Sharon Needles**. One of the **RAG** fans, grabbed our refreshing bev-

erages and watched three straight boys make the *cutest* little asses of themselves. One even bounced on-stage to dance during someone's talent number. So full of themselves were they that we gave them cards to call the office... naked young men, full of themselves could be interesting. They ended up expelled for life, or something like that. Oh, well.

**Cinnamon Sweet** was emcee, with **Jame Perry** of Austin; **Heather Sinclair** was perched with a Pebbles Flintstone topknot, watching the competitors vie for her crown, and we know we saw one of the judges burn rubber out from behind one of the local bookstores when we dropped in for some Maximum Impact.. research, honey? Talent well underway, we descended the massive staircase to visit with **Dennis** downstairs

in the Alamo Bar. **George** and former **FAG RAG** cover-boy **Cole** were entertaining in their various ways... I remember another cocktail, Cole's boxers, and Dennis' ranking on the Bonham's Big Basket List... there is one, you know. (I just can't remember where **Eric** rated.)

Upstairs again, **Ree Hunter** performed with very little clothing, and soon they were crowning **Donet McKim** the new *Miss Texas at Large*. First runnerup was **Shanté Whitney** from San Antonio, who looked the best we've ever seen her, second runnerup **Courtney Campbell** from Austin, third **C'Yanna Gabrielle** of Waco, and fourth **Erica Starr** from Dallas. *Miss Congeniality* and *Pig in a Wig* was awarded to one of our favorite people, **Miss Whoogie**, and *Most Beautiful* went to **Cissy**

**Jade** of Ft. Worth. Highlights included Donet spraining her ankle, yet still making it through the evening, **Cinnamon's** black-mail photo (the negatives please...) and a wall almost falling on top of **Jame Perry**. Congratulations to **Diamond Productions** and Donet, we look forward to next year's competition. Did you say *judge*, Cinnamon???

Watch the **Bonham** transform for the Jungle Party... Lots of decorating, costumes and bare flesh will be the selling points, plus the fab drink specials they throw in. Check out both **Brians** in loin-clothes. DJ **Animal** should be right at home.

You can always catch us on the porch at the **Alamo Station** and we do venture in to both the **Wild Club** (where several **RAG** cover-boys regularly shake their things at you), and the **Station** (where **Savage** regu-

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larly...) for a cocktail or two. Always painting something, **Dona** has reworked some of the Wild Club once more. She's so butch. **Biscuits** has moved on to a lesbian household where he'll grow up fat, content and neutered — but a little pussy is always available on the **Wild Corner**... all you have to do is ask. "**Polish**" **Greg** recently returned from Europe as well, it's good to see him back home... asleep in his car. Actually Greg is a wonderful man, colorful and queer... check out the bouffet he hosts during the week on Thursday and Friday, and be prepared to chat. Congratulations to **Krystal Kelley**, the new *Miss Gay Fiesta*, crowned a few nights back. She'll be at **Gay Fiesta** next month with **Matt Edwards** and *Ms. Gay Fiesta*.

Over at the **Eagle Mountain Saloon**, we wel-

comed and congratulated **Walt** on his new position as manager. We've run into **Walt** all over town from **Sparks to 8th Street** (a tasty spot off Broadway) and the **Nite Owl**. I'm sure the Eagle Mountain's men will appreciate this Daddy's expertise. Always with a handsome man in the bar, the Eagle Mountain is certainly one of the crusiest clubs in town. We love men in hats and spit-shined boots (pointed toe, of course!), starched shirts and smellin' masculine — whoa, next thing you know I'll be headed to **Alternative Clubs Inc.** to work out some kinks, if I keep on thinking that way. Speaking of **ACI**, the "**T-Man**" greeted us last time we popped in for an updated tour, with **Sharon** by our side... a great weightroom full of metallic monster machines is now available. I wonder if those cowboys

from the saloon walk around with their hats and boots on? Hmmmm...

**Nexus-SA** has been experiencing a deluge of customers these past few weeks, perhaps **Myra** and **Davey** have cast a magical spell upon our city! The womyn of San Antonio seem to really enjoy the atmosphere, and we enjoy sitting beside the picture window watching those fir and trim men competing with the brick babes on the volleyball court. Although **Will's Pool Tourney** is no more, you can still have some of those "private lessons" to learn how to properly hold an *extra long* pool cue.

The **Royal, Sovereign & Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire, Inc.** held a street party at **Gracie's Bop-N-Robin** and then a show that evening to benefit the **Ryan White Dental Clinic**... we

even heard that *Regent Emperor Adam* made a brief appearance in a pair of heels. Anything for a good cause. Congratulations to **Desiree Houston**, and of course **Shirley** and **Adam!** Even the *Bar Talk* has taken to plugging the **FAG RAG**... Thanks, **Gene!** It's nice to be complimented by a lesser publication. Ooh!

The **SA GDIs**, **George**, **Joe** and **Felicia**, et.al., will be having a special party/benefit for a **Funeral Fund**. Great idea from fantastic supporters of the gay community. Look in the next issue for of the **RAG** for more details. Also the new **Illegitimate Theatre** production, *Pshycho Beach Party*, is supposed to be great.

Alas, the ground-breaking ceremonies for **Planet Hollywood** call us, complete with **Sylvester Stallone**. Purr, kiddies... until our next rendezvous... FR



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### ¡La fin de la semana del diez y seis!

#### © Friday, September 15

##### Texas Style Luau

Bonham Exchange, 411 Bonham, 9:30pm  
The Texas Gay Rodeo Association presents a Texas Style Luau to help with kicking off *diez y seis* weekend. Advanced tickets are on sale, grab them quick.

##### Memorial Show for Lefty Taylor

El Jardín, 106 Navarro, 11pm  
The Hardly Girls present a memorial show for Lefty Taylor this evening at El Jardín. Maxee, Sean, Bobby, Blair, Tommy Manhattan and TK will be some of the guests for the show.

#### © Fri-Sun, Sept 15-17

##### Tell It To My Heart Weekend

Nexus, 8021 Pinebrook  
All weekend-long at Nexus it will be a great big pink extravaganza. Tell It To My Heart weekend

will feature tons of specials, specials and yes, more specials. And amazing door prizes, too. No cover for anyone with pink hair!

#### © Saturday, September 16

##### Holiday Hispanic Show

El Jardín, 106 Navarro, 11pm  
Tonight's *diez y seis* show features hispanic music and the talents of Miss Queen William VII Ashley Adams and special entertainers.

#### © Sunday, September 17

##### The Oldest Girls in Town

El Jardín, 106 Navarro  
Join Billy and Sam, "the oldest girls in town", for the football game and more.

#### © Friday, September 22

##### HACER Benefit

2015 Place, 2015 San Pedro, 10pm  
Tonight's benefit for the HACER's Procession of Hope on Oct. 12, features special guests Pauletta Leigh, Shady Lady, Mr San Antonio Matt Edwards and Regent Emperor Adam.

#### © Saturday, September 23

Riverwalk Pet Parade  
Industria, 450 Soledad, 3pm

Today's Pet Parade benefits the San Antonio AIDS Foundation House. There are awards in several categories, with a \$2 entry fee/donation.

##### Cool as Couture Fashion Show

N St. Mary's Brewing Co. Pub & Deli, 2734 N St. Mary's, \$5 adult/ \$7 minors, 10pm  
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No cover before 10pm, with \$1.75 any drink in the house until 11pm for this trip into the Amazon. The jungle fever is already infectious, so put on your Panama hat and start steppin' to the Bonham Exchange.

#### © Thursday, September 28

##### Miss Gay Fiesta USofA Pageant

Nexus, 8021 Pinebrook, 11pm  
Tiffany Arieagus from Florida is flying in to emcee tonight's *Miss Gay Fiesta USofA* Pageant. Special guest Kelly Lauren (new *Miss Texas USofA*) and Shady Lady will help to round out the show.

#### © Saturday, September 30

##### Brady Bunch Party

Nite Owl, 330 San Pedro  
The Royal, Sovereign & Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire, Inc. presents tonight's party, complete with a Look-alike Contest.

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## MONDAYS

- **HIV Support Group/ AIDS Resource Center, 800 W Lexington/** Meeting begins at 6:30pm.
- **Dyke TV/ Access Ch 20/** Catch the dykes from New York at 1am.
- **Message/ Wellness Connection/** Free for our positive friends from 6-10pm.
- **Schnapps Special/ 106 Off Broadway**
- **Drink Cheap/ 2015 Place/** \$1.75 wells and longnecks.
- **Drag In A Bag Contest/ Alamo Station/** Contestants choose a bag (with drag in it), the deejay picks a song and the winner gets some cash. \$2 wells, \$1 draft, no cover.
- **Talent Night/ Bonham Exchange/ Jacqui De Shawn** hosts the Talent Night, with 60¢ draft.
- **Monday Night Football/ Captain's Crew/ "Honeybee Special" Pool Tourney** at 11pm, and football game replay at midnight. Snacks, too.
- **Miller Madness/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** \$1 longnecks and well drinks all day and night, and 25¢ draft beer.
- **Monday Specials/ GBR's/** Sip rum and cokes for \$1.
- **Ribnight/ Miriam's**
- **9 Ball Tourney/ Nite Owl**
- **Drink Time/ Pegasus/** \$1 well drinks and longnecks.
- **Musical Chairs/ The Saint/** Musical Chairs hosted by Victoria West. \$2 wells and longnecks, plus \$1 draft.
- **11 Wells & Longnecks/ Silver Dollar Saloon**
- **Triple Well/ Sparks/** Enjoy triple well drinks tonight for happy hour prices. \$1 Cuervo shots also.
- **Underwear/ T-strap Night/ Stallion/** Free pool, 50¢ draft and \$3 pitchers.
- **Wild Monday/ Wild Club/** \$2 wells and frozens, \$1 draft and no cover.

## TUESDAYS

- **Chorale Rehearsal/ River City Living Church/** The Alamo City Men's Chorale rehearses today.
- **Mental Health Clinic/ Wellness Connection/** For our positive friends from 2-4pm.
- **Frozen Drink Specials/ 106 Off Broadway**
- **Drink Cheap/ 2015 Place/** \$1.75 wells and longnecks.
- **New Kids on the Block Show/ Alamo Station/** Watch the show as you imbibe anything in the house for \$2.
- **Drinks Party/ Bonham Exchange/** Join Manager Eric for \$1.50 wells and 75¢ draft.
- **Dart Tournament/ Captain's Crew/** Tourney starts at 10pm, with cash prizes. Midnight snacks and darts.
- **Dart Tourney/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** Bartenders serve you drinks for \$1.50 and 25¢ draft beer.
- **Tuesday Drinks/ GBR's/** \$1 well and 50¢ drafts.
- **Dart Tourney/ El Jardin**
- **Specials/ Miriam's/** Well drinks for \$1.75, schnapps for \$1 and draft beer for 50¢.
- **Dart League & Steak Nights/ Nite Owl**
- **Dancers/ Pegasus/** Male dancers strip for you.
- **Pauletta's Talent Night/ The Saint/** Show starts at 11:30pm, with guests and contestants. \$2.25 wells and longnecks, \$1 draft all night.
- **Dance Lessons/ Silver Dollar Saloon/** Learn how to

dance from 9-11pm.

- **Hot Oil Wrestling/ Sparks/** Watch beautiful men soak themselves in oil and then burn it up for you at 11pm.
- **Handkerchief Night/ Stallion/** With \$1.50 32 oz draft beer.
- **Tuesday Specials/ Wild Club/** No cover tonight, with \$2 wells, \$1 drafts and \$2 frozens.

## WEDNESDAYS

- **Anonymous HIV Testing/ SA AIDS Foundation, 818 East Grayson/** For an appointment, call 225-4715.
- **Lamda AA Group/ 8546 Broadway #255/** Meeting begins at 6:30pm.
- **Low Impact Aerobics/ Wellness Connection/** For our positive friends from 7 until 8:30pm. Body sculpting, tai chi class and HIV support group.
- **Prayer Service/ MCC, 1136 W Woodlawn/** Service and workshop from 7-9pm.
- **Schnapps Special/ 106 Off Broadway**
- **Frozen Ritas/ 2015 Place/** Sip \$1.25 frozen margaritas and stay cool.
- **Local Girl Review/ Alamo Station/** No cover for the show, with \$2 well drinks and \$1 draft beer.
- **College Night/ Bonham Exchange/** Complete with 50¢ well drinks and draft beer all night.
- **Hump & Bump Strip-off/ Captain's Crew/** Sexy boys take it off in the Amateur Strip Contest for a cash prize.
- **Happy Hour Prices/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** Stop by for \$1.50 well drinks and 25¢ draft beer all day and night.
- **Talent Night/ GBR's/** Watch entertainment and sip \$1 wells from 7-9pm.
- **Talent Night/ Miriam's/** Hosted by Modesty Blaise.
- **Happy Hour/ Nexus/** HH lasts all night. \$2 frozen margaritas. Karaoke starts at 8pm.
- **Volleyball League/ Nexus**
- **Dancers/ Nite Owl/** The show starts at 10pm.
- **Male Dancers/ 2015 Place/** Male dancers shake their stuff for you.
- **Shady Lady & Dancers/ The Saint/** Enjoy the show, and drink \$1.25 longnecks and 75¢ wells all night.
- **Tejano Night/ Silver Dollar Saloon/** Hear the latest Tejano grooves, with deejay Rick.
- **Blues, Honky Tonk & Folk/ Sparks/** Starting at 10pm, Mike Clancy plays music to put you in the mood.
- **Hot Oil Wrestling/ Sparks**
- **Hump Night/ Stallion/** \$1.50 well & 32oz draft beer, \$3 pitchers
- **Male Dancers/ Wild Club/** Boys dance on the side for you as you sip 75¢ wells. No cover.

## THURSDAYS

- **Yoga Class/ Wellness Connection/** Free for our positive friends from 6:30-8pm.
- **Wine Special/ 106 Off Broadway**
- **Dancers/ 2015 Place/** Catch male dancers from 10pm-2am.
- **"A" Night Talent Contest/ Alamo Station/** Sweet Savage hosts tonight's Talent Competition and a cash prize goes to the winner. 50¢ wells all night.
- **Go-Go Boys/ Bonham Exchange/** Dancers jiggle for you, with \$1.50 wells and big daddy draft. Benefit night, too.

- **Spot Light Night/ Captain's Crew/** Amateur show at 10pm, with cash prizes. \$1.50 domestic beer.
- **Dance Lessons/ Eagle Mountain Saloon/** Drop by for free dance lessons.
- **Club Night/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** Wear your club colors and get drink specials. Plus, 25¢ draft beer.
- **Specials/ GBR's/** From 7-7:30pm sip 50¢ wells, \$1 wells from 8:30-9pm and \$1.50 wells from 10pm until 10:30pm.
- **Hands on Thurs Party/ Industrial/** The fun lasts from 10pm until 2am, with \$1 wells from 9-11pm.
- **Strip Show/ Miriam's/** Called the "Hottest Strip Show in Town", the fun starts at 9pm.
- **Steak Night/ Nexus/** Stop by and enjoy a steak cooked just the way you like it from 7-9pm. Catch the liquor promos too and get free stuff.
- **Pool Tourney/ Nite Owl**
- **Dancers/ Pegasus/** Catch the dancers, they'll work you into a frenzy.
- **Specials/ Riddim's/** No cover, with 50¢ jello shots, 75¢ draft and \$1.50 longnecks, schnapps, kakis & ritas.
- **Tand's Tea/ The Saint/** \$1.75 well drinks and \$1 draft beer, with a show featuring special guests.
- **Steak Night/ Silver Dollar Saloon/** Grab your meat starting at 6pm.
- **Beer Bust/ Stallion/** With \$1.25 32oz draft, \$3 pitchers and free pool.
- **Amateur Male Strip-Off/ Wild Club/** The boy with the hottest body wins a cash prize tonight. \$2 wells and frozens, and \$1 drafts. No cover for over 21.

## FRIDAYS

- **Lamda AA Group/ 8546 Broadway #255/** Meeting begins at 6:30pm.
- **Message/ Wellness Connection/** Free for our positive friends from 6-9pm.
- **Male Dancers/ 2015 Place/** From 8pm-Midnight, men shake it for you.
- **Dancer Show/ Alamo Station/** Vanessa Gordon hosts this dance-off of sexy men. No cover for over 21. Afterhours.
- **Friday Party/ Bonham Exchange/** No cover until 10pm for over 21, with \$1 wells, \$2 calls and \$3 everything else. Go-go studs help you shake it into an afterhours frenzy.
- **Dancers & Birthday Night/ Captain's Crew/** Catch the excitement of men dancing for you from 11pm until 1:30am. Surprise gift if your birthday falls during the week.
- **Cruising River City Prices/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** From 10:30pm until 11pm, enjoy 60¢ wells. Draft beer is only a quarter.
- **Finally Friday/ GBR's/** Relax, it's the weekend. Drink wells for \$1 and longnecks for \$1.25 (on the patio).
- **Team Texas Strippers/ Industrial/** Dancers and \$1 well drinks from 9-11pm, with '70s & '80s dance hits upstairs.
- **Tejano Night/ Miriam's/** Dance to the music of Tejano night.
- **TGIF Party/ Nexus/** The party is from 5-9pm, with \$2 draft and 75¢ refills. No cover before 9pm.
- **TGIF/ Nite Owl/** Enjoy a buffet and listen to the

entertainment of a live singer.

- **Ritas & Dancers/ Pegasus/** Sip \$1.50 margaritas on the patio, and check out the dancers, too.
- **Dancers & Afterhours/ The Saint/** View go-go boys dancing and stick around for afterhours fun.
- **Fresh Meat Friday/ Sparks/** At 11pm, San Antonio's newest go-go boys strut their stuff and give it up for you.
- **Cutoffs or Levi Night/ Stallion/** Enjoy 50¢ draft beer and \$1 schnapps.
- **All Night Dancing/ Wild Club/** No cover for over 21 tonight, with male dancers on side-stage and steamy afterhours until 4am. Occasional porn stars.

## SATURDAYS

- **Message/ Wellness Connection/** Free for our positive friends from 9am-1pm.
- **Vodka Special/ 106 Off Broadway/** Enjoy cheap well vodka until 9pm.
- **Happy Hour/ 2015 Place/** Guzzle HH drinks from 2-8pm.
- **Dancer Show/ Alamo Station/** Sweet Savage hosts tonight's show. No cover for over 21. Afterhours.
- **Bonham Saturdays/ Bonham Exchange/** No cover until 10pm for over 21, \$1.75 anything in the house until 11pm, go-go studs dancing around and afterhours.
- **Dancers/ Captain's Crew/** Stop by from 11pm-1:30am to watch hot men shake it, and snag a snack for yourself at midnight.
- **Cruising River City Prices/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** For only 50¢ each, you can sip wells. Plus draft beer for only 25¢.
- **Open Mike/ GBR's/** Well drinks for \$1 and longnecks on the patio for \$1.25.
- **Team Texas Strippers/ Industrial/** Dancers and \$1 well drinks from 9-11pm, with '70s & '80s dance hits upstairs.
- **R&B Night/ Miriam's/** Let rhythm and blues coax you through your Saturday night.
- **Pink Party/ Nexus/** No cover before 9pm.
- **Dancers/ Nite Owl/** Boys shake it for you starting at 10pm.
- **Dancers & Ritas/ Pegasus/** Enjoy \$1.50 margaritas on the patio and watch sexy beauties dance for you.
- **Dancers & Afterhours/ The Saint/** The action heats up as dancers shake it for you. Afterhours, too.
- **Drool of Dallas/ Sparks/** Catch the action at 11pm, as sexy dancers from Big D do it just for you.
- **Shorts or Leather Night/ Stallion/** With \$1 schnapps and 50¢ draft beer.
- **Saturday Party/ Wild Club/** Occasional porn stars grace the club, with no cover for over 21 tonight, and male dancers on side-stage. After-

hours until 4am.

## SUNDAYS

- **Church Service/ MCC, 1136 W Woodlawn/** Service begins at 10:30am.
- **Church Service/ River City Living Church, 202 Holland/** Service begins at 11am.
- **Church Service/ Dignity, St Ann's Convent, 210 St Ann/** Service begins at 5:30pm.
- **Lamda AA Group/ 8546 Broadway #255/** Meeting begins at 6:30pm.
- **Burger Boys on the Patio/ 106 Off Broadway/** Time to eat! \$1 burgers and 50¢ hot dogs. Yum!
- **Sunday Specials/ 2015 Place/** \$1.75 wells and longnecks from 2pm-2am.
- **Sunday Showcase/ Alamo Station/** No cover until 10pm, \$1 wells all day and night. Sweet Savage and Vanessa Gordon host tonight's evening of entertainment at midnight. Afterhours.
- **Club X/ Bonham Exchange/** Listen to all your favorite alternative music while sipping 50¢ wells from 8-11pm, \$1.50 wells and draft from 11pm-2am. \$2 cover and dancers from 11:30pm-1:30pm.
- **Hearts & Spades Tourney/ Captain's Crew/** Card tournament from 5-9pm, \$2 vodka drinks.
- **Dart Tourney/ Eagle Mt Saloon/** It's customer appreciation day, with \$1 longnecks, well and schnapps.
- **Sunday Specials/ GBR's/** \$1 schnapps, plus 25¢ draft on the patio.
- **Dart Tourney & Football Sundays/ El Jardin**
- **Happy Hour/ Miriam's/** Enjoy HH from 2-7pm and Delilah & Co at 10:30pm.
- **Show Night/ Miriam's/**
- **Football & Draft/ Nexus/** Club opens at 4pm with gourmet burgers at 6pm.
- **Volleyball League/ Nexus**
- **Trash Disco/ Nite Owl/** Dance to the tunes of the '70s and '80s all night.
- **Ritas/ Pegasus/** Cool off with fruity margaritas on the patio.
- **Specials/ Riddim's/** No cover, with 50¢ jello shots, 75¢ draft and \$1.50 longnecks, schnapps, kakis & ritas.
- **Super Sunday Show/ The Saint/** Pauletta Leigh, Shady Lady and Erica Andrews are the super-divas for the night, with \$1 wells from 8-10pm. Afterhours.
- **Trash Disco/ Silver Dollar Saloon/** Music from the past and \$1.75 wells and longnecks from 5:30 until close.
- **Classic Sundays/ Sparks/** Classic music videos dug up from everywhere.
- **Beer Bust/ Stallion/** With 25¢ draft beer & \$3 pitchers.
- **Dollar Night/ Wild Club/** No cover for over 21, \$1 longnecks, well and draft beer, with male dancers on side stage.



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This store has all kinds of cute little gay things. Cards, books, any gift you may need to pick up. And fabulous items for you, too.

**TEXTURES**  
5309 McCullough, 210/805-8398,  
Open Tues-Fri 11-7pm,  
Sat-Sun 11am-5pm  
Aggressively feminist books, music, cards & more.  
**OUR** listings of gay, gay-friendly, and of gay interest businesses are provided as a service to our readers. If you feel your business belongs here or have a correction for us, give us a call at 512/416-0100. Additions/deletions are at the discretion of the editors. **Fr**

## bars & clubs

Area code: 210

**2015 PLACE**  
2015 San Pedro (Woodlawn), 733-3365,  
Daily 2pm-2am, 21+  
Laid back neighborhood tavern with pool table, games, small dance floor and friendly staff. Happy Hour 2-9pm daily, male dancers Thu-Sun from 8pm-12am. Never a cover.

**8TH ST. BAR & CAFE**  
8th Street (Broadway), 271-3227,  
Open Tues-Sun 4:30pm-2am  
A trendy work in progress where you can meet friends, talk, and hear a variety of music. Predominately gay clientele.

**ALAMO STATION**  
414 W Laurel, 228-9378,  
Party Line 22-PARTY  
A welcomed sight to all who love the art of female impersonation, this show-bar features live entertainment every night, and great drink specials too.

**B.B.'s PUB**  
5307 McCullough (in shopping center),  
828-4222, Daily 3pm-2am, 21+  
The equivalent of a "Gay Cheers," and get this - every Wednesday night the only singing bartender in San Antonio takes the mic. Great cabaret style shows, very friendly clientele and way cheap drinks.

**THE BONHAM EXCHANGE**  
411 Bonham, 271-3811, Open Mon-Wed  
4pm-2am, Fri 4pm-4am, Sat 8pm-4am,  
Sun 8pm-2am, 18+  
San Antonio's biggest dance club. Huge and multileveled, with many different rooms, Bonham has lots of space to explore. Super-friendly.

**CAPTAIN'S CREW**  
309 W. Market (Navarro & Presa),  
210/222-0310, Open Daily 11am-2am  
The "downtown experience bar" with two pool tables, darts, CD box player, drink specials. Happy Hour 12-8pm every day.

**COWBOYS**  
622 Roosevelt, 532-9194,  
Open Tue-Sun 4pm-2am, 21+  
Big country-western bar with huge dance floor, pool tables, drink specials, dart tournaments and steak night on Wed. Horseshoe tournaments beginning soon.

**EAGLE MOUNTAIN SALOON**  
1902 McCullough, 733-1516  
San Antonio's newest country bar, with a 600 square foot dance floor and hand-crafted wood work throughout. Lighted parking and one of the longest bars in town.

**EL JARDIN**  
106 Navarro (Nueva), 223-7177,  
Open Mon-Sat 10-2am, Sun 12pm-2am  
Neighborhood bar with a mixed younger and older crowd. The jukebox boasts over 1,300 records, some dating back to 1929. Ilongest happy Hou from 10am-10pm every day.

**GBR's**  
2022 McCullough (Ashby), 738-3118  
Open Daily 4pm-2am, 21+  
This comfortable sit-down jukebox bar is a quiet place to chat with friends, catch the strippers Monday night or the Talent Contest Wednesday. Daily specials.

**INDUSTRIA**  
450 Soledad (Convent), 227-0484, 21+  
Multi-level dance club with an emphasis on music and dance (and flowers). Oddly decorated with an industrial flair, a great sound system, and right on the riverwalk. Varying cover and specials.

**LORRAINE'S**  
South Presa at Military, 210/532-8911  
The newest club to hit San Antonio, featuring dancers, a live deejay and always a variety of people.

**MIRIAM'S**  
115 General Krueger (N of Banco ft Basse),  
308-7354, Open Daily 2pm-2am, 21+  
Popular men and women's dance bar plays a little of everything. After-hours dancing Friday and Saturday, no cover, drink specials and strip shows.

**THE NEW PONDEROSA**  
5007 S Flores, 924-6322, 21+  
Open: Sun-Thu 6pm-2am, Fri-Sat 3pm-2am  
Mixed dance bar with Tejano music, bring your own bottle and buy a set-up, or get beer and wine. Happy hour Sun-Thu 5-7pm, Fri-Sat 6-8pm.

**NEKUS**  
8021 Pinebrook, 341-2818,  
Open Tue-Fri 6pm-2am,  
Sat 7pm-Sun, Sun 6pm-2am, 21+  
Huge women's dance bar playing a variety of music. Mostly country with a mixed crowd, large dance floor and daily drink specials.

**NITE OWL**  
330 San Pedro (corner of Euclid),  
223-6957, Open Daily Noon-2am, 21+  
Video bar with a neighborhood feel, very big on 8-ball dart tournament on Tue and 9-ball on Wed at 8:30pm for cash prizes. Extra-friendly staff and clientele. Home of the San Antonio "Gay Switchboard." Male dancers Fri night with h'ors d'oeuvres from happy hour 'til close. Happy hour 4-8pm daily

**ONE-O-SIX OFF BROADWAY**  
106 Pershing (Broadway), 820-0906,  
Open Daily Noon-2am, 21+  
Friendly neighborhood bar with jukebox. Happy hour noon-8pm every day, fabulous steak night with filet mignon or ribeye and all the trimmings for \$6 Thursday, dart tournament Sunday for cash prizes.

**PEGASUS**  
1402 N Main, 299-4222  
Open Mon-Sun 2pm-2am, 21+  
Light and airy during the day, changing formats to an ambient piano bar and then to a full service heavy cruise bar at night, this

bar hops. A black marble bar and glass cruise rails make it easier to slip around for a drink.

**RIDDUIMS**  
10221 Desert Sands, 366-4206  
Anything goes in this bar! Dance to everything from techno, to tejano, to country at "San Antonio's largest premiere lesbian nightclub."

**THE SAINT**  
1430 N Main, 225-7330, Open Sun-Thu  
9pm-2am, Fri-Sat 9pm-4am, 18+  
A hot dancing spot for those who like to party all night. Plenty of bar space and a dancefloor that offers fabulous stage sets for the hot nightly shows hosted by your favorite female impersonators.

**SILVER DOLLAR SALOON**  
1418 N Main (by Paper Moon), 227-2623,  
Open Daily 2pm-2am  
A cozy, comfortable country/western bar with a beautiful 2-story patio/deck. Wednesday is Tejano night, Sunday is irish disco all day and night. Dancers Friday thru Sunday and Tuesday. No cover.

**SPARKS**  
8011 Webbles (Walzern), 653-9941,  
Open Daily 3pm-2am, 21+  
100% music video bar with nightly male dancers serving northeast San Antonio. Boasts different weekly events including hot oil wrestling on Tuesdays and some very cute bartenders!

**THE STALLION**  
2022 McCullough, 734-7977  
Open Mon-Sat 8-2am, Sun 12pm-2am  
A cruise bar with two different rooms: one has country music, the other rock. No cover, daily specials. Often populated weekdays surprisingly early in the day.

**WILD CLUB**  
820 San Pedro, 226-2620,  
Party Line 22-PARTY, Open Sun-Thu 9pm-2am,  
Fri-Sat 9pm-4am, 18+  
A hotspot that features great music and drink specials, pool tables, TV, and a weekly lineup that keeps the crowds coming.

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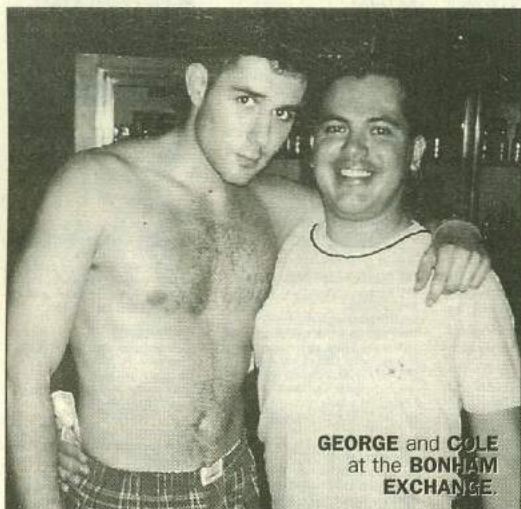
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thurs 10-2am  
friday 8-12a

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San Antonio  
(210) 733-3365



**GEORGE** and **COLE**  
at the **BONHAM**  
**EXCHANGE**.



**NEBULA**  
gives good  
face at the  
**BONHAM**.



**HOTT TAMALE**, **ERICKA RAYE** and **GENE**  
**BRAKE** of the **ROYAL SOVEREIGN**  
& **IMPERIAL COURT**.



**HACER**  
Fashion  
Benefit Show  
at the  
**BONHAM**  
**EXCHANGE**.



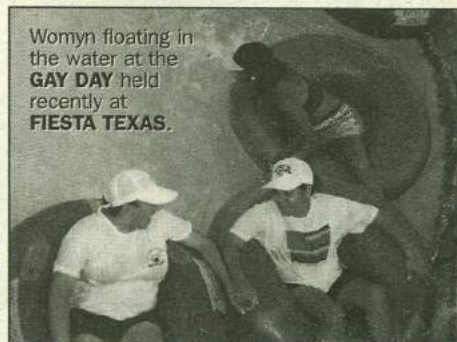
**HEATHER**  
**SINCLAIR** at the  
*Miss Texas at  
Large Pageant*  
held in the  
**BONHAM**  
**EXCHANGE**  
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*Miss Gay USofA*  
**MAYA DOUGLAS**  
performing at the *Miss*  
*Texas USofA Pageant*  
held at **THE SAINT**.



The crowning moment at the *Miss Gay  
Texas at Large Pageant*.



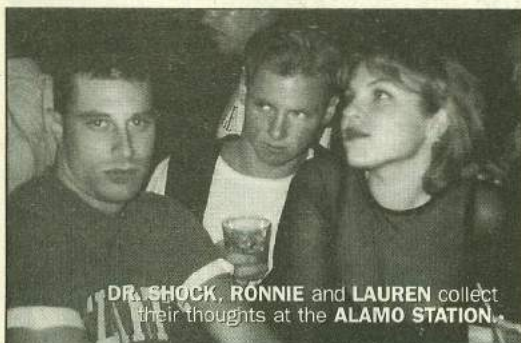
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the water at the  
**GAY DAY** held  
recently at  
**FIESTA TEXAS**.



**RICKY**, **JESSE GARZA**, **BABE MYERS**,  
**GEORGE**, **DANIEL** and **STEPHANIE**.



*Miss Gay Texas USofA* royalty  
posing after the crowning held  
at **THE SAINT**.



**DR. SHOCK**, **RONNIE** and **LAUREN** collect  
their thoughts at the **ALAMO STATION**.



**PAUL** and **DADDIES** at  
**FIESTA TEXAS GAY**  
**DAY**.



**BRIAN** goes  
up for a grab  
of dancer  
**CRUNCHY**  
**GRANOLA**.



**AFTER HOURS  
IN AUSTIN  
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## **Mickey's**

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