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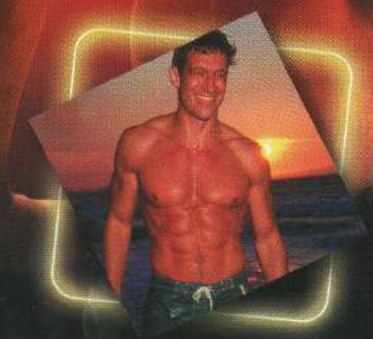
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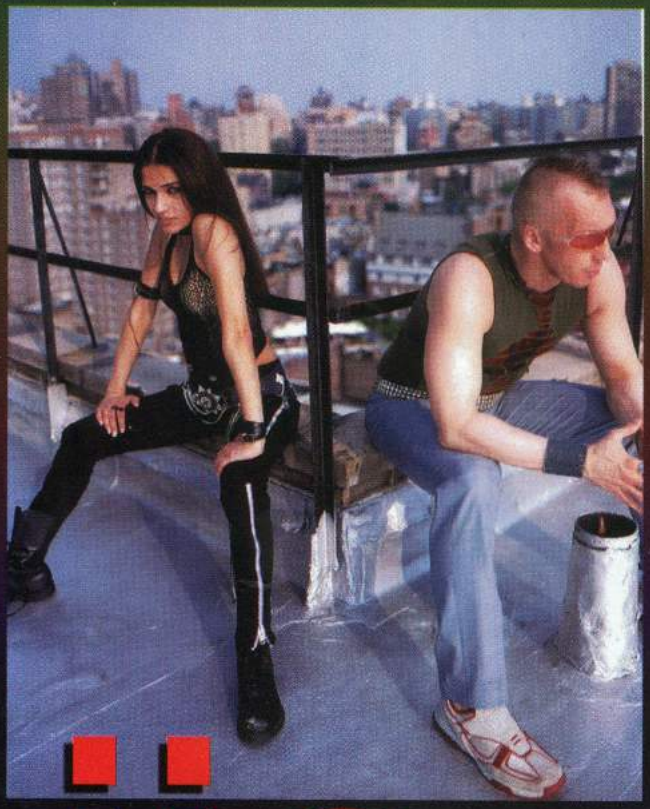
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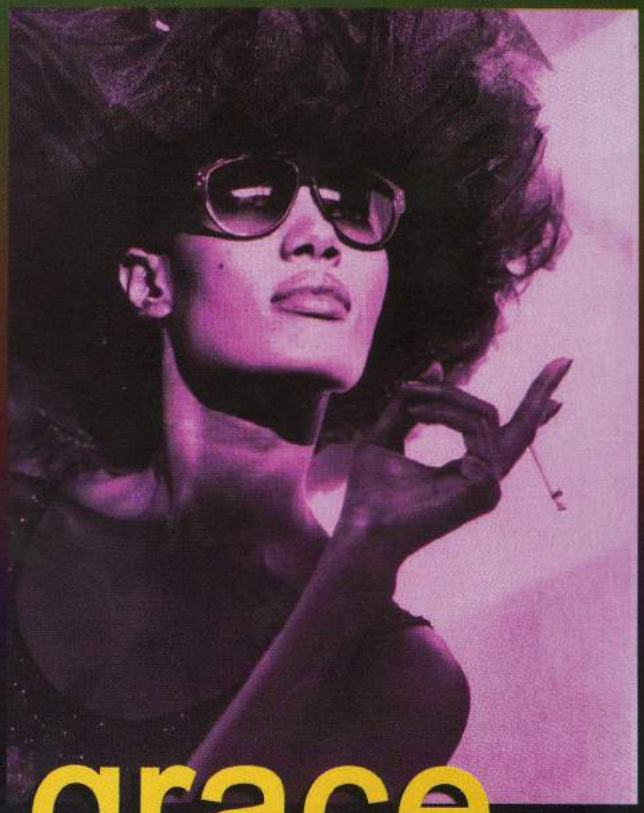
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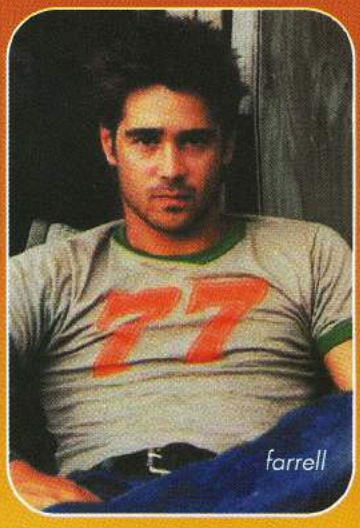

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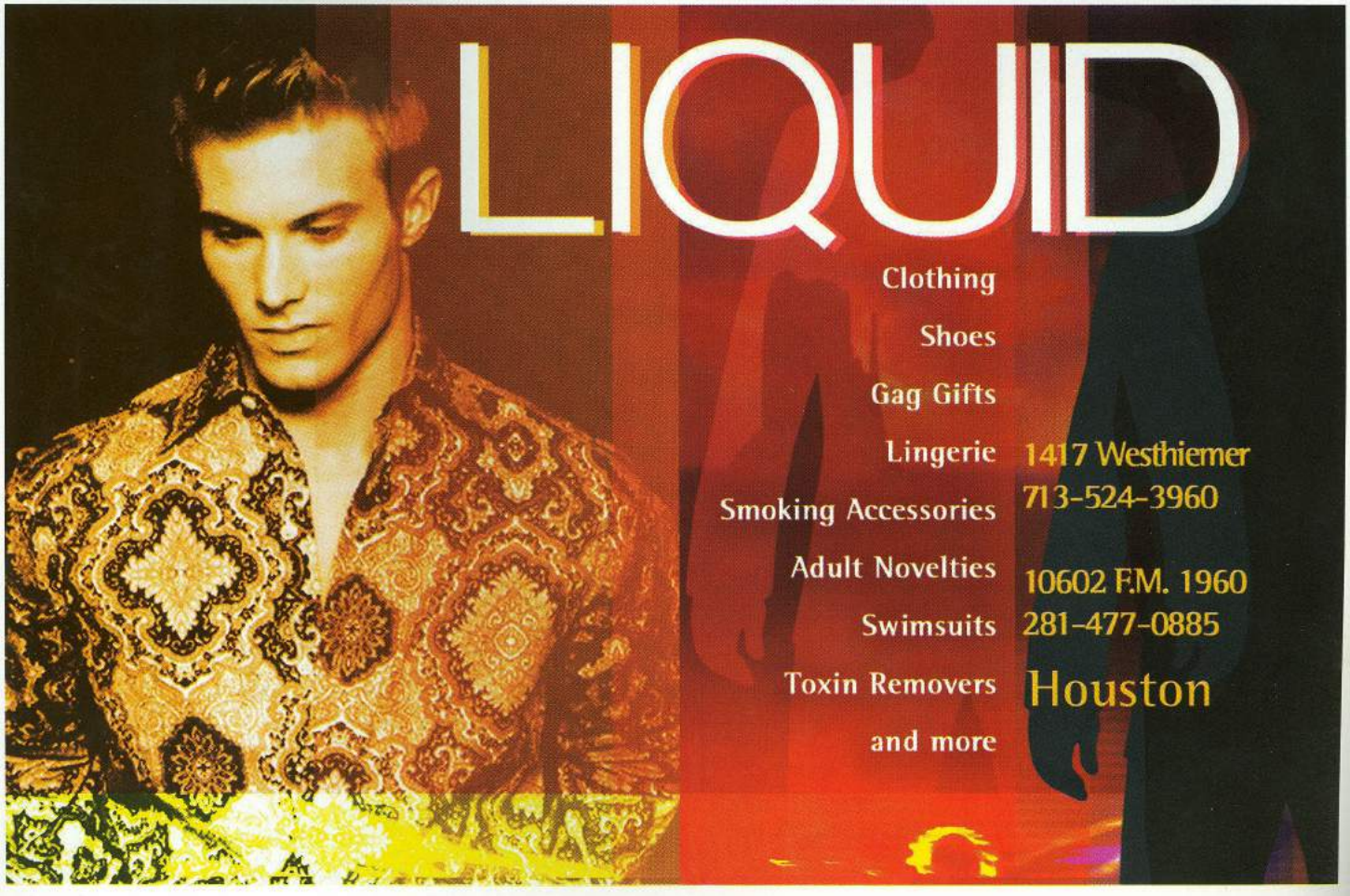
take on the ITV version.

When I was developing my talk show, one of my concepts was called "A Bunch of Nobodies" — me chatting with people who have no career but still have name recognition. It didn't occur to me that it was already on the air, just without *moi*. Yes, the casting news that has me atwitter this week is the list of celebs (and I use that word loosely) recruited for next season's *The Surreal Life*: Dave Coulier (who cares?), Flava from *Public Enemy* (double who cares?), Jordan Knight from *New Kids on the Block* (mildly interesting), slutty Ryan Starr from the first season of *American Idol* (titillating in a Bingham kinda way), Brigitte Nielsen from the Sylvester Stallone ex-wife collection (now you're talking) and — drum roll, please — the great-grandma from "A Bunch of Nobodies," Charo! I'm *quivering* with anticipation. This has "must see" written all over it!

When cutie Matthew Metzger was on *American Idol*, Simon Cowell told him that he was a good-looking guy with a great smile who should give up singing and get himself a TV show. (I believe Simon gave Ryan Starr a pole and directions to the Pussycat Theatre.) Someone was paying attention, because Matt has just been cast on *One Life To Live* playing Duke, the son of Kevin Buchanan, currently played by the scrumptious Dan Gauthier. Good casting, indeed.

Some clever bloke out there should think about casting football star David Beckham in gay porn — at least, that's consensus of my fans. And why not? We know that David's attractive, athletic, has a nice body and enjoys showing it off. Exhibit one is the cover of the July issue of *Vanity Fair*. One fan wrote saying that what makes David most attractive is that his body *isn't* totally buffed and perfect — it's simply the body of a normal, athletic guy. But let's move on to exhibit two: a series of shots of David on the balcony of his hotel, clad solely in tighty whiteys. He walks, he chats, he smokes, he adjusts himself and he knows *exactly* what he's doing. When you're David Beckham and go out in public to scratch your balls, you must assume that someone is taking a photo or at least watching. I think David is enjoying every minute, unlike his wife. The former Posh Spice has decided to play Garbo and has sequestered herself in a private

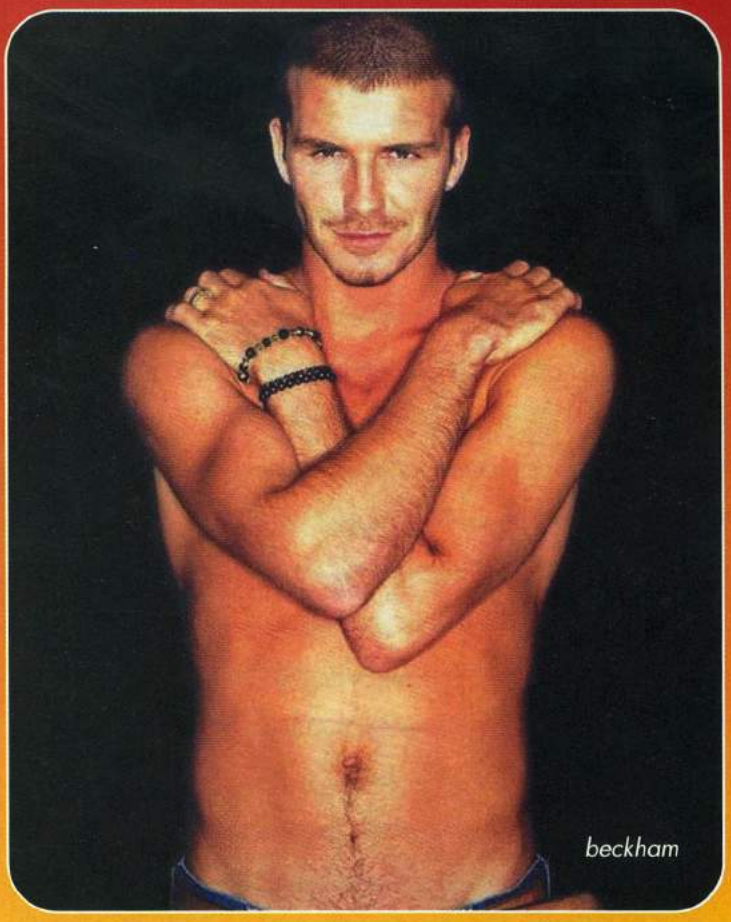

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villa. That didn't stop our snoops from snapping pics of her topless.

Let's move on to Colin Farrell's penis. First off, is it cut, or is it not? Well, both, actually. In his upcoming movie *A Home at the End of the World*, there was a scene in early drafts where people could see (and I'm using their words) "Colin's huge, uncut penis when he went to bed with his co-star." People who have seen more recent screenings tell me that Colin's cock has been cut. It's true: For the final release, we're not getting the full release. I guess we'll just have to wait for the DVD on that one. What? You've heard this all before? Funny, it was news to everyone I told.

Could it be that an oft-rumored-about suds star has found the Lord? So say those close to the hospitable gent, who tell me that part of his package deal of

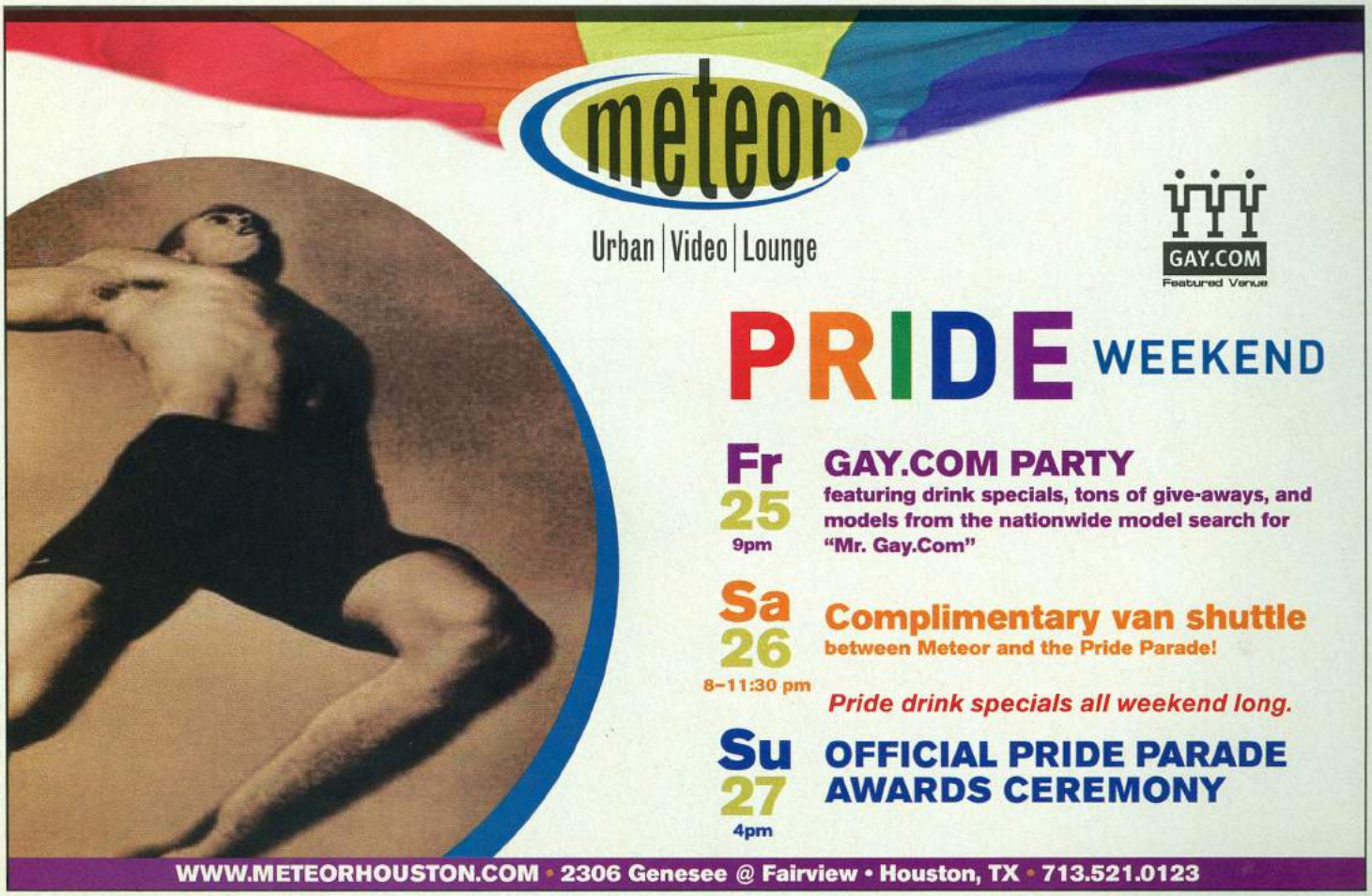


beckham

instant family is a very short leash and daily prayer sessions. Smart move — make him spend even more time on his knees. Stick with what you know and you'll always be ready. But if you think he's changed, you don't know Jack.

When soap studs are siring spawn, it's time to end yet another column. Once again, we ran long. So all I have time for is to tell you where you can find me (filth2go.com) and that I'm still available should you have any questions. Just write me at Billy@filth2go.com and I promise to get back to you before Charo teaches Brigitte how to koochie-koochie!

Until next time, remember: One man's filth is another man's bible.



I love a parade

And parties, movies and the other ways Houstonians celebrate Gay Pride Month

feature

There's a reason Texas has a reputation for big things that has nothing to do with geography. It's the attitude, the confidence, the way we celebrate. Gay or straight, Texans are a proud and boisterous people.

Houston will demonstrate that attitude this closing weekend of Gay Pride Month. In addition to the nighttime parade (which starts on Lower Westheimer), there will be "official" parties featuring DJs like Hex Hector and Warren Gluck, and the return of the *Queer as Folk* Babylon Tour, with Robert Gant making a special appearance while Tracy Young takes over the turntables.

But as always, Texas Gay Pride is more than just the parties and parade. It's the people — gay men and lesbians showing the world why they are just as pleased to be gay as they are to be from Texas.

Friday, June 25

8 p.m. — *Free Will and Wanton Lust*, Stage Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway. A comic romp. Tonight's performance will be a special VIP appreciation event. $20. Semi-casual attire required.

8 p.m.–1 a.m. — Baile Internacional 2004, Guest Houses/Suites Inn, 125 Airtex. A black-tie Texas gala with a Latin flair. This event is a fundraiser for GLOBO and will benefit select charities. $20 in advance, $30 at the door. Formal or "Texas" attire requested.

9 p.m. – 3 a.m. — Official Pre-Parade Party, Boaka Bar/Mercury Room, 1008 Prairie at Main. DJ Hex Hector presides with classic remixes while Justin Stephens performs in the Groove Lounge. A portion of proceeds benefits the Pride Committee of Houston. $15 in advance, $20 at the door.

Saturday, June 26

4 –11 p.m. — Pre-Parade Festival at Westheimer and Yoakum. Before the parade, join the Pride Committee for refreshments, entertainment and VIP bleacher seats, plus a special beer garden. Come early to get the best seats for the parade. Free.

5–9 p.m. — Grey Party Pride Launch, O, 710 Pacific. Enjoy drink specials and Jell-O shots before heading to the parade.

8:45 p.m. — 2004 Houston Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Parade, on Lower Westheimer between Woodhead and Whitney. If it's nighttime, it must be the Houston Pride Parade, now in its 26th year. More than 130 entries and floats will be featured. Free.

10 p.m.– 4 a.m. — Official Pride Post-Parade Party, GO, 2001 Commerce. The festivities continue at Club GO with DJ Warren Gluck manning the turntables and Pat Hodges singing her club hits. $25 in advance, $30 at the door.

Late Night Saturday/Early Sunday, June 26-27

Midnight – 4 a.m. — Get Laid Party at Pacific st. and Grant.

3:30 –10 a.m. — Official Pride After-Party, Opus, 4112 Main. The party continues with Dawna Montel greeting the daylight with her signature sets and Chris Sill spinning in the Groove Lounge. $25.

Sunday, June 27

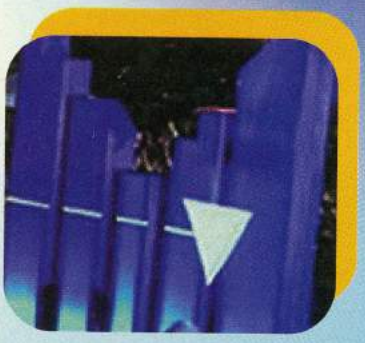
4 – 7 p.m. — Houston GLBT Pride Parade Awards, Meteor, 2306 Genesse. Round out the weekend with the presentation ceremony recognizing the best of the best. Free.

9 p.m.– 5 a.m. — The *Queer as Folk* super-club, Babylon, is the inspiration for the touring show Future Babylon that features the DJ talents of Tracy Young and RKM at South Beach. Tickets are $15 in advance, $20 at the door.

Monday, June 28

9 a.m.– 7 p.m. — National HIV Testing Day, Montrose Clinic, 215 Westheimer. The Montrose Clinic will offer OraQuick RapidHIV-1 Antibody Test with results available in 20 minutes. Free.

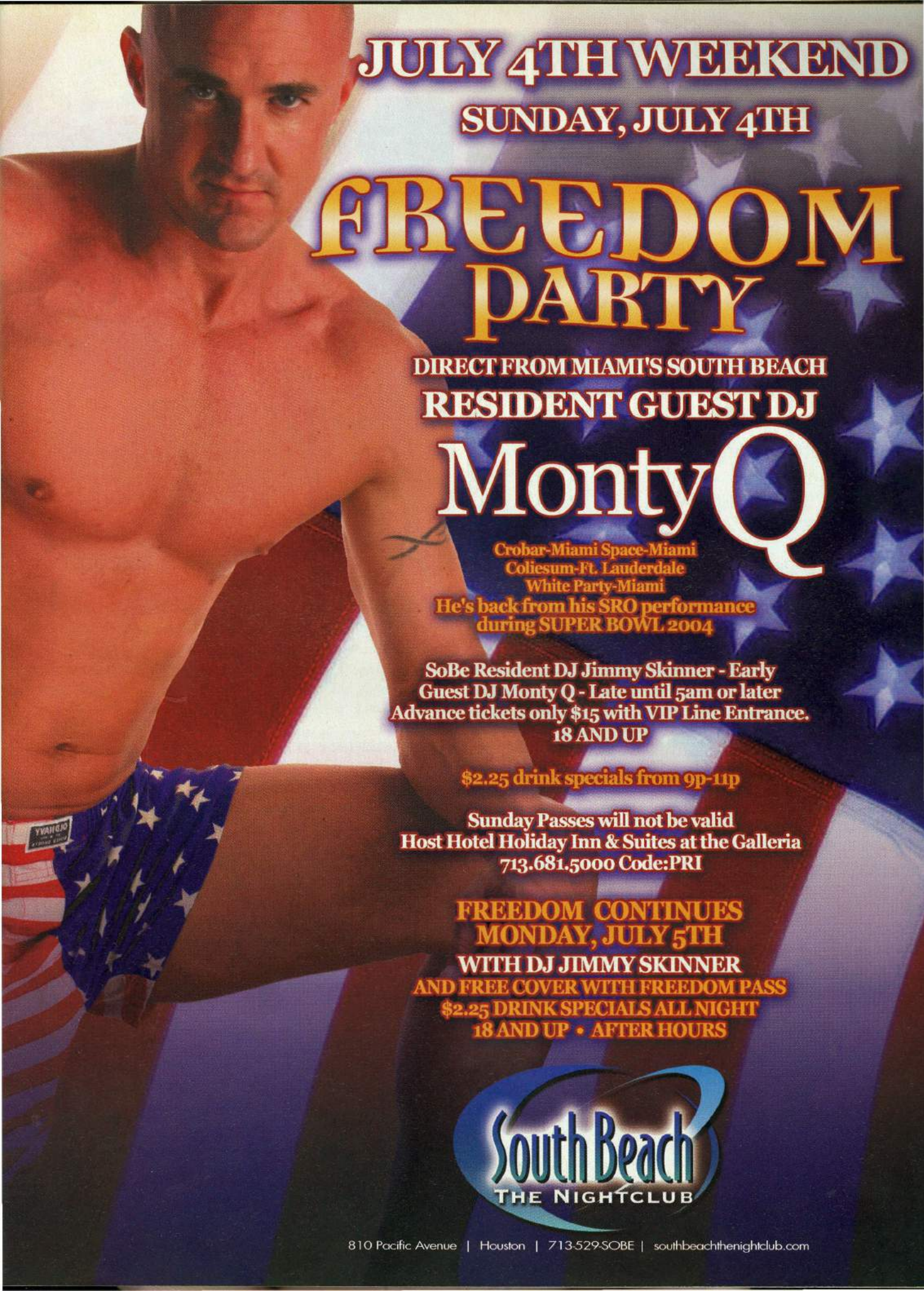
7:30 p.m. — Profiles in Pride: That's Entertainment!, 1415 California. The series concludes with *The Cockettes*, the flamboyant San Francisco ensemble. Free.



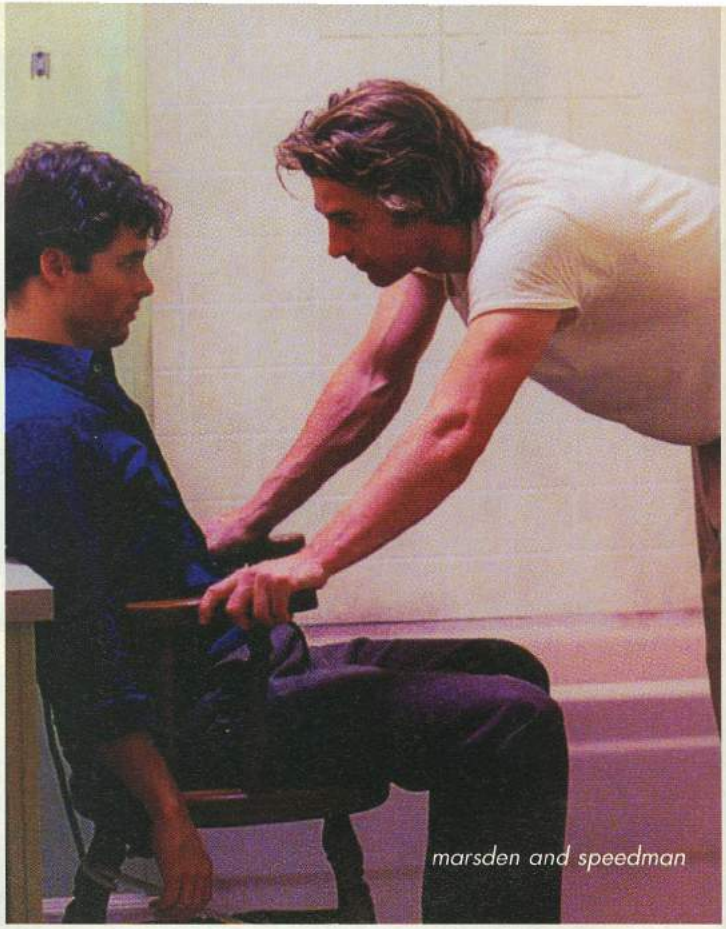



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director Tony Piccirillo filled his script with pop-culture musings that are so forced that imitation is far from flattery. Is there anything original about the captor and hostage waxing nostalgic about their favorite Charlie's angel? That one scene seems to last 24 days on its own.

There's a great deal of psychological cat-and-mouse between Dan and Tom, who is smarter than he lets on. With the requisite close-call escape attempts, the film manages mild amounts of tension in brief parts, but not enough to salvage the other 90 percent. Implausibilities abound.

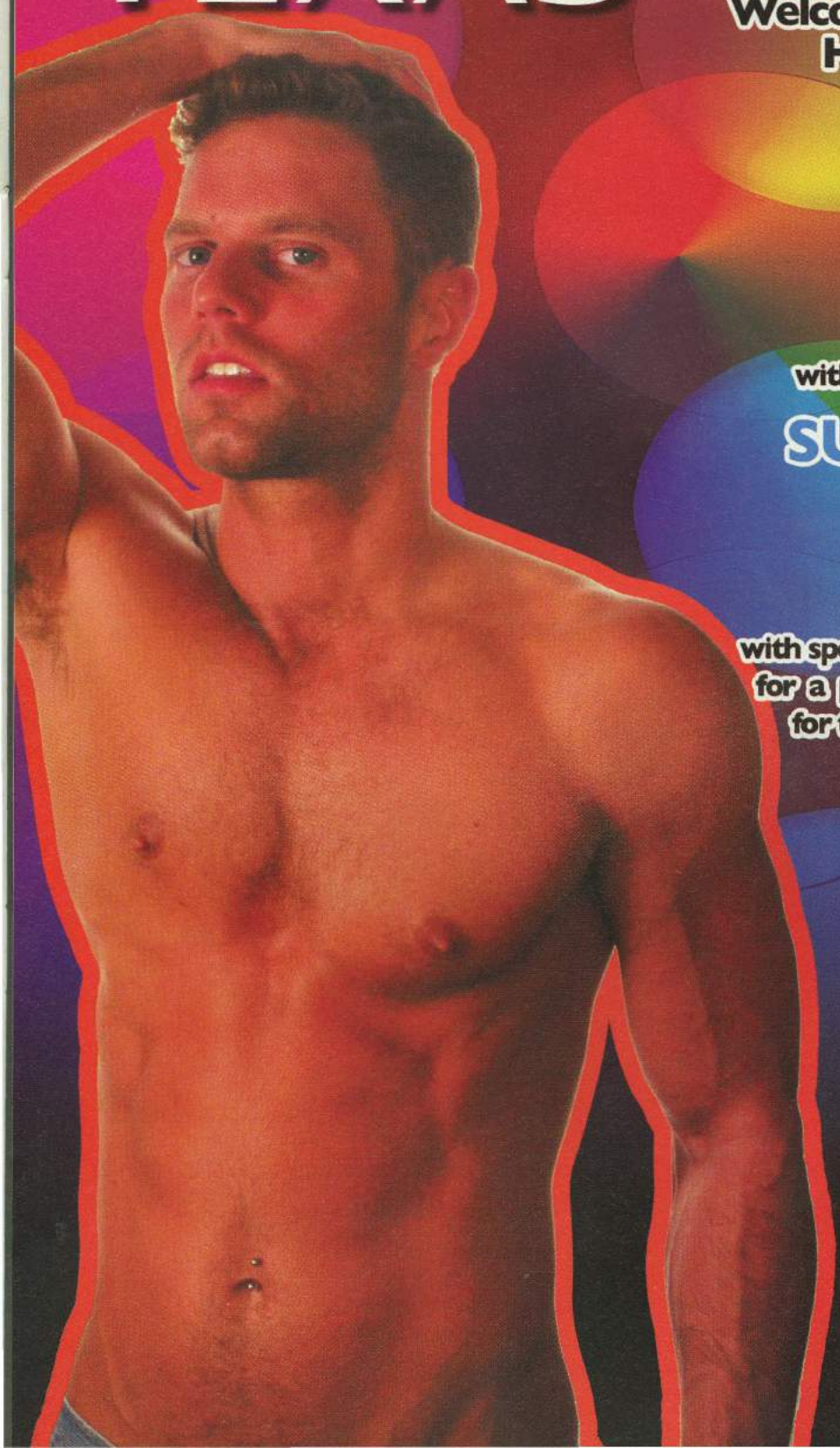
The performances from the two leads are decent enough and there is some homoerotic tension. But ultimately the actors' techniques feel transplanted directly from the stage (where the screenplay originated), with the overacting necessary to reach people in the back row. Quick edits and a nervous soundtrack manage to force-feed the emotional reactions you're supposed to feel rather than trusting the actors to do it themselves. That Tom immediately draws the conclusion that AIDS is only related to homosexuality makes the film a reckless and irresponsible piece of social commentary.

If *The 24th Day* were better executed, I might have drawn a different conclusion. But not likely.

The 24th Day
Grade: D
Written and directed by Tony Piccirillo
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Running Time: 92 minutes

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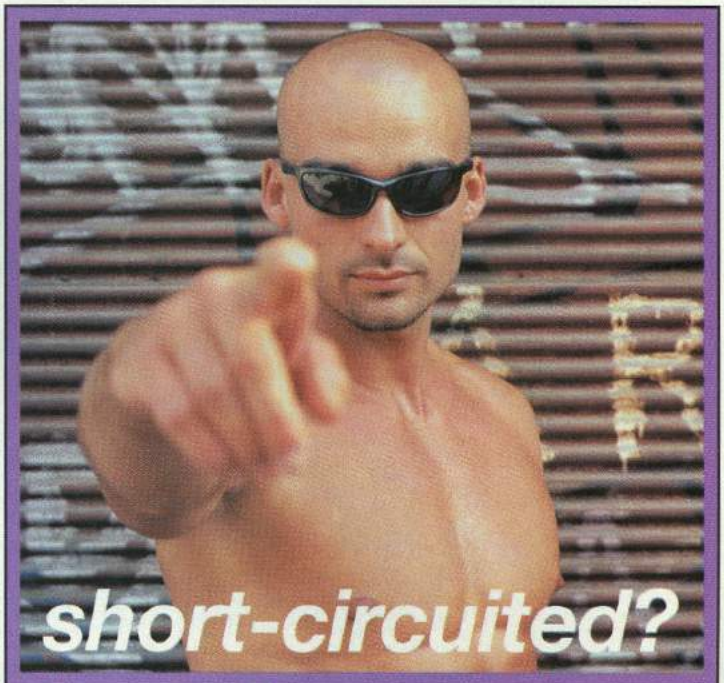
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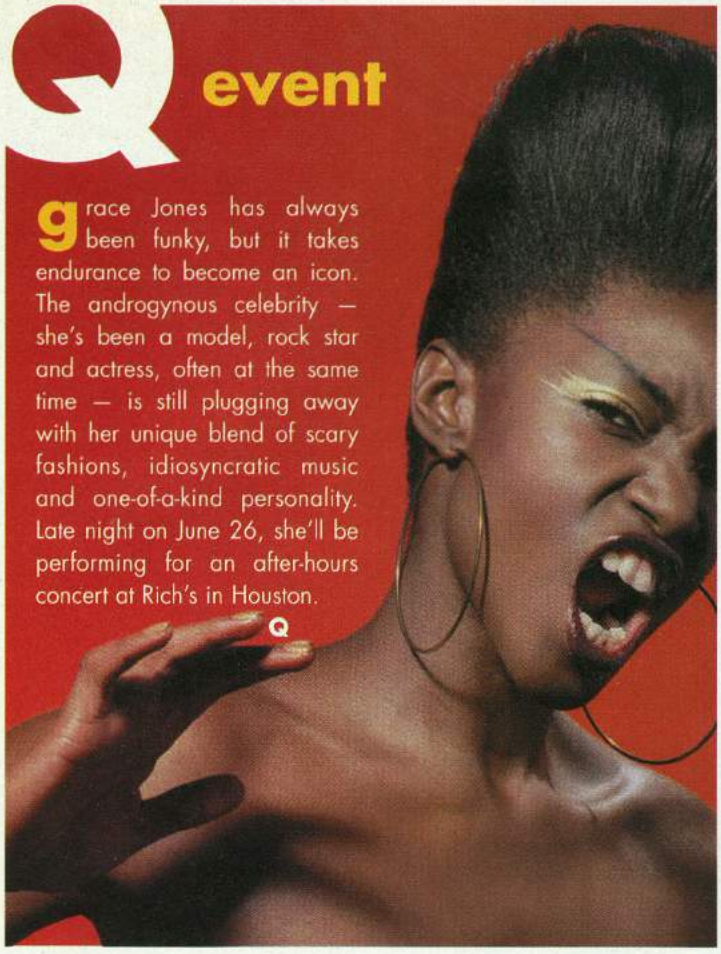


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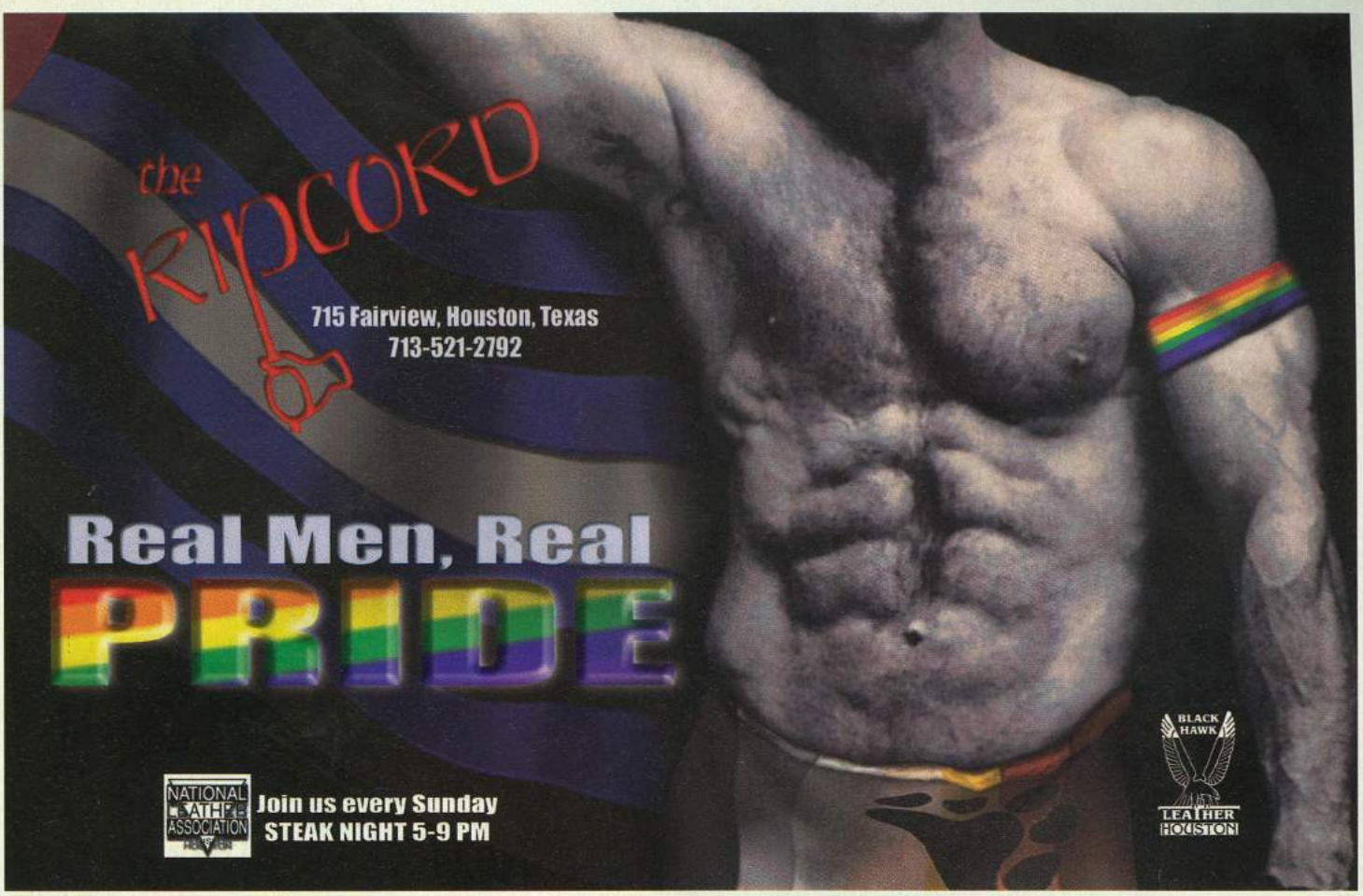




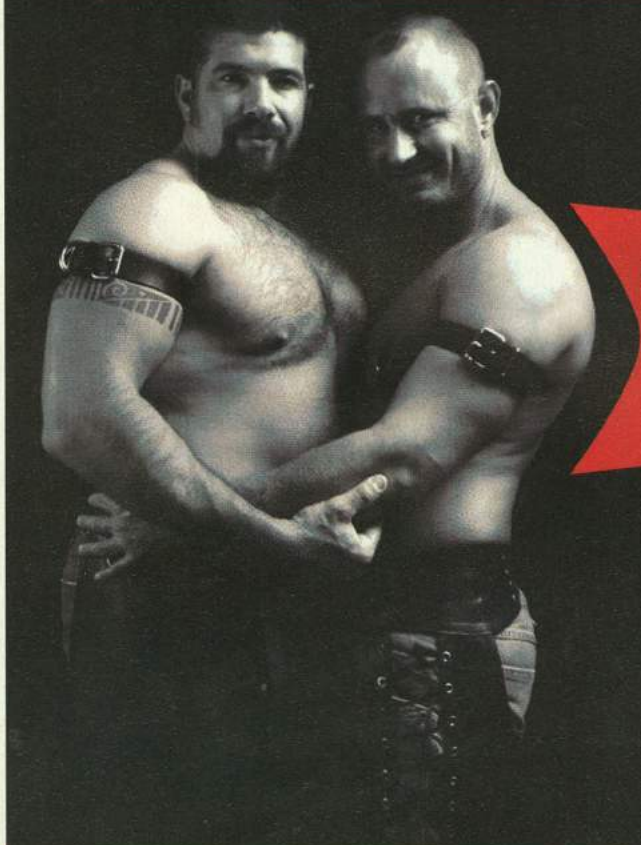
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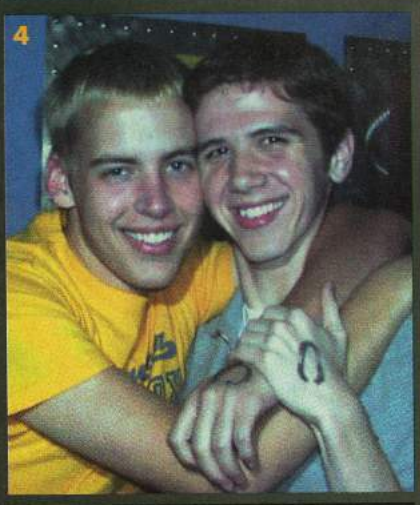
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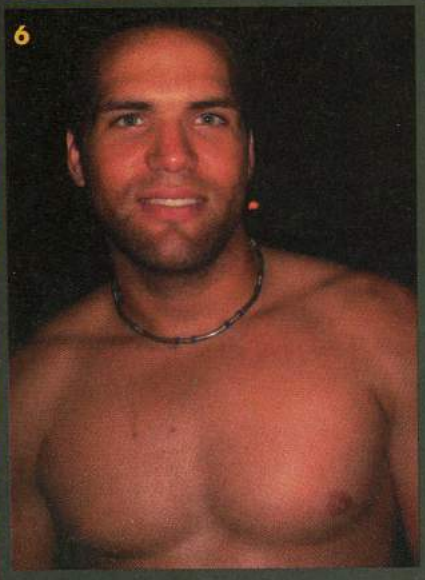




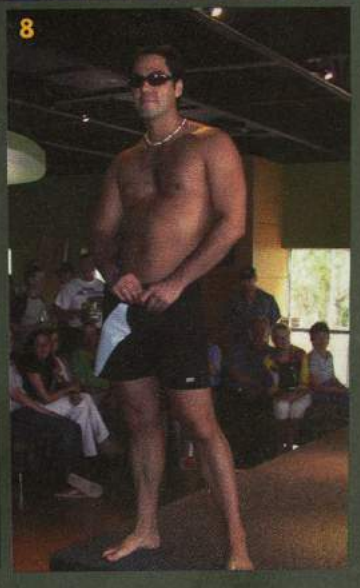












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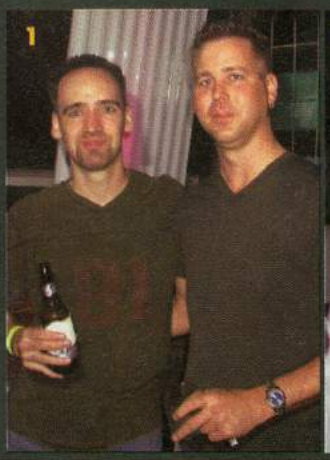
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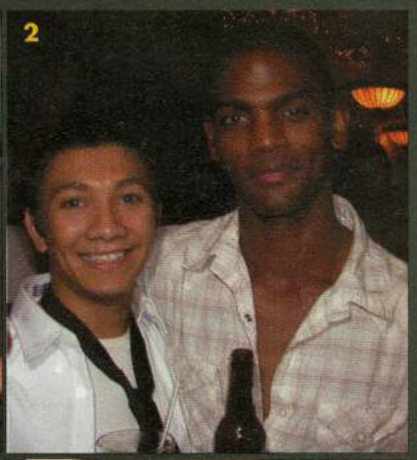
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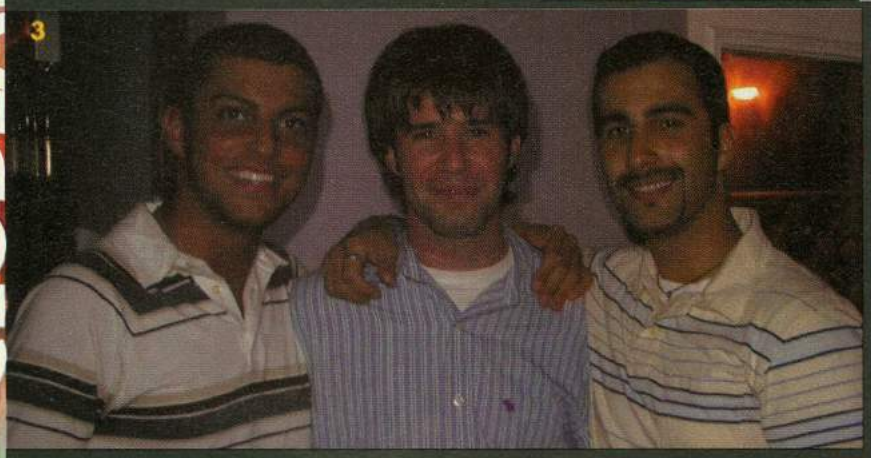
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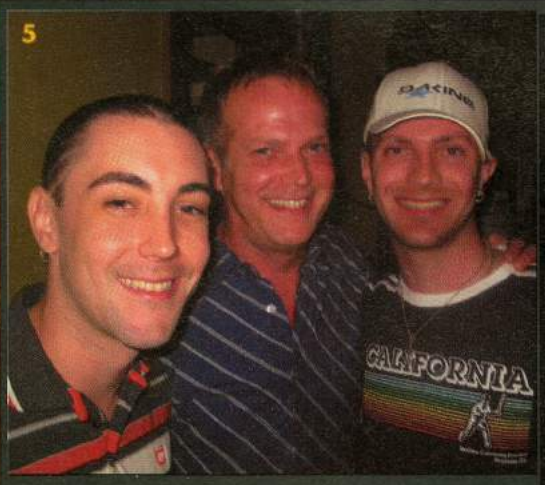
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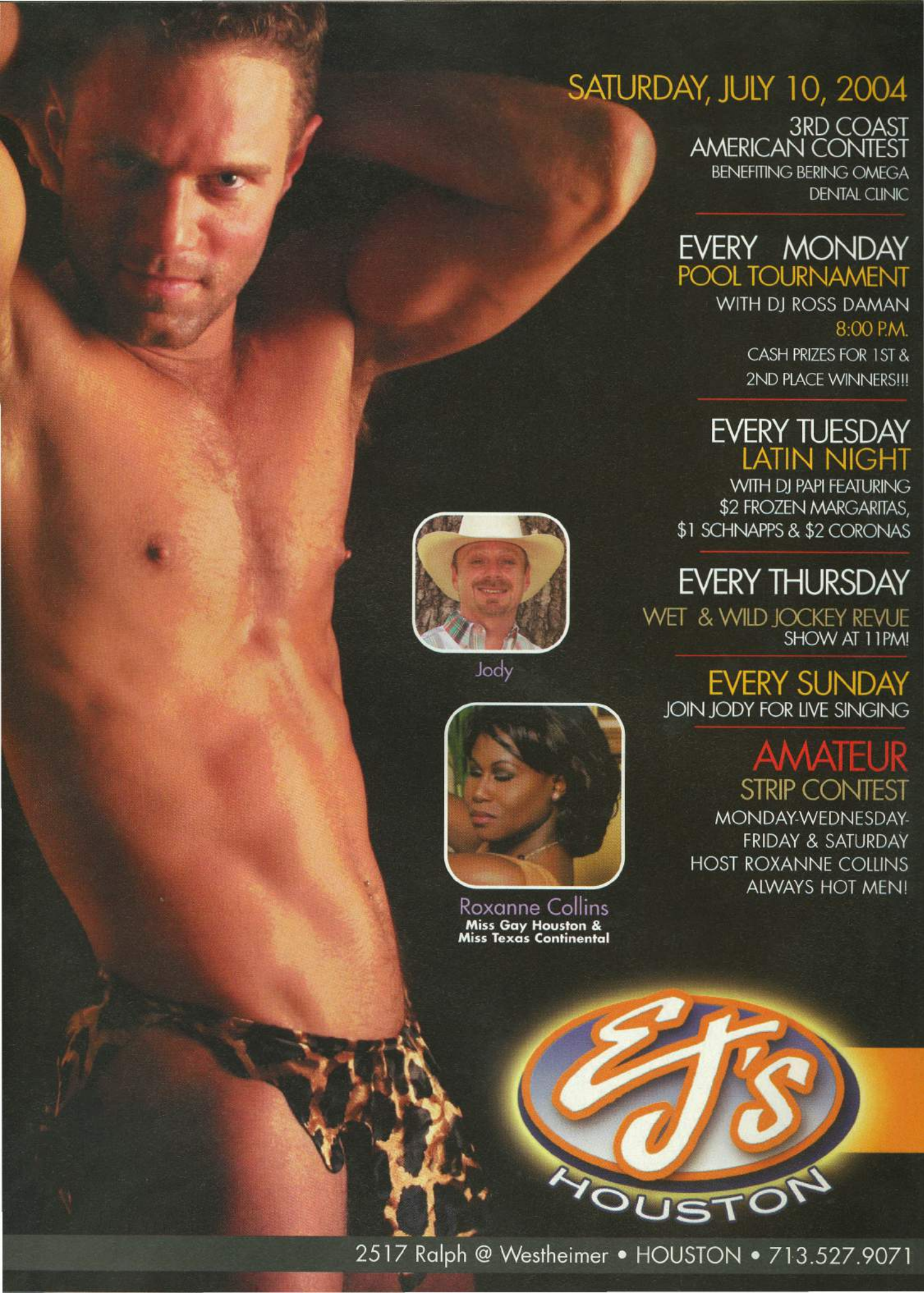
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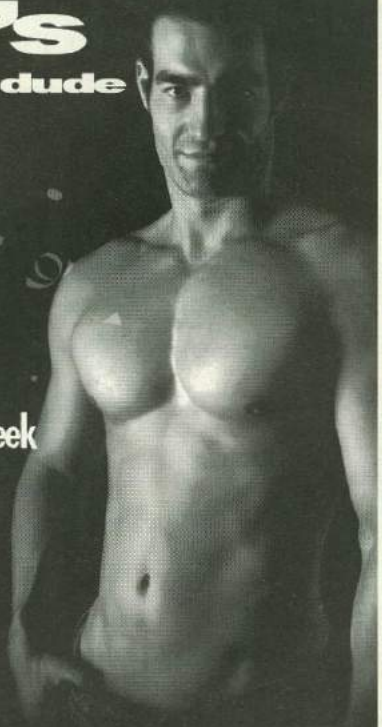
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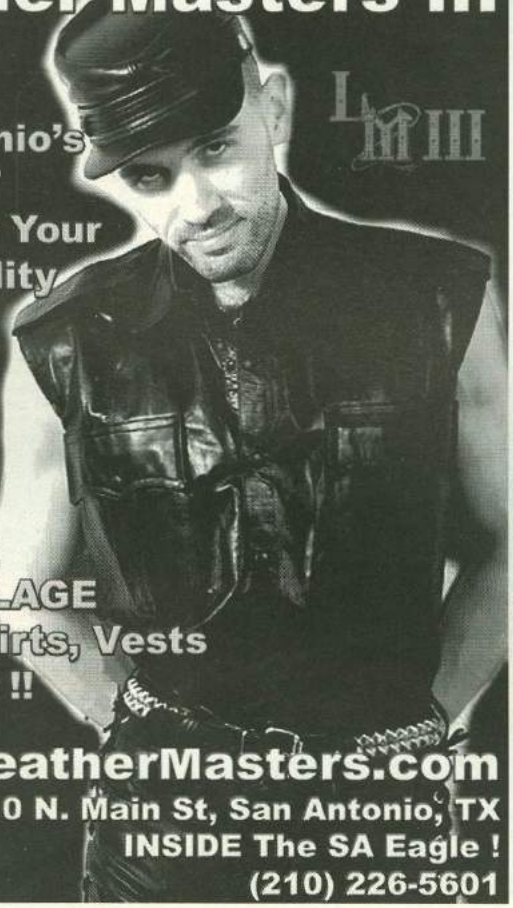
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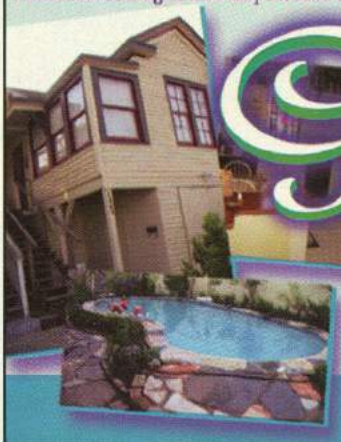
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Cancer (June 22-July 22) Commitments dictate that you put career matters above all else — even those home renovations. Make sure your vehicle is in prime shape, because you'll be logging lots of miles, especially on Friday. Let that significant other call most of the shots regarding next week's plans.

Leo (July 23-August 22) Get ready for that jump to light speed, Leo. It'll seem as if almost everything comes together by magic — but we all know it's just a combination of steady, hard work and a bit of luck. Make sure to cool those jets on Sunday. Health concerns of a relative prove mostly unfounded.

Virgo (August 23-September 22) Put that recently obtained financial gift to good use. By "use," we mean have some fun with it! Remember how to have fun? Just ask a Sagittarius for some tips. Tears of joy slowly replace those of sadness. Start booking that birthday getaway asap — go first class all the way.

Libra (September 23-October 22) What you ideally need is eight days in a week and 31 hours in each day, but that's not going to happen. Don't get all freaked out over deadlines. Higher-ups are pleased as punch with your performance. It's time to clean your castle up — maybe a fresh coat of paint?

Scorpio (October 23-November 21) Not many peaks or valleys are indicated this week. A nice, steady pace makes for a pleasant change from the usual chaos. Hold off on buying a new car until September. An unplanned change in roommates works out for the best. Make Saturday a night on the town.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21) What exactly are you going to do with the money you've been making? After bills are paid, treat yourself (and a special friend) to dinner and a night out. A contact made on the 27th proves powerful and long lasting. An anniversary/milestone on the 1st should be joyfully celebrated.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19) The week starts out as an uphill battle, but you'll regain momentum and composure by Monday morning. Choose your battles carefully where competitors are concerned. Career aspects look remarkably solid through late August. Learn how to chill out more often.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18) Although the urge to run off and hide is strong, it's not a very practical solution. Face those little demons head-on. You'll find more molehills than mountains in your path. Having a sense of humor works wonders too.

Pisces (February 19-March 19) Unlike Aquarius, you may actually get to hide out more than usual this week — it could prevent your nervous system from going into overload. Be careful who you hang out with on Saturday. Avoid those who drain you. Start a more vigorous workout routine on the 1st.

Aries (March 20-April 19) Relying on pure reason won't be enough to help you make the grade. Listen to that gut feeling too. It's not the ideal time to for any sort of partnership. Play the field and continue to have fun. Those pesky extra few pounds aren't going to magically vanish. Can you spell diet?

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Finances are solid but not spectacular. Make sure your passport is up to date. Flight delays mar an otherwise pleasant trip. Ask a parental figure for sage advice. Vent frustrations through workouts and meditation. Get in touch with an old friend who misses you very much.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Although the week's pace may not be fast enough to suit you, an incredible amount of work will get done. Don't lend money to an unreliable sibling. Sunday holds a joyous and passionate encounter. It's time to upgrade that PC. Arguing with colleagues or co-workers solves nothing on Tuesday.

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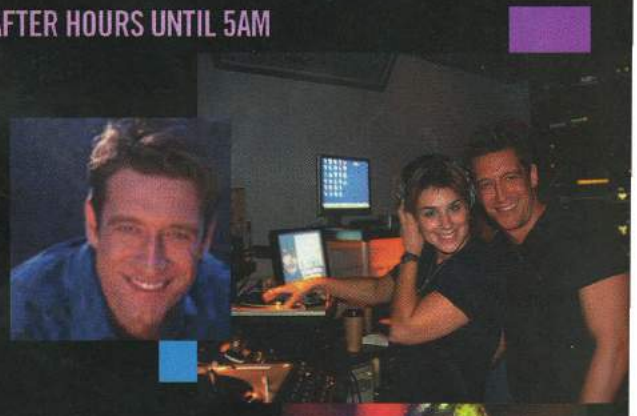
SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY QAF CASTMEMBER ROBERT GANT
Have your photo made with QAF Star Robert Gant
Autograph party and Photo Shoot at 11pm

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY $15 AVAILABLE ON LINE AT CIRCUITICKET.COM

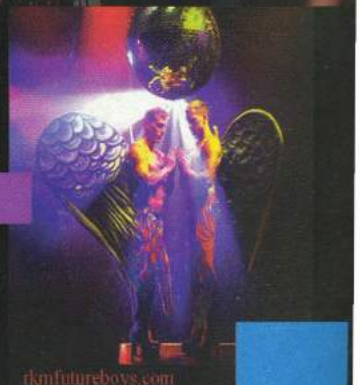
SOLD AT JR'S BAR & GRILL, SOUTH BEACH, M2M FASHION & HOLLYWOOD BOOKSTORE

THIS EVENT WILL SELL OUT

AFTER HOURS UNTIL 5AM



This Event is 18 & UP



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