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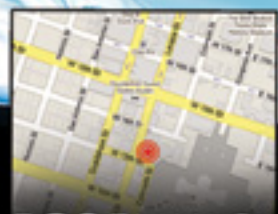
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SUNDAY, MAY 2

Splash Day

Hippie Hollow, 7000 Comanche Trail

Don your swimwear or leave it at home when you meet your friends out at Hippie Hollow to kick off summer Austin style. Don't forget to go out to your favorite bar the night before to pick up your wrist band for the complimentary adult beverage bar.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Karaoke Night

Rain on 4th, 217b West Fourth Street

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Purple Party Weekend

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The party kicks off Friday at Lizard Lounge with DJ Chris Cox and goes all the way 'til Sunday night at The Brick with DJs Michael Tank and Paul Kraft. Keep up to date on the hottest places to be at www.dallaspurpleparty.org.

TUESDAY, MAY 4

Off-Key Karaoke

Club Rush, 3903 Lemmon Avenue

Choose from hundreds of songs and channel your inner superstar every Tuesday from 9:30pm-1:30am. Bring your friends and fans and let the bartenders take care of the rest!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Wild West Wednesday

Round Up Saloon, 3912 Cedar Springs Road

Join your friends for the best Texas Hold 'Em tournament in town. Qualifying rounds are almost over, so head on down at 8pm to register and snag a place in the upcoming finals!

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THURSDAY, APRIL 29

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South Beach, 800 Pacific Street

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FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Amateur Strip Contest

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TUESDAY, MAY 4

Karaoke Night
Essence, 1010 North Main

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

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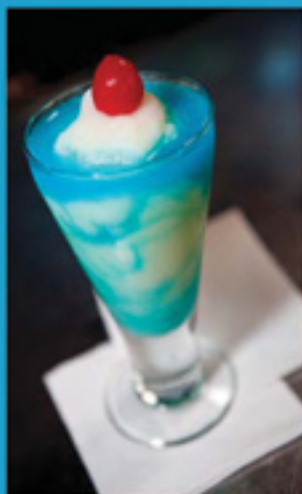
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Music News:

The Hip Hop world lost a legendary artist on Monday, April 19, 2010, **Guru**. He was diagnosed with multiple myeloma last year and had been hospitalized for related issues. He was a rapper of the 1990's, specializing in social themes, hip hop and jazz. *Moment of Truth* and the hits collection *Full Clip* are his top albums. The world of rap will miss him.

On The Charts:

B.o.B, **Rihanna** and **Train** still are leading the pack on the top 40 and pop charts. Rihanna along with **Monica** are staying strong on the r&b charts. One of my favorite groups **Lady Antellbelum** and **Zac Brown Band** are hitting it hard on the country charts. While **Goldfrapp**, **Beyoncé** and **Lady GaGa** are leading the dance charts.

DJ 'Spotlight':

This week is my fellow co-worker from right here in the ATX: **Bobbie Redmond** a.k.a. **DJ Bobbie**. Eight years ago she started as a DJ at Rainbow Cattle Company as the Hip Hop DJ for Ladies' Night. Then she started to embrace new music by adding Pop, Country and Latin to her music genre. "I am a very simple fun loving DJ. I enjoy playing mostly Hip Hop or Rock but I do enjoy every kind of music. And I love my Jack Daniels." DJ Bobbie spins at Sister's Edge II every Thursday and Friday night, so next time you're in Austin stop in and say "Hi" to her, make a request and don't forget she likes Jack Daniels.

THE BEAT

by DJ BJ LARAY

MyPod

- "Louboutins"
-Jennifer Lopez
- "For Your Entertainment"
-Adam Lambert
- "Work"
-Ciara & Missy Elliott

Beats on the Rise

- "Not Myself Tonight"
-Christina Aguilera
- "All I Do Is Win"
-DJ Khaled
- "Alejandro"
-Lady GaGa

DJ Bobbie's Pod

- "My Chick Bad"
-Ludacris
- "Fade to Black"
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BY JAIME



Aries - Some amazing stories reach your ears today and you're surprised by the rubbish some people believe. You have a good idea on who started a particular piece of gossip and you won't be amused by their antics. Someone's annoying behavior may be retaliation for a recent failure or defeat. Eventually things will clear up and you'll see things and people for what they truly are. That harsh truth will have you wishing everything was fuzzy again.

Taurus - An inspirational idea adds spice to your communications as others start to appreciate the scope of your creativity. All the appreciation, admiration and approval coming your way could be hard to handle if it puts you in the spotlight. Someone is keen to put you into contact with new professional or volunteer opportunities, but is this what you really want? I'm seeing that you're thinking of having another gin and tonic, putting on your heels and turning a new trick.

Gemini - Something about yourself or your past is hindering you and blocking your progress. There is a goal you'd like to aim for and you know in your heart this will change your life for the better, but you need to work out why confidence in yourself is so low. I hate to tell you this, but where you might admire your own quick mind and insatiable curiosity, some people would say that your inability to make a commitment makes you an empty, superficial person.

Cancer - Your social popularity is quite contagious. Everyone wants to join in with what you're doing in a spirit of cooperation. This friendly atmosphere will help you broaden your horizons and could lead to even more opportunities through new social contacts. A number of offers are coming your way. So, clear your head; one way is to douse it with a cold flavorsome beer. Tie one on this weekend.

Leo - Time catching up on neglected correspondence and everyday tasks you've recently been avoiding will be time well spent. In particular check insurance, tax and financial details as keeping on top of it all is always important. Like a true lion, your roar can be deafening and quite intimidating to those who don't know you. Everything will sound good to you today. So go order it up and enjoy!

Virgo - Today your life will be like Dorothy's house; swirling in a tornado until it comes crashing down in a strange and bizarre place. Once there, you will be overwhelmed by challenges and confronted by overbearing people who will want to trip you up. Don't feel guilty if you aren't up to anything

strenuous today. Aim to have a lazy morning and put off any difficult tasks until you feel more up to them. Brace yourself for a bizarre day. Oh, by the way, it gets worse tomorrow.

Libra - A financial or legal mess could result from someone else's careless or couldn't care less attitude. Had you known about the situation earlier, you could have stepped in and prevented the problems you are going through now. Even so, there is no time for "if only." This coming week will go well, except for the bits that don't - expect a lot of those bits to go real bad. It gets better mid-week.

Scorpio - Take your time and look at all possible eventualities before making an important move today. You need to know you're making the right decision and you can only do this through erring on the side of caution. If you are making choices on another person's behalf, get their OK in writing. I'm seeing cats are your "animal of the day" which is a new one for me since I know how much you hate pussy. The thought of losing your mind will make you lose your mind.

Sagittarius - Tension in a romantic or work partnership is making you question why you are together. If you spend more time arguing and are constantly at loggerheads, it is entirely reasonable for you to wonder whether it's worth continuing as you are. Take a little time today to look at this relationship and decide whether you like what you see. Then take a long look in the mirror and tell me what you see, besides a broken mirror. Find some time to get some rest and beauty sleep this week.

Capricorn - You have too little faith in the inventive ideas being shared today. A negative response or voicing too many objections won't help keep up other people's morale. Even if you doubt the feasibility of some suggestions, at least give them a try. You may be asked to recommend one of your coworkers for a promotion, and it's a situation that leaves you unsettled. Your decision will make one person very happy, and others mad as hatters. Be prepared for some unprofessional backlash.

Aquarius - There will have been a good reason why you fell out with a friend, but not everyone will understand this. Other people are trying to push you back together when you would rather they kept out of it. You have seen a side to someone you don't like and you aren't sure the friendship you once had can continue. Power struggles can be avoided today, if you keep yourself open to creative collaborations. The faster you travel today, the more likely you are to pick up a ticket. So slow down, you're getting no where fast.

Pisces - A project you are enjoying and are heavily involved in is progressing well. You will intend to do your best to maintain this. A private ambition you have cherished for a while looks like coming one step closer to fruition. It is obvious nothing will happen very quickly, but there is hope for further advancement in the near future - as long as you continue with your persistent efforts in the work place. You're going to be busier than a two dollar hooker working payday at a truck stop in the coming week... so be prepared.

TAKE THAT!

by MISS TAKE & GARRY HANNDY



Dear Miss Take,

It's been a few years since my last relationship. I feel ready to date again, but I can't seem to get the hang of it. Every time I meet a guy that seems interesting, I just end up sleeping with him on the first date. The sex isn't always bad or anything, but it's just that I can't seem to bring myself to date anyone who is so easy—including me. What can I do?

-Ready in Round Rock

Darling Ready,

I have a feeling that you suffer from self esteem issues. I'm not trying to put words in your mouth or make judgments about your previous relationships but I'm guessing the last time you dated someone, it was a bit emotionally damaging. You may think that you have moved on and are ready to open yourself up to someone, but by sleeping with them on the first date you are intentionally sabotaging any chance for a future. This is not always true, however. It is simply in your head that sex upon meeting is a proverbial nail in the coffin. To summarize my thoughts, I would say that the ball is in your court. Spend some time thinking about what you truly want and how you want to go about it. You may realize that a few more years of being single is truly what you need.

Take That,
Miss Take

Hey Ready,

The odds are that you have convinced yourself that not dating means that you have chosen not to date them. In reality, it probably means that you are not getting calls back because of a sub par performance on your part in bed, particularly in the oral realm of things. If you would just learn to give a good blow job, someone might want to date you. Without a picture I cannot judge what is really happening. So if you could send a semi nude one our way, I can give a real evaluation - or burst out a with a hardy laugh.

Garry.

Want me to fix your problems? Slide a note in my box at misstake@twitmagazine.com and I will advise you with your problems as best I can.

Dear Miss Take,

I am an attractive, successful bartender at one of the local gay bars. I am completely single and I have no prospects for a relationship. I'm lonely and I really want to date someone. At this point, anyone will do. Where should I go to meet people with whom I can have more than just casual sex? Help!

-Desperate in Dallas

Dearest Dallas,

I find a major problem when you say that "anyone will do." Is that really how you want to start a relationship? Settling is never the option. Also, you sound very desperate in your letter. I'm not trying to be rude or anything, but if you give off this air of desperation in your letter, how am I to guess that you aren't the same way in person. You say that you are attractive and successful and I have no doubt that you are, but most people looking for someone to date actually want to date someone with confidence. I suggest reflecting on your positive qualities and the qualities you seek in a partner. When you have figured that out, you're halfway there. The next step is to wait. I know it may sound like a cliché, but love will find you when you are least looking for it. As trite and arrogant as it may sound, it's been said for years for a reason.

Take That,
Miss Take

Desperate,

Successful bartender? Really? You are saying that you have chosen to squeeze limes for a living and that makes you a success? Come on, you aren't in a relationship because you are lazy. How do I know this? Because you are a bartender. Yes, do as Miss Take says and focus on your successful qualities: like you can pour a draft beer or open a bottle. You can use a cash register just like any 7 year old can. Love will not find you in the job you are in. You will die lonely. Go get an education you freak.

Garry.

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PURPLE PARTY

by BRETT VANDER



Dallas Purple Party celebrates its tenth anniversary with some big names and surprises April 30th-May 2nd!

TWIT caught up with Blake Baker, Chairman of the Purple Foundation, to ask him what makes this Dallas charity dance event so popular and unique, especially on its tenth anniversary.

What's makes the Purple Party so fun for you?

It is really great to see what we have been working so tirelessly for all year actually come to life. Creating these experiences for people, seeing all of our friends come out to support us and all the incredible music and dancing really makes it fun for everyone, even us.

What do people say they love most about the Purple Party?

What I hear most from people about their experience at Purple Party is that it's big, but not too big. We give you a world-class dance event with a hometown feel. People always say how much fun they had and how hospitable, not to mention cute, the locals are.

What are you looking forward to most at Purple 10?

Probably the Main Event at the House of Blues. Although all five of the Purple Party events are really fabulous, we are truly pulling out all the stops for the Main Event. On top of all that we have Michelle Williams of Destiny's Child performing LIVE! It's going to be an incredible party!

Any words of advice for first-timers? Those returning?

For first-timers, you are in for a treat. You get to experience our biggest and best Purple Party ever. For those returning, you get to witness just how much Purple Party has grown and see first-hand the evolution of what was once a 'local' dance party. We are now one of the largest all-volunteer charity dance benefits in the entire country. That is quite an achievement. And we expect next year to be even bigger!

Promoting such a huge event like Purple has got to take an enormous amount of personal commitment and dedication. What keeps you going and motivated?

I don't think people really comprehend the magnitude of work and dedication it takes to produce these parties. We have poured our hearts and souls into this organization because we truly believe that we are helping make people's lives better and helping make Dallas a real LGBT travel destination.

Purple 10 has a stellar line up with 3 nights of events.

Friday, April 30th: The magical weekend will kick off with Purple Hearts at the world-famous Lizard Lounge. This year DJ, producer and musical icon Chris Cox makes his Purple Party debut and promises a perfect start to an exciting weekend.

Saturday, May 1st: The main event, Amethyst, is being held once again at the beautiful House of Blues. This venue has been home of the main event for three years now, but this year promises to be bigger and better than ever. Circuit-favorite DJ Joe Gauthreaux will headline the event, which features a special performance by Michelle Williams of Destiny's Child and many surprises you'll have to see to believe. The party will continue with the Resurrection at the Tunnel (below the notorious Starck Club), where DJs Bryan Konrad and Power Infiniti will keep the music pumping until the sun comes up. The Tunnel is within walking distance of the House of Blues, so there is no excuse not to keep the party going!

Sunday, May 2nd: Sunday's double-header begins with Wild Orchid at Thrive Nightclub in the downtown Crowne Plaza (the official host hotel). Purple Party veteran DJ Alyson Calagna will work her magic and dance-diva Vernessa Mitchell will perform some of her classic dance songs, including her latest single "RISE!" A new event for this year, Afterglow, will close out this stellar weekend at The Brick with Texas' favorite DJ Michael Tank and DJ Paul Kraft.

Tickets to Purple Party events are available online through Ticketmaster. If you are on the Cedar Springs strip, you can stop in Nuvo and purchase them as well. Tickets will also be available at the door at each event.

You can feel good about partying till all hours. Proceeds from the events benefit AIDS Services of Dallas which is a non-profit providing housing, job support, family support and medical care for those living with or affected by HIV/AIDS. Over the years Purple Foundation has donated in excess of \$250,000 to ASD. Ticket prices vary by event with ala carte pricing for Saturday's Amethyst at \$65. A pass is definitely the way to go for worry free partying with the Weekend Pass a steal at \$120 and the Host Pass at \$350.

Purple Party Cheat Sheet:

Friday 4/30: Purple Hearts Opening Party @ Lizard Lounge, 2424 Swiss Ave (between N. Central & Good Latimer), DJ Chris Cox, 10pm-4am.

Saturday 5/1: Amethyst Main Event @ House of Blues, 2200 N. Lamar, DJ Joe Gauthreaux, Michelle Williams of Destiny's Child. Recommended parking is in the after-hours venue parking at 703 McKinney Ave. If you park at House of Blues, you'll need to move your car after the main event, 10pm-4am. Then short walk to Resurrection Afterhours @ The Tunnel (below the Starck Club, 703 N McKinney). DJs Bryan Konrad and Power Infiniti, 3am-8am.

Sunday 5/2: Wild Orchid T-Dance @ Thrive Nightclub in the Crowne Plaza, 1015 Elm St. DJ Alyson Calagna, Diva Vernessa Mitchell. Secure visitor parking entrance on Elm St, 6pm-12am. Afterglow Closing Party @ The Brick, 2525 Wycliff #120 (near Maple). DJ Michael Tank & DJ Paul Kraft, 10pm-4am.

Host Hotel: Crowne Plaza, Downtown Dallas, 1015 Elm St, Dallas 888-444-0401.

Tickets: Ticketmaster (ticketmaster.com), Nuvo (3900 Cedar Springs), or at the door at each event. \$65 Main event, \$120 for Weekend Pass which includes express entry to all Purple 10 events and a gift bag, \$350 for the Host Pass which includes the above plus drink coupons, meet & greet with Michelle Williams at the House of Blues, VIP access and many more perks to enjoy after the events that will keep you looking & feeling great!

SPLASH



by DANE SMITH

Austin is not only the capital of Texas, but it is also the self-proclaimed "Live Music Capital of the World." It's also one of the fastest growing cities in the US and can indeed stake a good claim on being the most liberal city in the state of Texas. Austin takes pride in its diverse community and all in all party atmosphere. With two of the largest music festivals in the nation and weekly tailgate parties during the UT football season, everyone travels to Austin to let their hair down. It can be said, however, that the gays throw the best party of the year. During the weekend of April 30-May 2, gay men and women from greater Austin and beyond gather to celebrate the start and the end of summer. This is Splash - the ultimate gay excuse for a party.

Splash takes place at Hippie Hollow, Lake Travis in north Austin. To get there, I highly suggest pulling up driving directions online and trying to carpool. I suggest carpooling and arriving early because parking spaces and good sun spots are usually all snapped up by midday. Also, if you have come by car, expect to pay a \$5 fee which entitles you to that precious space for the whole day. There are very few shaded parking spots, so it is best to either buy a screen or be prepared for a very sticky welcome on returning to your vehicle. When you leave the car, it is best to check around and make sure you haven't left anything behind as it's a little bit of a trek to Hippie Hollow and one you want to do as few times as possible in the searing heat.

Among the items you should bring, I highly suggest the following:

- Alcohol - Bring some booze with you as you will be there most of the day. It is best to bring it in a cooler as there is nothing worse than drinking tepid beer under a scorching sun when all those around have remembered to bring ice and a cooler. There are two unwritten rules about bringing alcohol to Splash - The first is that no glass bottles are allowed in the area (due to bare feet, and barer bodies); the second is that the main Splash celebrations are on a Sunday and you can only buy beer and wine after 12 noon on the Lord's day.

- Water - The importance of water cannot be stressed enough as it is not only exceptionally hot in Hippie Hollow, but you will also be drinking alcohol. You'd be surprised how quickly dehydration can occur under such conditions.

- Towels - You will need at least two towels - a huge one to lie on and another to dry yourself down after a

"dip" in the "lake."

- Sunglasses - Another "must have" item, but the pair you take must be carefully chosen as they need to be comfy, offer good protection and also be cheap. If you decide to lounge on a float, you'll need good protection from the glaring sun, but your sunglasses shouldn't be too expensive as there's a good chance of them slipping off your nose and into the lake.

- Sun screen - This is a Texas summer and the words used to describe the weather are hot, hot, HOT. Common sense should tell you how much to take with you, how much to apply and how often.

- Swimwear - Or not. Hippie Hollow is a nudist reserve too. The decision is yours...

- Food - You'll want something to nibble - use your imagination; just remember that you have to carry it all.

- Cameras - The one thing that surprised me the last time I went was the amount of people snapping

pictures of those around them, with or without their permission. Basically, be prepared to be fair game for someone else's photo album. Whose album? The mind boggles.

- Hat - This being summer in Texas, you'll need to don a headpiece of some sort to reflect the heat. Not only is this your chance to be perfectly accessorized, it is also a sensible move designed to protect your face and neck from the Sun.

- Spare clothes - Because once you've left the lake, you'll need your disco pants to go dancing in. The items you should leave behind are credit cards and wallets (there is only one place to spend cash, so just carry a few bills) and any jewelry that you particularly care about.

Once you've got all your essentials together, you need to get them and yourself to Hippie Hollow.

How do you know you're at Hippie Hollow? You know you've arrived when you see hundreds of toned, tanned and tattooed bodies liberally sprinkled on the rocks which descend into the lake. You will be dazzled by a plethora of rainbow flags, towels and piercings and countless boats moored facing the crowds of men gathered. Welcome to Splash at Hippie Hollow.

You want to head out to the point of a little isthmus where you can get a panorama of the scene before you. Now is the time for you to prepare for a day of lounging, swimming, safe sun and watch the world go by. People watching is one of the highlights of Splash; toning and tanning are among the most popular past times of a large number of gay men and most like to parade with pride. If you're in the mood, then indulge them. If not, kick back, relax, go for a swim, enjoy the music -

basically, do whatever floats your boat.

Run out of alcohol? Fear not... If you're well prepared (as is the intention of this entry), you will have a wrist band that you picked up the night before at one of the many bars around town that celebrate the Splash weekend such as Oilcan Harry's, Rain on 4th, Charlie's Austin or The Rusty Spurs. Wearing this band entitles you to free beer from the promotional boat that pulls up half way through the day - it should be easy to recognize. It will be the only double decker boat blasting music for the world to hear.

General Tips

- Splash is a gay event but it is not exclusively reserved for gay men and women. People turn up with their parents, friends and colleagues for what is a truly great day out. Children, however, are not allowed to Hippie Hollow on Splash days.

- You will need to wear sandals for several reasons; the stones get hot and the stones are sharp. You also don't want to go to the bathroom barefooted...

- Don't get on a boat unless you are invited.

- If you own a boat, etiquette dictates that you should let people use your boat as a stepping stone if they are trying to get on land/another boat.

Once you have drank your fill and you've had enough sun and swimming to last a weekend, it's time to head off for one of the best nights in Austin's gay calendar. If you are unsure of which circuit party to head for, ask anyone around as the chances are they will have a mental list of who should be seen where. Most of all, have fun!

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W O R D O N W O M E N

by BJ LARAY

What's the Word: Women.

So here we are at the end of April, hoping the rain showers end so we can have May flowers. As all of our women in Texas are bar hopping, checking out live entertainment, karaoke and playing some sports. There is a special group of women promoting their passion and love for what? Motorcycles.

The Low Riders are a women's motorcycle riding club created for women who love the ride and the bike. This group of women define what sisterhood means and represents because they are a very diverse group that is made up of women from different walks of life.

The Low Riders (Ladies On Wheels) formed in 2001 by Kelly Marshall, Tammy Malone, Lisa Standifer, Tina Hamaker and Ramona Ruffino. They have five different chapters across the state: Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston and San Antonio and over 100 women in their organization.

Besides riding, these women are also very involved in philanthropy of all types. With 10 years of existence these women have raised over 100,000 dollars for numerous charities. Some of the charities the Low Riders have worked with are: AIDS Services of Austin, multiple cancer organizations, Multiple Sclerosis, Austin Pets Alive, Project Transitions, AGE (Austin Group for the Elderly) and several members of our community.

The Low Riders have bike rides all year long as well as bike rally's they attend.

I just got the pleasure to attend their

Spring Rally, last weekend at Koyote Ranch in Medina, Texas. Even though it may have rained a majority of the weekend, it didn't stop the ladies from getting their ride and their party on. Each of the chapters competed to be the best at the rally with theme decor, games and whole lot of cheering. Sending congrats out to the Dallas chapter for kicking butt and taking names at Koyote and becoming the champions. The most important feeling I got from being there is the love and support these women have for their organization and for each other.

This Saturday, May 1, 2010, there is going to be a Race for the Cure in San Antonio.

One of the Low Rider sisters from San Antonio, Rosa, has been battling breast cancer. The Low Riders are planning to be there to walk, hand water or donate in any way for their sister and for the cause.

If anything, please take two things from this article, none of us are invincible to life or misfortunes so when life does happen it is nice to have a support group of your own. Secondly, its refreshing to see that a group of women can come together from different places and backgrounds and can make a difference in each other lives as well as for our community. There are still alot of good women out there!

If you are interested in the Low Rider organization, please feel free to visit their website at: www.ladiesonwheels.com

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THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

BY JIMMY BEARD

On the national scene this past week most people around the country, like myself, were having to shift their focus between the first round of the NBA playoffs, the first round of the NHL playoffs and the NFL draft.

In the NBA, most of the playoff match-ups are going as expected as of my press deadline. In the Eastern Conference the Cleveland Cavaliers are in control over the Chicago Bulls, up 3 games to 1. The Orlando Magic is in the driver's seat in their series with the Charlotte Bobcats 3-0. The Boston Celtics are ahead 3-1 over the Miami Heat, thanks in part to a last second miracle shot to win in game 3 of the series. The Atlanta Hawks lead the Milwaukee Bucks 2-0 as well. By the time you read this, all of these series should be completed and Round 2 should be getting underway.

In the Western Conference, the first round series are a bit closer. The Portland Trailblazers and Phoenix Suns are tied at 2 games apiece. The Utah Jazz are ahead of the Denver Nuggets 2-1. In a huge surprise, the Oklahoma City Thunder is tied at 2 games each with the overwhelming favorite Los Angeles Lakers. Former Texas Longhorn Kevin Durant is playing great for OKC. In another unforeseen set of circumstances, the San Antonio Spurs won one game in Dallas and won both games at home this week to take a commanding 3 games to 1 lead over the higher seeded Dallas Mavericks. I guess I have to eat my words from last week about my Spurs. They sure didn't play like the old men I expected to see this week out on the court. By Thursday or Saturday, all of these series should be over and we'll know which teams will move on to Round 2.

In the NHL playoffs, both home and favored teams failed to deliver the expected results. Number 2 seed New Jersey got knocked out by Philadelphia. Top seeds Washington and San Jose barely got by Montreal and Colorado, respectfully. Most other favored teams find themselves unexpectedly still playing and having to fight for their playoff lives against lesser teams.

Last Thursday night the NFL held the first round of their 2010 draft in primetime, a first for TV viewers. Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford was the first overall pick by the St. Louis Rams. The Big XII Conference showed very well with 9 players selected in the first 32 picks, including each of the top 4 selections. The Dallas Cowboys added wide receiver Dez Bryant of Oklahoma State and cornerback Sean Lee of Penn State with their first 2 picks. The Houston Texans added cornerback Kareem Jackson of Alabama and running back Ben Tate of Auburn in rounds 1 and 2. Both added additional players in later rounds of the draft.

In my opinion, the most upsetting pick of the NFL draft was the Denver Broncos choice of Mr. "Focus on the Family" poster boy, quarterback Tim Tebow. Not only was the pick undeserved in the first round (*while hottie Colt McCoy had to wait until the third round to be picked by the lowly Cleveland Browns*), but the fact that I now have to find a new favorite team and throw out all my Broncos gear has me pretty distraught. Oh well, at least hottie Jordan Shipley will get a chance to team up with crazy man Chad Ocho-Cinco in Cincinnati. That should be a fun pair to watch this fall.

A U S T I N SPORTS

The weather was spectacular in Austin this past weekend as Softball Austin completed its regular season schedule by playing games that had been rained out the week before. In the C Division, Chaos showed up to play and made a statement this week as they dealt the first place Shady Ladies (C) their only loss of the season. Chaos then went on to beat the second place Stealth to lock up sole possession of third place in the final C Division standings.

In the D Division, the Ball Busters and Shady Ladies (D) finished in a first place tie with impressive 12-2 records. The Polar Bears broke away from the pack by winning both of their games to finish the season alone in third place. Both the Hot Mess and Bandits each went 1-1 on the day and finished the season tied for fourth place in the final standings.

In the Women's Division, Synergy took care of business by winning both of their games in order to lock up first place in the season's final standings. Blind Sided also went 2-0 on the day but finish one game back in second place, while Sister's Edge II takes third place after winning one game and losing the other.

With the regular season now completed, Softball Austin is preparing to hold their End of Season Tournament on May 16 to determine which teams will represent the league at the Gay Softball World Series in Columbus, OH for the C and D Divisions and Las Vegas, NV for the Women's

This weekend, May 1-2, Softball Austin is hosting the annual Texas Shootout Tournament at Krieg Fields. More than sixty teams are currently in town for the tournament and have traveled from Dallas, Houston, Oklahoma City, Nashville, Los Angeles, Seattle and Ft. Lauderdale to participate and compete for a trophy. Champions will be crowned for C Division, D Division and Women's Division teams after a 2 game Round Robin warm up and a double elimination format tournament. Round Robin games begin at 8:00am on Saturday with tournament play beginning Saturday afternoon. Tournament games continue on Sunday with all Divisional Championship games to be played and all trophies awarded on Sunday afternoon. Will the Austin teams be able to keep the trophies in town, or will the hardware be traveling home with one of the visiting teams?

The Austin Gamblers are getting close to completing their 32 week regular season schedule. The league bowls on Tuesday nights at Dart Bowl and will wrap up the season with matches on May 11. The top teams at the end of the season will compete in a roll-off for the season championship. Through Week 29 matches, the Division 1 leaders are: 1) Kathy, Mike, Michael & Gerry (65 points); 2) Charlie's Austin (51 points); 3) Gutter Sluts (50 points). Division 2 leaders are: 1) Jive Turkeys (61 points); 2) Bipolar Rollers (58 points); 3-tie) XXX and Bowl Dogs (50 points). The roll-off is scheduled for May 18th and finals on May 25th. The Gamblers will then be taking a week off before starting their Summer Season on June 8th.

DALLAS SPORTS

It was a full weekend for the Pegasus Slowpitch Softball Association. The weather finally cooperated and the league was able to play a full schedule of games on Sunday. In the B Division, the leading Round Up Woofpack had a rough day going 0-1-1 as Woody's Xplosion got revenge for a Week 1 loss and TKO battled them to a tie. TKO then went on to beat the Xplosion in their third one run game of the season.

In the C Division, Round Up Fuse and Woody's Wreckin' Crew both remain undefeated with a 6-0 record for the season and tied for first place after winning two games each. The Dallas Voice MasterBatters and Woody's are right behind in the standings at 4-2 for the season and are tied for third place.

In the D Division, the Dallas Thunder took sole possession of first place after winning both of their games for the day. Former co-leader, Round Up Diesel (4-1-1) went 1-1 this week and fell from first place to fourth place in the standings. Such a big drop was made possible when Alexandre's Gladiators and the Donkey Punchers both went 2-0 to move up the standings and into a tie with each other for second place with a record of 5-1.

Many of the Dallas area teams are traveling to Austin this weekend to compete in the annual Texas Shootout Tournament. Dallas teams have a tradition of bringing home at least one trophy every year from this event and plan on keeping that streak alive as they battle teams from across Texas

and the country for the divisional titles.

The Dallas Independent Volleyball Association continues its regular Friday night schedule at the Texas Advantage Sports Courts from 7:30pm to midnight. With only two weeks remaining in the current season, week 11 games take on greater significance as teams fight for better positions heading into the end of season tournament to be held on May 15th.

Current DIVA Divisional leaders are: RECREATIONAL - Boysenberries (23-13); INTERMEDIATE - Mean Boys w/ Toys (34-2); COMPETITIVE - Queer Eyes & A Straight Guy (29-5-2); ADVANCED - Te-Kill-Ya Shooters (28-8); POWER - Goo Goo for Gaga, Leave Britney Alone!, and Taylor Swift Kick in the Ass are in a three-way tie for first each with a record of (22-14); OPEN - Better Than You! (24-12).

In the Women's Football Alliance, Lone Star Mustangs (2-0) had the week off, but will play host to the Houston Power on May 1 at Pennington Field in Bedford at 1:00pm. The Mustangs are currently tied with the Austin Ourlaws for first place in the Southwest Division.

Organizers from the Texas Bulls Flag Football Club have announced they will be holding the Spring Stampede Flag Football Tournament the weekend of May 7th-8th. Flag Football Clubs from around Texas will compete on Saturday from 10:00am - 3:00pm at Rusk Middle School / Weichsel Park (Inwood & Cedar Springs). After the games, join the teams at Woody's Sports Bar for a player auction fundraiser. For more information, check out www.texasbullsffc.com or the Texas Bulls Flag Football Club group on Facebook.

H O U S T O N SPORTS

In the Women's Football Alliance, the Houston Power (1-2) hit the road again to play the New Orleans Blaze (1-2). For the first time this season, the Power left the field with a win. The Power took it to the Blaze for a convincing 39-6 victory. The team will be on the road again this week visiting the Lone Star Mustangs (2-0). This will be the second game of the season against the Mustangs, and the Power looks to avenge the loss in Houston just 2 short weeks ago. Good Luck Ladies!!!

The Montrose Softball League had a full schedule of games set for this past Sunday out at the Houston Sportsplex. At press time, the weekly scores and standings from the league had not been made available for publishing. Hopefully, updated standings will be available for next week's issue.

Many of the MSL teams will be traveling this weekend to Austin to compete in the annual Texas Shootout Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, May 1-2. For those league teams not participating in the Texas Shootout, a reduced schedule of games will be played at the Houston Sportsplex on Sunday. For more information on the MSL, check out their website at www.montrosesoftballleague.com.

The Houston Hurricanes Flag Football Club continues to practice on Saturdays at Memorial Park in preparation for the upcoming Spring Stampede Flag Football Tournament in Dallas on May 7th-8th. The split Hurricane teams claimed the top trophies in the Bayou Brawl Tournament earlier this season. Can they bring home the hardware from the Dallas Tournament as well? The

San Antonio Diablos, Tyler Bobcats, and Texas Bulls (Dallas) will sure be trying to keep that from happening. Any players interested in checking out the Hurricanes or interested in joining the team should check them out by joining their group page on Facebook.

Are you a fan of knocking around fuzzy balls just for fun, or is becoming the next Serena Williams your dream? Regardless of your skill level, if tennis is your interest you should check out the Houston Tennis Club. The HTC is an organization created for the enjoyment of tennis by gays and lesbians in the Houston area. The club meets for weekly tennis sessions at the Memorial Park Tennis Center on Wednesdays at 7:30pm and twice on Sundays at 9:00am and 10:30am. The HTC also holds clinics on Saturdays for members to work on specific parts of their game. If you are interested in more information on the club or are interested joining the group, check out their website: www.houstontennisclub.org

Are you wondering when your sports club or organization will be covered in this weekly section of the magazine? Well, if you send the information on your group, group events, websites, Facebook group names or any news pertaining to gay sporting events in Texas directly to sportsdesk@twitmagazine.com, you may find your information in an upcoming issue before you know it!

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SAN ANTONIO SPORTS

The San Antonio Gay Pool League continues its regular season schedule weekly on Thursday nights in various locations around town. The league will be playing week 7 matches this Thursday with a few make-up matches still needing to be played. The current leading teams by division through week 5 are: DIVISION A - 1) The Saint (31-17), 2) Get-a-Room (39-25) and 3) Absofreakinlutely (48-32); DIVISION B - 1st place tie G0-mez (48-32) and Las Desveladas2 (48-32) with Freakz of Nature (32-32) in third. You can keep up with the league and find more information on events and tournaments at their website: www.sagpool.org

The JansRainbow Fall-Spring season has ended and the final standings were: 1) Ne'Losac, 2) Establishing Average and 3) Size Queens. Congratulations to the winners and all the teams on another great season! The summer league will start on May 19 and run for 12 weeks on Wednesday nights at AMF Wonder Lanes with 3-person team matches starting at 7:00pm. Visit www.jansrainbow.com for more information or to join the league.

The San Antonio Diablos are practicing and preparing to travel to Dallas for the Spring Stampede Flag Football Tournament on May 8th. The Diablos are hoping to improve on their third place finish at the Bayou City Brawl earlier this season. If the team gets the same fan support that they received in Houston, it might just give the team the edge that it needs to bring the gold home to the Alamo City.



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AUSTIN TEA

This week flew by Austin and I have a ton to tell you! Check out everywhere I've been this week! I started out my journey around Austin when my friend **Alan**, who happens to be the GM over at **Midtowne Spa**, called me and told me he had some great news. Our very own Austin Representative for **TWIT Magazine**, **Isaac**, has just accepted the position of Assistant Manager and Promotions Director at Midtowne. Congrats, girl! You are going to be a busy lady! I swung by to say hi to Isaac and when I walked in, I noticed Alan talking



with a handsome man. Alan introduced me to this handsome gentleman who happens to go by the name of **Clyde**. Clyde is with the **City of**



Austin HIV Prevention Program and was at the Spa testing anyone who was willing.

It was time for a lovely adult beverage and since I was already in the central Austin area, I decided to swing by one of my favorite watering holes that I hardly ever get to go to, **'Bout Time**. The bar was busy as always, and there were definitely some hotties out! I grabbed my cocktail from the bar and started towards the patio. I didn't get far though before I noticed my friend

Jacob. For those of you who don't know, Jacob is one of the fabulous Men of Manwatch. I rushed over to grab a picture, but Jacob needed an accessory. Thank goodness my favorite door guy **Marshall** was on hand. The two of them look so good together! After a great time catching up and enjoying a few beverages, I decided



to head downtown and visit all of my other friends.

My next destination was **'Bout Time's** sister bar **Charlie's Austin**. When I arrived, I made my way over to fellow **Men of Manwatch** dancer **Adam** and goosed him. Don't worry, **Jacob** told me to. Adam just laughed and gave me that gorgeous smile that just makes me melt. I offered to buy Adam a house, I mean cocktail, and of course he obliged. I made my way over to **Arnie** and ordered up two of whatever my buff beau was having (I don't quite remember anymore). As Arnie was twirling those bottles, my friend **Shayla Douglas** came



over to say hi. She informed me that our mutual friend **Peter** (pictured here with Shayla and Isaac) had just gotten out of the hospital. I'm glad you're home and get well soon! It was time to go check out the happenings of Austin's 3-in-1 hotspot, **Rusty Spurs!** **Margaret Wright** was at it again. Ticking the ivories, that is! And to a packed house I must say! Three of her loyal fans, **Scott**, **Rob** and **David**, were among those in the front row. I then headed over to see **Steven** at the bar and grab a drink. Both the party and night raged on, but before I knew it, I had to jet off to my next destination.



Just down the street, the girls at **Sister's Edge II** were having a ball! **Angel** was on hand as I walked in, and she introduced me to two of Austin's newest residents



Anuka and Kristen. These beautiful ladies just moved down to our fair city from Maine. They told me that they just love it here -

except for the allergies, that is. I chuckled and told them my secret remedy and excused myself to wander around. I found myself out on the patio enjoying the night air when I happened upon **Kelly, Joe and Matt** doing exactly the same thing. But alas, all good things must come to an end. Oh, and I was late to my next destination.



Over on Fourth Street, **Oilcan Harry's** was packed to the max. My good friend and resident host and emcee **Tony** was having his birthday party. And what better way is there to celebrate than



with sexy studs stripping in OCH's weekly "**Flesh**" strip show. Check out just a few of last week's contestants **Kansas, Ken and Timmy.** Even the cast

of **Tony** (how convenient) Award winning musical ***In the Heights*** made an appearance. What an amazing party! I know where I'm having my b-day this



year! I bought **Tony** and his half naked entourage a birthday shot and bid adieu.

I made the long walk just down the block to **Rain on 4th.** **Scottie** fixed me my usual and told me that a couple of people had been asking when I was going to show up. I got all excited and asked who and he pointed me in the direction they went. In search for who I could only hope would be my prince charming, I headed toward the dance floor. I knew immediately that the two men who had been asking about me were my good friends **Mateo and Miguel.** While it may not have been the future husband that I was expecting, I was glad to see them. They were out



with their friends **Robert** and **T-Molly-ella** and the five of us decided to pal around for the rest of the night. Before long, though, it was closing time and more importantly, it was bed time!

Thanks for reading, Austin! See you next week!



AUSTIN TEA

DALLAS TEA

Hey there Dallas! It's been a crazy week full of fun! Check out everything I've been up to! I started my week by swinging by my favorite store for what goes underneath, **Skivvies**. I was shopping for a new pair of undies, when I noticed a



mannequin dressed in a gorgeous body suit. I found the two hottest and closest men to tell me all about it. **Greg** and **Steve** were

happy to explain that this tight, breathable and sexy body suit is the new line launched by **Zentai** clothing and is available in a rainbow of colors. I'm getting some ideas...

I headed directly over to **Alexandre's** for a happy hour libation. **Kevin** and **Robert** were more than willing to mix up my cocktails and entertain me for a bit. They even introduced me to my new favorite Dallas celebrities, **John** aka

Candy Canker Sorbet and **Chip** aka **SyPhillis**. These two had me rolling in stitches



about how they were the top grossing cankle and cuticle models in the south. Who am I to say any different? Well the lovely models were willing to place a pro bono photo in the **TWIT**. Get ready to sign your autographs, girls!

I was feeling a little hungry so I stopped by **Hungdinger** for a bite. I must have impeccable timing because every time I make it by my favorite Dallas eatery, I always manage to run into Dallas's favorite

Cher impersonator, **Wayne**

Smith. It seems that Wayne has added a new feature to the act. Check out **Kiyah** making her stage debut at the tender age of three! Ladies and gentlemen, we present **Baby GaGa!**



My next stop on my tour of D-Town was **Round Up**. The cowboys had their hands full on this particular evening because the bar was packed to the rafters with hot men. I was cruising around the scene when I noticed a man wearing only a cowboy hat, a pair of briefs and a belt buckle. Yummy! I introduced myself to this handsome hunk immediately. **Markhollan** and his partner **Benson** were in town from Austin selling their "Cowboys and Indians" calendar for charity. The boys were trying to sell



as many as possible before they took them to the **Cedar Springs Art Festival**. Of course I was more than happy to buy one!

I found myself at **Club Rush** just in time for the fabulous **Victoria Weston's Best Chest Contest**.



Cooper and **Ramon** were slinging drinks behind the bar and passed me my usual as soon as I walked up. I just love that they remember me. I watched the show and this week the hottie with the amazing pecs and furry chest took home the \$100 prize. He also took with him any memory of his name and a small chunk of my short term memory. I hate it when guys are that hot. I do recall, however, the gorgeous **Jada Foxx** snuggling up with her friend **Timothy**. After the contest was over, I was able to catch good friends **Jason** and **Darius** headed to the dance floor to tear it up. Work it boys!

I was feeling like a little bit of karaoke, so I headed to **Joe's** to sing a little diddy. I grabbed a cocktail and a barstool and began to listen to my "competition." I must say there were some definitely amazing singers out that night, including former **Voice of Pride** finalists **Donnie** and **Spencer**. They had just



sung a song with their good friend **Danielle**. The next duo to sing were best buds **Tony** and **Thomas**. While they were enchanting the audience with their tune, I couldn't help but notice two of their



handsome "groupies." I went over and introduced myself to **Casey** and **Nathan** and couldn't break my gaze away from Nathan's beautiful blue eyes. I asked if the boys minded me taking their picture, but as you can see they didn't!

And what could possibly be a better way to end my travels across Dallas than over at **BJ's NXS** for **Ivana Tramp's** legendary **Ivana-Man** stripoff. Here is the lovely lady herself with one of the very talented dancers, **Gage**. I would just love to be her leg right about now, wouldn't you? Before the show commenced, I was able to grab a picture of Ms. Tramp with **Lindsey**



Adams, bartender **Vincent** and **Marco**. What a show it was! Thanks for a great time guys!

Thanks again Dallas and I will see you all next week!

DALLAS TEA

HOUSTON TEA

Hello Houston! I am back and ready to tell you the Tea! My weekly adventure begins when I dropped by JR's. I heard that my friend Jeff had recently moved back to Houston and was bartending at my favorite Montrose happy hour spot, so I wanted to get to the bottom of things. When I arrived, I encountered the lovely Miguel and the handsome Mark manning the door and making sure that everyone was safe. I grabbed their photo and went inside to check things out. The bar was busy and filled with cute boys everywhere. I searched and searched, but I was unable to find Jeff anywhere. I had to move to my next destination, so I headed outside and asked Miguel if I was crazy. He assured me that it was just his night off, and I should come back another day to see Jeff.



I hopped the shuttle to head over to Meteor and that was almost as fun as being in a club itself. The bus was full of fun and laughter and a bunch of hunky men. I could only hope that a few of them would be taking a dip in the famous Meteor showers. One group of boys in particular was a bit more spirited than the others. I



changed seats and found myself across from the group. Michael and Juan were quick to introduce me to the rest of their crew and explained that they go on a bar crawl every week. As the shuttle pulled up to Meteor, we exchanged numbers and I planned to meet them again soon!

I headed over to The Ripcord for their annual Spring Iniquity. The party was out on the back porch, so I grabbed a delicious drink from the bar and headed out to the fun. Steven and Orlin were at the sign up table making sure that everything was going smoothly. I love it when the guys are not only cute, but smart and productive too. It was my first time at the Spring Iniquity, so Sir Wolf, the



Vice President of the NLA gave me a little show of some of the things I could expect from the participants. The party continued to move along and I was quite intrigued. I wish I could have stayed all night, but it was time to move to my next destination.

I found myself at the infamous Montrose Mining Company for a cocktail. The energy in the bar was electric and I could just feel the party from the front door. Well maybe I



just felt myself blush when I realized that the three guys



I was cruising noticed me. **Diego, Alex and Noe** came over to introduce themselves and I quickly played off my

embarrassment by telling the boys that I was just interested in taking their picture. I made my way to the bar and ordered a round for the four of us. I moved along and was checking out the rest of the crowd

when I noticed my friends **Andrew, Whitney and Kameron** having a good time. We



caught up for a brief moment but it was soon time to go.

I ended my night over at **South Beach** where **Alan, Marc and Jeremy**



were waiting to welcome me. It was a hot night at Houston's hottest

dance club. The place was packed with shirtless men everywhere. I ordered a cocktail at the bar and was on the hunt for my future husband. I didn't quite find him, but I did run into three fun loving guys headed to the

dance floor. **Dalton, Rudy and James** begged to get a photo taken of them and I couldn't turn them down. Away they rushed to get their groove on and I decided to go get some winks.



The next night, it was a bit rainy but



I decided to head out and see my friends over at **George**. The boys were having a good time at this honky-tonk sports bar. I grabbed a drink from my bartender **Leon** and tried to stay dry. The rain wasn't keeping anyone away, though. The bar was still full of absolutely adorable men having a good time.

Check out **Ryan, David, John and Sam** having a good time and posing for the cruise camera. After the picture, the boys and I played a couple of games of darts and spent the rest of the night waiting out the rain.



Thanks for reading Houston! I can't wait until next week! See you then!

HOUSTON TEA

SAN ANTONIO TEA

Fiesta has officially ended and it wore me out! But I did my best to get all the moments on film! This week begins when I met my friends **Ken**,



Lou, Doug and Frank at **2015 Place** for a quick cocktail. The bar was crowded with people enjoying the continuing Fiesta celebrations. One group of said partiers was **John, John, Jesse, Louis and Mando**. One

of the Johns (the second on the left) told me that he



never been in the magazine before, but his brother has shown up all the time. Well here is your claim to fame honey! Cuties like you deserve the spotlight!

With all the Fiesta fun going on, I made my way up San Pedro Avenue to see my friends at **The Annex**. Just as soon as I walked in, I noticed two incredibly hot men playing pool. I introduced myself to these study



men named **Rick and Ruben**. I asked if they minded me watching and visiting and they said they would be insulted if I didn't. Not only were they hot and great at pool, they were sweet! The boys finished their game and asked if I wanted to play doubles. Seeing as I

had no partner, I didn't see how that was going to work. As if it was fate, another handsome man appeared. I, who had apparently been watching the games as well. Easily enough, it turns out that his name was **Rick** as well. We paired off and started the game. I'm not going to say who won (not my team), but a blast was had by all.



My next party place was over at **Essence**. This famed hotspot was packed wall to wall with fun lovers enjoying Fiesta. And let's not forget all of the delicious dancers scattered around the bar. I grabbed a cocktail and was working the room when I spotted the largest set of beads I had ever seen. These lovely jewels belonged to **Fernando**. Fernando was



out partying the night away in true fiesta style with his best buddy **Connie**. I asked what I had to do to get my hands on those beads and he whispered something in my ear that made me blush. Needless to say, I am now the proud owner of a brand new necklace!

I headed over to **The Saint** in order to say hi to my friend **Tersa Matthews**. I tried to get there before the show started so we could catch up, but I was just a bit late. When I



arrived, she was already busy emceeing her weekly Friday show to a packed house. I did however catch the reigning **Miss Gay Texas USofA @ Large Samantha Desante** before she hit the dance floor. I am just green with envy over that outfit miss thing! While she was performing, my eye

wandered over to this gorgeous man who was wearing very little. Just wanting to introduce myself, I headed over to say hi. **Martin** introduced himself and then smiled the shyest smile. I just love his glow stick accessories, don't you?



I made my way to **Heat** because I heard that my friend and superstar **DJ Roland Belmares** had the dance floor packed! The music was hot and so were the men! I even managed to convince this hot hunk to take his shirt off. **David** was more than



willing to bare a little skin, but his friend **Mike** wouldn't show me the goods unless I bought



dinner first. By the way Mike, I'm totally game! Just call me!

The night was slipping away and I still had a few more places to stop by, so I headed over to **Sparky's Pub**. I normally hang out there during happy hour because it's so busy, but the night time was no different. San Antonio's newest watering hole was filled with feisty Fiesta goers including **Christian, Valentin, Oscar**



and **John**. This good looking group was pulling a double duty celebration as they were also excited over the Spurs victory earlier in the evening.

My last stop of the week was at

Silver Dollar Saloon where the legendary **Miss Gay Dart League 2005 Monica Montana** was out showing off her **Tasha Kohl** inspired Fiesta



hat. We grabbed a cocktail and spent the rest of the night reliving the good old days. What a crazy time we had!

All right Alamo City! I'm off for some well deserve R & R! But have no fear, I will be back next week with new things to tell you!

SAN ANTONIO TEA

THE GUIDE

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RJ's NXS	3215 Fitzhugh	526-9510
Cross Bar	5334 Lemmon	443-8336
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Crocker	2312 Crocker St	529-3355
Crystal	6680 SW Freeway	278-2582
Decades	1295 Richmond	521-2224
EJ's	2517 Ralph	527-9071
George	617 Fairview	528-8102
Ganja Lamp	570 Waugh	524-3359
In and Out	1537 N. Shepherd	589-9780
JR's	806 Pacific	521-2519
La Raza Nightclub	3869 Magnum St	927-9480
Meteor	2306 Genesee	521-9123
Montrose Mining Company	805 Pacific	529-7488
Rich's	7421 San Jacinto	759-9606
Record	715 Fairview	521-2792
South Beach	810 Pacific	529-7623
TC's	817 Fairview	526-2625
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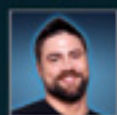
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