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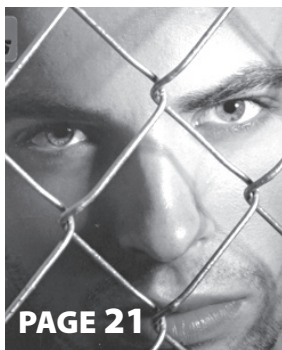
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# The Season of the Crown

BY STEPHEN D. MOORE

The fall season is synonymous with change. The weather begins to turn and suddenly we are faced with holiday parties, warmer clothing, and thoughts of the New Year. In Las Vegas, fall also represents change and transition within two of the most charitable and active organizations that serve the LGBT community.

This time each year, the Nevada Gay Rodeo Association (NGRA) and Imperial Royal Sovereign Court of the Desert Empire, Inc. (Royal Court) crown new representatives of their respective causes and bid a fond farewell to the current reigning royalty.

If you buy into the stereotype that either of these events are just another reason for drag queens to party, then you're completely misinformed. Community service and charity are the cornerstones of their call to action.

CJ and  
Miss Frankie



Aunt Betty  
and Tracy



## NGRA Royalty Pageant

NGRA is a non-profit member organization of the International Gay Rodeo Association (IGRA), which consists of 24 chapters across the United States and Canada.

Perhaps no other community organization in the past year has displayed the level of commitment and dedication in overcoming setbacks as the NGRA.

During the 2004 BigHorn Rodeo—the group's largest annual event—the organization had to deal with a last-minute closure of their host hotel; cancellation of the first day's events due to rain; and the theft of more than \$27,000 by the group's Assistant Finance Manager.

The strength of NGRA and the support it receives from the community was evident in response to this series of catastrophes.

"This past year, when we woke up to find the rodeo grounds flooded, every single out-of-town member was offering to help,"

## Royal Court Coronation

The Royal Court is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) fundraising corporation, consisting of 120 members. All monies raised through the organization's public events are donated back into the community.

In the seven years the Royal Court has been in existence, they have raised and distributed more than \$200,000 back to the community. Past recipients of the Court's charitable contributions have been AFAN, Humane Society, Pedregal House, Street Teens, and St. Therese's food pantry, to name a few.

The Royal Court also administers the T-n-T Scholarship Fund to students who are personally and actively involved in the support of human and civil rights, and who also have an interest in pursuing higher education.

Each year, the organization hosts the Coronation Ball to crown the newly elected Emperor and Empress. The elected Monarchs assist in developing community and business relationships, host

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## NEVADA NEWS

### FOX TV's *Performing As...* Now Live In Vegas

FOX television had a hit last season with *Performing As*, a show similar to *American Idol*, except that the contestants on *Performing As* impersonated famous musical stars both physically and vocally.

The live show stars Sharon Owens as "Barbra Streisand," Sebastian Anzaldo as "Frank Sinatra," and includes a few special guests. Shows are 7:30 p.m. nightly at the Tuscany Resort and Casino. Tickets are \$34.95 per person and can be purchased by calling 866-830-0250. Reservations are required.

There will be a benefit performance on Friday, November 26 with a portion of proceeds benefiting QVegas Foundation, which donates funds and resources back to the Las Vegas LGBT community. For more information on the QVegas Foundation benefit performance, contact Earl Shelton: [marketing@qvegas.com](mailto:marketing@qvegas.com) ▼



### LGBT Friend Shelley Berkley Stomps Republican Challenger

Democratic Congresswoman Shelley Berkley easily won a fourth term in Congress and beat out her Republican challenger, Russ Mickelson, with an overwhelming 63.5% of the vote in the general election on November 2.

Berkley, who is an open supporter of the Las Vegas LGBT community, was elected to the 1st Congressional District in a 1998 race, which was closely contested. Before the current election, Berkley had successfully won two close re-election bids against Republican challengers.

"We know here in Nevada the importance of every single vote," Berkley told supporters during an election night rally at the Rio. "I didn't do this by myself."

A graduate of Valley High School and UNLV, Berkley has lived in Las Vegas since she was a child. She serves as a member of the International Relations sub-committee and has been an outspoken opponent of the War in Iraq. ▼

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### Annual Caring Is Sharing Drive Underway

The Southern Nevada Association of Pride, Inc. (SNAPI) is currently underway with their annual Caring Is Sharing program to collect and distribute toys, clothing, and food for needy individuals in the Las Vegas community.

SNAPI has placed brightly colored collection boxes at various locations, such as, The Center, Gipsy, FreeZone, Get Booked, Hamburger Mary's, Pride Factory, and other local hot spots. Community members are urged to drop-off new or gently used toys, clothing items, blankets, household items, and non-perishable food.

Donations can be made anytime between now and December 11.

New toys will be donated to Make A Wish of Southern Nevada and gently used toys will be donated to Child Haven. Clothing items will be distributed to St. Therese and Street Teens, while food items collected will go to the Holiday Food Bank at Metropolitan Community Church.

For more information on Caring Is Sharing, or to find out about additional donation locations, email Ernie Yuen at [ErnieYuen1982@aol.com](mailto:ErnieYuen1982@aol.com) ▼



# GAY CANDIDATES WIN KEY RACES ACROSS THE U.S.

In spite of John Kerry's loss in the Presidential race, there was reason for the LGBT community to celebrate election results on November 2.

Out of the 64 openly gay/lesbian candidates who sought office at the local, state, and federal level in 27 states and the District of Columbia, at least 40 of those candidates prevailed on election day.

Most notable among the candidates were the following:

- **Julia Boseman**—first ever gay/lesbian State Senator elected in North Carolina.
- **Nicole LeFavour**—first ever gay/lesbian official elected to the Idaho State House.
- **Jeanette Mott Oxford**—will be the only gay/lesbian official serving in the Missouri State House.
- **Sam Adams**—first ever openly gay Portland, Or. City Council member.
- **Lupe Valdez**—first ever Latina lesbian sheriff in the nation (Dallas, Tx.)
- **Jennifer Veiga**—incumbent reelected to the Colorado State Senate.
- **Rives Kistler**—first openly gay statewide elected official in Oregon. Elected to the Oregon State Supreme Court.
- **Christine Kehoe**—former state house member who won election to the California State Senate.
- **Ed Flanagan**—first ever openly gay Vermont State Senator.

"Strong openly gay elected leaders ensure our march towards true equality will not be slowed. We can only achieve lasting change when we are at the table as voting equals," said Chuck Wolfe, president & CEO of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund. "Our gay and lesbian community will grow stronger as a result of both our setbacks and achievements in 2004," Wolfe said. ▼

—U.S. Newswire and the Gay & Lesbian Victory Fund contributed to this article



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Sam Adams



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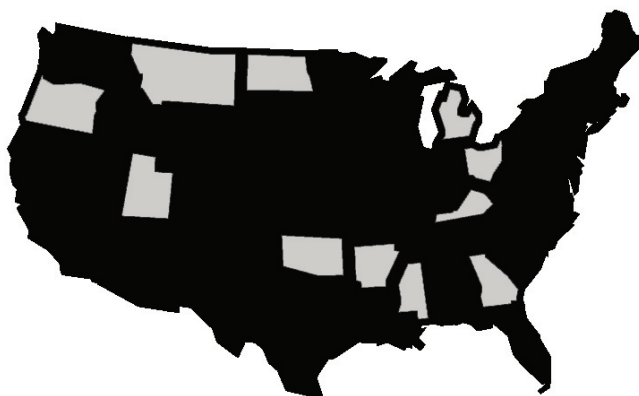


Christine Kehoe



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## NATIONAL NEWS



# ANTI-GAY MARRIAGE AMENDMENTS PASS IN 11 STATES

Eleven state measures seeking to ban recognition of same-sex marriage passed on November 2, with eight of those measures seeking to ban other, more limited forms of partner recognition, including civil unions and domestic partnerships.

The margins of defeat, ranged from 86% to 14% in Mississippi, to 57% to 43% in Oregon—the only state that had anything close to adequate funding to run a competitive race to try and defeat the amendment.

"The results underscore why we have a *Bill of Rights*—because it is always wrong to put basic rights up to a popular vote," said Matt Foreman, Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (Task Force). "In the end, we know the *Bill of Rights* will guarantee every American the freedom to marry. For now, we'll dig in and fight harder—we've been fighting the forces of intolerance for decades and have made enormous progress against enormous odds," Foreman said.

More than just gay relationships have been affected. Because 8 of the 11 amendments go beyond marriage and seek to forbid the recognition of other forms of relationships such as civil unions and domestic partnerships, thousands of gay and non-gay families may lose benefits and suffer other hardships. According to the 2000 U.S. Census, in these eight states there are at least 2.1 million people living in households headed by unmarried partnered couples. Most of these households are headed by opposite sex couples. ▼



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# Wild Boys

## PART TWO

**T**he Fab Five are back to make people's lives better, more groovy, and of course metrosexual.

The ORIGINAL Fab Five—Duran Duran—that is. "Someone told us one day that these five queens had stolen our moniker," recalls keyboardist Nick Rhodes, pointing out that Duran Duran had been lovingly dubbed The Fab Five some 20 years before *Queer Eye's* fairydust-sprinkling cast. "So

we were properly cross with them—right, we'll getcha."

Although Duran Duran has been making albums steadily since its eponymous 1981 debut, the band's original Fab Five lineup—vocalist Simon LeBon, keyboardist Nick Rhodes, bassist John Taylor, guitarist Andy Taylor, and drummer Roger Taylor—has not worked together since 1985. Yet the Duran Duran we came to know and love during the 80s has returned full force with *Astronaut* (Epic), an irre-

sistibly catchy disc containing all their trademark pop goodness. "It's got energy, grooves, its uplifting, optimistic," offers man-of-many-haircuts Rhodes. "It's funky, it's edgy and, boy, has it got a great package."

Taking their name from a character in the 1968 Jane Fonda sci-fi campfest *Barbarella*, Duran Duran formed during the late 1970s in Birmingham, England. Duran Duran first achieved chart success in 1981 with

the single "Planet Earth," and continued to rule with albums *Rio* (1982), *Seven and the Ragged Tiger* (1983), and *Arena* (1984). The band also made a splash on MTV, using groundbreaking music videos—like the homoerotic William Burroughs inspired "Wild Boys"—to connect with fans of all sexualities and ages. By 1984 the band split into two separate, stylistically divergent entities, Arcadia and the Power Station, but later reconvened. Briefly.



# COVER STORY

BY LAWRENCE FERRER

Roger and Andy Taylor left the ranks by 1986's *Notorious*, and John Taylor departed a decade later. By 2000's *Pop Trash*, Duran Duran entailed only LeBon, Rhodes, and Missing Persons guitarist Warren Cuccurullo.

"I missed the balance in the group and inspiration and fire [the Taylors] brought," admits LeBon. "Andy's angry but neat guitar, John's talking bass lines and Roger's drive. Nobody else does it like they do and we're such a great team together. You only find out these things later on when you go separate ways and then you realize just what you're missing."

As the band's twentieth anniversary approached, a reunion tour seemed apt and inquiring phone calls were placed. "When the phone calls were first made, it took 24 hours before everybody had agreed in principle that they wanted to do it," Rhodes recalls. "The next stage was getting in a room and looking at each other over a table and discussing how." Minutes into this meeting, they were discussing more than just a tour—"we were discussing how we were going to make a record," Rhodes continues. "That excited me most of all because we knew we'd have to make a killer record. Something that was as good as anything we'd ever done, that stood up to the test of time, that retained our personality, that was contempo-

rary and really had beautiful songs on it and meant something. It was a pretty high fence to jump but we felt confident that once we got in a room together it would start pouring out."

Self-financing this effort, the band rented a house in San Tropez, shipped down a hefty load of gear, and holed up by 2001, pumping out some 35 songs, a dozen of which make up *Astronaut*.

for Metrosexuality. And I asked 'is that an accusation or a compliment?' We're all for male grooming, honey. Anything that can make life just that little bit more beautiful, that doesn't take up that much time or money, everyone should do it. The world would be a better place."

*Astronaut's* titular track is a fun, spacey number about going "out there" as far as

is worth carrying on, yet you manage it and get to that next step," Rhodes offers. "It's about people doing awful things. It's very important to have some dark moments on the record. You've got to take people on a bit of an emotional ride, a journey. That makes the album much more of a complete experience."

Most playful is surely "*Bedroom Toys*," a slinky, tingly, seductive number that includes a chorus of "I saw the bedroom toys/ now I'm crawling/ I've learned to improvise/ You want it, you got it, now what you gonna do with it?" This was one of the first songs the band wrote once reunited, and it apparently contains a personal resonance for at least one of Duran Duran's members. "Nick, oh god yes he does have a lot of bedroom toys," LeBon cracks, "Unfortunately he keeps running out of batteries."

"Oh, bedroom toys are essential," Rhodes responds. "A blindfold is a bedroom toy. It might be the tie I was wearing that eve. It didn't have a battery in it, my tie, but I'm all for any kind of toys."

Sexuality is one thing the band members have no hang-ups discussing. The pro-gay LeBon and Rhodes are certainly no strangers to sexual rumors and tabloid scandals, which tickle them

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The infectiously danceable, driving single "(*Reach Up For The Sunrise*)" is already familiar to many gay ears thanks to Jason Nevins' club-ready remix on the *Queer Eye For The Straight Guy* soundtrack. Of course Rhodes was joking about a potential catfight and besides, the *Queer Eye's* Fab Five wouldn't dare lay a hand on Duran Duran. "Because we're already perfect," Rhodes says. "That's absolutely true, that's what one of them said. Somebody accused us when I was in New York of being wholly responsible

you can go, while also celebrating the band's love of sci-fi ("I always saw myself as *Barbarella's* Pygar, the flying angel," LeBon muses, "carrying Jane Fonda around in my arms."). "*Finest Hour*," which takes its name from a Winston Churchill WWII speech, is about holding on to your identity, "and not allowing people to make your life what you don't want it to be," says Rhodes. And "*Still Breathing*," possibly the most deep and dark song on the album, "is about being beaten down and not feeling like life

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## NGRA

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commented CJ Follansbee, Mr. NGRA 2004. "We had members of our board who donated their own money to cover our costs when our money was stolen."

"There's strength in numbers when we come together," added Miss Frankie (Frank Feliz), Miss NGRA 2004. "NGRA is fortunate—as we discovered this past year—that when there are setbacks, we are strengthened by other community organizations that stand behind us, ready to help and assist in time of need. We are truly blessed."

CJ and Miss Frankie will step down as current NGRA Royalty on November 28, when NGRA presents its annual Royalty Pageant to crown the new Mr. and Miss NGRA for 2005.

There are three selection methods in determining the incoming royalty: candidates submit a videotape displaying their horsemanship by riding in a pre-determined configuration; each candidate has a private interview session with the panel of judges; and the Royal Pageant itself, which consists of a talent competition, western wear fashion show, and a 30-second question and answer presentation.

Royalty representatives can go on to represent NGRA in the IGRA pageant. There have been a number of locals in recent years who have been crowned IGRA Royalty.

The first official role for the incoming royalty is NGRA's annual Christmas Show at Badlands on December 18. From that point on they are focused on raising awareness for the annual rodeo, increasing attendance for NGRA and raising funds for local charity.

Current reigning royalty, Miss Frankie and CJ, chose as their charitable organization, Santa Saturday West, who assist children affected by and living with HIV/AIDS. Through their fundraising efforts, Frankie and CJ were able to raise more than \$3,000 this year.

This year's NGRA Royalty Pageant will take place at Gipsy nightclub on November 27. The pageant begins at 8 p.m. NGRA is also hosting a Victory Brunch to honor the new royalty on Sunday, November 29 at Badlands Saloon. The cost of the brunch is \$5.00 and begins at Noon.

For more information, visit [www.ngra.org](http://www.ngra.org) or contact Miss Frankie at [MissNGRA2004@aol.com](mailto:MissNGRA2004@aol.com). ▼

## ROYAL COURT

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fundraisers, and travel to other cities—at their own expense—to represent the Las Vegas Royal Court system and the LGBT community.

"I traveled to more than twenty cities this past year, including Canada," said Huss. "It's a large financial responsibility for elected Monarchs."

Each year, Monarchs choose a specific theme for their reign to represent their charitable focus. The current Monarchs, Emperor VI Tracy Shinsel and Empress VI Aunt Betty (Alan Huss), chose 'Compassion-Prosperity-Respect' as their slogan.

The Royal Court candidates apply to run for one of the elected positions. Each candidate is put through an intensive orientation process, campaigning and must meet the financial responsibility to fulfill their travel obligations.

In spite of the yearlong demands on fundraising, public events, travel and the personal expense involved, the reward for the Monarchs is the privilege of giving back to the community that they serve.

"It's a great experience," said Huss. "This is something that I will always remember and be proud of."

The Coronation Ball is the culmination of a week long series of events, including several shows involving current candidates, as well as, visiting Monarchs and guests.

This year's Coronation Ball will be held on December 4 at The Stardust Hotel beginning at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$30 pre-sale and \$35 at the door. For more information, visit [www.desertempire.org](http://www.desertempire.org). ▼





## TONGUE IN CHEEK BY KEVIN ISOM

# The Butt Stops Here

**Warning: If specific elements of hygiene are not your cup of tea, then read no further. But if you love watching train wrecks, read on.**

I had the realization the other night that there is perhaps one thing my significant other and I have never talked about. In fact, I don't think I've ever talked about it with anyone, not even my best friend. Perhaps for good reason. But you, dear reader, now reap the benefit of my hindsight.

So I was in bed asleep the other night, when my significant other got up, went to the bathroom, and I was wakened by the not-so-dulcet sounds of a wind instrument—of sorts—followed by the unrolling of toilet paper, and a few moments later, a flush. I was wide awake. Because we sleep nude. In the spoon configuration. His back to me.

As he stumbled back to bed, I thought for a split second. Then, as he climbed into bed and turned his back to me, I quickly, carefully tucked the sheets between us. A line in the sand, of sorts—the butt stops here.

I myself am very sensitive to

hygiene in this area, but I've never asked about his. In the recent past, for example, I was thrilled when Charmin came out with a line of pre-moistened paper. I hoped it would experience explosive—so to speak—growth in the United States, but it hasn't. As for me, in public restrooms, I always moisten a couple of paper towels before I go into a stall. In private, if I'm not planning to shower immediately, I'm skilled at hiking myself up, bidet-style, to the right height to use the sink in the bathroom—wait, I just realized that nobody will ever invite me to their house again. But it's the price of being a journalist, and besides, I said in private—I don't go sink-hopping from house to house.

So I wondered, as my significant other cuddled up next to my line in the sheet, "Is he the one or two pulls of toilet paper sort?" Or the kind you hear pulling and pulling the t.p. dispenser, until, presum-

ably, the wiper is raw but the t.p. is clear? (Come on, you've heard those folks in public restrooms.) I mean, how do you bring it up, exactly? "Mmm... This spaghetti is delicious. By the way, how clean is your tooshie?" Nope, it'd never happen. I suppose you could always back into the discussion—something like, as you're grocery shopping, "Hey honey, let's go down the paper products aisle. Look! Moistened posterior wipes! Do you think: (a) this is the greatest idea since thong underwear, (b) a good idea you might consider using, or (c) I prefer skid marks?"

What I'd like to know is why this subject is never addressed in dating or relationship books? It's certainly a subject I could get behind. Because it is a valid concern, especially during sex. If the encounter is right after a shower, unless your significant other is a brute whose idea of washing is standing under the water

for 30 seconds (I realize I just described half of the straight male population under 21), you can be reasonably sure it's okay to let your fingers do the walking. But after a long day at work, followed by impromptu sexual relations—can you really be so certain? Do your fingers traipse a little gingerly, perhaps? These are important thoughts to consider.

So instead of drawing another line in the sheets, maybe someday soon I'll break down and have a discussion with my significant other. I just won't use the spaghetti line.

Or maybe it would be easier to simply give him a copy of this article. Yes, that's much better!

I'll just tell him I've been cheeky. ▼

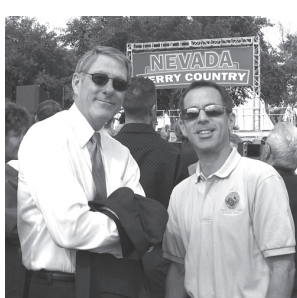
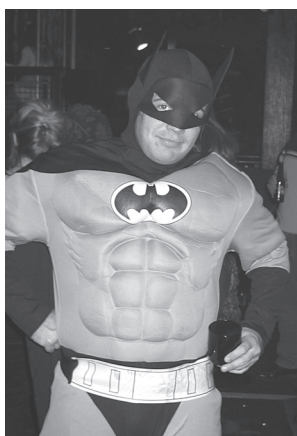
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The 38th Annual Beaux Arts Ball, benefiting Golden Rainbow, was held on Oct. 28 at Studio 54 in the MGM Grand Hotel.

*Photos by Steve Moore*



Former Presidential candidate John Kerry made a final campaign appearance at Jaycee Park in Las Vegas on Oct. 26. Kerry was greeted by Rep. Shelley Berkley, Sen. Harry Reid, and several thousand members of the Las Vegas community.

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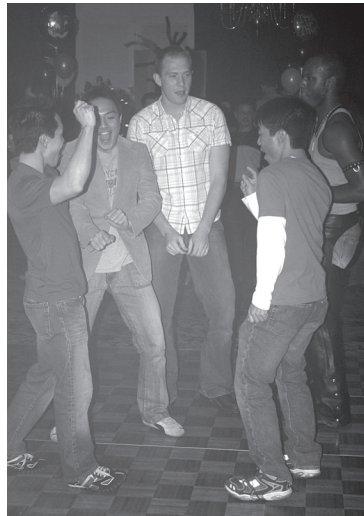
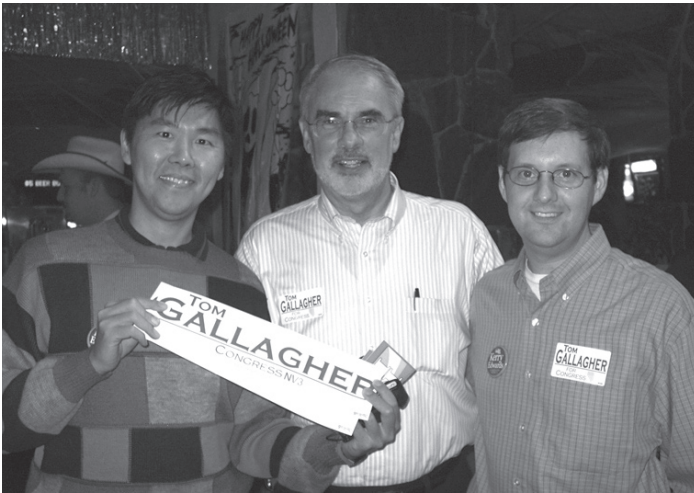




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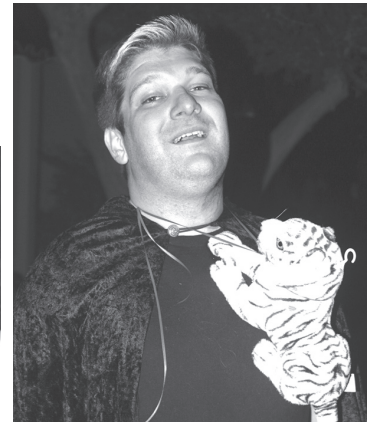
Spotlight hosted a Meet & Greet with Congressional candidate Tom Gallagher on Oct. 22.

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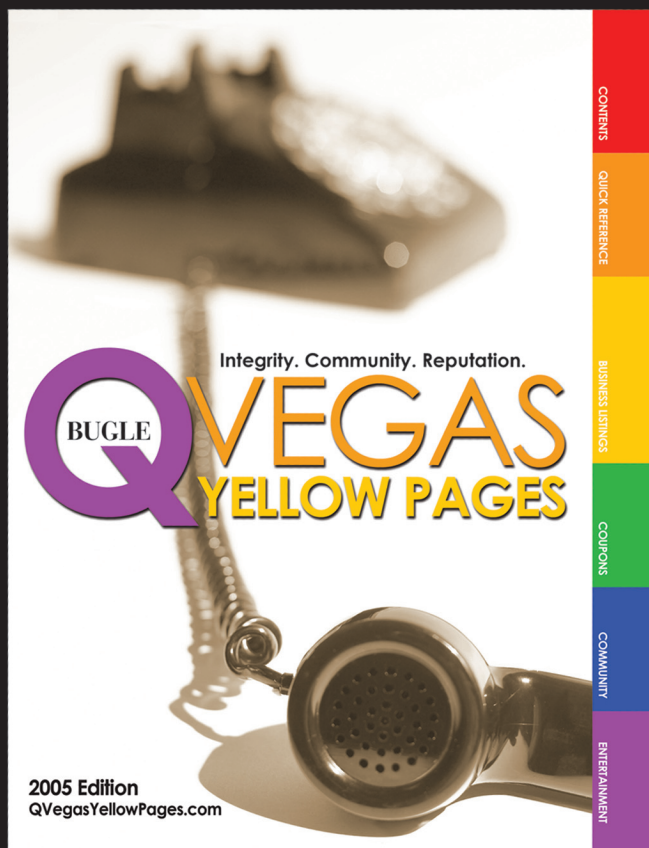


SNAPI's Halloween Monster Bash on Oct. 29 brought out the bold, beautiful and slightly odd members of the community.

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## WILD BOYS

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more than anything. "Marc Almond once said I was a male prostitute—I thought that was fantastic," LeBon laughs. "I could make a lot of extra money doing that."

Asked whom they would actually choose to have a gay—rumored or otherwise—affair with, LeBon ponders for a moment and replies "it'd probably with someone quite macho, quite manly, because I'm a big guy myself you see. I don't see myself having a poodle so to speak. I'd be quite well with Russell Crowe and Antonio Banderas, actually. Yeah. Antonio because I'm blonde and he's dark."

On a more serious same-sex note, the band are fully in support of queer rights and happy to speak out for gay marriage. "I think people should be allowed to get married if they want to," Rhodes says. "It's an institution that's worked appallingly for straight people for a long time so I don't see why gay people shouldn't have some of that. (laughs) I really believe it's absurd in this day and age that anyone should try and take away civil rights from any group of people. It's absolutely ridiculous."

Adds LeBon, "I think that to deny marriage to any couple

in love suggests that gay relationships are not valid and relationships only exist for financial benefits and children. I think that's wrong. I believe it's misguided and I believe you've got [a president] who's not really capable of leading, without any real consciousness of what's going on. And it's frightening for the rest of the world as well."

Even if the world's stuck with four more years of Bush, at least there will be more uplifting Duran Duran music to look forward to as well (fans of Cuccurullo should know that he went off to pursue solo efforts—see [www.cuccurullo.tv](http://www.cuccurullo.tv)). The band is contracted by Epic Records for several additional albums, including a possible live recording. "I think we all feel it's great to be back," LeBon says. "It would have been great if we could've even gotten back sooner, but you can't go back and change things. The only drawback [to being together again] is it's that more complicated when you do photo sessions for five. 'I want to stand in the middle,' 'no I want to stand in the middle!' All that stuff."

So where do they see the reunited, reinvigorated Duran Duran ultimately heading over the next few years?



Rhodes, pauses for a moment, "I think it's going to be a journey up a tall mountain for a while," he opines. "We're starting to climb up from the bottom again and it's a long way up there. We'll see where we plateau. But we know where the crown is, we're going to get it back." ▼



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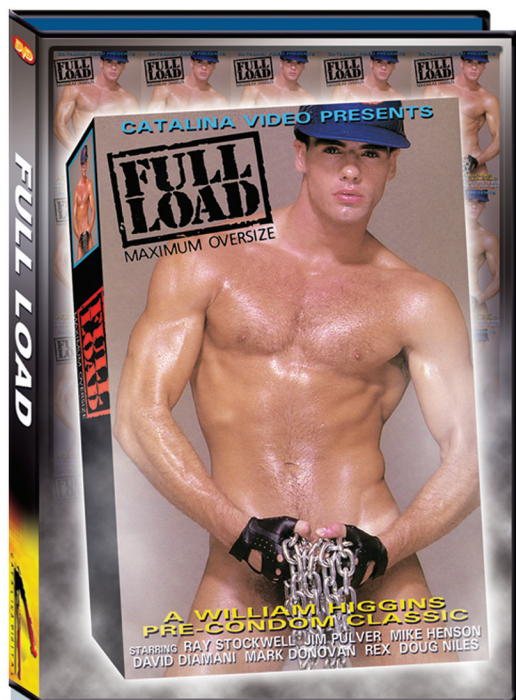
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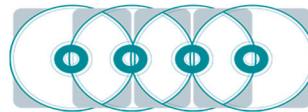
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## Scorpio

(October 23-November 21)

Your communication skills will be stronger after Nov. 21st. Interaction with "on the bubble" investors is essential on the 29th. You can do no wrong on Dec 6th. The planets shift into a more subdued gear for you around the 9th. You'll need to get away from it all on the 11th and 12th.



## Sagittarius

(November 22-December 21)

Planetary vibes are calm and unruffled up until Nov. 20th. The Sun's transit to your sign on the 21st opens a major new career door. The 25th may be spent in solitude. Extra cash comes to you on the 5th and is happily spent on Dec. 8th. Get an extra key to your pad made.



## Aries

(March 20-April 19)

Relationship issues top the priority list on Nov. 19th. These must be dealt with before "turkey day." The 28th offers a glimmer of financial hope. Dec 5th finds you quite emotional. It seems no one will understand you on the 10th. Reason and logic win out over spontaneity on the 13th.



## Leo

(July 23-August 22)

Energies & opportunities look rather subdued up till the 21st. Your "charm" levels peak out on the 26th of Nov. A "tad" of snobbery goes a long way on the 30th. It's wise to skip head-to-head confrontations on Dec. 7th. You must be more open to constructive criticism on the 13th.



## Capricorn

(December 22-January 19)

Nov. 17th becomes a "make or break" financial day. Intensity levels peak on the 22nd, which is just before your "turkey day" getaway. Have that dental work finished by Dec. 3rd. Financial calculations could be a bit off on the 9th. Don't take an old friend for granted on the 13th.



## Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

Refrain from giving advice on Nov. 17th, as it won't be appreciated. Let a confused sibling clean up his or her own mess. The 26th proves a social highlight. Dec. 3rd shows exactly how much financial support you have. Don't ask for favors on the 11th. A former ally may need your assistance.



## Virgo

(August 23-September 22)

Fewer obstacles are in your path around Nov. 18th. Superiors appear more flexible on the 24th. That marvelous sense of humor gets a workout on the 29th. A romantic encounter on Dec. 5th sends you out of body. The 10th is best used to tackle major clean-up projects.



## Aquarius

(January 20-February 18)

Don't freak out because people don't move at your frantic pace. Nov. 16th is a good day to hide. Your actions speak louder than words on the 20th. The 25th turns into an endurance test. Dec. 6th provides a partial career solution. Don't lock horns with the boss on the 11th.



## Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Nov. 18th & 19th look best to pitch your ideas. Almost everyone backs you on the 27th. Energy levels may dip on the 29th. You get to repay a special old debt on Dec. 6th. Restlessness plagues you on the 9th. It's easier to help a friend on the 12th than to explain why you can't do it.



## Libra

(September 23-October 22)

A lull in work projects gives you a respite up till Nov. 23rd. Don't let the boss get to you on the 28th. A well-deserved getaway from Dec. 3rd through 5th makes you a new person. Count to 10 before "firing back" on the 8th. Get to know that "sweet but intriguing" distant soul a bit more.



## Pisces

(February 19-March 19)

You've got lots of terrific ideas but hardly anyone is listening. That could all change on Nov. 23rd. Be more careful who you hang out with, especially on the 30th. The 1st week in Dec. looks extremely fast moving. That financial "battle plan" drawn up on the 12th will work nicely.



## Cancer

(June 22-July 22)

So much goes well for you over the next 30 days. If only there were more "play money". A lost object is recovered on the 22nd. Have those facts & figures at hand on the 29th. Dec. 2nd proves decisive for major real estate transactions. Don't let a slippery competitor off the hook.

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**TROY** By Michael Derry #109 'OVER MY DEAD BODY!'

RIGO, I'M MISERABLE! NICK AND I HAVE BEEN REHEARSING WITH EACH OTHER'S UNDERSTUDIES ALL DAY. IT'S REVOLTING! NICK'S UNDERSTUDY, THE GUY I HAVE TO WORK WITH, IS AN EX-PORN STAR WHO ACTUALLY IS 100% STRAIGHT!

AND HE DOESN'T BATHE REGULARLY OR WEAR DEODORANT! EVERY TIME I GET NEAR HIM MY EYES WATER! THE DIRECTOR'S GIVING ME NOTES TO LIGHTEN IT UP. IT'S A NAKED MUSICAL COMEDY! HE KEEPS YELLING AT ME, "WHY ARE YOU PLAYING 'GAYS OF OUR LIVES'?" OH! AND GET THIS! HE'S RECORDING A COUNTRY WESTERN ALBUM!

YEA, THEY ALL END UP RE-RECORDING AN ALBUM.

OH, OF COURSE. WHAT A NATURAL PROGRESSION! PORN-STAR, HOOKER, POP STAR! HOW COULD I NOT SEE THAT BEFORE?

HEY, IF J-L-O CAN SING... SO HOW'S HIS...?

THAT I DON'T KNOW. WE'RE NOT REHEARSING NAKED, THANK GOD! I WOULD JUST DIE IF I HAD TO SIT HERE AND WATCH THAT LITTLE BITCH ROW ROLL AROUND NAKED WITH MY BOYFRIEND. ONLY WAY THAT HAPPENS IS IF I GET SICK AND I AM NOT ABOUT TO GET SICK. I'LL DIE FIRST! DIE BEFORE I GET SICK! YOU HEAR ME? **OVER MY DEAD BODY!!!**

LISTEN, I GOTTA GET GOING. THEY'RE CALLING US BACK FROM BREAK. ROW JUST GOT HERE AND HE'S DOING A SCENE WITH NICK NEXT. I AM GOING TO KEEP MY EYE ON HER! BITCH THINKS SHE CAN MUSCLE IN ON MY MAN? OH NO, MY FRIEND!

TROY! MY OLD, OLD, OLD FRIEND! LONG TIME NO SEE. HOW ARE YOU?

I AM JUST FINE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU HEAR THAT? FINE! AS IN NOT SICK! NOT SICK AT ALL!!!! GOT IT? NOT SICK!!! NO SIREEEES! SO NOT SICK! IN YOUR FACE!

UH, BABE? MAYBE IT'S TIME TO LAY OFF THE ENERGY BOOSTERS AND VITAMIN C'S, TROY?

**TROY** By Michael Derry #110 'AN OSCAR WORTHY PERFORMANCE'

TROY, YOU REALLY NEED TO CUT ROW SOME SLACK. HE REALLY IS VERY NICE!

NO! THAT'S WHAT HE WANTS YOU TO THINK! HE GETS YOU TO THINK HE'S ALL NICE AND SWEET, THEN YOU DROP YOUR GUARD AND WHAMMO! I SHOULD KNOW!

BABE, YOU'RE JUST BEING OVERDRAMATIC! IF HE WAS SO SNEAKY, YOU THINK HE WOULD COME OUT AND TELL ME HE WANTS TO DO A COUPLE OF PRIVATE REHEARSALS WITH ME JUST SO WE CAN GET COMFORTABLE BEING NAKED TOGETHER? NO! HE'D JUST... **GAG!!!**

OK, HA HA, BABE, VERY FUNNY. I GET IT.

UH, EXCUSE ME, IS HE ALL RIGHT?

YES, HE'S FINE! HE'S AN ACTOR. HE'S JUST BEING OVERDRAMATIC TO MAKE A POINT. I SAID, I GET IT! ROW'S DOING EVERYTHING HE CAN TO GET ME ALONE AND I'M JUST TOO DUMB TO SEE IT. YOU MADE YOUR POINT. NOW CAN WE MOVE ON PLEASE?

AND THE OSCAR FOR MOST OVERLY DRAMATIC DEATH SCENE GOES TO TROY MCDONALD FOR 'CHOOKING ON A CHICKEN CHUNK!'

WELL? AREN'T YOU GOING TO MAKE YOUR ACCEPTANCE SPEECH? TROY? BABE? TROY???

WOW, HE'S EVEN TURNING BLUE. NOW THAT IS TALENT!

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## Dykes To Watch Out For by Alison Bechdel

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WHAT'S A LESBIAN REPUBLICAN TO DO?

OF ALL THE TIMES TO COME OUT TO YOUR FAMILY, I HAD TO DO IT RIGHT BEFORE THE LAST PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE. DAMN THAT JOHN KERRY!

CYNTHIA, I'M SORRY YOUR PARENTS ARE HAVING A MELTDOWN, BUT IT'S HARPLY JOHN KERRY'S FAULT.

WHEN HE CALLED MARY CHENEY A LESBIAN, I FELT LIKE I'D BEEN DROP-KICKED.

WELL, MARY CHENEY IS A LESBIAN, AND YOU'RE A POLITICAL FOOTBALL. WELCOME TO THE CLUB.

BUT IT WAS ANASTY RHETORICAL-TRICK! CODED MESSAGE TO SCARE OFF BUSH'S EVANGELICAL BASE.

HEY, THE CHENEYS ARE THE RHETORICAL CONSTITUTIONALISTS! THEY MANAGED TO SIMULTANEOUSLY GAY BASH THEIR OWN DAUGHTER AND BLAME IT ON KERRY! IT MAKES MY BRAIN HURT!

THEY WERE JUST TRYING TO PROTECT HER. MY PARENTS ARE THREATENING TO CUT OFF MY TUITION.

OH, THEY'LL CALM DOWN. THEY HOME SCHOoled ME BECAUSE THEY WERE AFRAID OF THE VALUES I'D PICK UP IN THE PUBLIC SYSTEM.

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND. THEY HOME SCHOoled ME BECAUSE THEY WERE AFRAID OF THE VALUES I'D PICK UP IN THE PUBLIC SYSTEM.

THEY WANTED ME TO GO TO A RELIGIOUS COLLEGE. I HAD TO REALLY STRUGGLE WITH THEM TO COME HERE, AND NOW LOOK! THEIR WORST FEAR HAS COME TRUE.

OH, JEEK. WELL, UH... MAYBE YOU SHOULD TALK TO SOMEONE.

I THOUGHT I WAS.

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE COLLECTIVE...

THIS K-B SCHOOL HAS BEEN OKAY FOR HER. BUT WHAT ABOUT NEXT YEAR?

IF ONLY WE HAD A QUEER HIGH SCHOOL.

WHY DON'T YOU HOME SCHOOL JONAS? I MEAN, JANIS. THAT'S WHAT I'M GONNA DO WITH J.R. SHE'S NEVER SETTING FOOT INSIDE ONE OF THOSE CONFORMITY MILLS.

BUT SHE'LL BE DOING STUFF LIKE ALGEBRA AND FRENCH.

I WAS QUITE A DAB HAND AT MATH. HAD AN AFFAIR WITH MY TRIG TEACHER.

LET ME PARLE FRANCAIS LIKE A BASTARD!

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AS CLARICE, TONI, AND RAFFI ENTERTAIN GUESTS, RIFTS SEEM TO BE EMERGING IN THE MARRIAGE EQUALITY MOVEMENT... NOT TO MENTION IN SOME MARRIAGES.

YEAH, BUT TONI, EVEN IF THE LEGISLATURE DOES PASS THE AMENDMENT, THEY'D HAVE TO PASS IT AGAIN IN THE NEXT SESSION. SO WE'D HAVE TIME TO ORGANIZE.

BUT WE ABSOLUTELY CAN'T LET IT COME TO A BALLOT INITIATIVE. EVEN THOUGH WE'RE A BLUE STATE, PEOPLE ARE FROZEN IN, LIKE... 3000 B.C. ON THIS.

MOMMM!

YEAH, CAN WE SKIP THE SHOP TALK? I'M GAY-MARRIAGED OUT.

ME TOO. ENOUGH ALREADY. IF WE HADN'T BROUGHT IT UP, THE REPUBLICANS COULDN'T HAVE FED US TO THE FUNDAMENTALISTS, AND KERRY MIGHT HAVE WON.

OH, RIGHT. DON'T PUSH FOR YOUR CIVIL RIGHTS BECAUSE THERE'LL BE A BACKLASH THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN A WINNING STRATEGY.

CLARICE IS RIGHT. WITH ALL THESE STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, WE'RE LOSING GROUND.

WE? I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU OUT THERE CANVASSING.

STELLA, I JUST LEARNED HOW TO RIP THE GUY'S SKELETON OUT OF HIS MOUTH IN "MORTAL KOMBAT." LET'S GO PLAY!

RAFFI, STELLA'S YOUR GUEST. ASK WHAT SHE WANTS TO PLAY.

I BROUGHT MY NEW HAMTARO GAME, "HAM HAM HEARTBREAK."

I'M JUST SAYING, WE'D BE BETTER OFF COMPROMISING. GIVE US THE RIGHTS, AND CALL IT WHATEVER YOU WANT. CIVIL UNION, I DON'T CARE.

ANA ACTUALLY PREFERS "CIVIL UNION." IT'S SO MUCH LESS INTIMATE.

EXCUSE ME. I HAVE TO CALL THE HOSPITAL.

I SWEAR SHE CAN WILL THAT THING TO GO OFF.

OKAY, SO THIS EVIL HAMSTER MADE ALL THE HAM HAMS STOP LOVING EACH OTHER AND WE HAVE TO GET THEM BACK TOGETHER.

CAN WE RIP THE EVIL HAMSTER'S SKELETON OUT?

HAMMA!



# PEEPING WITH TOM

BY TOM MOILANEN

## Ever hear of writer's block?

That's a colloquialism for not being able to come up with squat. I don't have that problem. If anything, I have writer's diarrhea, which, among other things, can result in a lot of run-on sentences. (If I were a woman I'd complain about my period, but punctuation is rarely a problem for me. I'm always on time.)

I've been writing my ass off the last eight weeks. Most of it has been academic in nature, which means I need a thesaurus and a dictionary to read my own stuff. In fact, if I were a real prick, I'd write this entire column like a formal research paper. Of course there would be about six people on the planet who would know what I'm talking about, myself excluded. What do you think? Should I give it a go? How about we formalize the first review, and then go back to the same old crap for the second? (My advice: mix a very strong cocktail and flex your butt muscles until your anus puckers. It's known as bracing yourself.) Here goes:

The video production company known as Channel 1 Releasing, under the auspices of a transgendered individual by the name of Chi Chi LaRue (2004), has offered yet another piece of visual eroticism in the form of a film called *Bolt*. Boasting a cast of twenty-three, *Bolt* is reminiscent of the cinematic efforts of Cecil B. DeMille, the acclaimed director of such classics as *Ben Hur* and *The Ten Commandments*. (It could be argued, given the mediocrity of this current exercise, that LaRue is LaRun of DeMille.)

This notwithstanding, *Bolt* establishes its effervescence not so

much in regard to sexuality, but in the form of its packaging. The theoretical domain of rhetoric and persuasion converges with marketing to create what scholar E. Thorson (1996) refers to as "everything an organization does to sell its products, services, or the company itself. This...involves the sub areas of product development, pricing, distribution, and promotion" (M.B. Salwen & D.W. Stacks, p. 211).

Accordingly, emphasis is placed on production and packaging with little regard for quality. The models, chosen by LaRue, bear a resemblance to that which might be observed on Halloween. Two of them—Zak Spears and Lance Gear—are in possession of shaved heads, which induces a reaction similar to acid reflux disease, particularly at the point where Gear's scalp makes contact with an undisclosed rectum. As a result, the sanity of Ms. LaRue, and, by extrapolation, the others who find pleasure in such footage, is in serious question.

Peripheral performers include Brandon Lee, Johnny Hazzard, Eddie Stone, Rod Barry, and Tag Adams—all veterans of what could be called the LaRuination of the industry. On an erotic level, *Bolt* identifies itself as angry; the sexual acts seem to abandon any notions of affection in exchange for borderline brutality and humiliation. Leather fetishists may glean some heuristic value from repeated viewings, but, in general, this film contributes little to the corpus of knowledge in the discipline and facilitates nothing in terms of a paradigm shift.

Wasn't that fun? Don't you love sifting through language

that's heavier than its subject matter? (For those of you who don't catch the reference—Chi Chi is fat.) Thank heaven that's over with. Now I can zip through this review, then go pretend I have a life for about two hours. Next up is—oh Mary, mother of Juana, what was I thinking? Am I really that stoned? My second pick is also from Channel 1, but filmed by an offshoot studio called *Electric Video*. Chi Chi's henchman, Doug Jeffries, commandeers the goings-on at Electric, which is a welcome relief in that she isn't directing.

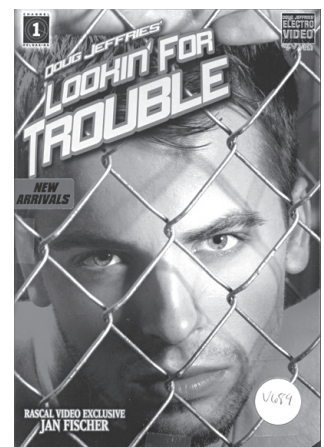
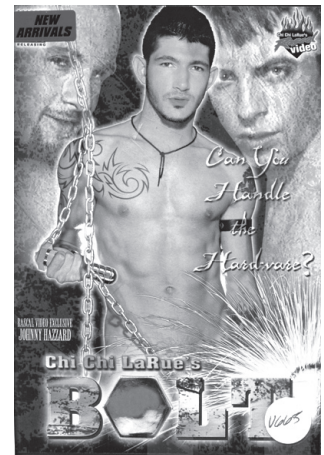
*Lookin' For Trouble* is the title of this fun little romp. Superduper-poopster star Brent Everett shows off his smooth toned body and twinkish cuteness once again, which is just fine with me. (Last year Everett was a no-name working for the notorious barebacking outfit called Tipo Sesso International. I said then that he's going to be big. I was right. He's enormous.) Oddly enough, Eddie Stone and Brandon Lee also show up here, except they're de-bearded and un-leathered and actually look human. (Talk about putting the "dink" in "co-inkydink.")

The setting: A reform school for wayward boys. The plot: There isn't one. The narrative: bad boys do bad things in reform school. The conclusion: sex alone can carry a smut flick if the conditions are perfect, as they are here.

Which conditions are those, you ask? I'm no expert, but I'm willing to bet it has to do with the human tendency to have good and bad days in whatever endeavor. Everett is in prime form. Lee has a pretty impressive eggroll, which puts a

whole new slant on Asiatic sex. (I would review an all-Asian movie but I don't want to be accused of yellow journalism.) Daddy-type Patrick Downs gives a sterling performance as the headmaster. (Nyuk.) And as is usually the case with anything Chi Chi, the budget exceeds the product.

If you're looking for greatness, don't look here. If you're *Lookin' For Trouble*, this could be it. And if you're looking for a good time, call me. I promise I won't pummel you with stilted language and grammatical pomposity. I might, however, let you see my dangling participle. ▼



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866-830-0250 for tickets.

#### **NGRA Pre-Pageant Show**

Badlands Saloon, 8 p.m.  
[ngra.com](http://ngra.com) for details.

### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27

#### **NGRA 2005 Royalty Pageant**

Mr. & Miss NGRA are to be  
crowned at Gipsy, 8 p.m.  
[ngra.com](http://ngra.com) for details.

### SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28

#### **NGRA Victory Brunch**

Badlands Saloon, noon, \$5.  
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#### **Royal Court Coronation VII Voting**

Elections to crown the new Emperor  
& Empress of the Imperial Royal  
Sovereign Court of the Desert Empire,  
Inc. begin at The Center, noon-9 p.m.  
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### SATURDAY DECEMBER 4

#### **Royal Court Coronation VII Ball**

The new Emperor & Empress of the  
Imperial Royal Sovereign Court of the  
Desert Empire, Inc. will be crowned  
at Stardust's Tranon Ballroom, 5 p.m.  
[desertempire.org](http://desertempire.org) for details.

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 5

#### **Royal Court Coronation VII Victory Brunch & Party**

Brunch at Stardust, 10:30 a.m.  
Party at Spotlight Lounge to follow.  
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### MONDAY DECEMBER 6

#### **Merry & Bright: A Celebration of Christmas**

Las Vegas Men's Chorus holiday  
concert at Christ Episcopal Church,  
2000 S. Maryland Pkwy., 8 p.m.  
453-LVMC (5862) for tickets.

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 11

#### **Christmas Tree, Wreath & Ornament Auction**

The Center's 2nd annual fundraiser,  
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Center, 7 p.m. Awards are given for  
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#### **SNAPI's Caring & Sharing Toy, Clothing & Food Drive Wrap-Up Party**

Coincides with the above-mentioned  
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**MUSIC:** DJ=DJ, J=Jukebox, LM=Live Music  
**EXTRAS:** BB=Beer Bust, G=Gaming, EV=Events Nightly, ATM=ATM  
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 FRI: \$5 Liquor Bust 7pm-12am  
 SAT: \$5 Beer Bust 7pm-12am  
 SUN: \$3.50 Beer Bust 9pm-12am

**BACKDOOR**  
 1415 E Charleston Ave, 385-2018  
 (Latin)(D)(DJ)(G,ATM)(M) Open 24 Hours  
 MON: Pull Tabs, 2-for-1 Happy Hour 1-3am  
 TUES: Pull Tabs, 2-for-1 Happy Hour 1-3am  
 WED: Pull Tabs, 2-for-1 Happy Hour 1-3am  
 THURS: Latino/America Mixed 70s/80s Night 10pm  
 FRI: Latin Fiesta with Oscar  
 SAT: Gelfi & Her Girls drag show

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 TUES: Top Dog Slot Tournament 9pm  
 WED: Underwear Night 10pm-3am  
 THURS: Thirsty Thursdays \$2 drink specials  
 FRI: Underwear Night 10pm-3am  
 SAT: Underwear Night 10pm-3am

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 (D)(DJ,J)(G,EV,ATM)(M/F) Open 24 Hours  
 SUN: Karaoke 9pm  
 MON: \$7 liquor bust 9-11pm; Wet Underwear 11pm  
 TUES: Amateur strip contest, \$7 liquor bust 9-11pm  
 WED: Male strippers 10pm  
 THURS: Girlz Kissing Girlz, \$7 liquor bust 9-11pm  
 FRI: Club Pride 10pm  
 SAT: Hip-hop night 10pm

**FREEZONE**  
 610 E Naples Ave, 794-2300  
 (D,R)(DJ)(EV,ATM)(M/F) Open 24 Hours  
 MON: Gay karaoke, Beer Bust, free pool  
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 WED: Porn Karaoke & Lypsy Sync Contest  
 THURS: Boyz Night, free Beer Bust w/shot purchase 8pm  
 FRI: 2-4-1 Martini Social 5-9pm; What A Drag 10pm;  
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 SAT: What A Drag 10pm; Dance Party 11pm  
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 THURS: Seduction with Shannel 1am  
 FRI: Boxer Briefs Night, go-go boys 11:30pm  
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 THURS: Happy Hour 5-7pm & 5-7am  
 FRI: Mirror Mondays and Liquor Bust 11pm-3am  
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 FRI: Cool Breeze Fridays 4-10pm; Ladies Night 12am  
 SAT: Club Pride and Boys Gone Wild 10pm-3am  
 SUN: Brunch 10am-2pm; Valerie James 7pm

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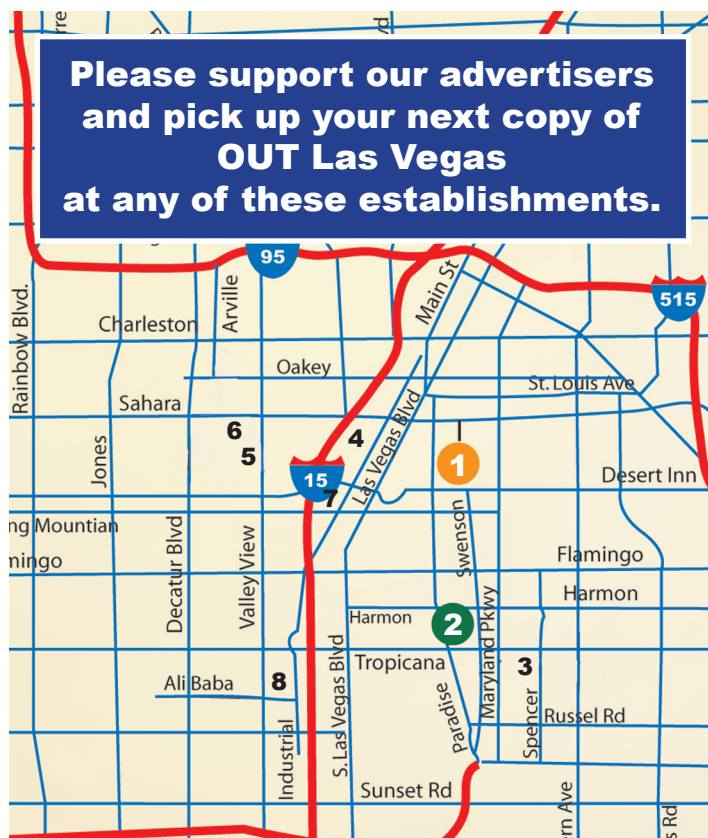
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 SAT: Let Us Do the Cooking  
 SUN: Dinner and beer bust 6-9pm

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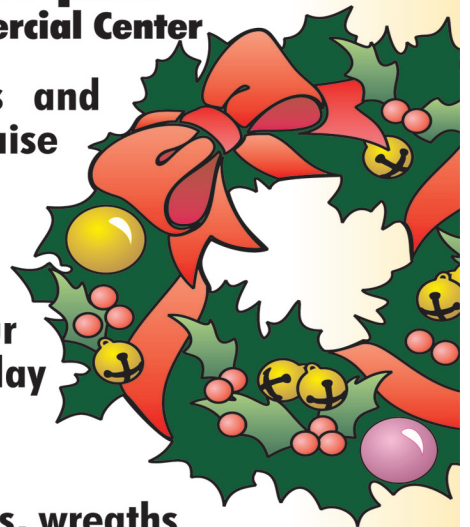
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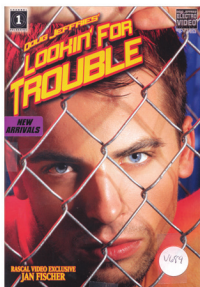


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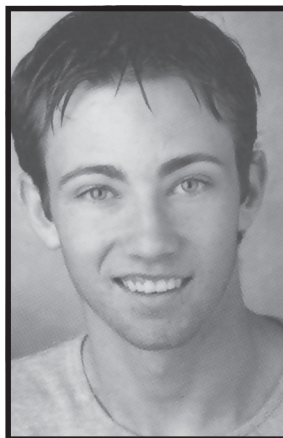
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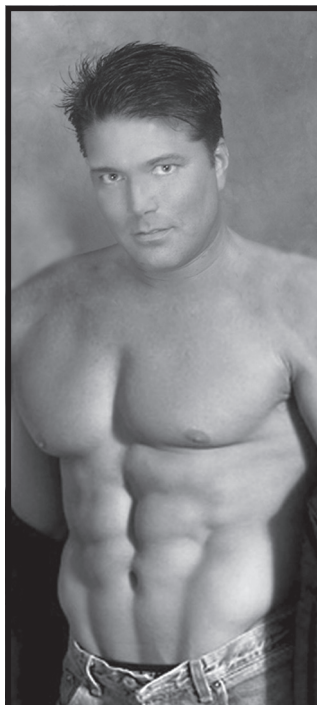
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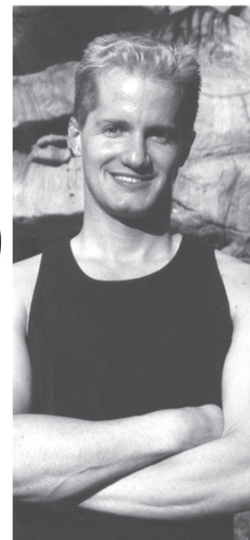
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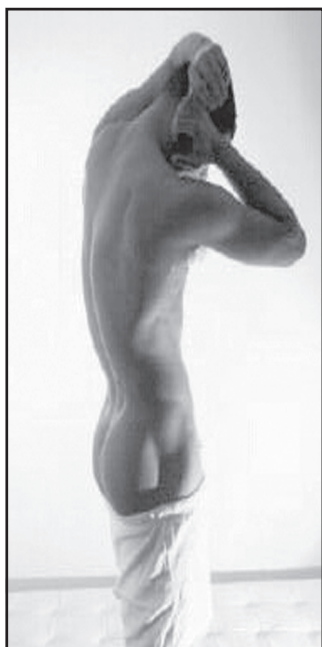
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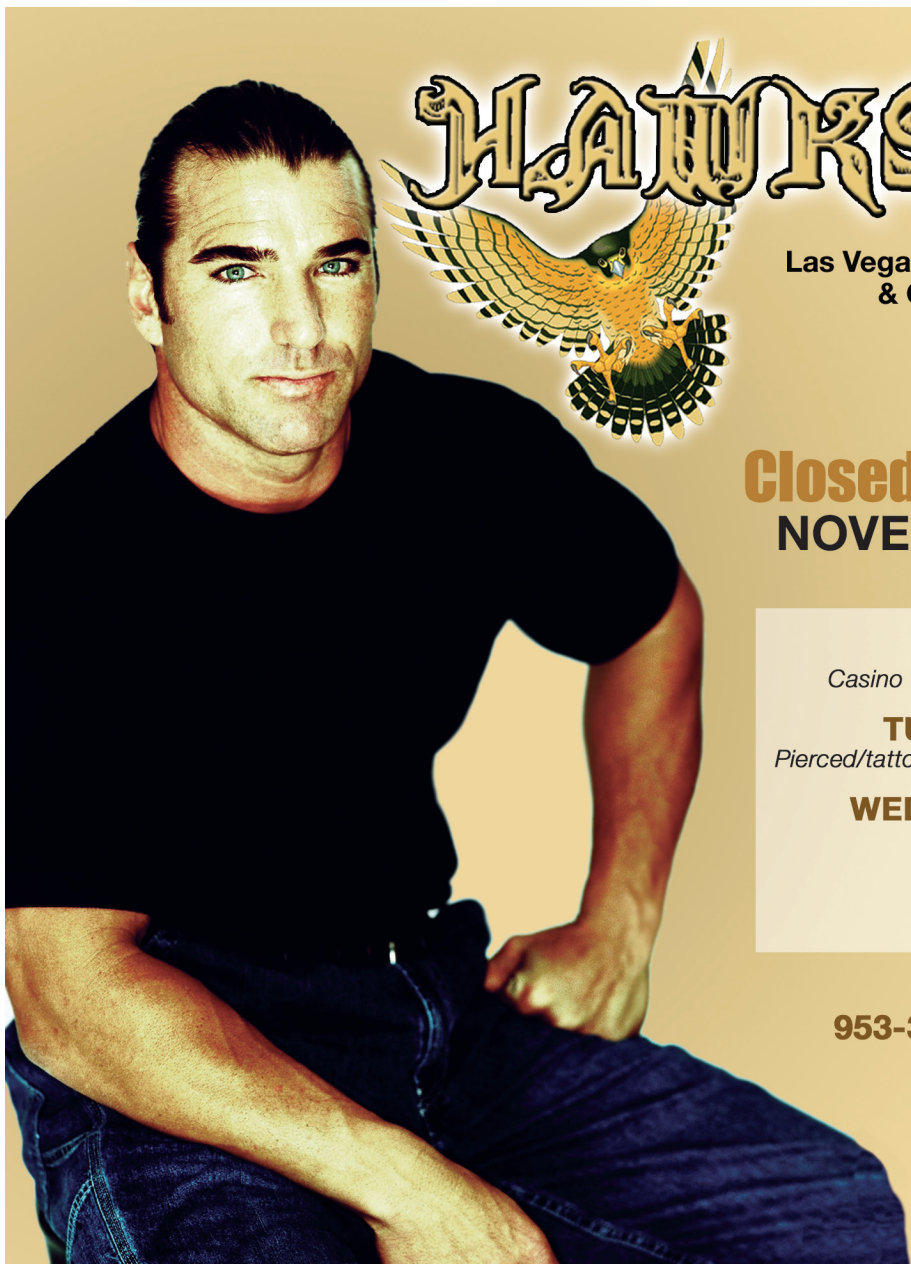
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