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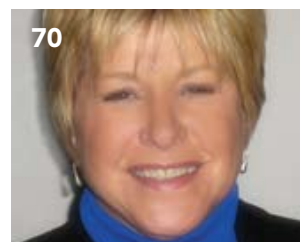
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It seems easier to come out these days



I'm always in awe of how people these days are able to come out at increasingly younger ages. I've heard of youth coming out at 12 or 13, but it really wouldn't surprise me if, in the near future, I start hearing of people around 8 or 9 who are already comfortable with who they are and able to admit it.

When I was that age, it was completely unheard of. I grew up in the South, and that's naturally a hindrance, but it was also the late-'80s when I was in my tween years and early teens. Never in a million years would I have been able to admit to my parents that I was a fruitcake just like my dad (he's gay, too). That didn't come until several years later.

Those were the days before the actual Internet, back when people connected online through bulletin board systems. I was a SysOp of my own BBS and met other questioning youth around the continent on a gay youth Echomail group on FidoNet, which led to then talking to several of them, long-distance, on the phone. Mobile phones with unlimited calling were not the norm at the time, so I racked up quite a bill on our home phone, which my mother naturally questioned. Boy, was I in the doghouse and had to explain myself.

I'm sure I'm not the only one who opted to initially claim to be bisexual, thinking it somehow eased the blow. My mom, and later

my dad (who had gone his own way when I was 10ish), basically both told me "I knew and just wondered when you'd finally admit it." Naturally, my dad had gaydar and moms always seem to know, so I'm not sure why I was so scared. But it was definitely a relief when, in my late teens, I was able to finally be open.

In one way, coming out in the South worked against me. I wanted to start a social and support group, Triangle Connection, in the area around my small town and therefore sent a press release to nearby newspapers. The only one to print it was my hometown paper, on a Sunday, with my name in the first line of the first paragraph. I guess I naively thought they wouldn't dare, but they did. Vandalism and harassment promptly followed, and it wasn't too long before I decided to "get the heck out of Dodge." Ironically, I came home a bit later and worked for that same newspaper for 3.5 years.

Looking back, I realize how lucky I was to have a peaceful coming out experience. Not all of these youth who've been so brave have been so lucky.

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LGBT WEDDINGS & COMMITMENTS

With domestic partnership registration becoming available here in Nevada and gay weddings becoming increasingly legal in more states, we would like to invite couples to submit their wedding and commitment announcements for inclusion in QVegas, space permitting.

If you are legally marrying in a state that allows it, or if you are becoming domestic partners and holding a commitment ceremony, we are interested in printing an announcement of the event along with a photograph in a future issue. Couples interested in doing this must have a connection to Nevada in order to have the announcement included.

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Send these materials to editor@QVegas.com no later than the 15th of the month preceding the issue in which you want the announcement or names to appear. ●

UPDATES

NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY STREET FESTIVAL

Since the September issue of QVegas hit streets, minor changes and additions have been made to the NCOD Street Festival details.

Although Charo had originally been scheduled to entertain at the festival, she has suffered an injury and will be unable to appear. Legendary performer Kenny Kerr has been added to the mainstage entertainment line-up.

Entourage Vegas Spa & Health Club has joined as a Platinum Sponsor. Little Darlings has come onboard as a Friend of NCOD.

The list of vendors and organizations with booth space has expanded to include American Male, Buffalo Exchange, Fat Daddy Ice Cream, Favorite Fun Foods, Hands On Massage, Imago Dei, LVGA³, Sin City Socialite, Spectrum and Sunkissed.

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GVHS invited to participate in *Laramie Project: 10 Years Later*

The Green Valley High School Theatre Department has been selected to participate, along with over 100 other professional and educational theatre troupes from across the United States and around the globe, in the world premiere performance of *The Laramie Project: 10 Years Later* on Monday, October 12 in the GVHS Theatre (460 Arroyo Grande Ave., Henderson) at 5 p.m. Admission is free with donations being accepted on behalf of the Matthew Shepard Foundation.

The epilogue focuses on the long-term effects of Shepard's murder on the town of Laramie.

It explores how the town has changed and how the murder continues to reverberate in the community. The play also includes new interviews with Matthew's mother Judy Shepard and Mathew's murderer Aaron McKinney.

The event will begin at 5:00 p.m. with a live video simulcast from Lincoln Center with the cast and authors of the work. Immediately following, the GVHS cast will perform the reading. Finally, the audience will be able to ask questions of the cast and authors through a live Twitter session.

Visit www.gvhs theatre.com for tickets. ●



Golden Rainbow's 43rd Annual Beaux Arts Ball

is the place to see and be seen for Halloween in Las Vegas! Held as a fundraiser for Golden Rainbow's mission to help people with HIV/AIDS, the Beaux Arts Ball is (in)famous as the most fun and outrageous costume party in Las Vegas. This year's event is a dancer party extraordinaire, complete with costume contest, DJs, go-go dancers, a huge dance floor and special performances. It takes place Halloween night at KRAVE nightclub on the Strip. Doors open at 10:31 p.m. Advanced tickets are available now at 702-384-2899 or visit goldenrainbow.org for more information.

Cast sought for *Hiram & Nettie*

Casting is being held for roles in *Hiram & Nettie*, a riveting musical history lesson by world renowned playwright Terrance Afer-Anderson.

This heart-wrenching musical tells the story of forbidden love between slaves from two different worlds. The Broadway-bound musical transports the audience to Savannah, Georgia, in 1822—a time when social prejudice divided the nation.

Sets, costumes, and lighting all interconnect to create the beautifully expressive fabric of slave culture. High spirited and rhythmically electrifying dance combined with

lush ballads and celebratory rousing choral numbers make for an awesome night of musical theatre fun for the entire family.

Performers of all ages, races and sizes are being sought. This production is a full book Broadway musical, and everyone will sing, dance and act. Director Torrey Russell is looking to fill 20 speaking roles with energetic, hard working performers who are ready to produce great theatre both in Las Vegas and on tour!

For more information or to schedule your audition, e-mail hiramandnettie@yahoo.com or call (404) 516-3571. ●

Workman and Gernant honored as Angels in Adoption

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has selected Deanna L. Workman and Denise M. Gernant as two of the 2009 Angels in Adoption honorees from Nevada for their outstanding advocacy of adoption and foster care issues. The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI), which orchestrates the Angels in Adoption program, honored more than 190 Angels at an awards ceremony and gala event in Washington, DC, on September 30.

Together since 1994, Workman and Gernant dearly wanted to become parents and tried for years to do so. They started the process to adopt through an agency and, while they were waiting for that to happen, decided to volunteer at Child Haven starting in 2004. It was through the giving of their time that they were finally able to grow their family. They were there every free moment they had daily, helping in any way they could and loving being around the children who were in such need of care and kindness.

Eventually they became shelter parents and in April 2005, Jamie Lynn came into



their lives. They celebrated her adoption in May 2006 and they knew it was all meant to be. Then in June 2007, lightning struck twice when Camden Marie was put in their care. She officially joined their family on National Adoption Day in 2008. Her adoption was a longer road through the system, but it was well worth the wait to make Camden theirs. They have cared for other foster children along the way and are hopeful to adopt again.

CCAI is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to raising awareness about the tens of thousands of orphans and foster children in the United States and the millions of orphans around the world in need of permanent, safe, and loving homes through adoption. CCAI's goal is the elimination of the barriers that hinder these children from realizing their basic right of a family. The organization does not receive any government funding and relies on the generous support of foundations, corporations, and individuals to accomplish their mission. For more information, visit www.ccaainstitute.org. ●



Cabaret show to benefit AFAN

Stage Door Theatre at Town Square presents a unique performance by the one-and-only Madame, who makes a triumphant return to Sin City with her incomparably sassy, bawdy and raunchy one-woman show at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28. The evening, which will benefit Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN), will also feature a musical performance by singer Hilary Boyd.

Madame rose to fame in the 1970s and '80s as the puppet creation and alter ego of well-loved ventriloquist, Wayland Flowers. Appearances on shows including, *Laugh In*,

Solid Gold and *Hollywood Squares* led Flowers and Madame to headline engagements from Caesars Palace to Radio City Music Hall. Flowers passed away from AIDS in 1988, but his estate has decided to bring Madame out of retirement for this very special performance benefiting AFAN.

Tickets to Madame are \$20 and may be purchased at www.afanlv.org. Brio Tuscan Grille at Town Square will also be donating 20 percent of proceeds from that evening to AFAN. To make reservations, call (702) 914-9145. ●

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Superstar Tommy Lee and DJ Aero, DJ Steve Aoki, DJ Scotty Boy and DJ Skribble kick off festivities at the opening VIP party Thursday, Oct. 1, at 9:30 p.m. at Rumjungle inside the Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino.

Other notable guests include: Jack Osbourne; Mark McGrath (Sugar Ray); Steve Jones (The Sex Pistols); Billy Morrison (The Cult); Duff McKagen (Guns N' Roses); Mix Master Mike (The Beastie Boys); Evan Seinfeld (Biohazard); rapper Jim Jones; Sully Erna (Godsmack); Brandon Boyd (Incubus); Billy

Duffy (The Cult); Jerry Cantrell (Alice In Chains) and Sean Stewart.

The convention is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the general public to be tattooed by the world's top artists from around the globe. Industry icons from Japan and Samoa that are otherwise unavailable have been flown in to Las Vegas to work on convention goers. There will also be live performances and musical acts at the expo.

In addition to an AC/DC concert on Oct. 3, DJ Mix Master Mike will be entertaining Barth's guests at Rok Nightclub inside New York New York Hotel and Casino. Barth will also co-host *Inked* magazine's first annual Inked True Colors Awards on Oct. 3 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino with special musical performance by The Bronx. The convention closing party will take place at The Bank Nightclub inside Bellagio on Sunday, Oct. 4, featuring Dave Navarro, DJ Skribble and DJ Slynkee. ●

Wayne Newton celebrates 50

His name has long been synonymous with the city he calls home, and now Wayne Newton—Mr. Las Vegas—will celebrate his 50th year of entertaining audiences on The Strip with an all-new, limited engagement production, *Once Before I Go*, at Tropicana Las Vegas beginning October 14. Tickets to this once-in-a-lifetime production are now on sale.

Once Before I Go is an intimate journey

through a life spent on stage. From a shy 15-year-old just off the bus, to his place as one of America's most celebrated entertainment icons, *Once Before I Go* is the story of Wayne Newton told by the man who is living it.

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Pearl Concert Theater is great venue for gay-friendly acts

It's been a couple years since George Maloof opened the Pearl Concert Theater at the Palms Casino Resort, and it has certainly become a venue of choice for performers ranging from comedians to musicians who either couldn't fill an arena or just desire a smaller venue to better connect with their fans.

Compared to MGM Grand's 17,000-seat Grand Garden Area, or the 12,000-seat Mandalay Bay Events Center, The Pearl is an extremely intimate setting with none of its 2,000+ seats farther than 120 feet from the stage. Even The Joint at the Hard Rock Hotel has space for 4,000 guests in its new incarnation. But don't let its diminutive size fool you. Not everything has to be big in size to make a huge impact.

Since opening, the gamut of acts performing at the Pearl has ranged from hip hop legend P. Diddy to comedian Dane Cook. In 2007, MTV brought their Video Music Awards to Las Vegas, the night Britney Spears gave her infamously sluggish "comeback" performance of "Gimme More." Several notable gay-friendly and gay-popular acts have stepped foot on that stage as well.

March 29, 2008, gay icon Margaret Cho brought her "Beautiful" tour through Las Vegas, and our LGBT community just loved it. Earlier this year, Pussycat Dolls (minus a conspicuously absent Jessica Sutton) performed their "Doll Domination" tour show as part of



the Jimmy's Naughty Night Nite 8 party.

October 3, Australian superstar Kylie Minogue will be appearing at the Pearl as part of her highly-anticipated, first ever North American tour. The show begins at 8 p.m., which still gives concertgoers plenty of time to swing by the National Coming Out Day Street Festival (which begins at 4 p.m. this year) in Commercial Center beforehand.

Songbird Mariah Carey performed a two-night stint in mid-September and will be re-tuning for two more shows, October 9 and 10.

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So don't be scared about your healthcare this Halloween. The Transgender Health Fair is the place to find competent, sensitive healthcare information and services you've been looking for.

Contact Mel Goodwin at mel@thecenterlv.com or (702) 733-9800 for more information about this event.

Mpowerment Project, will be held October 24, 9 p.m.–1 a.m. All LGBTQ young people, ages 13-29, are invited to attend and enjoy free food, music, dancing and games. The venue will be announced closer to the event. Contact Sybrina Bernabei at sybrina@thecenterlv.com or (702) 733-9800 for more information.

BEAUTIFY THE CENTER DAYS

RECAP

On September 12 and 13, more than 40 members of the LGBT community and its allies collaborated to paint, clean and organize several areas of The Center. Special attention was given to the Community Room and the shared Youth Group / Vegas Mpowerment Project space. Jeffrey Hames, winner of The Center's mural contest, painted his original artwork on the wall of our Youth Activity Center.

If you were unable to attend the inaugural LGBT Community Center Awareness Day on September 15, the staff of The Center hope you will stop by in the upcoming weeks to check out the results of the beautification project. ●

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THE CAST, EPISODE 1

Several Las Vegasans have managed to make their way onto reality TV, but few have actually won a TV competition. Even fewer are openly gay. Las Vegas wardrobe designer Ruben walked away from Oxygen's *Dance Your Ass Off* with the \$100,000 prize.



EPISODE 8



EPISODE 10



RUBEN AT THE REUNION



THE CAST REUNION

How did you first hear of *Dance Your Ass Off* and what was the audition process like?

I received an e-mail that there was a casting for "heavy people who were light on their feet." It explained that they were creating a new weight loss show through dance, a cross between the *The Biggest Loser* and *Dancing with the Stars*. I was a huge fan of both so I thought I would give it a try. At one time in my life dance was my passion, but now that I was so overweight it wasn't an option. I mentioned to my friend at work that this might be fun. She insisted that I give it a try. So she grabbed her video camera, I grabbed the boom box and we hid in the costume closet at *K&A*. I put on some Ricky Martin and Gershwin and did two hideous dances on tape and sent it in.

A day after it was sent in they called me and asked for more. So we did some shots of me behind the scenes at work talking about myself and my issue with weight. About two weeks later they flew me out to L.A. for a day of auditions, interviews, psychological tests, dancing, medical [tests], etc. The next thing I knew was that I was a finalist. Back to L.A. for more intense testing and interviews, then someone walks in with a camera and says you're on the show and it starts tomorrow!

With reality TV all the rage these days, can you tell us all about the behind-the-scenes experience?

It was a very emotional, exciting experience. The cast was put up in an amazing high rise in Hollywood. We had our own apartments all on the same floor. There were common areas like the gym and kitchen/dining room. You could not eat in your apartments. There were cameras everywhere, especially near the cheat cabinet where we had to cook all our meals. We had access to all kinds of good and bad food.

Our days lasted about 14-16 hours of dancing, gym, dance classes, nutrition, interviews, workouts, meetings, fittings, etc. They kept us very busy. The tough part was that we were all isolated from the outside world. No phones,

He danced his ass off...and then some.

calls, e-mail, or contact with anyone but the contestants and crew. That was the toughest part, being away from my partner, John, who was recovering from cancer.

What was your diet and exercise regimen, and how has that translated into your post-DYAO life? Each contestant had their own plan geared to their needs. We each had a specific caloric intake that had to be met. We logged all of our workouts and what we ate. We had a nutritionist who really taught us about food. It was a huge learning experience for me. My typical day was up between 6-7 a.m. with four miles on the treadmill before breakfast. A very large healthy breakfast: egg white omelette with lots of veggies, wheat toast, fruit, yogurt, and Vitamin Water. Depending on your schedule for the day you then had 2-4 hours of dance with your partner to learn your new dance for the week. Lunch was usually a salad with a protein, some carbs and fruit. Lots of water and snacked on fruits throughout the day. It seemed like we ate all the time. I had to meet my caloric intake of about 1,600 a day. Because of my size and body I had the highest calories on the show. The two hours with the personal trainer was followed by fittings, interviews, and meetings with Dr. H and Nutritionist Meg. Oh, and another four miles before bed. The last three days of the week, we added the staging and camera blocking and the show, which took all day to tape.

I was surprised how easily it translated to my real life. I felt my overweight problem was so emotional but realized in the process of doing this show, I had a choice. I had to take control of my life and make the right decision. Calories in calories out, plan and simple. Since I left the show I have lost an additional 15 pounds.

You lost more than 70 pounds on the show, so what is your net weight loss as of today? How far are you from your ideal goal? I have lost a total of 90 pounds since leaving the show. My goal

was 225, and I've stayed within the range of 228 and 224 so far. I am 45 years old, and with my body type I am in a good place. Large shirt, 34-36 pants is great for me.

Had the opportunity to be on DYAO not arisen, would you have considered auditioning for *The Biggest Loser*? I

was one of those people who watched every episode of *TBL* and ate while doing it. I so needed an intervention in my life. About a year or so ago they had a casting call for *TBL* here in Vegas; I went to it but when I saw how many people were there I left because I was afraid. I think *DYAO* was a better fit for me. I loved dancing and at the same time I got to work with Dr. H from *The Biggest Loser* on our show. I think it was my time. I did something in 10 weeks that I couldn't achieve in 10 years.

Overall, what did you take away from this experience?

DYAO gave me another chance at a good and healthy life. I spent most of my time taking care of everyone else and had to learn to put myself first. I felt with the win I was able to show the world that with hard work, good intentions and a passion for something better you can accomplish so much. I also feel like the world got to see that a normal gay man with a partner for 17 years lives no different of a life than anyone else. We are all foundationally the same. We all have issues, problems and struggles, and no matter how you live your life we have the opportunity change it if we choose to. ●

INTERVIEW BY M. CORY BURGESS

**RUBEN
BEFORE
THE SHOW**



Photo by Mitch Haaseth.



HAS THE STRIP GONE GAY?

LGBT persons throughout Nevada are beginning to feel more acceptance from the community at large thanks in part to the passage of Senate Bill 283, which allows us to enter into legal domestic partnerships starting this month. Additionally, more and more of the casino resort properties on the Las Vegas Strip—the bread and butter of our local economy—are opening their doors and wallets to the gay community. Here's a partial list we've compiled of ways the Strip has "gone gay" in recent years.

MANDALAY BAY

In 2008, the Las Vegas chapter of Human Rights Campaign (HRC) held its annual gala dinner at MGM Mirage's southernmost Strip property, Mandalay Bay. In 2009, QVegas began hosting a weekly night at Foundation Room, House of Blues' exclusive club at the top of the resort.

LUXOR

The pyramid-shaped property was among the first to place LGBT-focused magazine advertisements. In summer 2009, the Sunkissed Pool Party became the wet and wild place to be seen.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Cirque du Soleil's erotic hit show, Zumanity, has an act featuring gay male characters.

MGM GRAND

HIV/AIDS organization Golden Rainbow held its annual Beaux Arts Ball in late-October for several years at the Studio 54 nightclub. HRC also held its first gala here in 2006.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD

In October 2004, Krave Las Vegas opened on the Harmon Ave. side of what was then known as The Aladdin. Billed as the "first alternative club on the Strip," Krave is celebrating its fifth anniversary this month. Jeffrey Sanker's White Party Vegas has also used the resort as its host hotel in past years.

CAESARS PALACE

Aside from the numerous gay icons who have performed at the Colosseum (Celine Dion, Bette Midler, Cher and Elton John), Caesars Palace has played host to LGBT events such as HRC's gala in 2006 and The Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Southern Nevada's 15th Annual Honorary, which is coming soon on November 7.

PARIS LAS VEGAS

This beautiful property, with its half-scale Eiffel Tower replica, also advertises frequently in LGBT publications. Gay Days & Nights Las Vegas held its French Kiss party in the Risque nightclub in '07 and '08. HRC hosted their gala at Paris this year.

BALLY'S

For several years, Golden Rainbow held its annual fund-raising show, Ribbon of Life, in the Jubilee! theater.

IMPERIAL PALACE

Over Labor Day weekend, Imperial Palace was home to Frank Marino's Divas Las Vegas, featuring the former cast of the long-running *An Evening at La Cage*.

HARRAH'S

While not earned specifically for this particular property, its parent corporation, Harrah's Entertainment, just received a perfect rating

in the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Corporate Equality Index for the third year in a row.

MIRAGE

The Beatles Revolution Lounge is now home to the popular Closet Sundays, presented by Eduardo Cordova, which formerly called Cathouse at Luxor its home. Additionally, Rhumbar—which opened earlier this year—now holds the weekly Captiv8 party on Wednesday nights. Sponsors and personalities are currently being sought for this night.

WYNN LAS VEGAS & ENCORE

Throughout this past August, various venues in the Wynn and Encore properties graciously hosted SinCityQSocials' Trendy Tuesday Martini Mixers. In July, HRC was able to present a special evening that included parties at the XS nightclub and tickets to resident show, *Le Rêve*. Steve Wynn's resorts were also recently honored with a perfect rating on HRC's Corporate Equality Index.

THE RIVIERA

For a quarter-century, *An Evening at La Cage* played at this hotel. Its audience was primarily straight, but the show provided a comfortable career for numerous gay performers for many, many years.

OFF THE STRIP

The Center's Honorary was held at Gold Coast for the past three years; before that, it was held at the Palms Casino Resort. AID for AIDS of Nevada (HRC) also hosted its annual fund-raiser, Black & White Party, at the Palms for many years before returning to its previous long-time home, the Hard Rock Hotel. ●

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With an all-male cast of four, *Mommie Queerest* entertains the notion that Crawford was actually a man in drag, a fact she hid from her fans, her children, and the world. Even when Christina finds out, takes revenge, and writes "Daddy Dearest," it's Joan who still has the last laugh.

Adapted for the stage by Jamie Morris, *Mommie Queerest* had its world premiere in Provincetown in 2003 and has since played in over two dozen cities including two sold-out runs in NY and LA where the show garnered four LA Weekly Theater Awards, winning for Best Comedy Direction for Christopher Kenney.

Kenney, who is also known to Las Vegas audiences as Edie, the "Mistress of Sensuality" in Cirque du Soleil's *Zumanity* at the NY-NY Hotel & Casino, is once again at the helm. He is joined by the original Joan (Jamie Morris) and Christina (Brooks Braselman), both nominated for the LA Weekly Theater Award for Best Comedy Performance. Morris was also nominated for Best Adaptation.

Rounding out the cast is Darren Ross, who will play trusted assistant/maid Carol Ann, and Gavyn Michaels who will play Joan's boyfriend Greg. Michaels and Ross will also play two dozen other characters between them.

Morris is a three-time winner of the One-Minute Play contest. He has performed his sketch comedy at Caroline's Comedy Club and Catch a Rising Star in New York. In addition to *Mommie*, his other plays include *The Facts of Life: The Lost*

Episode, The Silence of the Clams, That Greasy Ridge Look and Life in Greasy Ridge. Morris is a native of West Virginia who recently moved to Vegas after 18 years in New York. He lives with Kenney, his partner of ten years.

Mommie Queerest is Morris' second production at the Onyx Theatre. His play, *The Facts of Life: The Lost Episode* played there in May and became the most successful show in the history of the theater. During the run, *LV Weekly* gave the theater and the show a huge endorsement when they rated "Anything at the Onyx Theater...from *Henry V* to *The Facts of Life: The Lost Episode*" the number three show you absolutely have to see (or send your visitors to see), beating out Bette Midler, Barry Manilow, and *Donny & Marie*.

Mommie Queerest opened September 17 and continues through October 11 with the following showtimes: October 1, 8, 9, 10 and 11 at 7 p.m.; October 2 and 3 at midnight; and October 4 at 9 p.m.

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After midnight, all couples (opposite and same-sex showing necessary documentation from the secretary of state) can take their vows under the officiation of Jesse Garon, world-renowned Elvis impersonator and minister, and star of Las Vegas' own *Legends In Concert*. Mr. Garon recently had the honor of officiating when the Mayor, Oscar Goodman and his wife Caroline Goodman renewed their vows on September 9, 1999 on Fremont Street under the stars.

Also scheduled for the September 30 party will be performance art presented by various drag queens, an appearance by the famed Frank Marino of *An Evening at La Cage*, and several other special guests, the uniting of a nude couple, a giant wedding cake with seven candles representing the number of years it took to pass Act 2009, and music by DJ Axis. Cocktails and other refreshments will also be available.

According to Museum Curator, Laura Henkel, "These and future unions will take place in what is probably the world's most sexually progressive environment, the Museum. Not only does the Museum boast an elegant wedding chapel, but also two floors of art representing everything from erotic folk art to vintage adult cinema to beautiful and contemporary sculptures, bronzes, watercolors, oils and photography. We're delighted that the bill has finally been passed and we hope to see many happy couples joined together in our chapel."

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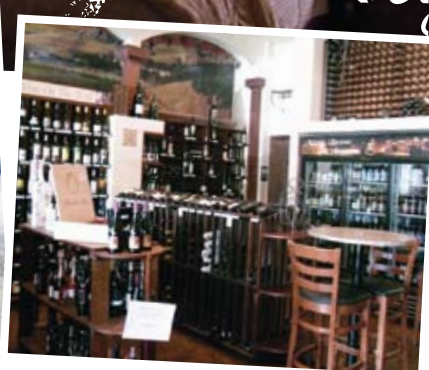
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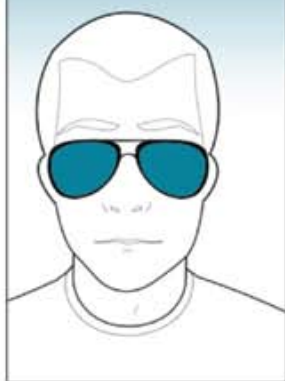
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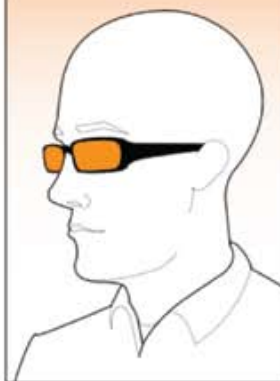
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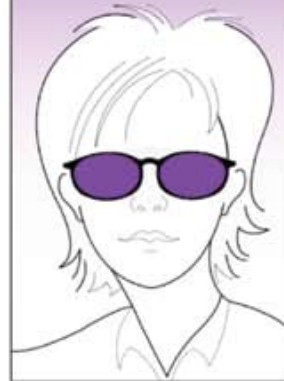
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The fabulous "NY Drag Diva and Wigstock Legend" Lady Bunny does it all, from being a deejay, comedienne, emcee, singer, songwriter, and actress to famously founding and hosting the Wigstock festival. Today, she sits down with QVegas to talk about what has keeps her fire burning.

What are you working on right now? My last job was to deejay for a Marc Jacobs party where Lady Gaga performed. I don't have regular jobs, but I'm leaving to deejay in Cincinnati tomorrow and I just got back from performing at Southern Decadence in New Orleans. I'm also going to deejay at Barbie Doll's 50th anniversary in Cologne and then I'll just keep moving. It's a recession honey, you've got to go where the work is.

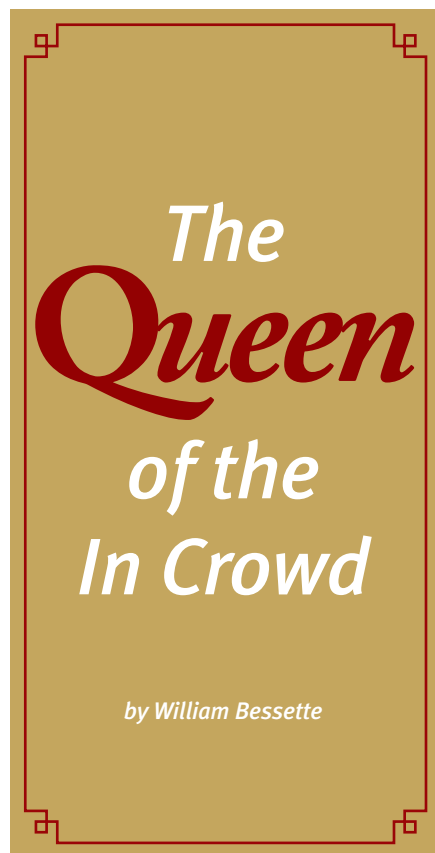
Out of all the things you've done, what's a most memorable moment — if there is one? I enjoyed working on the Comedy Central Roast with Pam Anderson... it was a lot of fun and just a hysterical evening. I'm best known for founding and organizing Wigstock. It was something I organized for twelve years, and though it got rained out for a couple of years, people still came. Over the years, it was great getting to work with drag queens from RuPaul to Hedwig from the Angry Inch, Boy George and some other pop stars like Debbie Harry and Vicki Sue Robinson. Because I'm a deejay, I got musical artists who I really liked on board, along with the drag queens. We had some really great people like C.C. Peniston, Barbara Tucker, and Crystal Waters; a lot of the dance divas who I used to worship, so that was great.

You've been a lot of things throughout your life and career. Out of all of them, what are you most passionate about? I was late to get into the computer age, but once I got my Web site together I really started writing a lot on my blog, especially about political things, which surprised people who didn't expect drag queens to have a political mind... let's not forget that it was drag queens that started the gay rights movement at Stonewall, and this country was founded by men wearing wigs. The idea of a drag queen gravitating towards politics is not as odd as it may seem. I think I kind of found my voice and was able to express myself in a way that I am not able to on stage because the audience is drunk and I'm not sure I want to piss them off talking about politics.

Aside from your blogging, are you politically active? Oh, yeah! I'm always boring my friends with sign this petition and do this or that... gays have a real problem with this, too. We are so passionate about stuff that, I think, is really bullshit. Things like *Project Runway* or Paris Hilton. We are so resourceful when we want to find a certain size penis on a sex line, oh we are very resourceful then, but honey, we are just not actively politically involved. We don't even know who our senators and representatives are or how to contact them about anything. Unfortunately,

that is the predominant culture in the gay world, because we're centered around bars. We really need to wake up and start fighting. Last year was the 40th anniversary of Stonewall, and we don't seem to have much fight left. I think people need to open their eyes and focus on what's important and get their fight back.

Hopefully this [National Equality] March on Washington this month will start to change that. It is focusing specifically on congressional districts and taking the message to our leaders in congress. Yes, and that scares them! When you say "I would *never* re-elect you unless you allow gays to be married," or something like that, it



scares them. With the gays, what are we thinking? We've got to get organized. Oh, we sure can put an outfit together, but we can't wrap our heads around issues that are really affecting us, so I think it's time that we need to get together. At every gay pride appearance that I make, I say hey, look this is great, we get together, we show our strength in numbers, put our face out there in the daylight saying there is no shame in my game buddy, but we do that one Sunday a year. Our enemy is a church that does that fifty-two Sundays a year. Those odds aren't too good. You're in Vegas, I don't need to tell you about those odds.

And you are DJ'ing at the Honorarium out here in Las Vegas? Yes, it's going to be for The Gay and Lesbian Center [of Southern Nevada]. They even

say that I am going to be appearing at Caesar's Palace, imagine that! So yes, I can't wait.

When did you embrace who you are today? As a child, I was enthralled by Barbara Eden in *I Dream of Jeanie* and Elizabeth Montgomery in *Bewitched*, so I somehow thought, or wanted to believe, that there was some sort of magic that was going to turn me into one of those pretty blonde ladies with dark eyelashes. I'm still looking! But anyway, I was always inspired by them. I moved to Atlanta when I was twenty years old and became a roommate of RuPaul. I guess you could call her my drag mother, though that makes her older, so I don't think that she wants me to call her that (*laughter*).

How did the name of Lady Bunny come about?

Lady is kind of like a prefix that Southern—or even around the country—it's just a prefix that drag queens give their names. They often have names like Lady Chablis, which is meant to be sort of classy sounding. When we got our start in Atlanta we were like art school bums, so the idea of calling ourselves "Lady" anything was kind of a joke. We were dressed in toy store outfits with shoes that didn't fit. I've never had the polish of a pageant queen and certainly didn't even have the polish of a homeless queen, but there was a little bit of humor in there to make up for it. Bunny was the name of Sergeant Carter's girlfriend on *Gomer Pyle*, but Bunny also came from a comic book. It was called *Bunny: Queen of the In Crowd*, which was my favorite comic book. Every time I talk to my mom, she's like "Can I please get rid of this comic book?" Because I have every one, I tell her no, keep it because they're rare now.

Have you been supported by your family? There is no guidebook. You are doing something that a lot of people consider freaky, though not in the gay community, of course. I'm very lucky, in terms of family. My parents have an 8x10 of me on their bedroom dresser, in drag. My old bedroom is all clippings and stuff that my mom has pasted up. I always asked her when I was growing up, "Don't you want me to be a doctor or a lawyer?" And she would say "Nope, I want you to be whatever you want to be." Now, when I tell her that, she says, "Woah, you really called our bluff!" Really though, I am very blessed with very supportive friends and family. I also have to say that most of my friends are drag queens, and I know that we have a reputation for being bitchy, but there is a real sense of community and sisterhood. It's competitive and it's territorial, but like I say, most of my friends are drag queens.

Shameless plug? I do have a DVD out called *Rated X for Xtra Retarded*, which is on sale on my Web site ladybunny.net. You can watch the trailer—the one for the DVD, not the one I grew up in. So, check out the Web site and watch for me coming to a town near you. I should be in Palm Springs for Easter and I'll keep going. I will catch up with you if you don't catch up with me. ●



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and songwriter. These two outspoken talents combined are sure to keep you at the edge of your seat all evening. Plus, keep your eyes peeled to find the surprise celebrity guests!

Beyond the many performances of the evening, the Honorarium will be focused on giving back to those who have selflessly contributed their time, talent and energy to making Southern Nevada a healthier place for LGBT people to reside. This year we will honor four outstanding members of the community for their dedication to equality, social justice and activism:

Woman of the Year – Punam Mathur, a nationally acclaimed leader and Vice President of Human Resources at NV Energy, will be honored for her advocacy of diversity and community affairs over the last thirteen years in the gaming industry as well as the creation of a nationally recognized diversity program at MGM Mirage.

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Leadership Award – Denise Duarte, Co-Chair of Stand Out for Equality, will be honored for her leadership in planning and organizing "Equality Days," the first coordinated LGBT lobbying days at the Nevada legislature.

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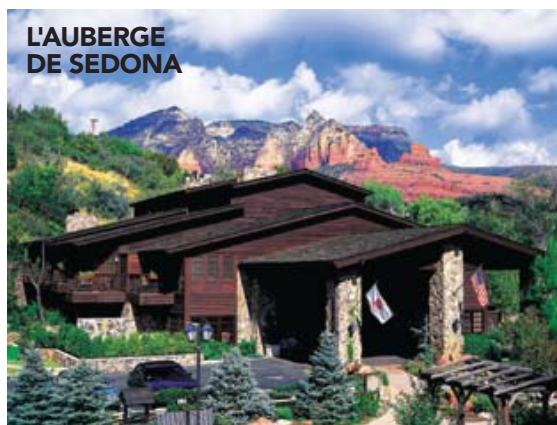
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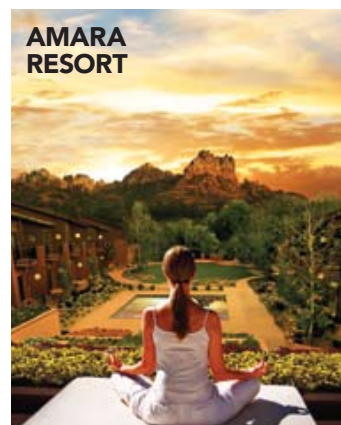
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Sedona can best be described as one of the most beautiful places on earth. I have been traveling to Sedona since I was a child, and every time I visit I discover a new feeling and adventure. It is a town full of tranquility as well as excitement, and people visit for as many reasons as there are visitors. So when you go, go to shop, dine, hike, camp, spa, dance, pray, experience a vortex, raft, fish, bike, balloon, horseback ride, jeep, take a drive, take a train or a trolley, swim in a creek, visit a festival, see a play, listen to a band, watch thunder showers or just sit and marvel at the views of the red rocks from just about anywhere.

There are so many things to do in Sedona it could become overwhelming, but don't let it. Even if you make plans, you will most likely throw your plans out the car window as soon as you arrive and opt to just enjoy the serenity and beauty throughout your peaceful stay. If you are a planner, visit the Web sites of the two resorts *QVegas* recommends and let your journey begin.

L'AUBERGE DE SEDONA

I thought I was just booking a hotel room that overlooked a creek, but I received luxury I never expected. From the moment you park your car (complementary) you are received with such hospitality you immediately leave the stress of your life behind and embark on a journey that heightens your senses and an experience you will never forget.

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pointed sofa while gazing through the double doors at the beautiful scenery and wildlife that surrounds the property.

Dine at L'Auberge Restaurant along the banks of Oak Creek listening to the soft sounds of the ducks and the pristine water flowing over perfectly formed rock dams. Enjoy wine and cheese every evening inside the lodge and complementary stargazing every Friday with a professional astronomer, or indulge in a massage in your cottage or outdoors along the creek. This green resort sits below the streets of uptown Sedona featuring local, national and international galleries, metaphysical shops, antiques, Native American art and jewelry, outlet stores and restaurants.

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Since then it has grown into a one-man operation to produce, direct and release gay hardcore porn videos both on the Web and for retail. Reed has released over 20 videos under the USAJock brand logo with more than ten of them actually going all the way to retail.

Content for USAJock started out and was primarily all bareback content as well. Reed was in a majority of the scenes and videos, making the USAJock brand around his own image. "As I was growing bigger, I started doing some safe videos as the guys I wanted to perform for me would only do safe. As well, I was getting too busy to be in every video, so I started performing less and less," he says.

Reed has owned sites since 1995 and has seen the Internet grow and change dramatically over that time. During his years online, one thing that has changed dramatically is the amount of personally owned and operated sites on the net today. "There is no longer a large presence of these sites like mine," he says. "Most have either closed completely or have been bought out by big commercial porn companies. And what you have now is a crapload of cookie cutter sites owned by one company. You join one site and you have access to 10 type of deal. A privately owned and run porn site is few and far between."

The first major change has taken place this past July. USAJock no longer produces content that goes retail. Because there was starting to be some confusion as to the content Reed produces—was it safe or was it bareback?—he has decided to create two new brands for the retail market: RawJoxxx Studios (bareback content) and Muscle411 (safer sex content).

RawJoxxx and Muscle411 videos are all shot in widescreen and soon to be HD in 2010. Most DVD titles will be on a dual layer disc because of all the extra content that will be accessible. Extras will include photo gal-

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"USAJock has grown and now has had two babies, RawJoxxx and Muscle411. They will gain all the experience and knowledge I have over the past seven years of making porn. I can now say with confidence these two lines of films are definitely of professional amateur status and will continue to have the personal touch of myself," Reed says.

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Leo Murrieta

Leo Murrieta, 23, was born in Mexico but moved to the states with his family after his father got a pastoral job in a Las Vegas church. His childhood was quite sheltered since his parents were conservative and religious. It was so bad that he wasn't allowed to listen to non-Christian music until, at the age of six, Leo figured out how to watch MTV late at night and not get caught. That's where he learned his first English-language song, "Don't Turn Around" by Ace of Base.

Leo's education was kind of different from others because his older brothers were financial planners, so he learned everything about the stock market, finances, credit scores, investments and portfolios at a really early age by paying close attention to their discussions of such things.

"I began my interest in bigger things in high school when I would argue with a liberal teacher of mine for being too liberal, so I began becoming interested in how the financial sector af-

ected our daily lives (national economic policies of the time) as well as how politics could really change the way that we live everyday," Leo says.

Not too long ago, Leo became more vocal with his political views and campaigned for



Governor Richardson up to the point where he dropped out of the 2008 presidential race. Then he jumped on the Obama bandwagon (against his parent's wishes) and began doing the same thing. The night after Obama won, Leo began looking on the Internet for people who had opinions about what this could mean in the long run for our country, but he didn't find anything that really satisfied his appetite for politics. After following the news on TV and his phone, he became convinced that none of the major

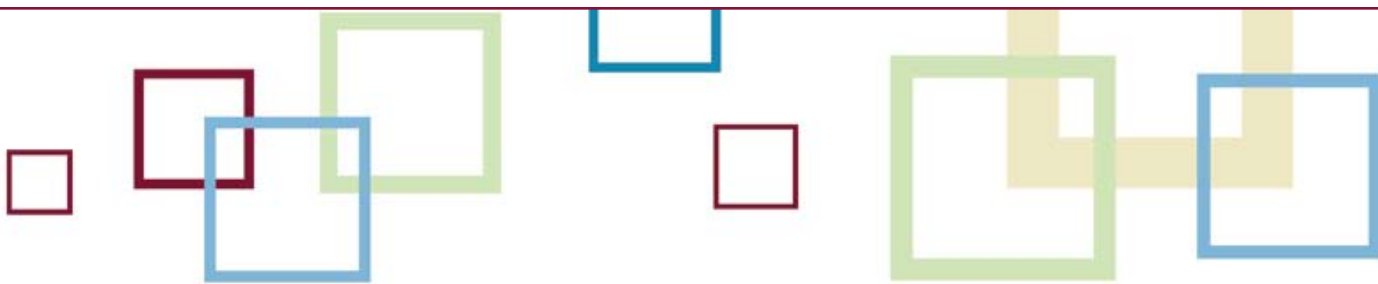
networks were interested in discussing the meat and potatoes that is politics.

That's when Leo started writing down his thoughts on his first blog, and it's been lightning speed ever since. He says, "I've always felt

strongly about my views, but I never imagined that many other people would agree with what I had to say. I began writing and people just came out of nowhere thanking me for saying what they were thinking and feeling."

Leo's next big step is coming up at the National Equality March in mid-October, "because I've decided that it was important for me to attend and meet with other people in the LGBT community that feel as strongly as I do about gay rights. I've said it repeatedly in my writings—but sadly it's still appropriate—separate but equal is unconstitutional and illegal; as Americans we shouldn't accept anything but total equality. I have big plans for the future, because I'm planning on helping our community take gay rights to front page news. There's nothing more exciting than feeling like you're making a difference in some small way in your community." ●

Read Leo's thoughts on politics on his personal site, www.citizenzero.us, or as part of The QBlog, to which he regularly contributes, at www.qvegas.com.



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October is the month for Halloween. Tell us about your most memorable Halloween experience. A couple of years ago, I was on the Waikiki strip (in Hawaii), kicking it with my best friend, who was bartending at the time. I was dressed as the Vampire Lestat and got into the role a little too much. I began picking out tourists that I wanted to "feed on" and stalking them, hiding in the shadows. Crazy, I know, but it was so much fun.



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Tell us the strangest thing you ever experienced on a date. I've had strange. I met this girl on MySpace and we decided to go on a date. She later told me that she was a pedophile, and that she didn't want to date me, because although I looked like a kid, I was clearly an adult. I was like, uh, maybe you should get help. Needless to say, there was no second date.

What is your favorite movie and why? My favorite movie is *Interview with a Vampire*, which is where I met the Vampire Lestat, played by Tom

Cruise. I've always had this morbid fantasy of being a vampire, having powers and living forever. Oh yeah, and just for the record, *Interview with a Vampire* came out way before *Twilight* was even dreamed of, so my obsession isn't part of the trend.

Do you have a certain "type" for a partner? Please explain. My type? I prefer a girl more feminine than I am. I like girls with the good sense of style. She doesn't have to be all Gucci and Verdana. Hollister and Pac Sun is fine. I also like the grunge look, so Hot Topic is a yes. My ultimate fetish is tattoos and piercings, though. The more, the hotter.

Name a personal goal you would like to achieve this year. I really want to focus on my career. I write fiction, which has been very difficult because it requires a degree of isolation, and I've been very distracted. The novel I'm working on is called *I Heard the Pastor's Daughter is Gay*. I have high expectations of it.

Do you believe in love at first sight? Yes and no. I think that infatuation at first sight is much more common than love. I think it requires a sense of intuition to differentiate the two, but, to be safe, let's save the love part until much later. The last thing I need is another relationship moving at the speed of light!

What is the best dating advice someone ever gave to you? The best advice I've received was "To thine own self be true." Make sure that you are with someone who gives you as much joy as you give them.

What is your favorite movie and why? I have several movies that I love. Well, I guess my favorite movie is *Gone with the Wind*. It speaks to American History, it is filled with action and it is a wonderful love story. As I think about it, it references an LGBT experience—meaning often-times we are with the one who we are supposed to be with, but we continue to yearn to live in the past. We are still interested in the person who was our "yester-love." We haven't taken the time to realize that we have grown or changed and that if we had the other person, we really wouldn't want them.

Do you have a certain "type" for a partner? Please explain. Well, I really can't say. I'd like to be with someone who is confident,

intelligent and able to handle in all situations.

Name a personal goal you would like to achieve this year. Well, the year is almost over. I'd like to know that I was able to help somebody make it. Helping people is important to me. It gives me great joy.



WILFRED

October 11 is National Coming Out Day. Tell us the biggest benefit of being out. I am so relaxed. I can finally say that I am who I am, a Pastor who loves the lord, who happens to be gay. I know that

God loves me for who I am. He doesn't expect me to do anything crazy. He just wants me to love my neighbor, be kind to my co-worker, assist those who can't help themselves and worship him.

WANT TO MEET THE QSINGLES?

If you like what you see here and seek the chance to meet one of this month's QSingles, or if you'd like to be considered for a future issue, contact Chris Miller, matchmaker at www.engaggingintroductions.com.



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October 31st: Men of Charlie's
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Q NIGHT OUT

NIGHTLY GUIDE TO LAS VEGAS NIGHTCLUBS, BARS AND LOUNGES FOR LGBT PATRONS

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BACKDOOR 1415 E. Charleston Ave. 702-385-2018	Noches Nortenas (Latin Country Night) 9p - 2a	Karaoke Night 2-4-1 Drinks 10p - 4a	Happy Hour 2-4-1 Drinks 10a - Noon	Underwear Night 2-4-1 Drinks 10p - 4a	Happy Hour 2-4-1 Drinks 10a - Noon	Noches Latina (Latin Night) 10p - 6a	Noches Latina (Latin Night) 10p - 6a
BADLANDS SALOON 953 E. Sahara Ave. 702-792-9262	\$3.50 Beer Bust 9p - Midnight	Happy Hour 2-4-1 4p - 7p	Happy Hour 2-4-1 4p - 7p	Happy Hour 2-4-1 4p - 7p	Happy Hour 2-4-1 4p - 7p	\$5 Liquor Bust 7p - Midnight	\$5 Beer Bust 7p - Midnight
CHARLIE'S LAS VEGAS 5012 S. Arville St. 702-876-1844	\$5 Beer Bust 4-7p \$2 Long Isl. 7p - Mid Sunday Show 9pm	Beginner Dance Lessons 7-9pm and Ginger Grant 10pm	Happy Hour 4-7p FREE Drag Queen Bingo	Happy Hour 4-7p \$1 Mini-Pitch. 7p-2a Retro Night w/Trivia	Happy Hour 4-7p Line Dance Lessons Bear/Bare Chest Nite	NGRA Apprec. Night 75¢ Happy Hour 7-9p \$10 Liquor Bust 9p-1a	75¢ Happy Hour 7-9p \$5 Beer Bust 9p-1a
ENTOURAGE VEGAS 953 E. Sahara Ave. 702-650-9191	Open 24 Hours Salsa Sundays Latin music & videos	Open 24 Hours Boys Night Ages 18-21 in free	Open 24 Hours Dark Night All lights are off	Open 24 Hours Wise Wednesdays Ages 40+ get in free	Open 24 Hours Inked Show off your tats	Open 24 Hours Freebie Fridays Exciting giveaways	Open 24 Hours Packed House Our busiest night
ESCAPE LOUNGE 4213 W. Sahara Ave. 702-364-1167	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool, slots, games
FLEX 4371 W. Charleston Ave. 702-385-FLEX	2-4-1 Bloody Mary's	2-4-1 Mixed Drinks 4 - 7p	Underwear Island with DJ Semaj 10pm-2am	Welfare Wednesday Desirae Penda'vis Midnight	cheapPLASTIK! performing at 11pm	Confessions with JewDi Vine and DJ K 11pm	\$1 Wells 9-11pm Ntoxxicated with Diva Toxxx 11p
FREEZONE 610 E. Naples Dr. 702-794-2300	Karaoke Happy Hour 4 - 8p Beer Bust 8p - 1a	Karaoke Happy Hour 4 - 8p Beer Bust 8p - 1a	Ladies Night Happy Hour 4 - 8p Beer/Lick-Her-Bust 8p - 1a	Happy Hour 4 - 8p Beer Bust 8p - 1a	Boys Night Happy Hour 4 - 8p Beer Bust 8p - 2a	Queens of Las Vegas Show/Dance Party Beer Bust 8p - 1a	Queens of Las Vegas Show/Dance Party Beer Bust 8p - 1a
FUN HOG RANCH 495 E. Twain 702-791-7001	\$5 Beer Bust 6-9pm	Happy Hour 3-7p \$1.50 Long Island Iced Teas 9p-2a	Happy Hour 3-7p \$5 Beer Bust 9p-2a	Happy Hour 3-7p \$1.50 Margaritas 9p-2a	Happy Hour 3-7p \$5 Beer Bust 9p-2a	Happy Hour 3-7p	Come in, drink up and just have a great time.
GOODTIMES 1775 E. Tropicana Ave. 702-736-9494	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool tables & Slots	Performers from La Cage 10p Liquor bust 10p-2a	Happy Hour 24/7 with VIP Card Pool tables & Slots	Karaoke with Sheila	Club Cyanide 11p - 3a	Fantasia Fridays \$10 Liquor/beer bust 10p-2a	DJ Papi Chulo Noche Caliente 10p
KRAVE LAS VEGAS Harmon Ave. at LV Blvd. 702-836-0830	SINdaze: Vegas' 8th Deadly Sin hosted by JewDi Vine	Closed	Kouture DJ LightKnife \$2 Martinis	So You Think You Can Strip? Win cash prizes!	THURSTdaze Liquor/Beer Bust	Flesh with VJ Alpyne (main room) and sKizoFrenia (lounge)	World-class DJs in main room and Candybar in lounge
LAS VEGAS EAGLE 3430 E. Tropicana Ave. 702-458-8662	\$5 Well or Draft Bust 12 - 5p and 10p - 2a	Movie Mondays with Steven	Karaoke with Mark & Rick 10p	Jock Strap and Underwear Night 10p - 3a	\$5 Well or Draft Bust 12 - 5p and 10p - 2a	Jock Strap and Underwear Night 10p - 3a	\$5 Well or Draft Bust 12 - 5p and 10p - 2a
SNICK'S PLACE 3rd St. off Las Vegas Blvd. 702-385-9298	Open 24 Hours	Happy Hour 2 - 4a and 2 - 4p	Happy Hour 2 - 4a and 2 - 4p	Happy Hour 2 - 4a and 2 - 4p	Happy Hour 2 - 4a and 2 - 4p	Happy Hour 2 - 4a and 2 - 4p	\$5 Beer Bust and \$6 Liquor Bust 9p - Midnight
SPOTLIGHT LOUNGE 957 E. Sahara Ave. 702-696-0202	\$1.50 Bloody Marys 8a - 4p \$5 Beer Bust 4 - 7p	\$5 Beer Bust Noon - 4p 2-4-1 9p - Midnight	\$5 Beer Bust Noon - 4p 2-4-1 9p - Midnight	Hump Day \$1.50 Well Screws or Margaritas 8a - 4p	\$5 Liquor Bust 8 - 11p	\$5 Liquor Bust 1 - 4p \$5 Beer Bust 8 - 11p	\$5 Beer Bust 12 - 3p Couples Night 6 - 9p Jock Night Mid - 4p

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BEATLES REVOLUTION LNG. The Mirage 702-692-8383	For you technology junkies, this has to be the coolest place in town with touch screen cocktail tables, great music and a couple of secret tricks to uncover. Check out Closet Sundays.	RHUMBAR The Mirage 702-792-7615	Designed in a style reminiscent of a mojito, with its white and green decor, Rhumbar is a new venue at The Mirage with a beautiful outdoor patio. Captiv8 is a gay night on Wednesdays.
BLUE MARTINI Town Square 702-949-BLUE	This new local hot spot is situated in Town Square and is always packed with great eye candy. Every night from 11 p.m. until close is hospitality pricing—half off drinks!	LAVO The Palazzo 702-791-1800	Check out the newest patio on the Las Vegas Strip by the Tao Group. Gays abound on Label Junkie Wednesdays with fashion shows taking place throughout the space.
CATHOUSE Luxor 702-262-4228	This swanky burlesque club/restaurant has hosted several gay events and is located in the Luxor. Great décor, sassy cocktail uniforms and fabulous lighting and sound.	STUDIO 54 MGM Grand 702-891-7254	A modern interpretation of the original, featuring state-of-the-art sound, video and lighting, live dancers and chart-topping dance music. 4 dance floors and go-go boys and girls.
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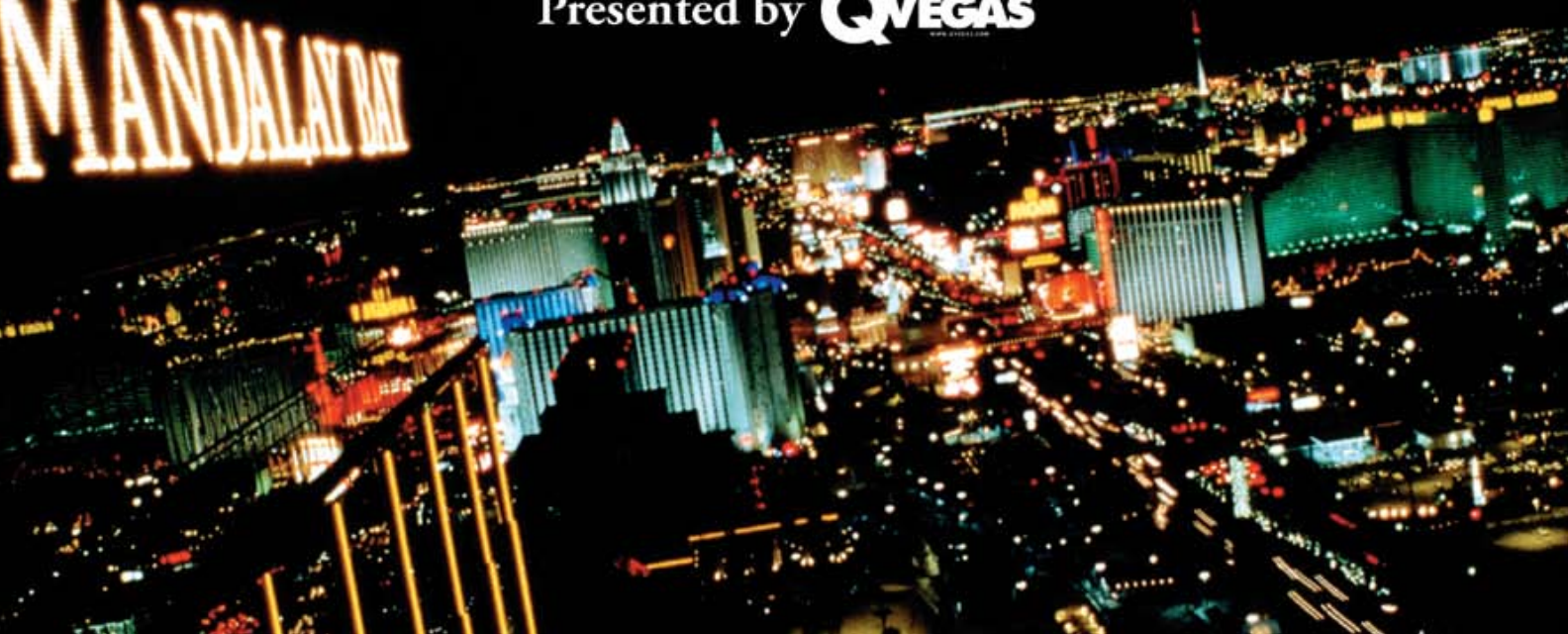
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Onyx Theatre, 7pm
www.onyxtheatre.com
Continues through October 11

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2**LuckyBearWeekend**

Various locations
www.luckybearweekend.com
Continues through October 5.

WHEI and NGRA Harvest Moon Barrel Race

Horseman's Park, 6pm
www.ngra.com

Boys Night Out Drag Free Event

Badlands Saloon, 9pm
www.desertempire.org

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3**Bear Dip 3**

Blue Moon Resort, 12pm
www.kumalv.com

NCOD Street Festival 2009

Commercial Center, 4-10pm
www.qvegas.com

Kylie Minogue

Pearl Concert Theater, 8pm
www.ticketmaster.com

Leather Is Back

Eagle, 10pm
702-458-8662

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5**HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing**

The Center, 1-6:30pm
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Affirmation (Mormons) Family Home Evening

Location TBA, 7pm
sincitymormon@gmail.com
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6**IRSCDEI Court Meeting**

The Center, 7pm
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China Grill, 8-10pm
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Foundation Room at Mandalay Bay, 11pm
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7**LVPT Casino Buffet Luncheon**

Fiesta Northwest, 11:30am
www.lasvegasprimetimers.com

Lunch & Learn**(Beyond the Diagnosis – Head Trip)**

AFAN Education Community Room, 11:30am
www.afanlv.com

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8**HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing**

The Center, 1-6:30pm
www.thecenterlv.com

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9**Deployment Las Vegas**

Blue Moon Resort, 9am
www.deploymentvegas.com
Gay military men. Continues through October 11.

Mariah Carey

Pearl Concert Theater, 8pm
www.ticketmaster.com
Another show follows on October 10.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10**Jewelry Show & Sale**

Charleston Antique Mall, 10am-6pm
702-228-4783

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to benefit FOCUS in Southern Nevada
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**Jewelry Show & Sale**

Charleston Antique Mall, 11am-5pm
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Aunt Betty's 5th Annual**"Mac It Till It Cheeses"**

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Eagle, 4-7pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12**HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing**

The Center, 1-6:30pm
www.thecenterlv.com

The Laramie Project: 10 Years Later

Green Valley High School Theatre, 5pm
www.gvhstheatre.com

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13**Betty's Outrageous Adv. Board Meeting**

The Center, 6:30pm
www.bettysout.com

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Rum Jungle, 8-10pm
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14**LVPT Dine-out Night**

Applebee's on Nellis, 6:30pm
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www.lambdavl.org

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

Healthy Friction Weekend
Blue Moon Resort, 9am
www.healthyfriction.com

Lunch & Learn (Atripla)
AFAN Education Community Room, 11:30am
www.afanlv.com

HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing
The Center, 1-6:30pm
www.thecenterlv.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

From Broadway to Hollywood
Spotlight Lounge, 8pm
www.desertempire.org

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing
The Center, 1-6:30pm
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

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RM Seafood, 8-10pm
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QVegas presents Elevated
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

LVPT Casino Buffet Luncheon
Sam's Town, 12 pm
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HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing
The Center, 1-6:30pm
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

U2 360 Tour with Black Eyed Peas
Sam Boyd Stadium, 7pm
www.ticketmaster.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

LVPT Brunch
Eureka Casino, 11am
www.lasvegasprimetimers.com

LVPT Committee Meeting
The Center, 1pm
www.lasvegasprimetimers.com

Make a Difference Day Event
Pettiti Park (2505 N. Bruce St.), 9am
www.afanlv.com

ABBA The Music
Star of the Desert, 8pm
www.ticketmaster.com
Concert by ABBA tribute band, Waterloo.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

HIV and Hepatitis A & B Testing
The Center, 1-6:30pm
www.thecenterlv.com

IRSCDEI Board of Directors Meeting
The Center, 7pm
www.desertempire.com

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

SinCityQSocials presents
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Foundation Room at Mandalay Bay, 8-10pm
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Foundation Room at Mandalay Bay, 11pm
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

LVPT Cocktail Night
Goodtimes, 6pm
www.lasvegasprimetimers.com

Cabaret Show Featuring Madame
to benefit Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN)
Stage Door Theater at Town Square, 8pm
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

HIV, Hepatitis A and B Testing
The Center, 1-6:30pm
www.thecenterlv.com

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

St. Therese Center Annual Retreat
Location and time tbd
www.sainttheresecenter.org
Continues through November 1.

Kathy Griffin
Mandalay Bay, 7:30pm and 10:30pm
www.ticketmaster.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

Fruit Loop Halloween Block Party
The Fruit Loop, 8pm

Halloween Bash
to benefit FOCUS in Southern Nevada
Charlie's Las Vegas, 9pm

Beaux Arts Ball
Krave Night Club, 10:31pm
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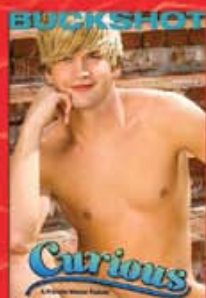
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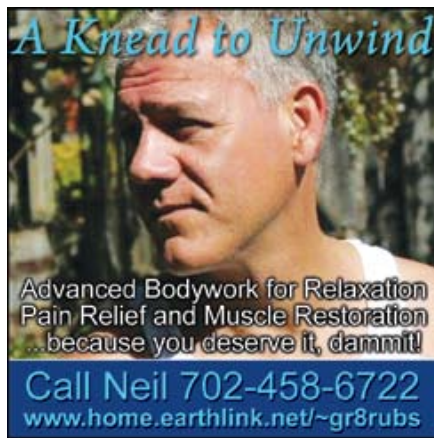
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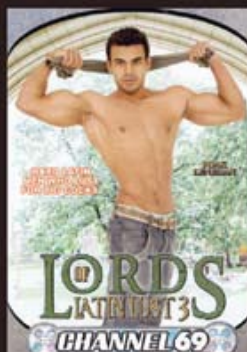
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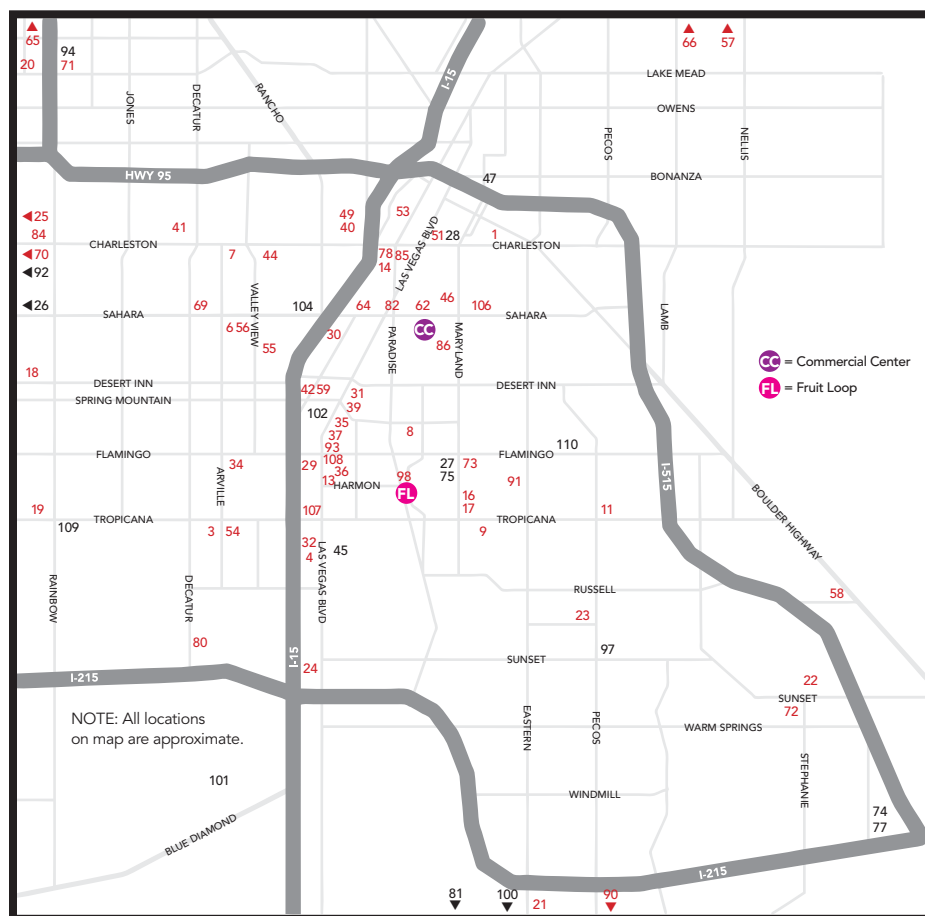
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With Mercury's shakeup behind us, this month looks quite productive for you. This holds especially true on the 4th when that Aries full moon comes into play. Nothing can stop you from advancing career goals (unless it's a royal slip up). The 20th looks strongest for getting what you want from superiors. Just add a little charm to that beguiling smile and you're home free.



SCORPIO 10/23-11/21

Oddly enough it's diplomacy and not force that should bring about the most rewards this month, Scorp. The old soft sell is your best bet and should be brushed up on. Don't schedule important meetings for the 12th. The planets shall be a bit fickle that day. But the 17th looks terrific for casting your magic spell on clients and competitors alike.

SAGITTARIUS 11/22-12/21

Forget about last month's losses and concentrate on the next 90 days. Your aim is to end 2009 on a high note and that process starts Oct. 1. Clear the decks and throw out what you no longer need. Sadly, this may include ending a friendship in the process. Full moon on the 4th and new moon on the 18th both trigger marvelous career opportunities. Take full advantage of these.

CAPRICORN 12/22-01/19

For much of the month it would be wise to tread over familiar ground, rather than exploring a new path that might lead to a mini disaster. The 10th is one day where you especially should watch that temper and simply let the other guy have their way. Shoulder aches require the services of a pro. Have this done by the 17th. Your Halloween costume shall certainly drop a few jaws.

AQUARIUS 01/20-02/18

You'll get to tie up a great many (nagging) loose ends this month. All it takes is concentration and not getting sidetracked by hard to resist temptations. Keep to yourself on the 15th (don't answer the phone or door) and it'll be an awesome weekend. An out of town trip from the 21st-24th brings about better than hoped for results. In affairs of the heart, you'll have to wait a bit longer.

PISCES 02/19-3/19

The first third of October shall seem like an endurance test, as will the last eight days. However, the 11th-23rd offer a time frame where you can do virtually no wrong (using common sense of course). Two of those three love interests shall have to be sent packing though. You know who's right for you. Get on bended knee and tell him how you feel. The 18th-20th look best for this proposal.

ARIES 03/20-04/19

Annual full moon in your sign on the 4th has you glowing like the Sun and may magnetize a brand new lover toward you. Put on some shades though, so you won't be completely dazzled (our feeling is he is "the one"). Financial aspects begin to get stronger after the 16th (you'll still need to watch the impulse buying). Look on line for the best deals for that Xmas holiday getaway—immediately.

TAURUS 04/20-05/20

Unlike Pisces, the month both begins and ends wonderfully for you. It's that stumbling slump in the middle that temporarily derails some marvelous momentum. Not to fear though, Taurus. You'll come to the rescue and be hailed a hero of sorts before the 31st. We recommend you get out of town for that holiday weekend, as there is money to be made. And we can never have enough of that, can we?

GEMINI 05/21-06/21

What a nice change of pace for you, Gemmy! You'll get to call most of the shots throughout October. If there is a major foul up, only you're to blame. But we don't see that in our crystal ball. The key to success is self confidence and a socko marketing/advertising plan. With that and some hard work, you're sure to hit a home run or two. Get out there and hit that ball. Just make it happen.

CANCER 06/22-07/22

Fair is fair, Cancer. Nothing comes easily this month. But, the more seeds (ideas) that are planted the more fruit (results) that will come into your life. Be willing to sacrifice some party time in order to achieve your goals. Of course do take Sundays off. We wouldn't want to see you grumpy and missed by the gang of friends you possess. Games of chance do pay off on the 18th, if you're interested.

LEO 07/23-08/22

Another mixed result month awaits. From the 1st-8th, everything falls into place, as it does from the 23rd-31st. It's that in between period when you must look for two-faced people who pretend to be your friend but are truly career climbing back stabbers. You should have no problems telling who's on your side and who isn't. An overdue apology is best made on the 25th.

VIRGO 08/23-09/22

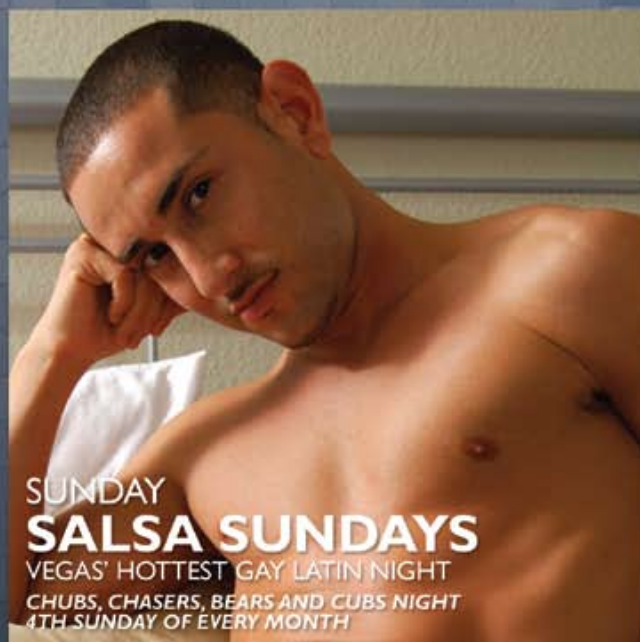
Of all signs of the Zodiac, the signs align best for you this month. Opportunities are there for the taking, so get a move on and start picking up those gold nuggets. The 11th and 19th look especially ripe for explaining any new ideas to the boss, so that they'll actually listen (another nice change of pace—no?). It's best to keep to yourself or at least close to home on the 24th.

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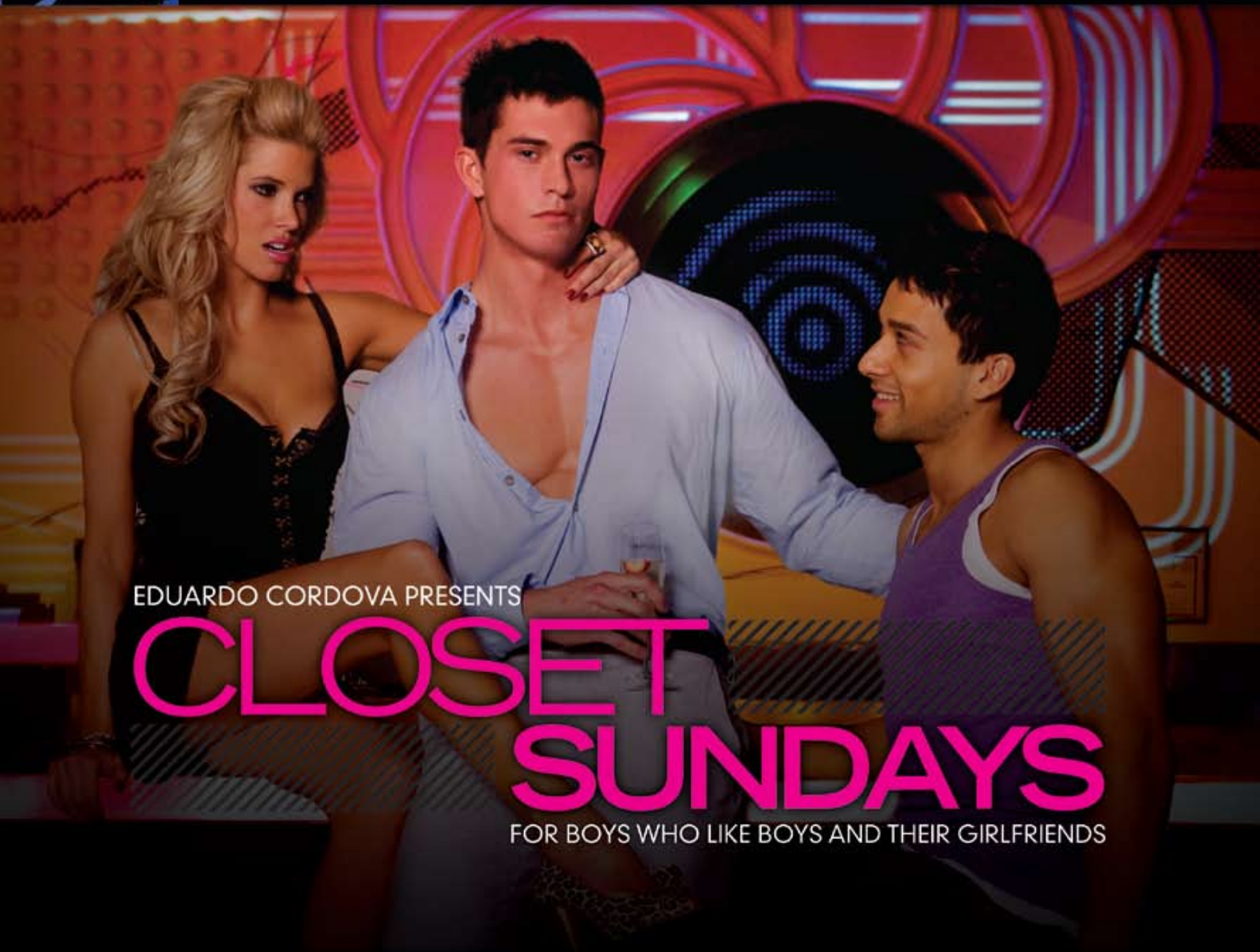
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