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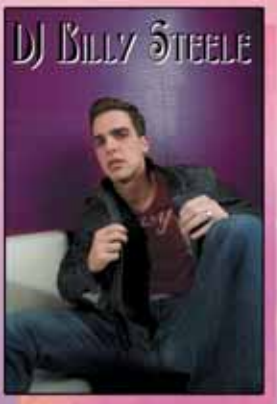

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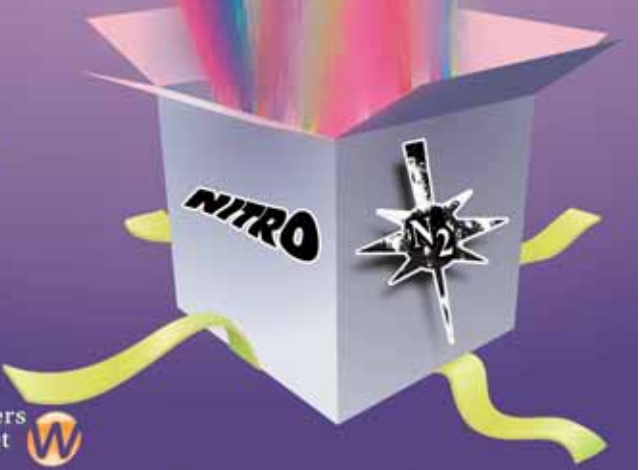

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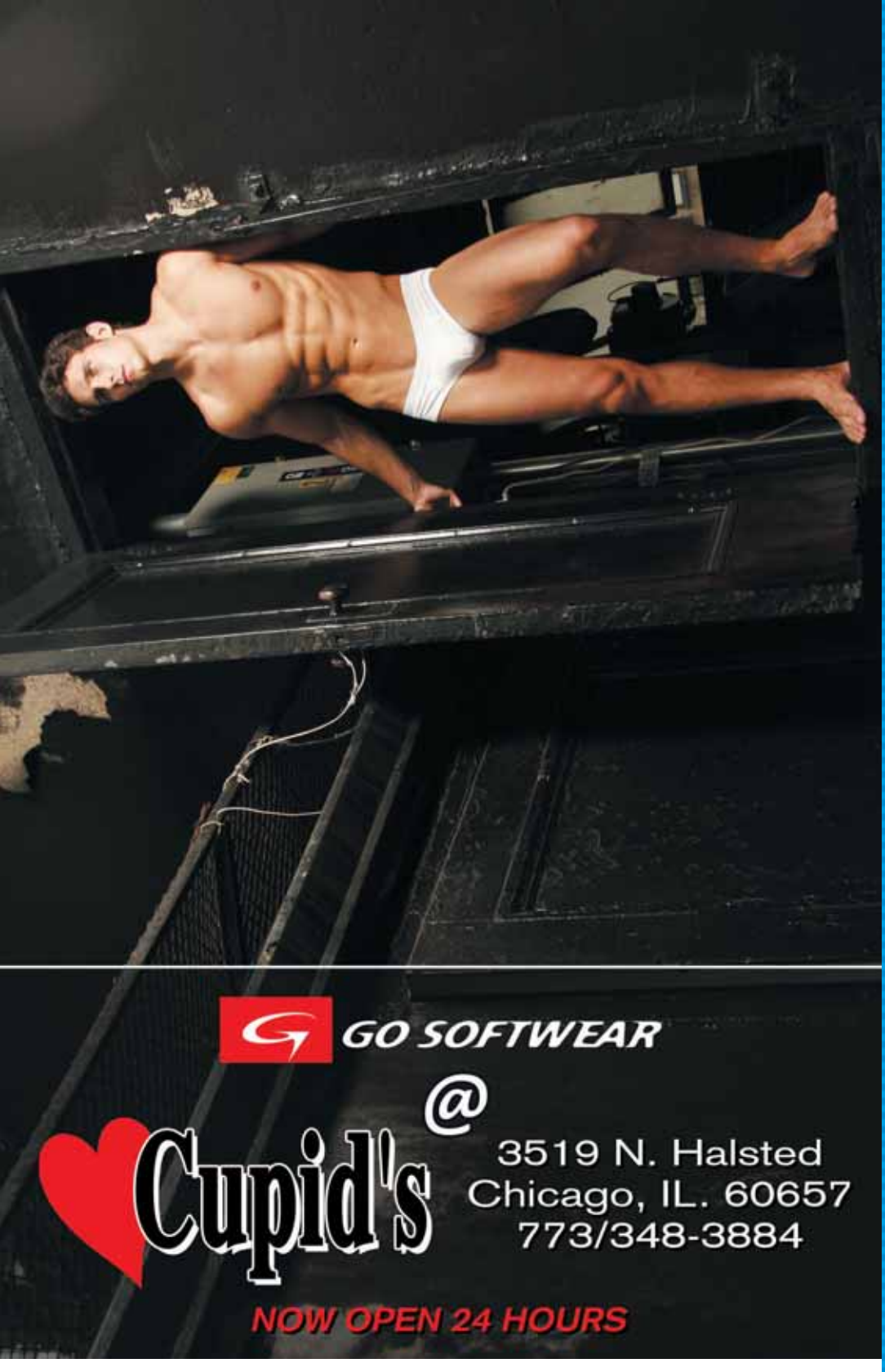
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OUT IN THE STARS

out in the stars

by charlene lichtenstein

The holiday season gets into the swing of things now as expansive Jupiter conjuncts volcanic Pluto. Prepare for an avalanche of cheerful fun that could bury you up to your neck. Ho... ho... ho... oops!

ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 20) If your hooves are itching for a little end-of-year escape, plan it now. The most important thing is to see what you can do to relieve stress and joyfully welcome in the holiday season. There are various means of stress reduction at your disposal. Ahem.

TAURUS (APRIL 21 - MAY 21) Queer Bulls hang their holiday balls all over town. Life is one long party with an open bar and elfin minions ready to attend to your every wish. How about wishing for something to lessen the throbbing in your head the morning after?

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21) December rings in deeper connection to those who are close to you. As you roast your chestnuts on a open fire, think about what you want in a relationship. Jupiter conjuncts Pluto and inflames your passion... or something like that. Watch out for sparks!

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23) As Jupiter hits Pluto, your workplace becomes a tinderbox of activity. Kaboom, gay Crab! Finish up old projects and clean off your desk before the new year bell rings. Before you know it, you will be off onto new things, new folks and new experiences.

LEO (JULY 24 - AUG. 23) Proud Lions create a festive frolic that is destined to get you into mucho trouble. Unleash your inner party beast and find new ways to be the creative genius you were meant to become. How beastly will you behave? Let's just say true to form. Grrr.

VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23) 'Tis the season to create opportunities to entertain family, friends and friends-to-be. Create a domestic frenzy. Don't try to take on too much though—just handle what you can easily control. Then deck the halls with hunks of.... well, how about hunks?

LIBRA (SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23) Proud Libras are especially eloquent, compelling and delightful as Jupiter conjuncts Pluto through the month. Charm every scrooge and make very merry. There may even be an extra lump or two in your stocking at the evenings end. Err, coal... ?

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22) Your end of year bonus is in the works. Gay Scorps are able to capitalize on it with careful fiscal acumen. What are you waiting for? Begin your research and start investing in the future. Before you know it you will become well-endowed. We can only hope!

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 22) Gay Archers sparkle with personality and become a social force. Jupiter conjuncts Pluto and lends zest to every meeting and greeting. Start new projects, meet new folks. Just get out of your old skin and slip into someone else's!

CAPRICORN (DEC. 23 - JAN. 20) It is a great time to expand your vision of the future and create a generous legacy to your great personal works. Get involved in your favorite community efforts or with a certain worthy charitable cause. If not you then who? If not now then when?

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19) Aqueerians know how to gather the troops. How can you best get into the social swim when everything and everyone wants your attention at the same time? The secret is to not take on too much and then peter out. However, Peter being out is very good.

PISCES (FEB. 20 - MARCH 20) Guppies with ambition can make their big move. Even those who prefer to take the holiday season off will find ample opportunities to climb another rung on the corporate ladder. You are pushed into the shark tank. Are you shark bait or shark hunter?

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Lichtenstein's "HerScopes: A Guide To Astrology For Lesbians" is an international sensation and has just "come out" in its 6th printing. Buy it and feel the vibration.

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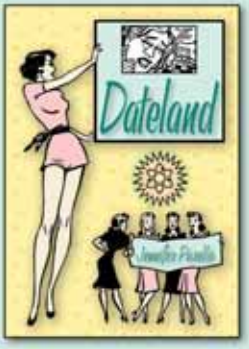

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HEY, I'M THAT GUY FROM THE MAGAZINE

hey, i'm that guy from the magazine

by kirk williamson

So the whole Crotch or Bea Arthur debate continues to rage, courtesy of Stephen Rader and his blog "Are You There, Blog? It's Me, Stephen." If you recall from last week, I spoke of a conversation in which Stephen attempted to reinvigorate the Crotch or Bea Arthur

feature and we thought maybe we should switch it up a little. If you check out Stephen's blog (http://stephenrader.blogspot.com/) you'll see his smart-ass suggestion, namely "Treasure Trail or Betty White." This touched off a whole Internets ideafest of semi-faded camp queen/salacious body part comparisons. By the time it got around to "Adrienne Barbeau or Leather Purse" it was all starting to grow a bit esoteric for my tastes. As such I decided to go back to the original. Turn to page 30 at the bottom of Pubert's Porn Page for the return of Crotch or Bea Arthur.

And thanks, Stephen, for suggesting I get the Nobel Prize for my pioneering work in comparing Maude to cocks. I fervently agree with your humble assertion.

A tip of the ol' cap to Mercedes at Mary's Attic for hosting a great round of Bingo Karaoke last Sunday. Your introduction of me was stellar. Unfortunately I had to follow it up with tripping over my feet as I got on stage and almost breaking my nose. I think I brought it back with my Purple Rain, though.

Another day, another ball for Hydrate, whose Red Ball this past week benefited Chicago House. They kind of got a raw deal on the weather (Remember that one night last week where everything was covered in ice for one night? That was the night), but those in attendance were treated to a

spectacular show and prizes. All this to commemorate World AIDS Day. I was glad to have been a part of the party.

And the following night, in the World AIDS Day bag, Circuit played host to Urbano's Red Party. Thanks for helping raise awareness, guys. I don't have to tell you how important it is.

And I don't have to tell you, either, that when Miss Paula Sinclaire goes butch, she goes all the pick-up-truck-drivin', beer-swillin', crotch grabbin' way. Just ask Barry Schwartz.

Happy birthday to Shannon and Tim, both of whom were presented with a cake at Hideaway by Miss Ginger Lee. But the cake wasn't the sweetest thing in the room, the rumors about Temptations were. I will not dignify any of them in print. But if ya see me on the street, I'll spill.

If you've ever wondered what it would look like to see nuns tonguing one another, stop in to Bobby Love's any given Friday for Creaoke. I'm sure you'll find sick satisfaction.

Speaking of which, hats off to AIDS Foundation of Chicago for their smash success World of Chocolate event this year. I only wish I spoke 9 languages so I could muster enough words to speak about how resplendent it all was. The tastes were sublime and a community came together to help fight AIDS. It really makes me proud!

Social Flare is a hot new women's party at 531 North Wells in Chicago's River North Neighborhood. Their pre-

miere this past Friday was a femme success. Just see page 12 for Kat's hot pix.

Pick up our special Gift Guide issue next week. Time to put down my camera and pick up my snark.

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1 Shannon and Tim at Hideaway. *pix by Kirk*
2 Tongue nuns at Bobby Love's. *pix by Kirk*
3 Barry Schwartz at Circuit. *pix by Kirk*

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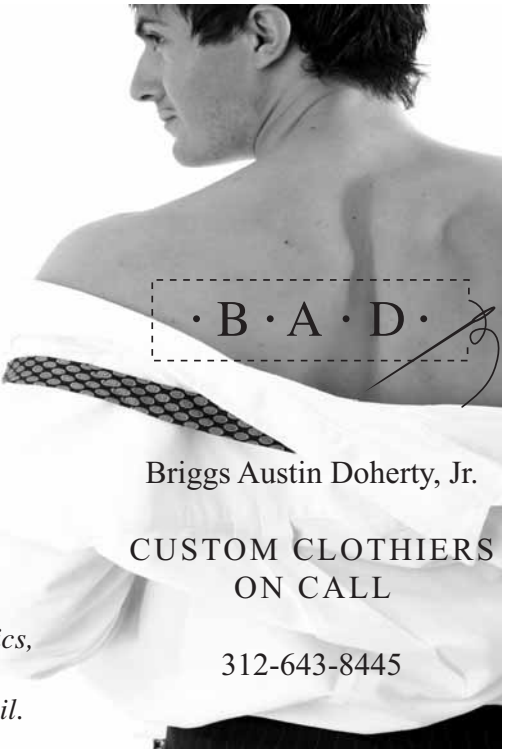

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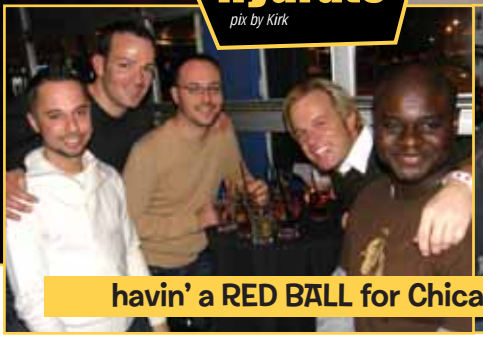

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GAYSHA, GAYSHA, GAYSHA!

Cabaret performer Kyle Hustedt talks to Nightspots about his new revue "Geisha & Gaysha," why gay men love cabaret and how peeing his pants changed his life.

Nightspots: I see you have some operatic background. How does that play into cabaret performing?

Kyle Hustedt: Well, it is what drove me to it, really. I came to Chicago to do my Master's in Opera performance at Northwestern in 2002 and fell in love with a little cabaret that I am sure many remember: Voltaire. It was from watching the shows there that I knew this was where I was meant to be. I finished my degree in opera in 2004 and was ready for a new adventure. I was tired of the snooty attitudes and judgmental behaviors and I feel that my classical training made me a very versatile singer. I can go from a musical theatre sound to Mozart in the same song and it gives a fun dynamic to the shows.

NS: How did the idea for the new revue "Geisha and Gaysha" come about?

KH: I was working aboard the M.S. Norwegian Star playing the Phantom in Andrew Lloyd Weber's "Music of the Night" and my cabin mate and I had had a few too many cocktails in the crew bar. When we returned to the room we had gotten on a kick out of hilarious stereotypes and I wrote them down. I was working in revues on the ship and I saw how well they really work with audiences. When I returned to Chicago I pulled out that notebook and mended all of these random thoughts into this new work.

NS: Why do you think cabaret has always been such a hit with the gays?

KH: Are you kidding?! I have two words for you—Liza Minnelli! No, seriously, it is an after-dark world of fantasy where people can come and forget about life and trouble for a while. As we both know, the gay community is riddled with drama and sometimes it is nice to be able to see all this drama in satire; it reminds us that it isn't that serious or bad. Where else can one go and get the "hits" of Broadway, jazz and pop sewn together with a sassy story and flashy costumes? It is FABULOUS!

NS: Fabulous costumes! Who does 'em?

KH: Byron Batista is a friend of mine and he worked as the costumer for the national tour of Hairspray as well as Bruce Vilanch's dresser. When I presented the idea to him he was so excited to tackle this challenge. He really gave the characters a hysterical personality. For instance: Suki's opening wig has a bunch of sushi in it and Sakura's has a take-out box spilled over with chow mein... the comedy! He is currently working for the L.A. Opera and we keep in touch. The man is a genius!

NS: Have you always been a performer? Tell me about an early-life experience when you knew that performing was your future.

KH: I have been singing as long as I can remember. A high school history teacher never called me by name, he just called me "golden throat!" I recall a time I was singing at church, I was eight at the time, and I tried telling the pianist that I had to go to the bathroom. She insisted that it was just my nerves. I did in fact pee my pants in front of everyone that day. I ran home crying and I knew from then on that I was destined for great things!

See Kyle Hustedt and Brenda Bushera in "Geisha & Gaysha" every Sunday night in December at Mary's Attic, 5400 N. Clark St., 7 p.m., $10 cover.

Mary's Attic

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PRETZEL LOGIC

pretzel logic by david j. magdziarz

This week's column is a Pretzel Logic look at Republican fundraising techniques.

OKLAHOMA THINKS I'M OK

I recently received this answering machine message: "Hi. This message is for Mr. David... Mag-zriz. My name is Tia Jackson with Congressman Tom Cole [R-Oklahoma] and the National Republican Congressional Committee ["RNCC"] in Washington. I want to recognize you with our highest honor, the Congressional Order of Merit. I need to speak to you about this as soon as possible. Again, my name is Tia Jackson and my number is 1-888-383-4164. Please call me as soon as you get this message. Thank you and have a good day."

SOMETIMES BEING A BITTER, SARCASTIC, JADED GAY GUY REALLY HELPS

I immediately figured the message was crapola, so naturally I called 888-383-4164 right away.

BUT WOULD THEY RESPOND TO ANY BITTER, SARCASTIC, JADED COMMENTS I MIGHT HAVE?

When I called 888-383-4164 some perky woman answered. I gave her my name and explained the message I received, and she replied that they had my award right there, but first I needed to listen to a recorded message from Congressman Cole, and that Ms. Perky Republican would be back after that to answer any questions I might have.

…WHAT THE HELL SORT OF BUSINESS MIGHT THAT BE?

The taped message from Wretch… I mean "Rep." Cole started off with him saying how the RNCC appreciated my contributions as a small business owner, and my first thought was…

MAYBE REP. TOM COLE REALLY LIKES MY JOKES ABOUT LITTLE JIM'S

Not only do I NOT own a small business, but I just couldn't quite imagine the Republican Party wanting to honor me for writing this column either.

GIVE ME AN AWARD FOR RESISTING THE TEMPTATION TO HANG UP THE PHONE

Rep. Cole went on about how Nancy Pelosi and the Democrats think that I, as a small business owner, must be rich, that they want to take away my hard-earned money away by raising taxes, that we have to stop them from taking the White House, that Rep. Cole wanted me to join some advisory committee, and so on with other similar drivel.

JUNK MAIL - JUNK PHONE CALL

As I listened to the BS from TC, I realized that the RNCC got my name off the same junk mail list that business supply companies have been using to send me letters as the "owner" of a particular business that in fact I do not own.

REP. TOM COLE (R., OK), LEATHER FETISHIST?

That business is Bex Leathers, and as their attorney (seriously, I'm a lawyer) I filed the company's incorporation papers with the State, and act as their registered agent. However, isn't it heartwarming to think that perhaps Rep. Tom Cole and the RNCC want to honor a business that makes leather chaps, vests, jeans, breeches, and other leather fetish articles?

APPARENTLY NOT

When the Perky Republicanette got back on the line she asked if I heard the entire message. I said yes, but that as a Democrat I liked the idea of a Democrat being elected president, and that as for raising taxes, what did she expect when the president foolishly cuts taxes in time of war, and a stupid war at that. As I was still saying all this, she started reciting some disclaimer about how she is not with any congressman's staff, and just before she hung up on me I started asking "Do I Still Get My Award? Do I Still Get My Award?"

500 REASONS NOT TO GET A CONGRESSIONAL ORDER OF MERIT

A Google search revealed that the "award" I was offered could've been mine if I paid $500 to join that advisory committee Rep. Cole mentioned.

THE CONGRESSIONAL ORDER OF BULLSHIT

As one blogger stated about the Congressional Order of Merit phone call he received: "Is it just me or does anyone else think it smacks of fraud to call something 'Congressional' which isn't?"

THE CONGRESSIONAL PRETZEL OF MERIT

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To get your Congressional Pretzel of Merit, e-mail me at PretzelLogicDave@aol.com. To thank Rep. Cole for recognizing small business owners, visit http://www.cole.house.gov

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Intermission

World Wide Weird

by graysong

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YOUR PARENTS WERE PARTY ANIMALS

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You'll probably want to remove your corneas and give your retinas a nice bleaching after looking through these photo galleries. They'll make you aware that your parents were young once, and getting drunk taking compromising photos was commonplace long before there was a MySpace to post them to. These are from back in the day where there were these things called "negatives" that were really important to any blackmail scheme. Watch a couple of old *Columbo*s on YouTube and I'm sure you'll stumble across the scenario.

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ON MY GOD, THEY'VE PIRATED KENNY!

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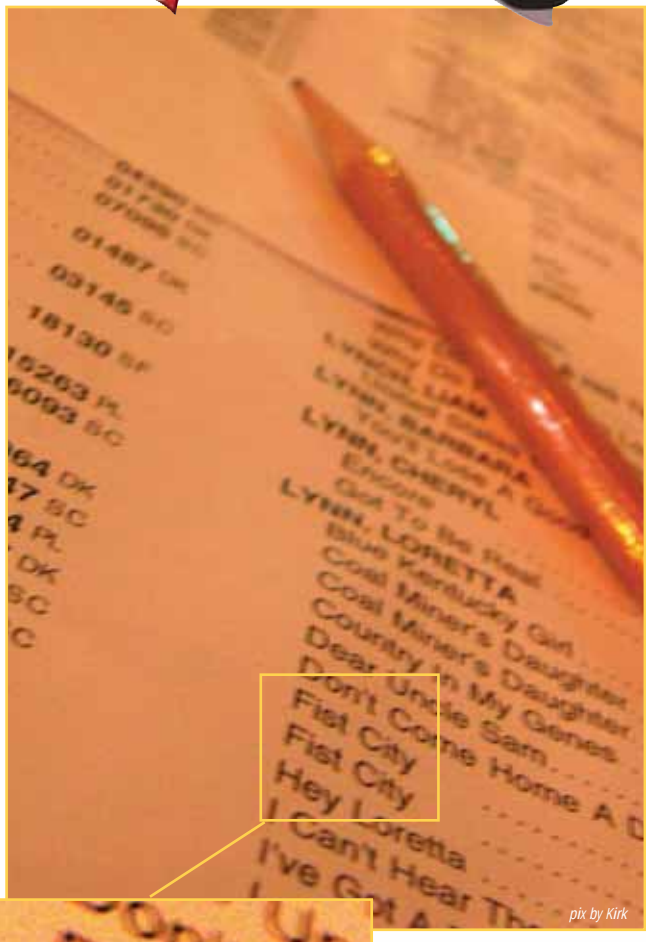
You've already watched *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, Rudolph, and Frosty. What to do to kill a little time while waiting for the 24-hour *A Christmas Story* Marathon? How about watching the South Park Christmas Classic, episode 110, *Mr. Hanky, the Christmas Poo*? Then, if you like, you can watch every episode of every season—for free. Pretty sure Viacom will close this site's doors one day, but until then you can use it to revisit your favorites and catch up those episodes you missed 10 years ago.

The Devil in the details



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MAIN: A glance at the karaoke song list at Mary's Attic reveals...

INSET: ... that Miss Loretta Lynn might well have been quite the active M.A.F.I.A. member.

NIGHTSPOTS MAFIA:

Special Guest:
Yoga Mentor Anne Adametz

INTERNET OR TV

YouTube is their bastard child! – Anne
Both. – Pubert
TV, by a hair. – Andrew
TV, at least until I get a faster computer. – Kirk
For porn or news? – Creaoke
Internet... until you can get tons of free porn on TV. – Robb
Internet. – Amy

SONG TITLE THAT BEST DESCRIBES GEORGE BUSH

"If I Could Turn Back Time" by Cher. – Anne
"Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer." – Pubert
"One Headlight" by The Wallflowers. – Kirk
"All Mixed Up" by 311. – Andrew
"Dumb All Over" by Frank Zappa. – Amy
"The Worst President In the History Of the United States." It's a new song I'm working on. – Robb
"Life During Wartime." – Creaoke

EVER BEEN SKYDIVING?

Took the class; they canceled for wind... check. – Farrah
Yes. – Pubert
I'm too chickenshit. – Amy
No, but I've stood in front of some powerful fans. It's about the same, without all the potential for death. – Robb
No. – Kirk
Not yet. – Andrew, Creaoke

CELEBRITY WHO SEEMS LIKE THE BIGGEST JERK

Steve Martin IS The Jerk (own it on VHS today!). – Anne
Vincent Gallo. – Kirk
David Spade. – Andrew
Colin Farrell. – Pubert
Vince Vaughn--That guy has got to be the biggest fuckhead in the universe. – Robb
Halle Berry. – Creaoke
Tom Cruise. – Amy

AUSSIE SANTAS CAN'T SAY "HO, HO, HO" ANYMORE BECAUSE "HO" MIGHT OFFEND WOMEN. COMMENTS?

Next, the promulgation: all Jesuses need to appear as Andy Gibb! – Anne
That's crazy; I could see if Santa said "prostitute, prostitute, prostitute." – Andrew
How do you pronounce "*#@ *#@ *#@"? – Creaoke,
Bitch, bitch, bitch... – Kirk
Only should offend the whores. – Pubert
If you think Santa just called you a "ho," then maybe you ARE a ho. – Amy
If Don Imus were the one dressed in red, sure. Otherwise, people need to stop being so sensitive. Wait, they have Santa in Austrailia? – Robb

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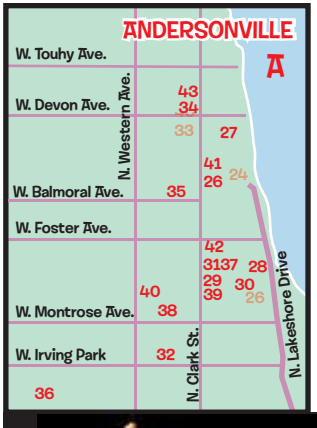

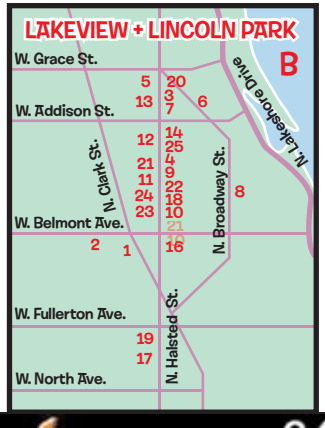

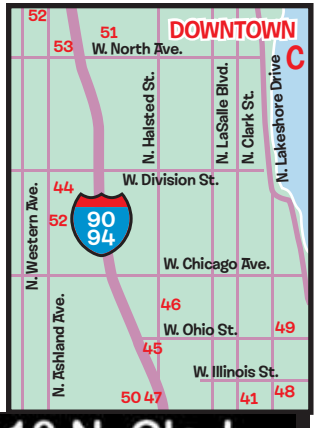

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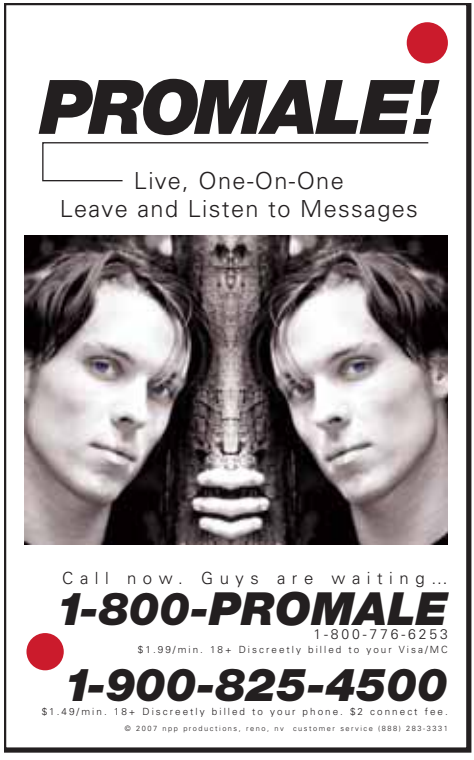
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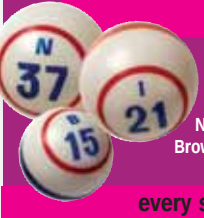

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Test Positive Aware Network Committed to Living panel discussion: Advocating for Our Brothers and Sisters in Our Own Back Yard. 7-9 p.m., 5537 N. Broadway, RSVP by Dec. 4 at 773-989-9400, www.tpan.com

Women & Children First Bookstore Beth Finke & Hanni, Hanni & Beth: Safe and Sound. 10:30 a.m., 5233 N. Clark St., 773-769-9299, www.womenandchildrenfirst.com

Thu Dec. 6

Berlin The Kleavage Tour, featuring Tittsworth and Klever, with DJs Heather Doble and Zebo, $10 cover, $6 before 11 p.m., 954 W. Belmont Ave., www.BerlinChicago.com

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Fri Dec. 7

Cake Chicago The Pink Party: Chelsea Z., Ripley Caine, Plaid on Plaid, Scott Free. Starts 9 p.m., Red Line Tap, www.myspace.com/cakechicago

Chicago Gay Men's Chorus Fruit Cake, a holiday show with holiday anthems and carols. Special appearance by art expert Sister Wendy. 8 p.m. (and Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.), info and tickets at ww.cgmc.org or 773-296-0541

Chicago Hellfire Club Special bar night and demo. 11 p.m., The Hole bar inside of Jackhammer, 6406 N. Clark St., program@hellfire13.net for info

Chicago NOW Lesbian Rights Team holiday fundraiser. 9-11 p.m., Early to Bed, 5232 N. Sheridan, free and open to public

Gerber/Hart Library Holidaze Book Sale. Through Dec. 16. 1127 W. Granville Ave., 773-381-8030, www.gerberhart.org

Hydrate Lube wrestling at 11 p.m., followed by DJ Jeannette, 3458 N. Halsted St., www.hydratechicago.com

Lincoln Park Lagooners Holly Trolley City Lights Tour. 6:30-11 p.m., $25 per person, meet at North End Bar, email Greg to register at leviwill@aol.com

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Spin $200 shower contest with Frida Lay, sign up by 11 p.m., contest at midnight, DJ Chris Eterno, no cover, 900 W. Belmont Ave., 773-327-7711, spin-nightclub.com

Windy City Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf Coffee social. 7 p.m., self pay, Caribou Coffee, 3500 N. Halsted St.

Women & Children First Bookstore Julia Bachrach & Jo Ann Nathan, Inspired by Nature: The Garfield Park Conservatory and Chicago's West Side. 7:30 p.m., 5233 N. Clark St., 773-769-9299, www.womenandchildrenfirst.com

Vital Bridges Harvest of Hope campaign party. Gameshow, raffle, entertainment, hosted by Miss Foozie. 8-11 p.m., Mary's Attic, 5400 N. Clark St., www.vitalbridges.org

Sat Dec. 8

3160 "Grandma Got Run Over By a Reign, Dear" The Windy City Empire's investiture and annual holiday tradition, investiture at 9 p.m., show at 10 p.m., 3160 N. Clark St.

Hydrate DJ David Knapp, 3458 N. Halsted St., www.hydratechicago.com

Lesbian Community Care Project Benefit presenting Suzanne Westenhoefer. Doors 6:30 p.m., Show 7:30 p.m., $30-$50, Park West, 322 W. Armitage Ave., tickets at www.lccp.org

Man's Country Peter, Kurtis, Stefan and Manuel, 5017 N. Clark St.

Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders Sharing Our History, Living Our Legacy. Share stories with other LGBTQ youth and adults. RSVP by Dec. 5. 1-4 p.m., Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted St., call 773-472-6469, ext. 160

Spin Fish Tank, presented by Dummy Corps, $5 cover, portion to benefit chicagowomenshealthcenter.org, 900 W. Belmont Ave., 773-327-7711, spin-nightclub.com

Vital Bridges Harvest of Hope campaign party. Chanel Exotique hosts a drag show and raffle. Canned food donations welcome. 10 p.m.-12 a.m., Jackhammer, 6406 N. Clark St., www.vitalbridges.org

Windy City Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf Brokesilent Mountain Costume Holiday Party. 3-8 p.m., 5 p.m. performance followed by costume contest, general admission $20/with costume $18/members $17/members with costume $15, Charlies, 3126 N. Broadway

Sun Dec. 9

Bailiwick's Second Sex Series Karaoke fundraiser. 8 p.m., Karaoke starts 9 p.m., Joey's Brickhouse, 1258 W. Belmont

Sidetrack Great Lakes Bears holiday party, 1-4 p.m., free to GLB members, $10 for non-members, food and prizes, 3349 N. Halsted St.

Windy City Gay Naturists M2M Massage Group. 4 p.m., RSVP by Dec. 7, 773-764-1204

Mon Dec. 10

Theatre Building Chicago D.C. Anderson (The Phantom of the Opera), Claudia Anderson and Hope Nunnery with Steve Tarshis in concert. Cabaret songs, Celtic story sons and "Baptist by way of the juke joint" tunes. 7:30 p.m., $15 at door (cash only), 1225 W. Belmont, RSVP at dc@dcanderson.net

Tue Dec. 11

Chicago House Champagne Wrapture. Silent auction features unique works of champagne bottle artistry. VIP reception ($150; limited space) 5:30-7 p.m., general event 6-9 p.m. ($65), The James Hotel, 55 E. Ontario, www.chicagohouse.org, 773-248-5200, ext. 303

Gerber/Hart Library Lesbian Book Group: Rubyfruit Jungle by Rita Mae Brown. 7:30 p.m., 1127 W. Granville Ave., www.gerberhart.org

Threat Level An Evening of Queer Shorts, a new bi-monthly screening of queer short films. 8 p.m., Elastic Arts Center, 2830 N. Milwaukee Ave., 2nd floor, $5-$10 sliding scale, threatlevelqueershorts@gmail.com

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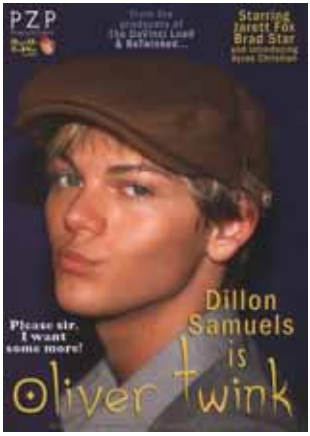

Groeper: The cover is terrible.
Pubert: But funny.
G: It's like Posh Spice on the cover. He's such a girl.
P: The cover looks old and does not make me want to run out and pick it up.

We drop in on the Kathy Lee Gifford Workhouse, where we have Oliver Twink standing in the food line.

"Please sir I want some more."

G: It's Brad Star as the lunch lady.
P: He has star tattoos. What a gimmick!
G: Olive is getting spanked by him.
P: Well, he's bargaining for a train ticket out of there.
G: The funny dialogue is over. Down to business now.
P: Brad has a great dick.

Oliver travels to South Beach to a new life.

P: He's already eating out of the trash. So pathetic.
G: Check out the prostitute he is talking to.
P: That hair has to go!
G: Is it a wig? He's supposed to be the Artful Dodger character.
P: This leads to a scene with Artful and a trick in a hotel room.
G: Ah, the classics.
P: He's acting a dog for him. I hope the pay is great.
G: Maybe you should be his pimp.
P: Oh, beg for that dildo boy.
G: They ripped the sheets off the bed.
P: That's not a sexy face for a cumshot.

Back at the ranch, we have Oliver, Artful and Fagin involved in a three way.

P: Classic porn star music.
G: Eww, mesh underwear.
P: Well, the sex is serious. Lots of positions.
G: Good cumshot.
P: But Oliver just lies there like a bump on a log.

After a stroll, Oliver is taken home by an undercover cop.

P: Is he going to arrest him?
G: He was going to but changed his mind. Must be love.
P: We have a happy ending. How sweet.
G: The plot was genius.
P: You have to like the cover boy. Oliver is in almost every scene.
G: It's wacky fun in this video.
P: It's actually well written. I am just not a fan of the quality.
G: Oliver Twink is full of plot twists and could use some work.
P: If you like twinks, not a bad video.
G: I agree. This makes me want to see more of their videos.

Pubert: Thumbs down the throat.
Groeper: Mild thumbs up the butt.

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