

boutlane clobbing

F BAR presents

Houston, Your Show of Support for F Bar DESERVES A SPECIAL THANK YOU

ABSOLUT PRIDE

in conjunction with Houston's LGBT PRIDE CELEBRATION June 18th - 25th DOUBLING YOUR PLEASURE...for TWO Weeks

JUNE 11–25

Order a WELL VODKA DRINK anytime during non Happy Hour and automatically receive ABSOLUT VODKA, Your Choice of Flavor, FOR THE PRICE OF A WELL DRINK

Our WELL Vodka is ABSOLUT

Every Day for Two Weeks to celebrate Houston's LGBT PRIDE

Of course we are keeping our incredible SOCIAL HAPPY HOUR Specials Tuesday-Saturday One Half OFF All Liquor until 9pm and Sundays REVERSE SOCIAL HAPPY HOUR begins at 10pm with One half OFF All Liquor until 2am (excludes signature margaritas, champagnes and bottle service)

Featuring the exclusive AURENZO'S

202 Tuam | www.fbarhouston.com | 21+ | NO COVER | Bottle Service and VIP Area Available Nightly









this issue: Kelly Clarkson



A look into Kelly's career, her new album, maybe a tour, and her Houston appearence

Maram 2

Texas Freedom
Festival hits
Austin in July

9 & 3 4

Community Pictures 22 The All-New "Kitty's Corner", a un-realistic point of view from paradise

A Slice of SNOB A reality check on who YOU are and what you SHOULD not be

Features

18

PRIDE EVENTS

It is PRIDE time in Houston and YOU will need the complete list of all the events



34 LIVE

Consortium
"We Have a Mission"
A new generation
of health and well-being

32

Summer Slams The hottest music to hit the dancefloor this summer



publisher's letter



Cade Michals Publisher Cade@aboutmagazine.net

Chris Munoz Editor in Chief Chris@aboutmagazine.net

Bill Clevenger President Bill@aboutmagazine.net

Tyler Frazier Social Media / On-Line Sales Tyler@aboutmagazine.net

Oliver Puzon Director of Photography Oliver@aboutmagazine.net

Contributing Writers: Tye Blue, Jack H, Les B. Anne, Mick Sandoval

abOUT Magazine P.O. Box 10971 Houston, TX 77206 [713] 396-20UT (2688) (281) 274-9349 www.abOUTmagazine.net

All anginal articles, photographs, design, and airwork is the sole property of abOUT magazine and may not be reproduced without the express permission of abOUT magazine Views expressed do not necessarily reflect the views of the staff publisher or abOUT magazine. Unsolicited material is accepted @ abOUT Magazine 2011 All Rights Reserved

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Dear abOUT Readers.

We're back! First of all a big fat THANK YOU to all the staff that worked till 6AM to get this issue off the ground.

Alot of people keep asking why I am bringing abOUT back to stands, and the answer is really simple. It's a need! I personally believe it's needed for the community. Speaking of the community, I am so amazed at the support we have already received. Thank you!

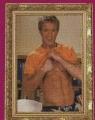
In the next couple weeks, I am excited to say that we will be launching a new PHP website that has taken over 140 days to build It will interact with our readers and I promise it will be just awesome!

And...do not forget to attend our launch party on June 18th at M2M Style Lounge from 6pm-9pm.

As always, thank you to the community that supports us.



DJ RILEY (Chicago) will be playing all the current Pop, Top 40 & Dance Videos from opening and into the extended after hours of 5am. DJ Riley is well known for his very own produced one-of-a kind videos.



BUCKSHOT **EXCLUSIVE**

Adult Video Stars:

Gavin Waters & Reese Rideout

appear live at 1:00am followed by an autograph party & photo shoot. Meet the boys after the show and receive a free autograph or have your photo taken with them for a \$5 donation to a local nonprofit organization.





THE YEAR

\$15 in advance / \$20 at the door. Available at South Beach, JR's Bar & Grill, Meteor, Male Uwear and Hollywood Super Center.



BUCKSHOT COLT studiogroup.com



18+ to party / 21+ to drink





810 Pacific Street 713.529.SOBE southbeachthenightclub.com 3 /southbeachhouston



TEXAS

The Texas Freedom Festival is upon us once again and this time they are bringing it (not to say they didn't do it right the first time.) Just a short nine years ago began an adventure for Shawn Zilka or better known as DJ Chaos to bring together a vast amount of DJ's to celebrate the art of music. In July 2002, the original Texas Freedom Festival was named the Texas Talent Showcase and was set to have seventy different DJ's to perform for free. A series of events landed them headlining acts which included: The Warp Brothers (who were known for the Blade theme song at the time) & Marco Giovanni of Ibiza. This turned the cost of the festival from free to \$5.00 in order to try to recover the money spent for the acquired talent. Nine years later, Texas Freedom Festival 2.0 was scheduled to play for a meager straight twenty four hours, but once word got out that the festival was returning an overwhelming response tidal waved itself in. Now a massive 300 performing artists from different genres of music such as: Rock, Electronic Dance Music, Hip Hop and many others will grace 10 stages located in Leander, Texas on 100 acres of Weirdo's Nameless Ranch for a unheard of non-stop forty four hours.

On July 2nd at 12 noon through July 4th at 8:00 am, each stage will hold its own theme, sound system, and independent light show.

With words of "Peace, Love, Unity, Respect", as DJ Chaos paused with enthusiasm for each word during our interview, his love for the rave scene has inspired a generation for years to come.

Amongst the plethora of entertainers there will be: circus performers, fire dancers, poi spinners, and the ever popular go-go dancers. A live broadcast on the entirety of the festival will be broadcasted on Global Gruvz Radio. A campground area will be accessible with your purchase of your ticket. Plenty of vendors will be conveniently located throughout the grounds for any of your food and drink needs. General admission is just \$10.00 for both days as well as VIP passes are available for a pre-sale price of \$50.00. VIP access will consist of: a special entrance, an air-conditioned tent to hang out in which will have exclusive headliners performing, limited drinks and food, swag bags, and give-a-ways.

With an estimated attendance of 20,000 people, this is one event you won't want to miss...

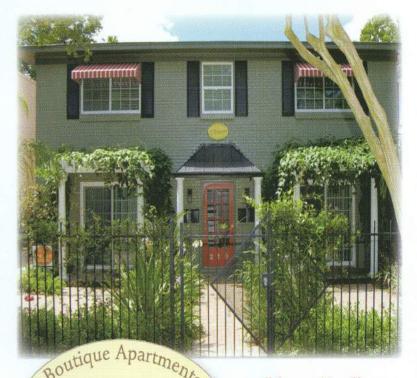
by: chris munoz





IDEAL FOR SUMMER INTERNS

When business or pleasure brings you to Houston for a month or more, why not make L'Emerson your address?



- · All the amenities of home.
- · Ideally situated in the Montrose-Midtown area.
- · Much more affordable than a downtown hotel room.

Tom Fricke, Proprietor

210 Emerson Street • Houston, Texas 77006 www.LEmerson.net

Urnished Corporate Lodg



COMING SOON

"BUNNES IN HEAT 2"

please visit our website for more information

WWW.BUNNIESONTHEBAYOU.ORG



LOCAL GLBT ARTISTS ON JUNE 16TH FROM 6PM-9PM



GLBT ARTISTS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING CONTACT LORI@BETZGALLERY.COM

BENEFITTING

AFTER PARTY AT

BAR

COCKTAILS, LIGHT BITES AND BOOR PRIZES SPONSORED BY









When you both orgasm during sex, it's not just an orgasm. It's a Wegasm?" Durex makes a line of products that help reduce the time between "his" and "hers. Our Performax" A Wegasm means better sex for your partner. Better sex for you. Better sex together. * Wegasm with Coure Learn more at facebook.com/durexUSA

ASLICEOF SNOB

by: Jack H.

What does it take to be part of the social elite? This is a question that some people spend their time pondering at one time or another. What exactly is considered being elite? It all depends on who you ask and where you stand on this imaginary hierarchy. In the gay community you are stuck playing games and trying to rub elbows (or crotches) with the right people to get ahead. Rumors and drama plague the community like a bad case of herpes. No matter what you do to keep a break out from occurring, it happens over and over without warning.

I have never been put into a situation to where I had to single handedly deal with this personally, but I have seen the chaotic non-sense develop through close friends. There are several types of personalities that surface for wanting to be part of this so-called exclusive club. Let's go through them one by one:

1.The Wannabe

This person is so delusional that they will go through great lengths to prove to their friends that they are part of the socially accepted. An accidental shoulder bump while they are passing by to use the restroom does not constitute that you "know" the person. Being in the background of a photo doesn't mean y'all hung out together.

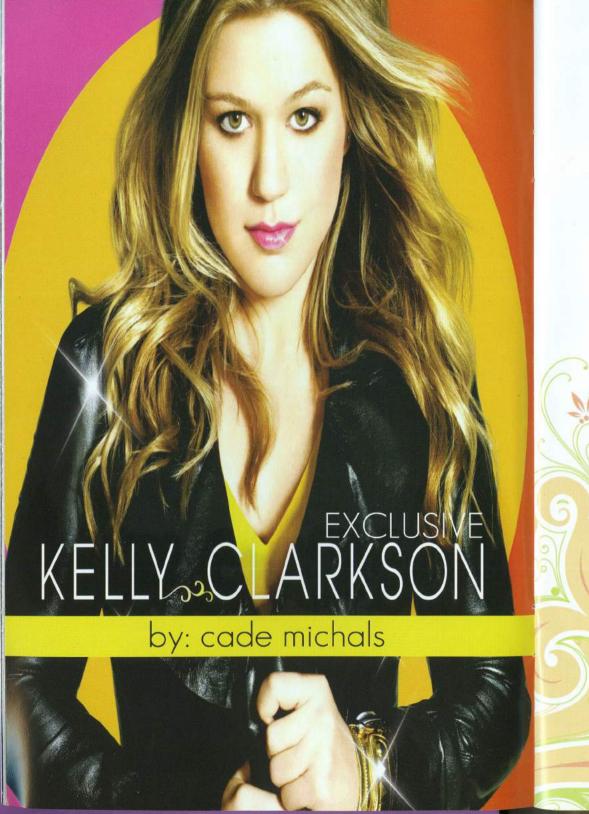
2. The Striving Opportunist

This person is able to creatively infiltrate every event that is set-up to celebrate the furthering of the socialites. They mingle and successfully create a vast network of contacts, but don't have the right materials it requires to convert themselves into the true social elite status (i.e., car, house, money). They talk the talk, but can't walk the walk.

3. The Socialite

This person has everything it takes to walk amongst the society some people urn to be part of. They've put in their dues and have earned their status through the proper channeling. They've served on several boards of various charities, put in adequate face time for people to recognize them, and have stepped on a few toes along the way.

All in all, everyone has their place in society---just do it waste your time trying to be someone else.



A little bit country and a whole lot of rock and roll

Kelly Clarkson may have some big surprises when she releases her fifth studio album this September. Lucky fans will get a chance to hear some of those new songs when she smashes through the Houston Galleria on Gay Pride Day for a private performance at the new Microsoft store.

Everybody reading this magazine knows Kelly Clarkson's first shot to fame by winning the first season of American Idol back in 2002. Following all that, she has released four albums and selling over 23 million records worldwide alongside winning two Grammy awards. Now it's almost time to release her fifth studio album.

One of Clarkson's writers, Claude Kelly, tells us that the newest project is by far the best of Clarkson yet. The music, according to Kelly, is high energy and brings her back to where we want her; her true self. "It's always up-tempo for me when it comes to Kelly," Claude says. "I like to hear her in kick-butt mode. She has an edge to her voice that youwant to hear her sing high and get in your face."

Clarkson tells us she has been updating fans on the progress of her album on her Facebook and Twitter pages. Most recently, she broke news that her album was being pushed to a fall release. "I recently found out that my album won't be coming out until September," she adds. "The album has been recorded, but I can't release it until then. I realize that is a long time but that's the best time to release it, apparently, so I'm sorry for the wait but I promise you it sounds great!" RCA Records website have no information regarding a release date, except to say September 2011.

abOUT Magazine is told most of the tracks have been under wraps, but Kelly admits to recently debuting a song, a cover of Eric Hutchinson's penned ballad 'Why Don't You Try,' at Muhammad Ali's 17th Annual Celebrity Fight Night.

Besides her performances at random smaller festivals, the CMA Fan Fest and a show in Canada there are no plans announced for a national tour. This is probably due to the push back of her release of the album.

Kelly's performance at the Microsoft grand opening will be her first return appearance in Houston since late 2007. Oh wait... there was the Jason Aldean concert at the Rodeo where she appeared via screen.

Come see Kelly Clarkson, June 25th 3PM at the Galleria Microsoft store. Happy Gay Pride!

Jeff Riley (713) 471-6856 jeffriley@remax.net









602 Sawyer St. Suite 110 · Houston, TX 77007 · (713) 248-9843

Each office independently owned & operated



JUNE.23.11 Thursday 6-9pm 202 Tuam | 21+ | No Cover



boutique clubbing

BAR in conjunction with The Osito Foundation and The Montrose Softball League presents

JOCKS4JOCKS2011

NAUGHTY FOR A NIGHT

A titillating, sexy fashion parade of bedazzled and bejeweled jockstraps

modeled by hot, athletic models. You can bid on fashions, purchase raffle

tickets or purchase incredible art to benefit the Osito Foundation and the



Queen

COMPETE

Half Price Happy Hour until 9pm on all liquor lexcluding signature margaritas and champagne) 5pm until 2am

Montrose Softball League.

And at 10pm... The semi-finals of F Bar's "RISING STAR" Talent Competition \$4 Island Oasis Frozen Beverages and F TUNES. Hosted by Tye Blue



As one of Houston's area non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations, LIVE Consortium follows its own unique drumbeat. With their focus directed to removing the stigma of HIV/AIDS in the community, it has successfully integrated various services and programs that are designed for both the hetero and homosexual populations.

What exactly is stigma? It is defined as, "the shame or disgrace attached to something regarded as social unacceptability." We have unfortunately lived through a time when HIV/AIDS fell into this category. With the lingering remnants of the bad aura given to HIV/AIDS, LIVE Consortium has vowed to change this.

Founder, President, and CEO Beau Miller created LIVE Consortium in January of 2009 with a strong mission: to provide HIV and Anti-Stigma education, support, research, and advocacy so that all people, regardless of status, can have the opportunity to live healthy and full lives.

In 2010 alone, LIVE Consortium raised approximately \$30,000 through the Houston Aids Walk which they single handedly had 130 participants. Alongside, 85% of revenue generated by LIVE goes to the various programs supported by the organization.

Their vision focuses on providing the proper channels to health and wellness programs that are tailored to a certain person's need. This type of networking power is crucial to furthering and advancing a new generation of healthcare education.

Having lived up to this standard, LIVE Consortium offers a variety of programs that conform to this specified criterion. Amondst these programs are: INSPIRE Mentor Program (which supports individuals who are directly or indirectly affected by HIV), University Anti-Stigma Campaign (which reaches out to institutions of higher education), and Texas HIV/AIDS Coalition (which ensure that lawmakers provide funding for life saving HIV/AIDS medication to low income Texans)

For a full list of LIVE Consortium's programs and contact information please visit: www.liveconsortium.org

Thursday, June 16.

The Temperamentals - The opening night performance of the Mattachine Society, the first gay-rights organizations in the nation. (2615 Southwest Frwy. at Kirby). 7:30PM

General admission tickets \$25, \$20 for seniors (62+) and students with ID. 713.522.2204

Saturday, June 18.

The official LAUNCH PARTY of abOUT Magazine at M2M Style Lounge 6PM

Tuesday June 21.

F Bar - DRAG LIVE! Special Pride Presentation "Over the Rainbow" starring the F Bar DREAMGIRLS. Hosted by Tye Blue. 10pm. NO COVER. 21 and Up.

Thursday June 23.

JOCK FOR JOCKS FUNDRAISER and ART SHOW benefits Osito Foundation and Montrose Softball League at F Bar

RISING STAR SEMI FINALS hosted by Tye Blue. 10pm. NO COVER. 21 and Up at F Bar

Friday June 24.

RAINBOW on the GREEN. 8pm. A free concert under the stars featuring Anthony Rapp, Tye Blue, Brittni Jackson, Sara Jackson, Miss Money, F Bar Dreamgirls.

RAINBOW on the GREEN AFTER PARTY

DJ Joe Ross. NO COVER. 21 and Up at F Bar

Tony's Corner Pocket

All Painted Up and Ready for Show. 8:30pm. Featuring Mr. Ricky D'Gill, Miss Vivica Perry, Ms. Jen Mason. Benefiting Holiday Charities.

TC's Show Bar

Special Guest Miss Big D Continental Plus Alayah Kristian.

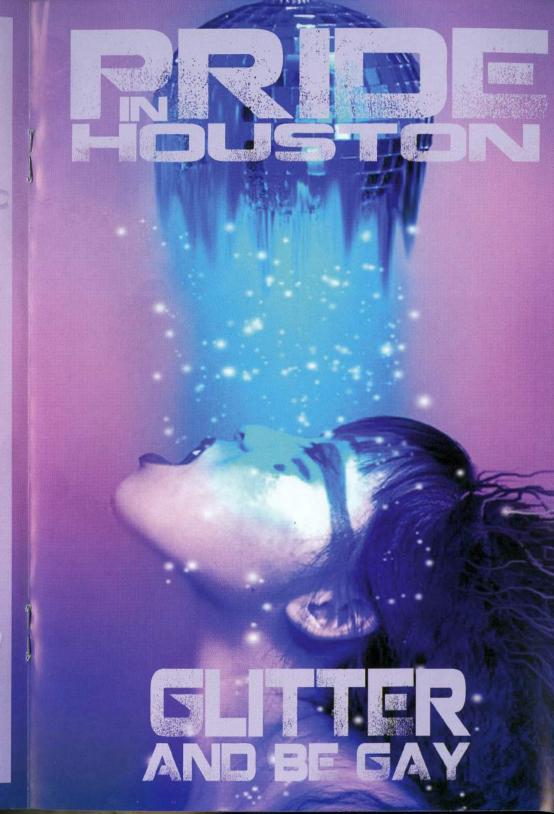
Saturday June 25.

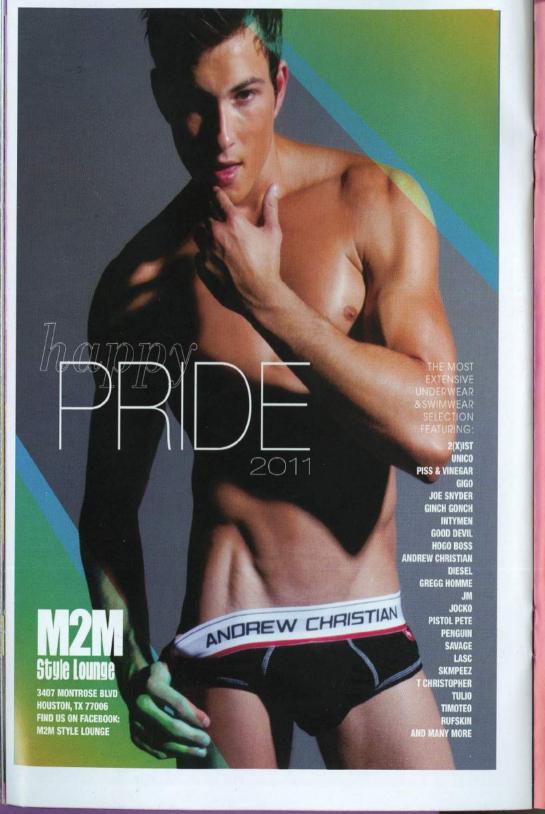
Pride Parade - 8:30PM

South Beach - Official Pride After Party. 9pm. DJ Riley special guests Gavin Waters & Reese Rideout. \$15 cover/adv (\$20 at the door).

Vue Nightclub - DJ Joe Gautreaux. No cover before midnight. . 21 and Up.

F Bar - The Biggest AFTER PARADE DANCE PARTY. Doors open 8pm. .21 and Up.





• If youCan't

Say Something

Nice...

Come sit by us

YES Majam



Is it getting hot in here or is it just my hot flashes again? Boy were these two love-birds engaged in some steamy nasty on nasty action. And by the look of "Jose" he was a wee-bit intoxicated. P.S.- Dr McSteamy, please wipe your glasses next time you take a picture.

My Dearest Supermodel, Please submit a proper headshot, not a photo of you at Bayou City on a couch. BTW. Proper fitting clothes are recommended. NO! Ma am





The Rockstar and the Bear that swallowed Richard Simmons. We really hope this was a special costume party, but we have our doubts. NO! Ma'am

FINALLY! A great honest happy one-night-stand-regretit-in-the-morning relationship. Yes! Ma'am



As I was vacuuming my girlfriend's carpet, I noticed the lawn had needed a serious trimming. I asked her who her lawn care provider was oddly enough she says, "Oh honey, I like to keep it bushy so my beaver doesn't get cold." I had forgotten she had invested in this beaver farm when she was four-wheeling through the dunes with her "yoga instructor." Well this isn't about my girlfriend's beaver farm or dirty stained carpet, but how my best friend Yolanda has no sense what so ever

I'm not one to talk much about people but Yolanda has some issues that I don't think she is well-equipped to be handling on her own. Let me tell you, she has this thing about wanting to suck on usedwait. I don't want to spoil it. I've always known Yolanda to be a bit of a bull dyke, so me finding out about her fetish really astonished

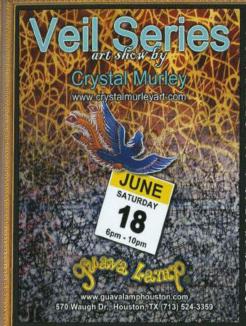
One time I went over to watch the atest episode of Lez Be Proud, as we always do on a Saturday.

Well, when I get there I let myself in and grab a glass of wine and sit my pretty behind on the couch. While waiting for Yolanda to get out of the shower, I sat there and I wondered if her carpet were stained as well. Some five minutes later, I hear the shower turn off and a strange rustling sound starts ringing in my ears. Well I go and investigate and guess what this bitch was doing? She was gnawing on a used condom that her roommate had discarded earlier that day.

I was taken back a moment and had to pursue on why she would do something so appalling. Don't get me wrong. I've had my share of "interesting" cravings, but nothing ever on this kind of scale.

"Yolanda! Why?" I said. "It just tastes sooo good!" She exclaimed. And I just left it at that. So my best girl loves used condoms, god bless her little heart.

Br Kes B. Name



"Life is my inspiration"
This was a subtle beginning that emerged into something much more involved than I originally anticipated. The painting was initially started 2 years ago and through my process of hating it and loving it....l decided to put it away. Out of sight, out of mind. It then reemerged after a show at the Alden Hotel in March this year, and I was automatically re-inspired"says Crystal.

The "Veil Series" is based on color and obsessive patterns and how the intensity changes as each layer is manipulated with a thin layer of white wash, layer after layer. In essence, you find meticulous patterns visually as your eye's focus and re-focus on the surface. Much like when a bride peers through a veil on "his or her" wedding day, looking at the most amazing work of art and beauty in their own life: their partner!



Tired of the manhunt & grind?

Hundreds of other gay men have already learned a more intelligent approach to improving their chances for a truly successful relationship.



In one weekend, vou'll learn new skills which will help you:

- · Be attracted to more appropriate men
- · Assess your relationship quotient
- · Eliminate incompatible men faster
- · Learn to hear the truth from him
- · Use the natural progression of relationships to predict the outcome
- · Get over falling for the wrong ones
- Improve your dating skills



Tony Carroll, LCSW Psychotherapy and Counseling

July 9 & 10, 2011

Gay Men's Relationship Workshop

Learn about finding and maintaining lasting, loving relationships

Register NOW at

houstontherapist .com/workshops.html

or call 713-527-0000 for details.

Space is limited.



1006 Missouri St. Houston, TX 77006 713-527-0000 · HoustonTherapist.com

It was less than a year and a half ago that I decided to return to "the homeland" of Houston, and no sooner than a few weeks had gone by when I found myself immersed in the Arts and Entertainment community that had birthed me 10 years ago. Most outsiders think of Houstonians as just being super conserva-

in this bustling city that it inspires me daily. That's why I'm so excited to be given the opportunity to write this monthly article for the LGBT community -Tye Blue's Spotlight - in which I get to rave about

My first gal to feature here is the uber-talented Kourtney Paige van Wales. She burst onto the nightlife scene about a month ago, and I have to admit I had never seen her perform live ever before. I was instantly impressed by her desire, as a drag performer, to rehearse her musical numbers before our show and to even set specific lighting cues that were built around her performance. Later that night when she emerged as Dolly Parton - perhaps her most famous illusion, which has taken her all over the world - I saw fire onstage. She had the entire crowd on their feet for a 15 minute Dolly Parton medley like they had never experienced before. Even the bitterest of queens were squealing with delight while dripping cold drinks all over themselves. It was a glorious moment in Houston nightlife! She's had guite an illustrious career, having performed as the 1st Madonna illusionist in Las Vegas in LaCage Aux Folle at the Riviera; Boylesque at the Sahara, Star Dust, and Plaza Hotels, and she holds the titles of Miss Texas USofA 2001 and Miss Texas Continental

tive, big oil money cowpokes living in mansions-- and

Lord we have plenty of those - but take it from some-

one who has had the pleasure of working and living

all over the world - there is so much creative talent

some of our under-sung and underpublicized heroes.

You can find her on facebook under *Kourtnev Paige Van Wales" and on twitter @ Club-Kourtney. Welcome home, Kourt!



The next object of my desire is a sultry songstress by the name of Sara Jackson. She fancies herself an actress and a hostess but I'm telling you I'm not going....I mean...I'm telling you...she is a FIERCE vocalist as well! She'll be co-headlining at RAIN-BOW ON THE GREEN on June 24th - a fabulous, free, live concert under the stars for the LGBT Community.

Sara has performed with the Chicago Symphony and was a host at the legendary Red Cat Jazz Café. She also hosted a late night radio talk show called Late Night Latte. During her tenure on the Texas Southern University Debate Team, she was highly lauded with local, national, and international speaking and performance awards. She has a strong theatrical background, having performed in many of Houston's best theatres.

One part Jill Scott and one part Mama Morton plus big laughs and silliness equals the hilarity and fabulous personality of Ms. Sara Jackson - if you're nasty...and you know you are!



Take heed, Houston...the stars are aligning right here in your own city! Now go out and support them! Have a great Pride!

Tye Blue is the resident host and director of entertainment at F Bar Houston





PROUDLY PRESENTS

"SUMMER CAMP"

A NEW SEASON OF PARTIES/ SUMMER 2011

WWW.VUEHOUSTON.COM





PREMIER PARTY
FEATURING A DJ BATTLE
DJ NEW YORK VS. TBA

DJ SETH COOPER





PARTY

SPONSORED BY HANNIA

*\$2 WELL DRINKS UNTIL 11. NO COVER UNTIL 12 TEXT "VUE" TO 25827 FOR FREE ENTRY

*(EXCLUDES SPECIAL EVENTS)

LIMITED AMOUNT OF PRESALE & VIPTICKETS TO MEET & GREET FOR COMMULE & THE HEATHERS ARE AVAILABLE AT GUAVA LAMP & VUE

526 Waugh Dr.

713,533,9333

www.facebook.com/vuehouston

SATJUNE25 PRESENTS BODY SNATCHERS . BODY PAINT WEAR SOMETHING BRIGHT! SHOT/DRINK SPECIALS

\$2 WELL DRINKS BEFORE II

\$10 AFTER . TEXT "VUE" TO 25287 FOR FREE ENTRY



526 WAUGHDRIVE 713.533.9333

FOLLOWUSON TWITTER: TWITTER.COM/VUEHOUSTON FACEBOOK:

FACEBOOK.COM/VUEHOUSTON

GOMMUNITYNEWS

Legacy's New Home

Legacy Community Health Services' new 40,000-square-foot clinic under construction in Montrose at 1415 California St. is nearing its completion. The new clinic in Montrose was designed to meet the growing need of quality comprehensive health care for the uninsured and underinsured in the Houston community. It will double the space currently utilized by three different Legacy locations. It will house eight specialty clinics, ten social service programs and four health education programs in lieu of 25 exam rooms, a dental clinic, eye clinic, pharmacy, and a courtyard with seating and over 130 parking spaces. Legacy Community Health Services was created when the Montrose Clinic and The Assistance Fund merged in 2005. Both organizations were originally founded to provide STD testing to homosexual and bisexual men. Currently Legacy is branching out to reach all individuals regardless of age, race, or sexual orientation.

Austin's hip sushi "Uchi"lands in Montrose

The historic building that once housed famed Tex-Mex resta rant Felix's will be cleared away to make room for the new addition to the sushi boom. Renowned sushi chef Tyson Cole and the owners of his ever so popular Austin restaurant, Uchi, have bought the building and are planning a new restaurant to be housed at the corner of Grant and Westheimer. It is scheduled to open in late 2011. The new owners "do not intend" to tear down the building (if they did, current development regulations might make it difficult to rebuild so close to the street).



COMMUNITY NEW

COMMUNITY NEWS



Verde for City Council
dosbyerde relocated back to Houston in 2004 to work as a pilot for ExpressJet Airlines. dust after two short years as a co-pilot, he was promoted to captain. During this time. Verde sought to get more involved with the business of running an airline. As a result of his experience and leadership, he was selected by ExpressJet to interview and screen pilot applicants. Additionally, he was appointed Chairman of the union's Hotel Committee, advocating for nearly 2,500 pilots and their layover accommodation needs. After six years of working as an airline pilot, a strong desire to get involved with politics prompted Verde to pursue his other passion: Public Service. Characteristic of his work ethic and eagerness to undertake new challenges, he applied and was accepted at South Texas College of Law where he is currently pursuing his law degree.

Verde currently works with the Harris County District Attorney's Office and his commitment to local issues is unwavering. Verde has been a vocal opponent to the development of a Wal-Mart in the West End that will lead to traffic nightmares for local residents. A proponent of property owner rights, Verde has addressed City Council voicing his concern about unchecked commercial development adjacent to residential areas.

Fundraiser for HATCH a great success

On June 5th, the community united at EJ's Bar for a one- of-a-kind fundraiser for HATCH. the evening was filled with performances by: Nina Lombardo, Lana Blake, Violet S'Arbieu. Adrian De Luna, Max Xandaux, Ashley Hennessy, Brittani Collins, Evita Longoria, Cody Ray Strimple, Kory Poole, Wayne Ashley, Morena Roas, Laum Miller, Wendy Taylor, Jared Leonardos and was hosted by Marsha Mellow and Tye Blue. The Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals or HATCH is dedicated to empowering gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, questioning youth and their allies, ages 13-20, to become positive contributors to society by providing a safe social environment for GLBTIQA youth, offering role models and peer support, and sponsoring educational and community outreach opportunities. Hats off to the Montrose Star for a great event.



SUNDAY JUNE 5, 2011 SHOWTIME 6PM

Raja Graces Houston's F Bar

As all records indicate, F Bar, Houston's hottest new bar welcomed the winner of Season 3 of RuPaul's Drag Race to the stage with what I would call a sold-out house--well that's if they happened to be selling tickets on the May 25th appearance. In combination with F Bar's Tuesday night's "Drag /Live", Raja lived up to her title as Queen and for a Tuesday evening kudos to the F Crew for pulling





Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "Since You Been Gone" which only made it to #2 on Billboard Hot 100 (April 9, 2005), you will always be someone's #2. Being a concubine is not all that bad---just ask An-Mei's mother from the Joy Luck Club. On the upside, once you get over this fact you will be able to manage your road rage much easier.
Your good luck image is; a popcorn kernel---don't

bottle it up or you'll pop.

Just like Kelly Clarkson, you share the same sign---a tore-ass, I mean TAURUS. Just like her album "Thankful", which debuted at #1 on Billboard 200 (May 03, 2003), you should be thankful that you were able to successfully recover from a near tragifall on stage while you were singing "MMMBop" by the Hanson Brothers. On the upside, you will find that pocket full of sunshine Your good luck image is: a Curtain-open and

close as needed

May 22 - June 21
Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "Behind These Hazel Eyes" which peaked at #6 on Billboard Hot 100 (June 11, 2005), you must heed this as a warning----when you see someone with hazel eyes. make sure you don't sleep with them 6 times before you realize they are missing limbs. On the upside, your need for lethal doses of co-dependency will be

Your good luck image is: a bottle of vodka-drink until they are pretty

June 22 - July 22 Coming in 9th place, just like Kelly Clarkson's song 'Miss Independent" on Billboard Hot 100 (July 19, 2003), doesn't mean that you've lost---it just means that you're not that smart to be entering yourself in any contests. Give yourself a break and reach for that remote, tub-o-ice cream, and low self-esteem and relax on the couch. On the upside, you will have an M.B.A. --- Mainly Big Ass

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "I Do Not Hook Up" which dropped 19 spots to #39 on Billiboard Hot 100 (July 25, 2009), you should consider keeping your virginity card intact---your attraction to bears is somewhat of a plethora of curiosity. On the upside, having fresh meat readily abundant is always great

Your good luck image

Just like Kelly Clarkson who won American Idol on September 4, 2002, you will encounter good luck this time around. Whether it is receiving a free drink from your favorite bartender or getting free sex advice from a midget—enjoy your new found inherited good fortune. On the upside, to add to your ever so gaytastic well-being, you will further run into some kind of influx of currency in the good ole

Your good luck image is: a sterile donkey (also nown as a mule) --- mate appropriately

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "A Moment Like This" you will be hitting #1 when your video "moment like this (aka, you trying to stretch your speedo over your head while squishing your unmentionables and pouring a can of cream corn all over yourself)" hits Youmake you the Gordon Ramsey of your family. Your good luck image is: a straw-suck lightly

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "Breakaway" peaking at #6 on Billiboard Hot 100 (November 20, 2004), you shouldn't get your hopes up on that special someone you were seeking...-your underliable A.D.D. mixed with your halitosis and your unmistakable twitchy left eye make people breakaway quicker than the smelly cat from Phoebe's "Smelly Cat" song. On the upside, you will be granted a handicap parking tag because of

Your good luck image is: a stick of butter--spread it

Just like Kelly Clarkson's album "Breakaway" debuting at #3 on Billboard 200 (December 18, 2004), the proas an opportunity to tell you ALMOST IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH! Ok, I'm not being harsh, just influenced by love for the Asian culture-be the best or die. On the upside, you will find your niche and turn in that "Grade A" piece of work that will get you to where you need to

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "Already Gone" which dropped two spots to #15 on Billboard Hot 100 (December 26, 2009), you will sassily sachet yourself ove buddy-your hand. On the upside, you will

Your good luck image is: a tomato--make all the salsa

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "Walk Away" which en-tered the Billboard Hot 100 at #97 (January 21, 2006) your correlation with the number '97" puts you in a state of mind of trying to walk away from the year 1997. Your love for Leonardo Dicaprio in Titanic is still going strong. On the upside, you have been able to successfully trash your cassette tape collection Your good luck image is: a rooster-rock out with

Just like Kelly Clarkson's song "My Life Would Suck #10 (March 14, 2009) -- your perkiness is going to get you into trouble. Try to hide those mountainous nip-ples behind a well-structured coulure garment. On the confidence 'would my life suck without you?'

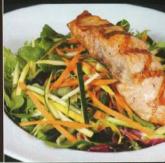
Your good luck image is, a bird--- fly as far as you can

The Chelsea Grill

CHELSEAGRILL.COM

4621 MONTROSEBOULEVARD

713.942.9875







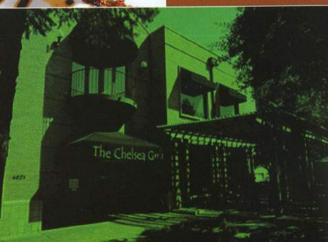




Featuring the freshest & finest local ingredients

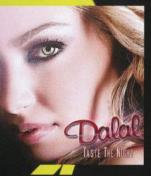
LIVE SUNDAY JAZZ BUFFET **BRUNCH**

\$15



SULLIE

The one place hotter than beaches this summer is dance floors. Here's a selection of blazing new jams you should be slamming to.



"Taste the Night"

Dalal

A song about sexual tension in the dark, and was originally written as a ballad. It's an artful song with powerfully heartfelt and romantic lyrics. However, when combined with Dalal's exuberant vocals and Tony Moran's hard thumping beats, the ballad flourishes into a sure-fire club anthem.



"Can I Love You More"

Tony Moran (featuring Trey Lorenz)

Tony Moran's love note to the dance floor is everything clubbers expect it to be: euphoric, lush, hard-pounding and exhilarating. Penned by the Grammy-nominated producer and remixer, the celebratory track features power house vocalist Trey Lorenz and hard-hitting remixes by Ralphi Rosario, Loverushuk, and longtime Moran collaborator, Warren Rigg.



"See the New Hong Kong"

Josie Cotton

"See the New Hong Kong" is another superior crafted, brilliantly executed, expertly produced and highly intelligent pop track from the artist that first rose to fame in the eighties with "Johnny R U Queer." Josie Coton is as absurd, outlandish and as much a vocal dynamo as Cyndi Lauper. Remixes are by Love Rush U.K., CCW and Baggi Begovic.

SHAUS



"Mr. Romeo"

Emii (featuring Snoop Dogg)

Emii's latest track is a fast thumping party pleaser with playful lyrics that encourage clubbers to look past Mr. Right for Mr. Right Now.



"All About Sex"

Sariah

"All About Sex" is prime Sariah, packed with aggressive house beats, playful melodies and a colorful hook. The single recalls the synth ambience of Brittley Spear's Blackout, one of the most influential pop albums of the last five years. Like Spears Tyrics are craftier than they appear, packed with hidden meanings and doubte entendres.



"Fade"

Kristine W

The artist Billboard Magazine named as one of the top three dance icons of the first decade is back with her seventh and final release from the Power of Music album. "Fade" is patented Kristine W complete with soaring vocals, stomping beats and superior dance production.



"Trying To Leave Now"

Aiden Leslie

"Trying to Leave Now" proves Leslie is no one-hit wonder. The lyrics to his follow up of "World's Away" may try to push us away but the song's soulful rhythm lures listeners in. It's complicated but Leslie proves, so are the contents in his head. He pours out another smart, smooth love groove with an extremely catchy chorus that is way above most other summer tracks in its musicality yet leaves us questioning Leslie's emotional availability.



K∃LLI "Gave Up on Love"

Kell

Kelli gives new meaning to the term bitch track in this erotically charged, flavorfully angry un-love dance anthem. The former reality star (Bravo's "NYC Prep") sings how she's not only fed up with love, she is ready to do whatever she has to in order to stamp a dramatic end to it. Kelli's no nonsense lyrics are paired with soaring grooves and ferocious beats courtesy of two masters of the remix, Michael Grant and Tony Moran.

BYMICKSANDOVAL





STOOSINGING COMPETITION STARTS AT 10 PM

570 Waugh Drive 713.524.3359 fac

facebook.com/guavalamphouston