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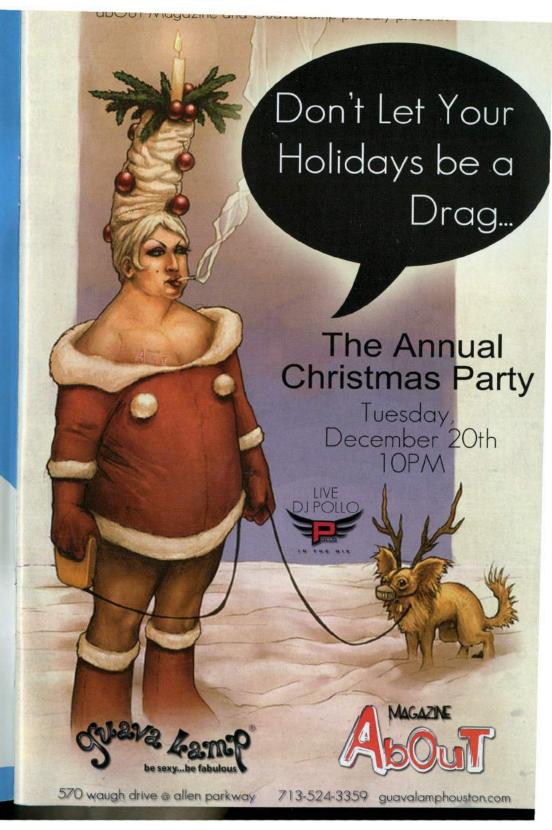


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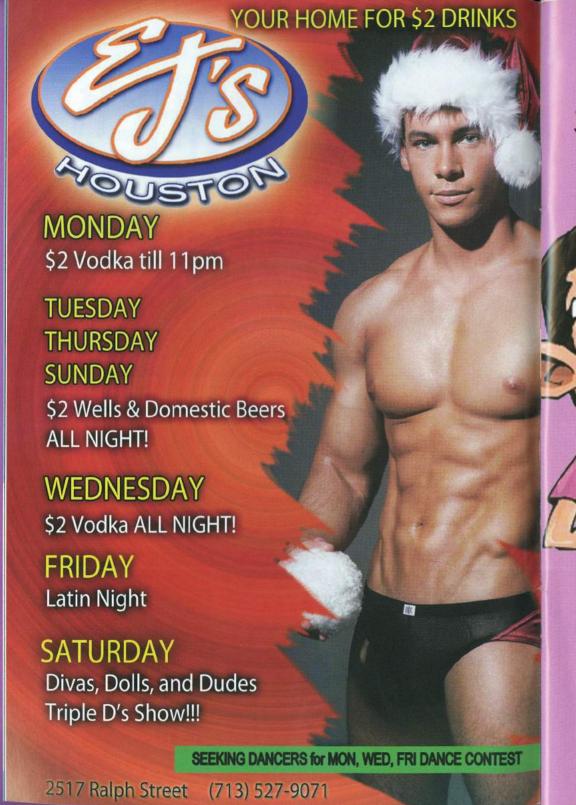
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The Most Unfabulous Social Life of a Gay Reject

I just don't get it Houston! Why is it when I always go out people are always to shy to say hello to me? I mean I see them from across the bar and they smile at me, I see them in the bathroom and they wink at me, but if I walk up to them they look at me like I am stupid. I am not stupid. I assure you of that you...you label queen! I am just so fed up with the Houston Gay Scene! What, are we trying to be like Dallas now? Maybe we should create a D-List Houston, and I can star in it!

Just to let you know, I am a college grad unlike that gold digger you are with, and that proven slut you were with last week.

Hell you can see him and his, not one but 4 Grindr profiles on-line at any given moment! How in the heck do you even get FOUR profiles? But instead you walk

around and drink your weekend away and wonder why you never get the "good ones"! DUH! Wake up lil miss princess! I am right here in front of you!

But no, instead you will whine, be a drama queen and cause your friends to ignore your calls, all the while you make me feel like I have a chance with you from across the bar- yeah maybe I will wait for you to hit rock bottom and then I will find you. Better yet it's almost am. If I leave now maybe I can find you passed out in the back of the bar again and help you to your car to drive.

I will keep yawl posted!

by; Tommy Boy



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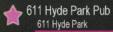
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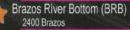
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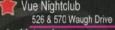
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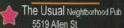


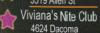












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Colby Melvin

Sitting in the living room with Colby at his home in Montrose, (near Starbucks and M2M Style Lounge) in case any of you folks wanted to know, we sat down with this cover boy to ask him all about his past, the present and what he plans for the future. "I have a degree from Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL in Psychology" Colby states "I lived and went to school there for 4 years, then worked there for a year".

Before finally landing in Houston Colby worked for the BP oil spill as a project manager in the command center. This position landed him a job for a maritime holding company that he lost when his boss found out he way gay. So off to Houston he came.

"I had been in Houston a week when I was asked to help out at a benefit for the Houston Buyers Club." Colby states he had never been exposed to gay culture till his arrival in Houston. "It was sort of culture shock walking into my first gay pool party wearing my first speedo. After that party was asked to work a few more parties for several other nonprofit. It was at the Outreach United pool party where I was asked at the last minute to model one of the swimsuits from Bayou Beau.

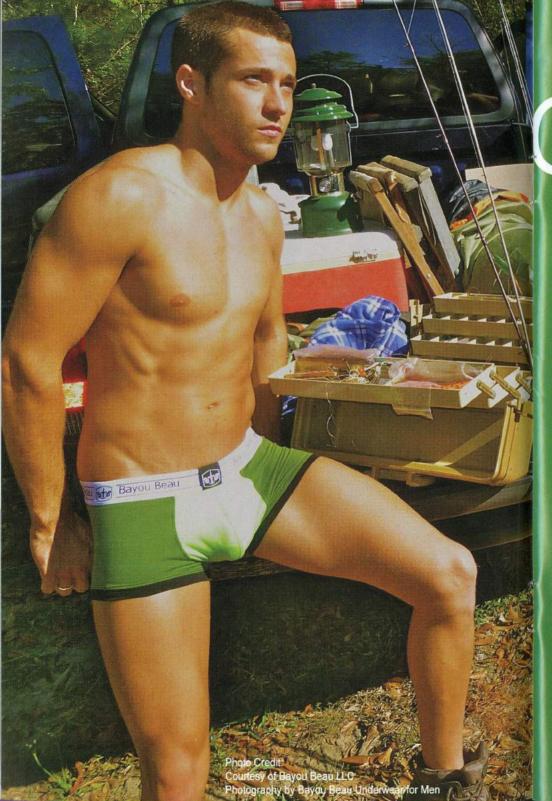
Before this interview, Colby has never given it a thought to being on the cover of a magazine, let alone ever becoming a model beside what he has done for a lot of nonprofit events. "A little known fact that people don't realize is that every time they've seen me in my underwear it has been for charity." So we assume it is safe to say, it has to be for a good cause. "Osito Foundation's Jocks for Jocks, Pool Parties for Outrach, Live Consortium, and Houston Buyers Club." all events he never received a penny to get in his undies:)

Mr. Melvin does like to enjoy his weekends with friends as well. He is a gay male, after all. "In addition to working out, I love spending the summer fishing, I love to be outside, you'll of course always find me dancing with my friends on a Friday or Saturday night." Colby says with a devilish smile sitting in a chair across the room.

Of course we wanted to know if there was a place we could see him dance and he was pretty blunt in saying he was not interested in becoming a dancer. We have to admit, he does look amazing in those Bayou Beau underwear from their Bait and Tackle line.

If you are interested in the Bayou Beau underwear brand, you can find out more information on their website at:

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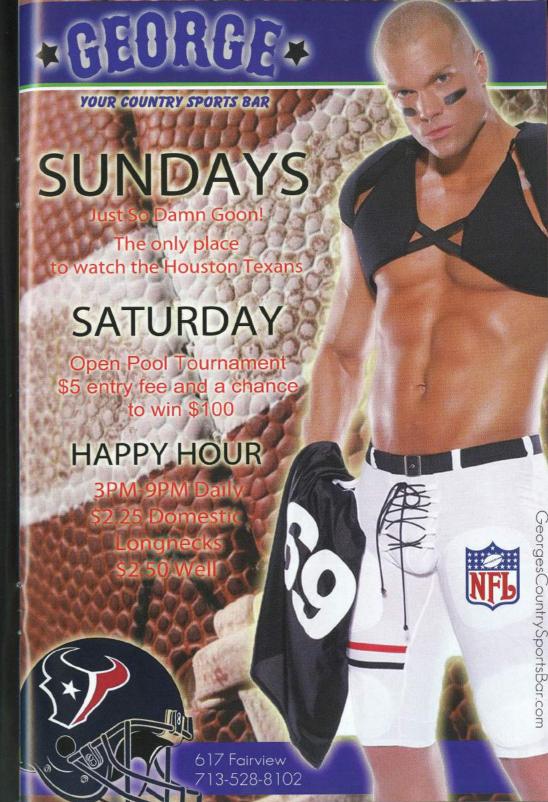


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WATCH OUT for that BIKE!

HPD Launches Bike Patrols in the Montrose Club District

Watch out for the bike rider. He might just be a Houston Police officer. Recently the Houston Police Department launched a new bike patrol division in the Montrose area around the club district. This is great news, as this will allow the Houston Police Department more feet on the ground so to speak.

So if you are leaving the club or bar late at night, and think about getting behind the wheel of a car after having a drink to many, you might want to re-think that.



Lawsuit centers on alleged forklift incident at Montrose HEB- And they have No Beer or Wine!

A woman is suing after, she says, a forklift operator injured her hip while on the clock at the Montrose-area HEB. Racquel Jackson filed a lawsuit on Nov. 22 in Harris County District Court against Houston Distributing Co., citing negligence. Jackson says on Dec. 18, 2009, she sustained injuries to her hip while working as a clerk at the Montrose HEB. According to the brief, a forklift operator for Houston Distributing struck Jackson with a pallet while he moved products in the store. Jackson is seeking damages and court costs. She is being represented in the case by Houston attorney Michael Swaim. — On a side note this is the new Montrose store- The one that does not have BEER or Wine available because apparently someone forgot to file the proper permits.

SAVE THAT DATE Bunnies on the Bayou Announces the date of SnowBunnies 2012

The date of January 15, 2012 has been picked as the next date for the always fun and winter themed "SnowBunnies". Produced by Bunnies on the Bayou, the ever famous non-profit that also produces the annual shin-dig on Easter Sunday! The event will be held at Vue Nightclub, the location that was used for the after party of Bunnies on the Bayou 2011.

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CANDY- A new taste of Candy Set to Open in Houston This Weekend

Who doesn't like to order a drink while a HOT boy swings from two seats above the bar? Drinking in the glow of ten soft light chandeliers, and purple velvet walls, that seem to invite you deeper in. Thats what you will get when the the bar in Montrose/Midtown opens this Friday December 2 named "CANDY". Located at 3030 Travis, the owner Lance Provost assures that it will be the premiere spot to enjoy dancers in Houston. The bar will be managed by Will Edings, and will have five bar stations, and a extensive patio with bar. Set to be open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, with Thursday being Amature Strip Night. For more information please call 832-752-3393

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Nritten and created by Roger Bean

t's holiday time in 1968 and Betty Jean has organized the holiday party at Harper's Hardware. No fool the—she's hired the hottest group in town to entertain—the Marvelous Wonderettes! Now if she can just correct the huge clerical error that has fired the whole staff on Christmas Eve, it will be a Happy New Year or all. All the seasonal classics are here with that girl-group spin—a great way to celebrate the season with stages' beloved singing sweethearts!

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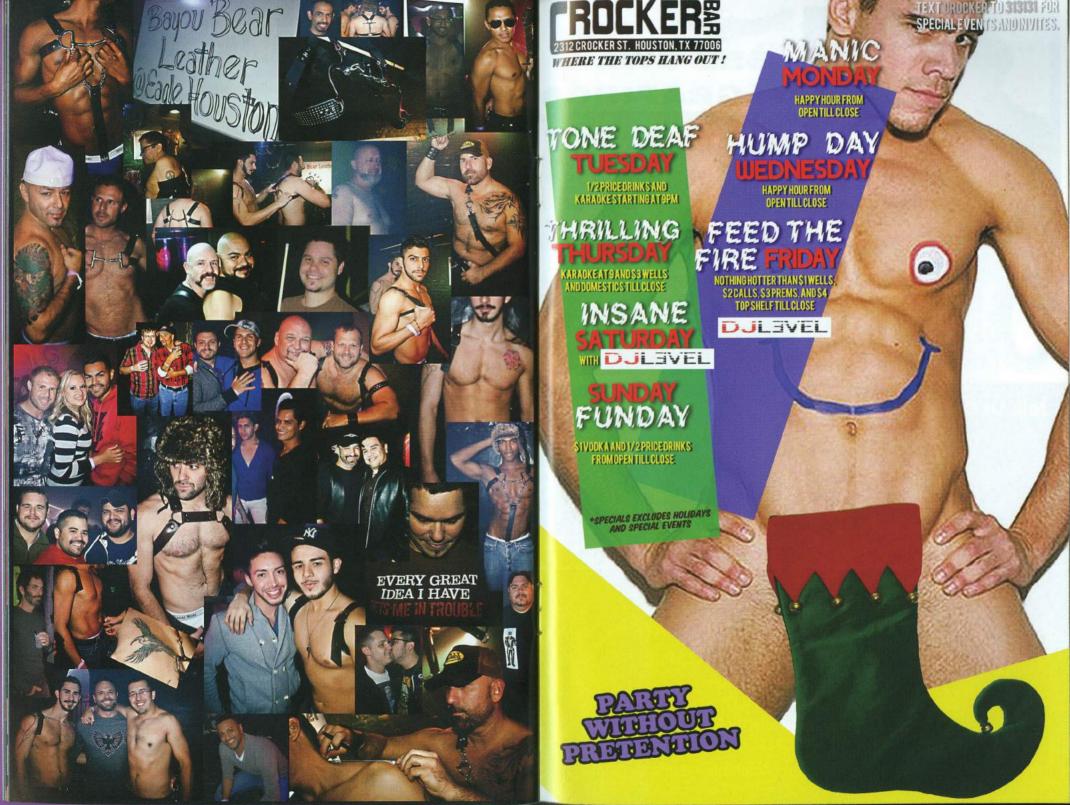


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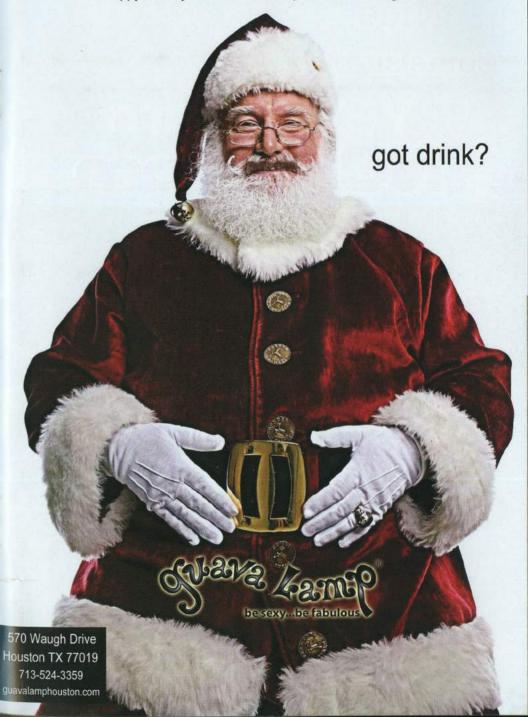
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After drinking over 123 million glasses of milk this holiday season, it's nice to know that I can go somewhere and have a great Vodka, Long Island or hear some Karaoke.

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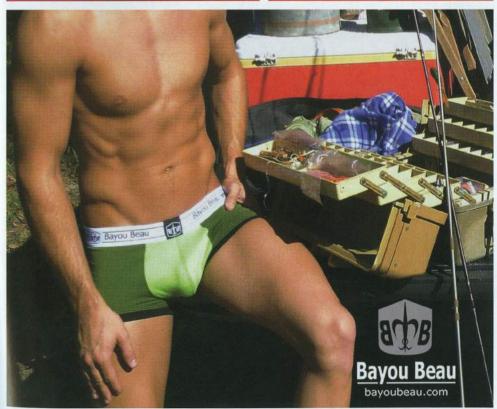
















Tracy Young Never Gets Old

Tracy Young celebrated her birthday in style this year and does she have alot to be thankful for. For two decades, Young has delivered empowering energy through dance music; spinning the hottest tracks, concocting the fiercest beats, and headlining the globes largest, most exciting events. Now she's bringing that youthful exuberance to retail stores, with her first ever T-shirt and gift collection, Ferosh Wear. The line features tees, buttons and back packs with inspiring slogans like "4Ever Young" and "NY Says I Do".

It's been a long road to the top for Young, who launched her career in 1991 as hip-hop radio DJ. "I love all kinds of music," she says. At the time, she had no idea of the heights to which she would rise. "If you told me ten years later I'd be DJ-ing Madonna's wedding, I'd say you were crazy!" she laughs. But once Madonna coroneted her as her go-to DJ in 2000, Young became a global electronic music celebrity in demand at nightclubs around the world and over 40 #1 Club Play hits with remixes for Christina Aguilera, Shakira, and Enrique Iglesias. 13 of the #1s were Madonna tracks including "Music" and "Hung Up".

What inspired you to merchandise yourself?

My fans have heard me and seen me. Now I want them to wear me. The slogan for the line is Forever Young. I'm very excited about it.

What does Ferosh mean?

Ferosh is short for feroshicious. I once witnessed Alan T. working it in my studio and I said 'Ferosh'! We recorded the line for a song called Ferosh. It's available on iTunes.

Should we expect to see Madonna wearing Ferosh?

I create things that I think would look ferosh on everyone and their pets. We all have the right to feel forever young.

What has been your best seller?

The Forever Young tee. I think because most of us can relate with wanting to be young forever: young in our minds, hearts, and appearance.

Have you thought about designing an anti-bullying tee for the line?

Absolutely! That is definitely a message that needs to be spoken louder and I fully support that. When New York passed Gay Marriage we did the "NY says I DO" t-shirt and it's doing well. Bullying is next on Feroshwear's agenda.

Do you consider yourself a New York City girl?

The funny thing is I'm actually from Virginia and I consider myself very country. My dream house would have a few acres of land, a lake, and a large quantity of cocktails that I could enjoy with good company and conversation. I often visit my family's cottage and ride my bicycle through the countryside.

Will you ever grow tired of the DI life?

Djing is the focal point of my career and my passion in life. However, I do get tired of certain aspects. The hours are hard at times and the travel isn't easy. I'm so grateful to still be remaining strong in this business after 22 years. Now, I'm concentrating on building and expanding into new artistic ventures.

Ferosh Wear is available now at Cafepress com/feroshwear



Do you ever have difficulty finding unique gifts for your gay and lesbian friends? Are you the type that always wants to find the most unique gifts, come across as the most thoughtful guest and wow your friends? Here are a few of our favorite unique gift ideas.

For Him

The Digital Don

Not a fan of rollover nightmares, but want a little touch in your life? Touch your dude's heart with the new iPod Touch (basically, the iPhone without the phone). The cutefactor makes it a digital queen.

The Party Boi

Did you hear about that crunk party in the new hotspot called your living room? Wil has a wide variety of favs that any gay boy can enjoy. Invite some friends over, mix a few cocktails, order in delivery and bowl until the nunchuks come home.

The Jewelry King

Accessorize your cute gay accessory with Love and Pride accessories. He'll adore Love and Pride's lines of sophisticated pendants, rings and necklaces. He'll also appreciate the fact that a percentage of proceeds from most of the lines are given to LGBT organizations and charities. Talk about wearing a cause!

For Her

The Closet Case

She's your cousin, your neighbour, your weird daughter. You know she's a lesbian —hell everyone knows it — but she just won't face facts. When it's time to step up the support and fling her out of that closet, there's only one thing for it — the nobody knows I'm a lesbian tshirt. Classic!

And for stubborn coworkers, try the only gay in the office mug.

AND MERCENSION

The Ex-Girlfriend

She's evil and you hate her. You also need a thoughtful gift to remind her of how much you're so totally over her. If you're fabulously wealthy, buy yourself a \$4,500 Casanova – a solid silver/gold vibrator covered in semi-precious stones and pearls. Send her the receipt so she knows exactly what she's missing.





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