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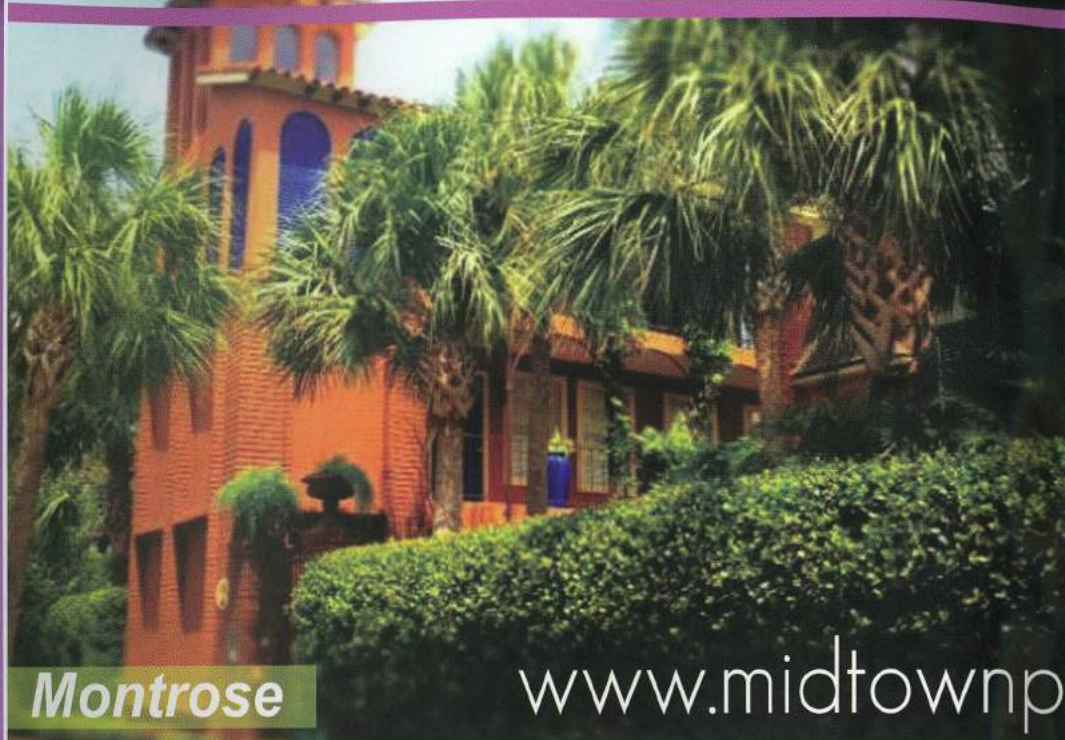
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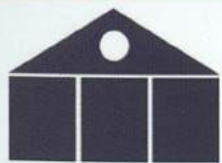
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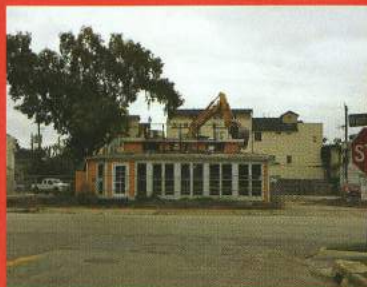
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Community News



The End of a Tex-Mex Era

All good things must come to an end, for now, and Mondays will never be the same once the original Westheimer Café Adobe closes its doors. After the untimely death of one partners, Cafe Adobe has sold it's original location to Hines for development. Replacing the scrumptious eatery will be a new upscale residential rental project, with construction to begin later next year. As much as we like new things, some things are just best left alone.



iAdios Ruggles Montrose!

After closing its doors this past February, the Montrose landmark Ruggles was finally demolished this past week. The new owner stated he had tried to incorporate as much of the old structure, but due to the poor maintenance, there was not much to choose from. Looking into the future, a new restaurant, Brande, is set to open after extensive construction.



Cover Girl! WORK! ::snap::

Makeup artist to the stars, Edward Sanchez is prepared to launch his fabulous new boutique, Vanity Lounge, in Upper Kirby's chic West Ave. Some of the services will include Vanity Lash Dipping, brow threading, makeup application as well as skin care and bridal beauty. Being a huge activist in the community, we wish him nothing but the best and can't wait to see him conquer the world one eye shadow at a time!



Island Pride: Galveston Style

Our neighbors to the south outdid themselves yet again. abOUT congratulates Galveston Pride for another successful year. With special guests like Patrice Pike, DJ Elle Morgan and Phi Phi O'Hara, they sure know how to turn it out! Small changes were made to the event at the last minute, but the Galveston Pride Board went to make the event a success. Once again, congratulations and we can't wait for next year!

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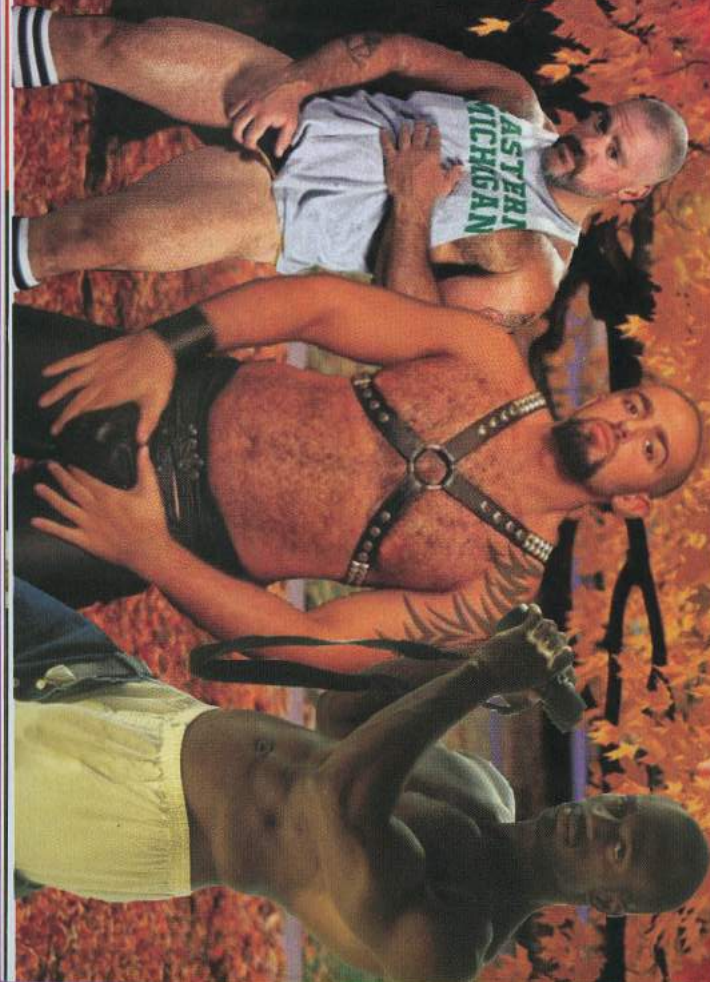
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Sally Field

Whether she is playing M'Lynn Eatenton in "Steel Magnolias", Forest Gump's mom, or being a defender of our rights for equality, let's face it, the gays love us some Sally Field. Through the years she has consistently molded herself into one of the most iconic actresses and women of our time. Her class, grace and humility alongside a great sense of humor continue to keep us wanting more.

She has been gracing us with her presence on the big screen as well as the small since 1967, thrilling us with every performance. In her acceptance speech while receiving her second Academy Award she stated "I haven't the most orthodox career", but I beg to differ. She is timeless and in many people's eyes, she can do no wrong. Her famous quote, "You like me, right now, you really like me" sums up everything that we feel about Sally.

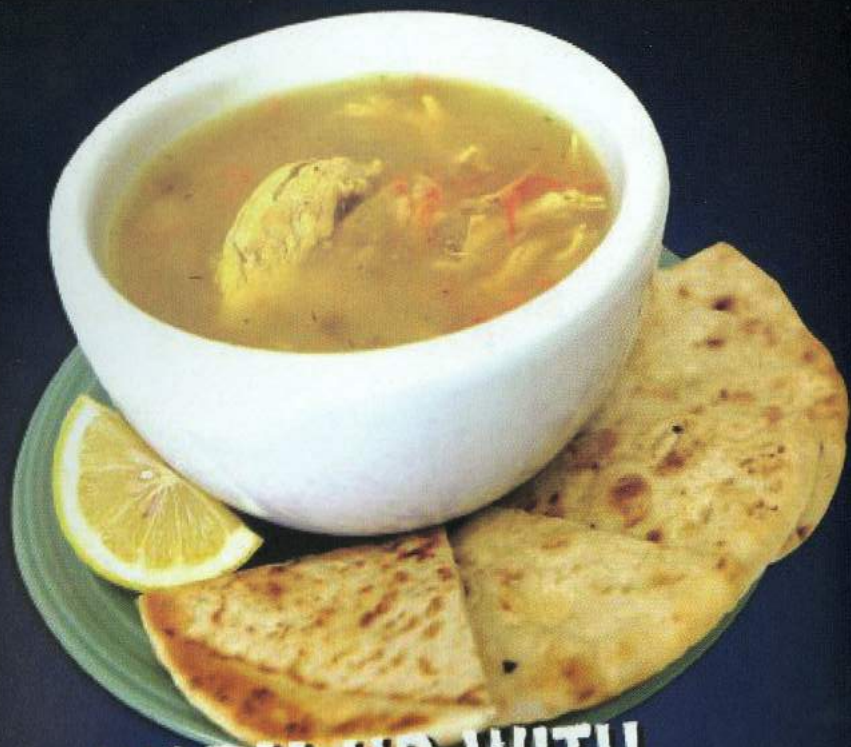


From an Oprah interview, we are told that the den in Sally Field's Malibu contains two Oscars, a few Emmys, and a couple of Golden Globes stand in full salute aside a framed cartoon drawing of Sally as Gidget, the 1965 TV character that launched her career. The hallways and shelves are filled with photos that span four decades of Sally's life. That seems about right, just a normal woman, proud of her family and accomplishments.

In more recent news, and one that hits very close to home, Sally has become one of our strongest advocates for equality. Sally Field delivered a heartwarming speech on behalf of her openly gay son when accepting the Human Rights Campaign Ally for Equality Award, in Washington D.C. this past month. She spoke on behalf of all the mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters that don't have quite the platform that she does. She made it known to the world, that she loves her son and wants his rights to be the same as everyone else's

Sally has never openly talked about her son Sam's sexuality before, and made it very clear that it is his business to speak of. She quotes, "There are so many children who struggle to understand and embrace their sexuality in families who do not welcome them, with parents that somehow find it acceptable to shut them out their hearts and their homes, and that I find unacceptable."

Probably the highlight of the night was one of her final remarks of her speech in which she addressed the HRC crowd and said, "You've changed and are changing the lives of little boys and girls who realize somewhere along the way they're just different from their other brothers and sisters, and so the f**k what?" PREACH! Sally Field, we love and praise you for your courage to help us in this time of need. I only wish there were more like you in aiding us in our struggle for equality. But one thing is for sure, with you on our side, we are on the right track!



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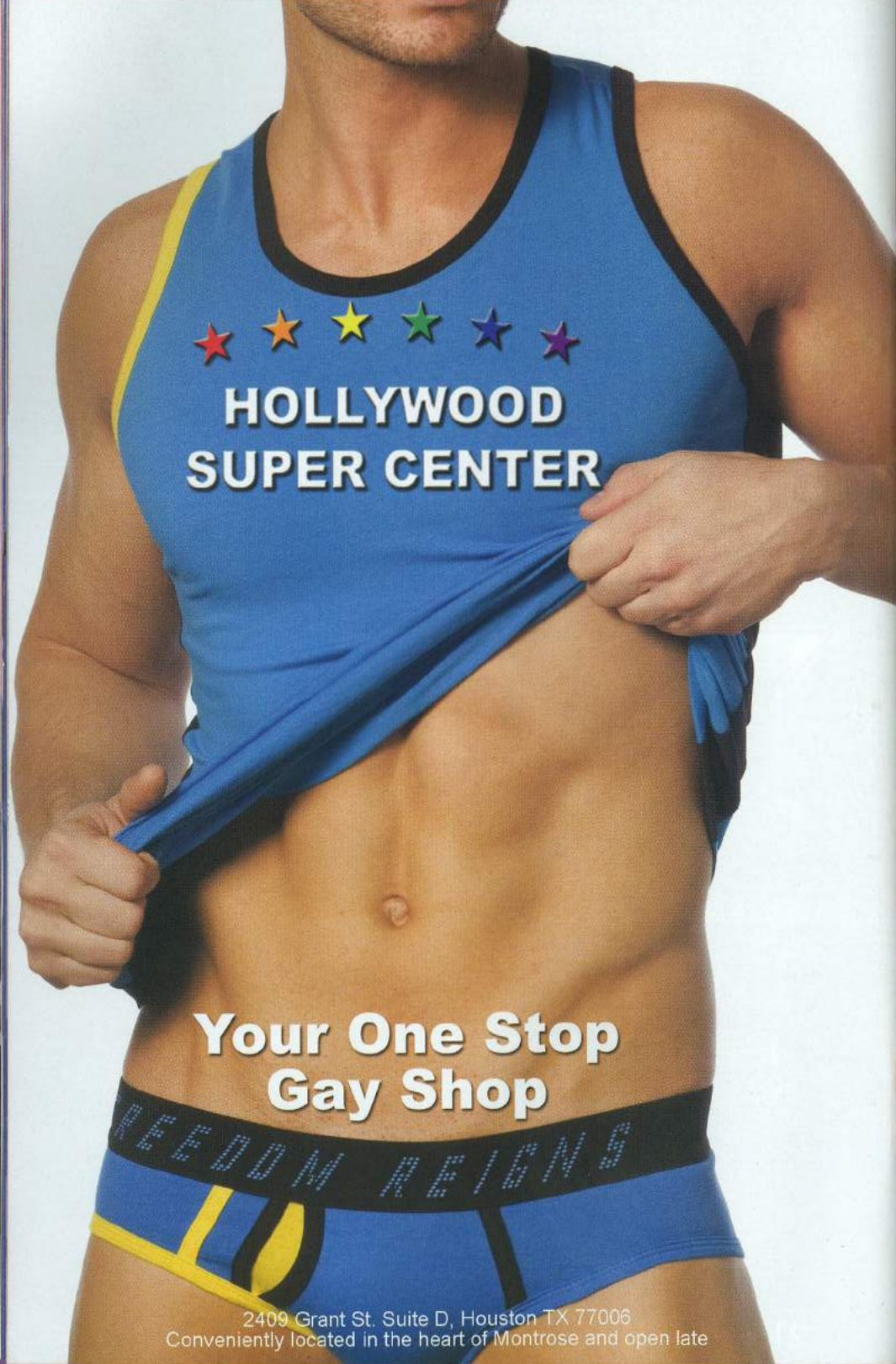
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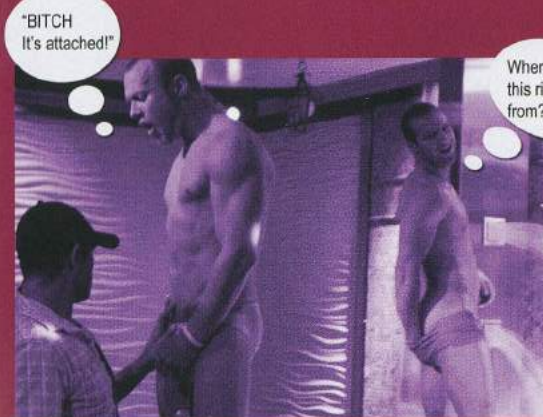
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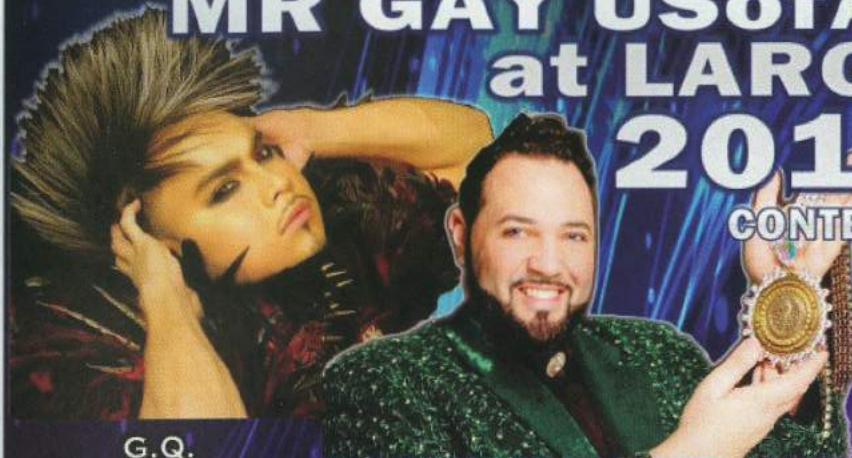
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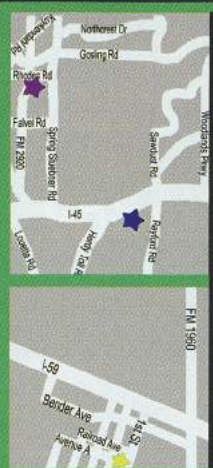
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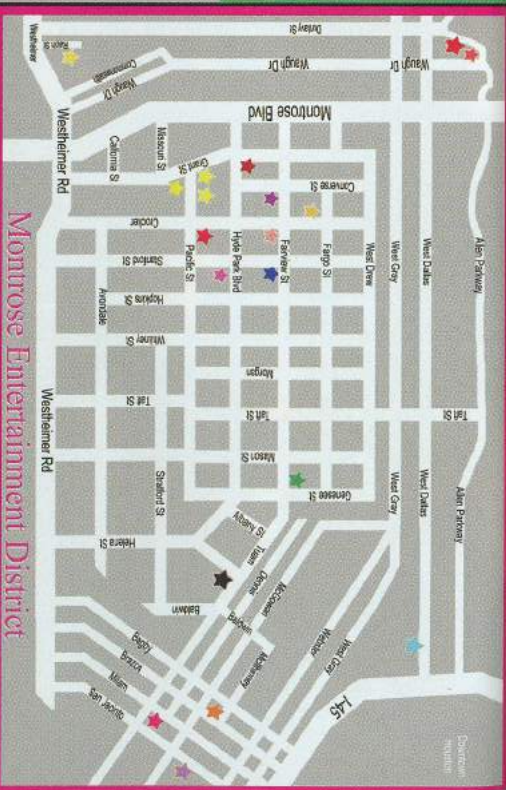


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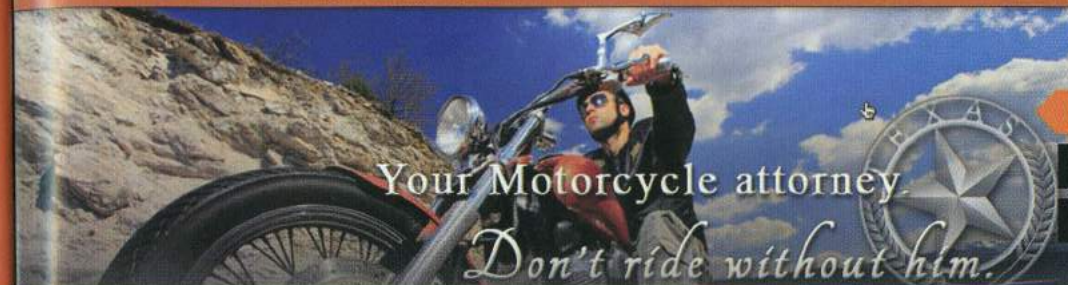
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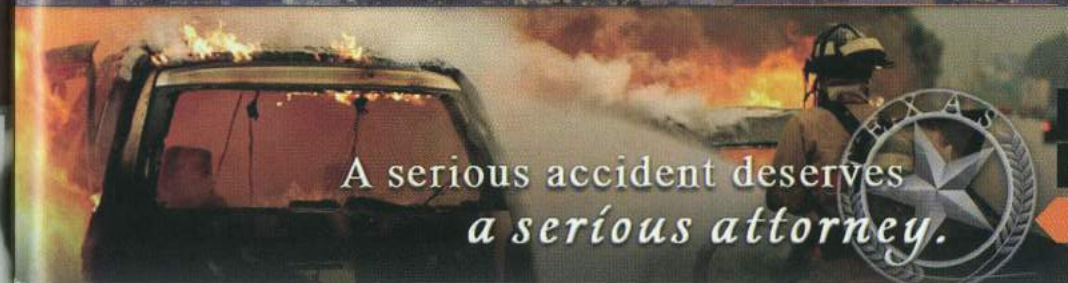
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April 21 - May 21 Taurus

Be very clear on what's acceptable and what just won't work. Once you spend your money, it stays spent. You may want to look at taking a disadvantage and turn it into a positive force for you. Don't allow uncertainty to begin a cycle of confusion.

May 22 - June 21 Gemini

During the next four weeks you'll emotionally dependent on people. This could be rather strange if you're usually a free-spirited who goes your own way. Instead, you'll prefer other people's company to your own, and you'll pay extra attention to the needs of your other half.

June 22 - July 22 Cancer

You take a serious view of life. As you work hard to overcome a naturally shyness and tendency to underestimate yourself and your abilities, success tends to come later in life. Nevertheless, being hard-working and persevering, you will attain a responsible professional position through sheer determination. You are ambitious, drive yourself hard and have a low expectation level.

July 23 - August 21 Leo

You're young at heart and very enthusiastic in the way you handle life's challenges. You probably have to struggle with a considerable temperament, but basically you are innocent and naive with very few bad intentions. You do not like anyone tampering with your freedom or telling you what to do.

August 22 - September 23 Virgo

There are mixed messages flying around so be wary about drawing any concrete conclusions from what happens. Even though you don't realize it, you may be misreading the signs that someone is sending out, which will lead to complications later on. Be especially careful about indulging in romantic daydreams and then believing them.

September 24 - October 23 Libra

There is someone you have recently met that may be lusting after your body. They want to see you naked beside them, but haven't done a move to let you know. The problem is you may not be attracted to this person. Be careful how you handle this situation if you are being proposed for a quickie.

October 24 - November 22 Scorpio

More haste, less speed! You're trying to do far too much in too short a time, and all you'll achieve will be to go round in circles or get yourself into a total mess. If you're in too much of a hurry you'll either make a hash of everything or have to start again, or you'll end up in a furious temper and completely at odds with the rest of the world.

November 23 - December 22 Sagittarius

Because you are more sensitive than usual, what you perceive now, whether favorable or unfavorable, will likely seem different shortly thereafter. You prefer escaping unwanted conditions to facing them, and you are readily influenced. Creating a world that you can retreat to can be a nice way to spend the time since you may lack enthusiasm for your normal routine.

December 23 - January 20 Capricorn

This is a good day for getting together with your closest friends because of their company. However, someone could get their knickers in a twist, which will lead to a tricky atmosphere and possibly even raised voices. This is likely if the conversation strays into memories of the past.

January 21 - February 19 Aquarius

With Mercury close to Neptune across the zodiac it's a subtle, sensitive and very sympathetic day. You'll be putting yourself across to people in a way that makes them understand where you're coming from. What's more you will have an almost magical way of understanding what they're all about. All those new plans you have been mulling and muddling over in recent days can now be given a sensible push.

February 20 - March 20 Pisces

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