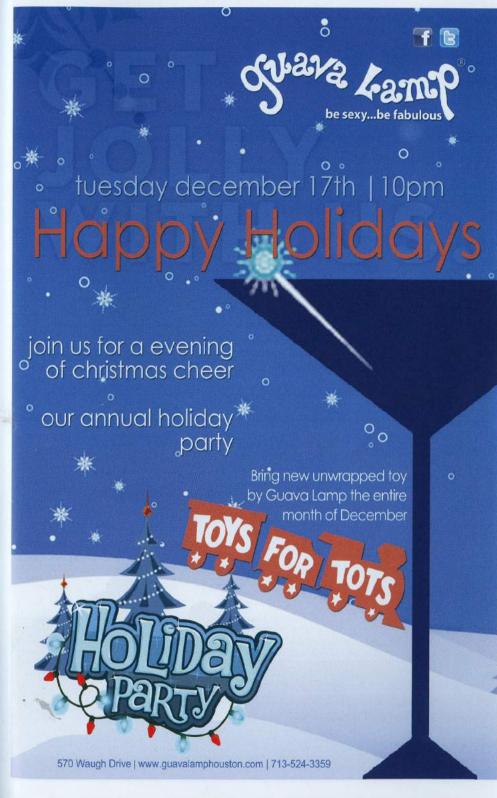
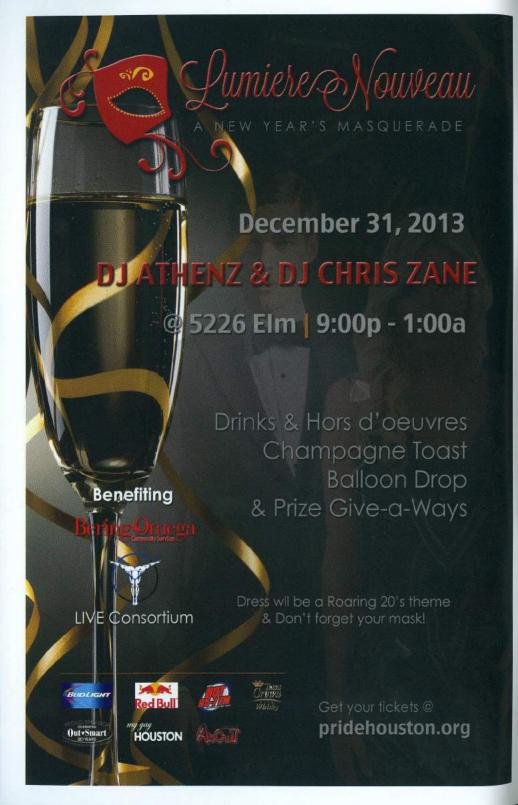


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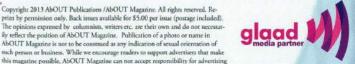
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# I Have ISSUES

#72 Selfies, & Thumbnails, & Profile Pics, HO MY!

Well since the folks at Webster's Dictionary made it dictionary official it is time to talk about 'selfies'. We have all seen our friends and 4 out of 5 of us have partaken in the self-portrait taking ritual. I've been doing my selfie since I was 13 however a smartphone was not involved.

The smartphone has changed how we capture images. A hundred years ago it was said that: "a picture is worth a thousand words". Snapping that pic to use as your profile pic on Facebook, Grinder, GrowlR, Scruff, whichever one so inclined to use, what message are you sending out?

Last week David Summa and I were having coffee and he told me about a mutual acquaintance that was so jazzed that he was being hit up like crazy on GrowIR. Being the self-proclaimed 'Gay Hardy Boys' we had to investigate.

His selfie was 30lbs lighter and several Christmas past. Not misleading enough his profile name was '9 inches 4 U'. I know enough about him to know that this will most likely be a Ménage à trois because he is going to need to borrow 5 inches from someone to fulfill that 9 inch promise.

GrowlR did get it right that everyone looks better in a thumbnail. We spent the rest of the afternoon investigating the site. Often mislead by guys who looked doable then only to click on thumbnail to reveal a Stephen King horror. Some thumbnails were even too scary to open.

One caused David to toss his phone. Crying, "If you can't even make it as a thumbnail you have some serious problems." Worst selfies dirty bathroom selfies either public or home. Either is unforgivable. Call Molly-Maids get out of the filth. I thought for sure we were going to catch a staph infection just by looking.

David told me, "It is kind of ballsy to post pics without getting your parents or somebody to check them first."

My best advice for a selfie: ensure your surroundings are presentable. If you must do it in the potty flush your toilet, pick things up, and for the love of all that is holy, CLEAN YOUR MIRROR. If you are not capable of taking a selfie that says I shouldn't be a candidate for a Wes Craven film monster take yourself to Sears Portrait Studio.

Happy snapping. by: Marsha Mellow www.AbOUT-Online.com





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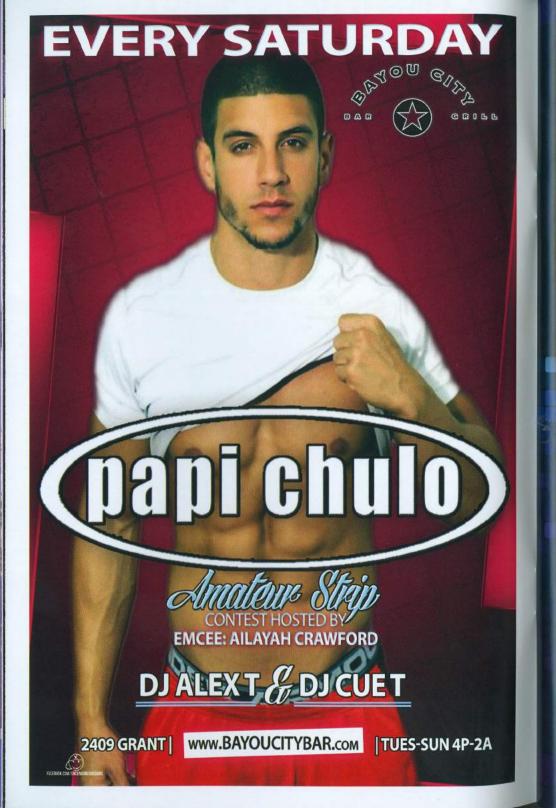


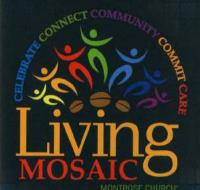
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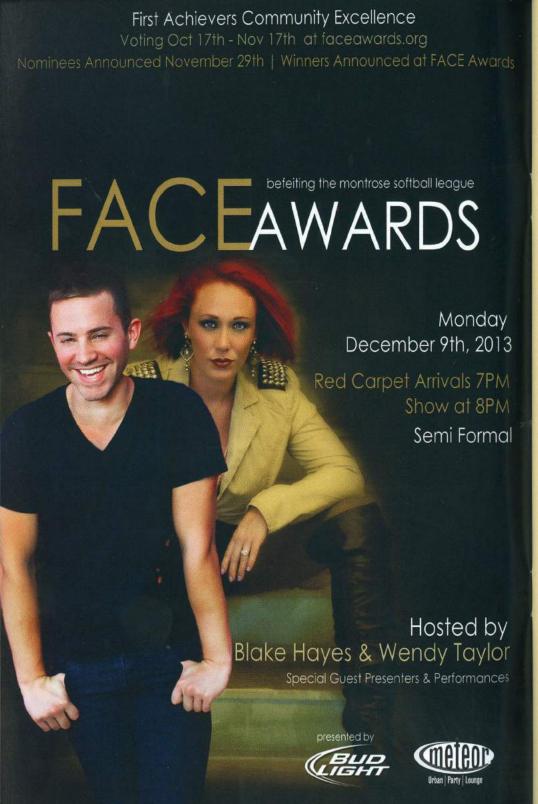
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Kristina Pratts- Guava Lamp

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Best Club Dancer of The Year

Victor @ F Bar

Best Monday Night

Male DJ of The Year

Female DJ of The Year

Female Musician of The Year

Male Musician of The Year

Best Dressed of The Year

Parker Voss

Fashion Designer of The Year

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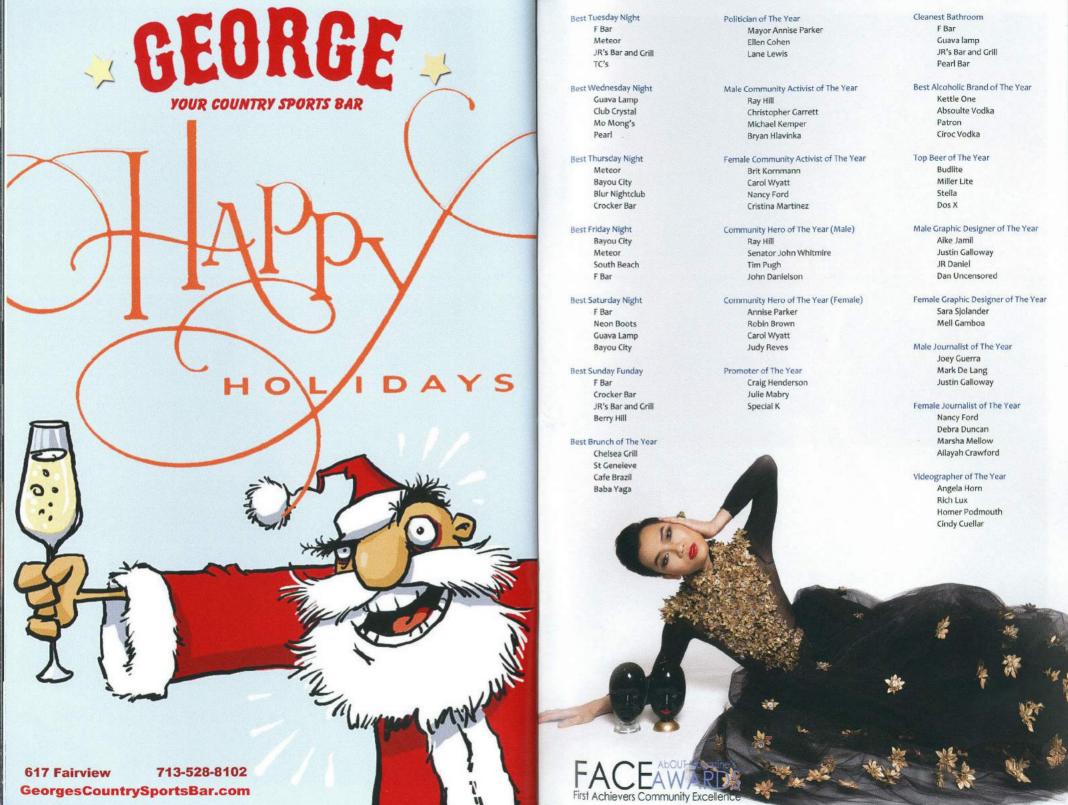
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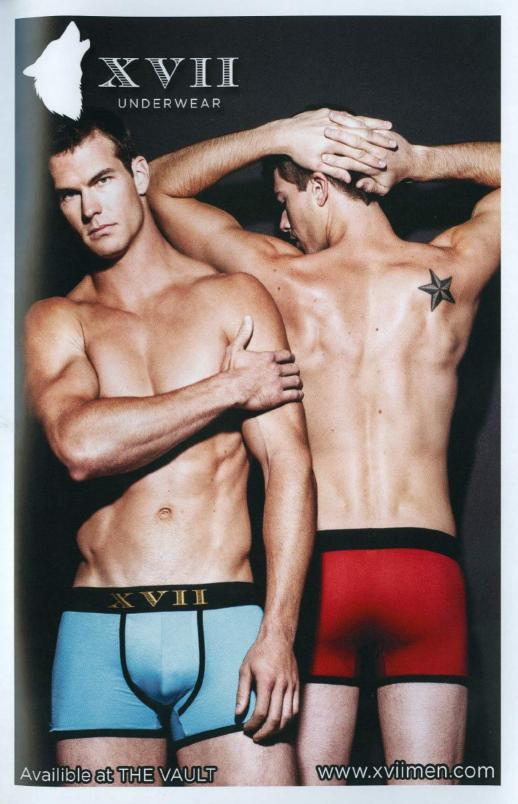


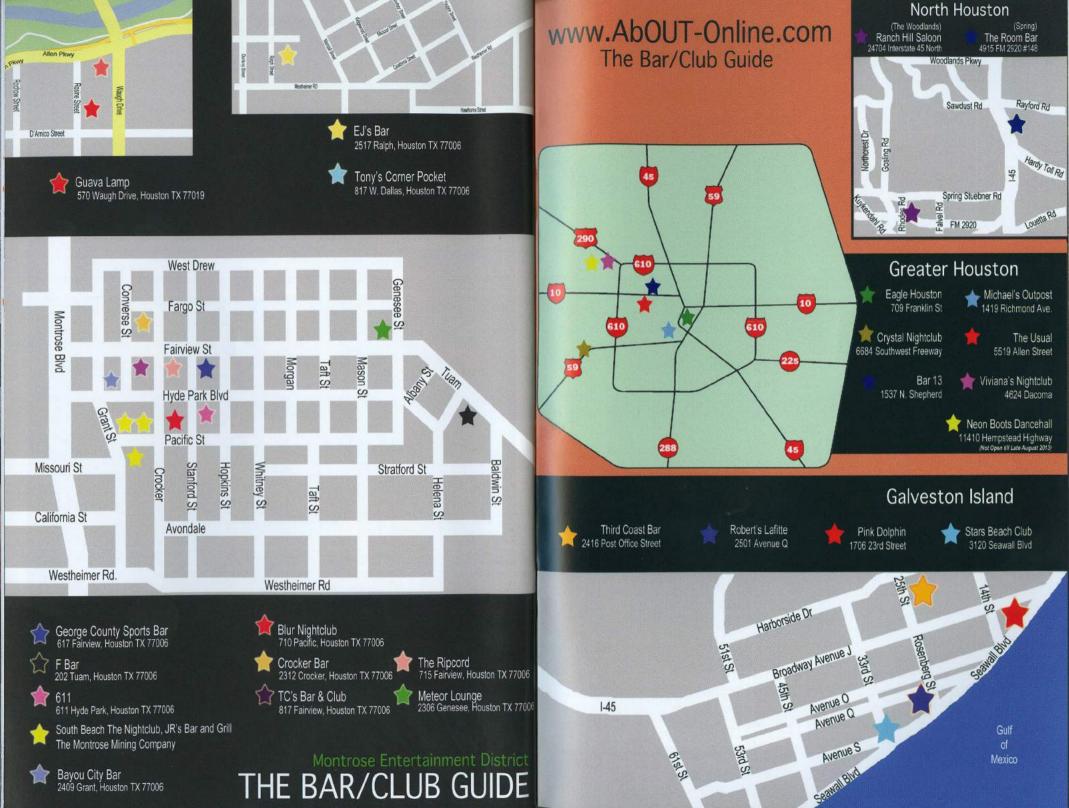
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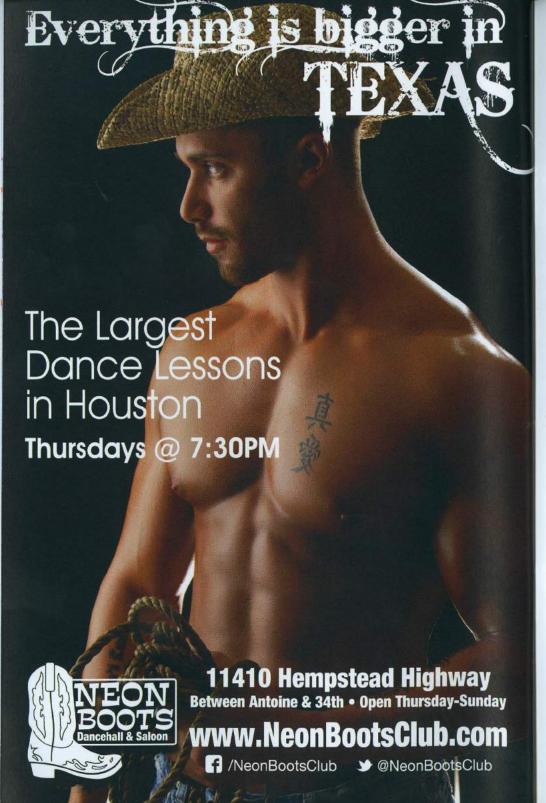
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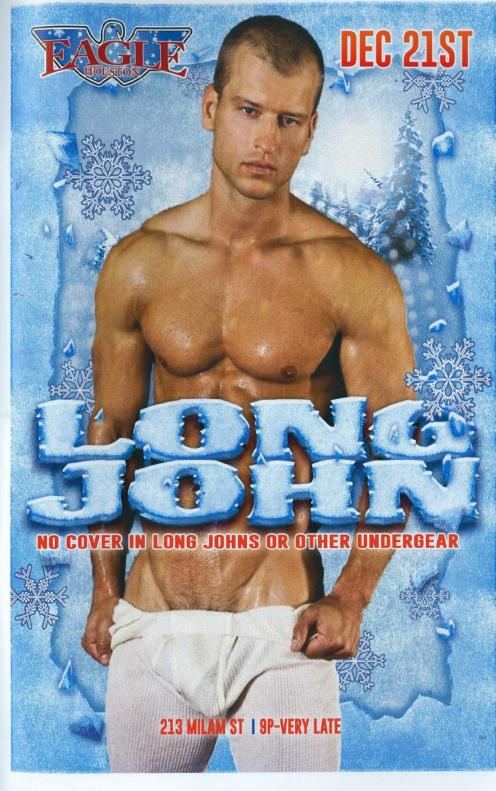


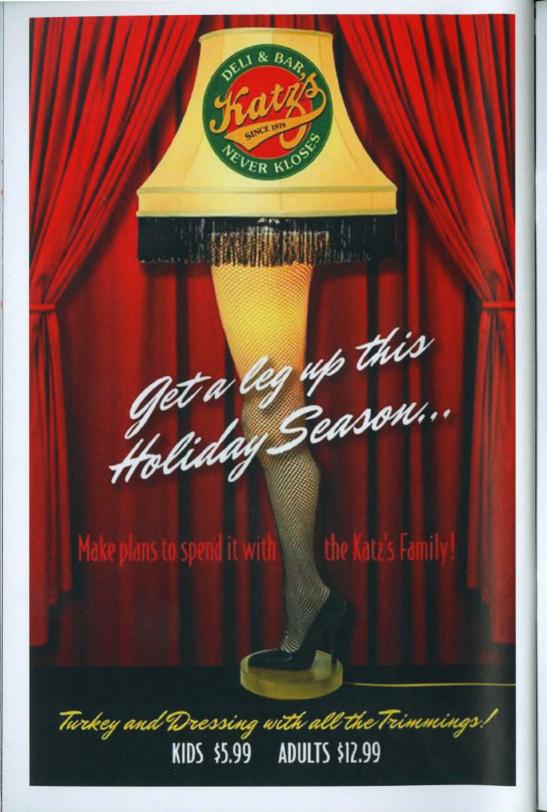


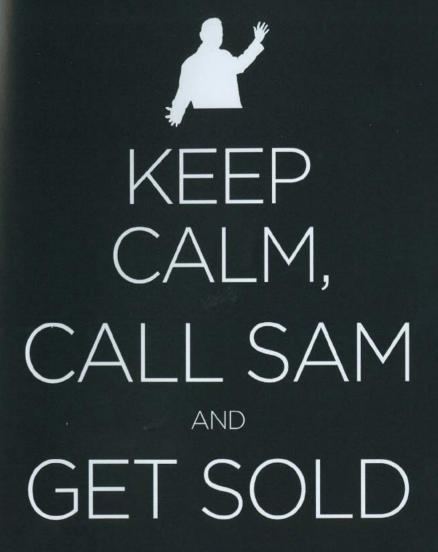










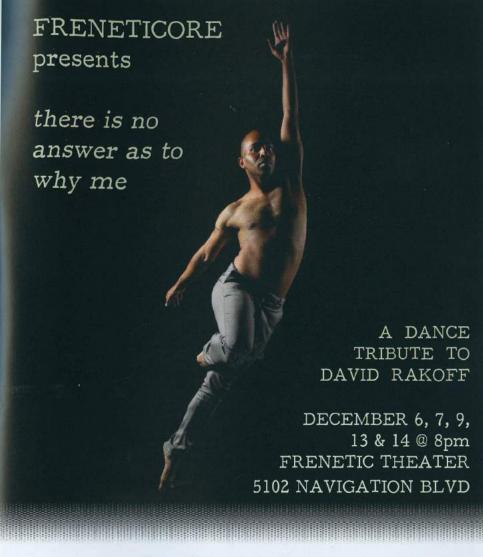












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