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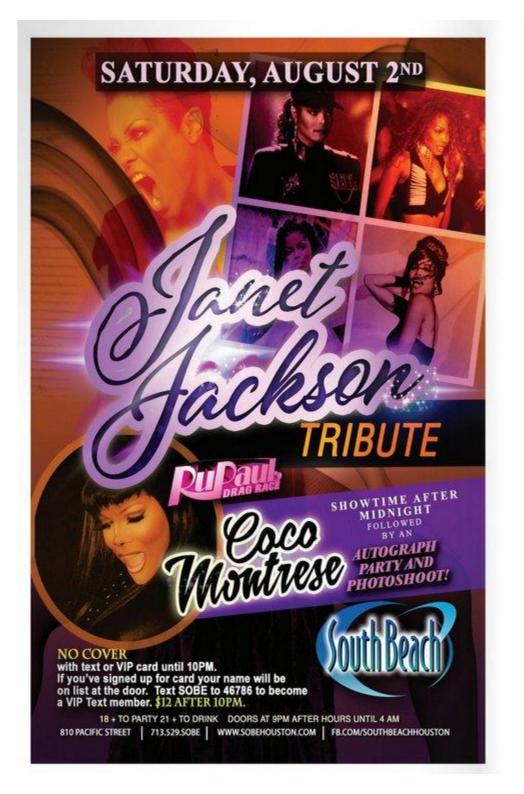
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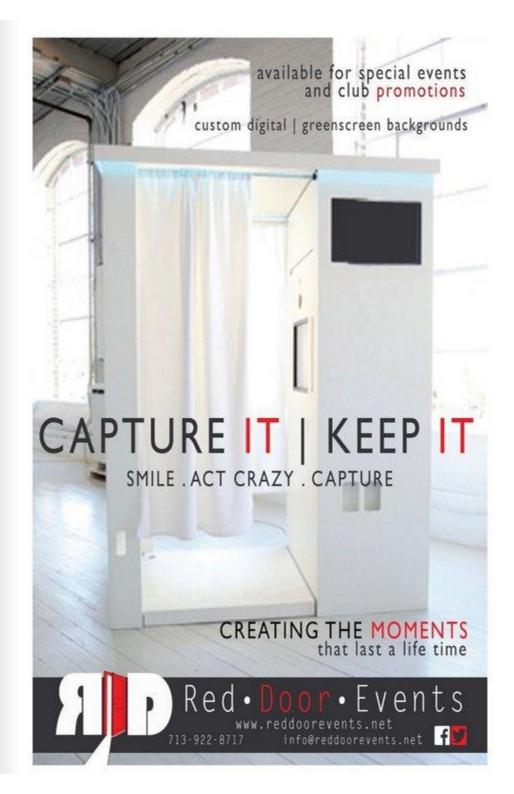
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Now I know some of you think I only report gossip and bad tea...but I report celebrity news of all kinds. I could talk about the seemingly never ending feud between Eve and Sarah. EJ's is closed, move on ladies let it go.

I COULD talk about the undoing of a "Socialite" but let's face it...she's old news. Enough hashtags for now.

No, this week I want to concentrate on the positive news that has taken place since I have been out.

Early last week I attended the beautiful celebrity wedding July 19th at Grace Lutheran Church of Alexis Nicole Whitney of T.C's, as she wed her soulmate Frank Davis. Yes the blushing bride wore white and never looked more stunning. The church was full of the couples family and friends. Zinnya Larue Whitney, Kayla Larue, and Monique Johnson were a few of her 13 bridesmaids. Rising songstress Morena Road sang "From this moment" and Brian Sullivant sang "Unchained Melody", both amazing singers moved the audience to tears.

and the doves flew

The reception took place after the releasing of the doves. The Montrose Center was transformed into a beautiful banquet hall where the couple and their guests danced till midnight. We are truly happy for the couple and wish them the best.

Always read more online at www.about-online.com

HOUSTON'S STILL GOT PLENTY OF TALENT!

Who ever said that Houston has lost its talent was a idiot! We have been keeping our eye on **Dessle Love Blake** of F Bar Houston for a while now. So it comes as no susprise that she blew into Dallas like a hurricaine to become the new symbol of excellence for the America pageantry system... Damn right she did!

Yes folks Miss Blake is your new Miss Gay Texas America and she is now on her way to compete for Miss Gay America. Congratulations to this Diva! Houston is still home to the best talent in the BIG state of Texas!

So there you have it, the positive side of Montrose... Good bad or indifferent I just tell it like I hear it...till next time

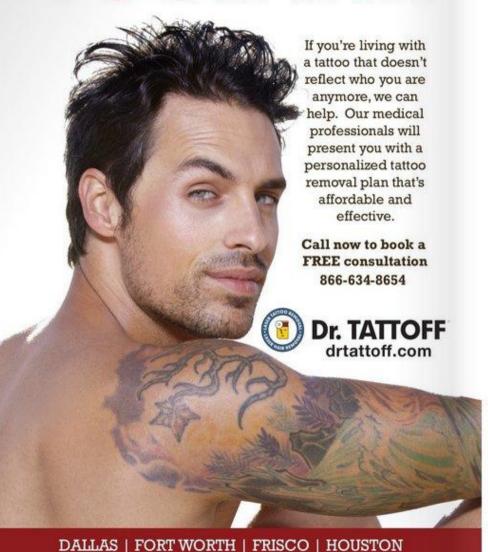


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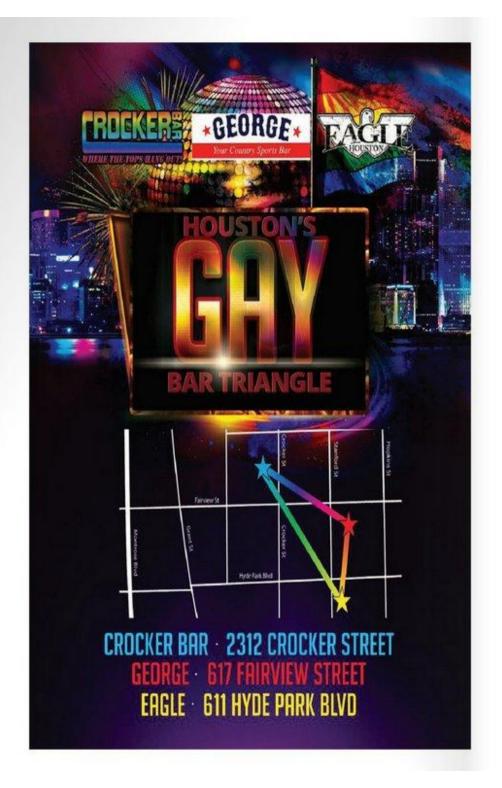
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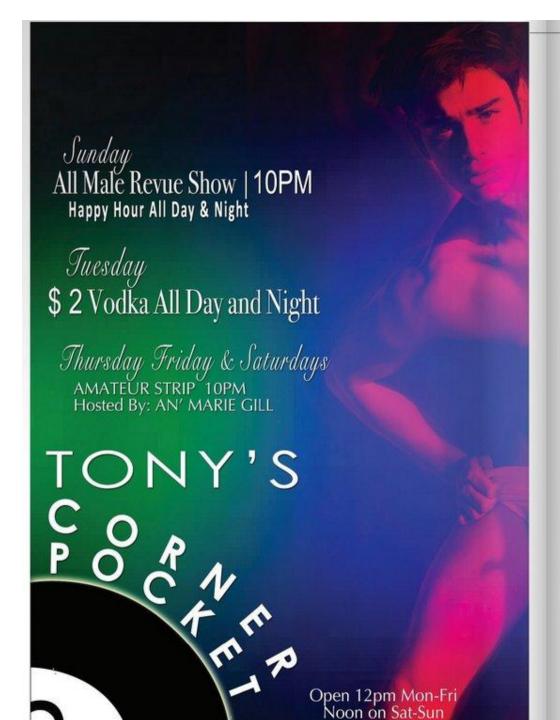
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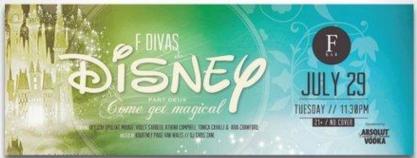
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Here's a fun topic for your next cocktail party: When it came to providing urine receptacles for astronauts, NASA encountered an unexpected problem. They gave their astronauts a choice of small, medium, or large sleeves to fit around their penises, but nobody would select either of the first two choices—and they kept slipping right off, leading to some unintended consequences. To fix this issue, the organization came up with a brilliant idea. They labeled them large, gigantic, and humongous instead.

The gay society's penis anxiety is deeply ingrained in the fabric of how we think about our own sexualities—and those of our partners. For a man, the ultimate dig is to suggest that he has a small penis, thus questioning his very manhood.

How much does penis size matter and how much is myth? Here is a list of seven reasons that penis size doesn't matter as much as we think The results will surprise you.

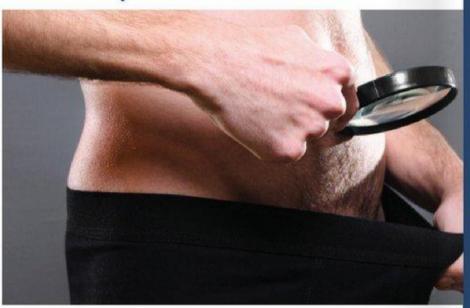
 Bigger is only better to an extent.
 Most people the same way. But will never admit it. A big penis is like looking at an armored tank: They're nice to look at, but if a guy thinks he's parking it in

A guy with a big penis may be more confident in his sexuality, after a lifetime of having his body affirmed by sexual partners, but that can go one of two ways. Confidence can lead to incredible sex or could mean he's so sure of what he's doing that he ignores communication and physical cues.

In addition, research has shown that while size matters to the receptive partner, it doesn't necessarily correlate to being more satisfied either in the bedroom or in a relationship.

BIG ONES

The Way We Think About Penis



2) Just because big penises are the standard in porn doesn't mean they should be yours in real life. Porn can be a great tool for discourse, but it's absolutely awful at is setting the tone for what our bodies should look like. Although there's nothing wrong with abs on men, and 10+ inches downtown, they tend to be the unilateral norm in gay porn.

Because porn often plays on our desires, porn has a way of making everything about size for the purpose of a fantasy, but the fantasy should not be our entire reality. This is a particular problem in the gay community, simply because we have so few representations of what our gay bodies look like outside of pornography.

Instead of relying on other people to create your preferences for you, we all need to go out and find out what we like ourselves.

3) The expectations around big penises are too high. There are people who believe that having sex with a dude with a really, really, really big penis is far preferable to having sex with a dude with a really, really small penis. Sometimes this can be true. We do not want to know the "hung" male reading this.

But do not let your expectations go so high that it's impossible for the penis to live up to them, and that's assuming you guys even make it to the sex act at all.

You see that twink at the bar with mascara running down his cheeks? That's not a drunk twink crying over a breakup; that's a twink who just lost the opportunity to have sex with a guy with an enormous penis. If you're a halfway decent person, you should go over there with a tissue immediately and tell him how very sorry you are for his loss.

4) Sex isn't just about penetration. If you've ever perused the Kama Sutra, you know that the missionary position is just one of an endless number of positions available to you to explore, and penetrative sex is the same way.

For gay men, copulation shouldn't be the only offering at the buffet. The entire BDSM and leather movements are predicated on the idea that sexual intercourse alone is just a fraction of everything that goes into attraction and arousal, and for many people, oral sex is more pleasurable than anal interaction. Many gay men suggest that they dislike penetrative sex, and only 36 percent of men reporting receiving anal sex and 34 percent of men reporting giving it and that anal sex was actually among the least

common sexual behaviors that queer men engaged in, below masturbation, mutual masturbation, and genital-genital contact. One size simply never fits all

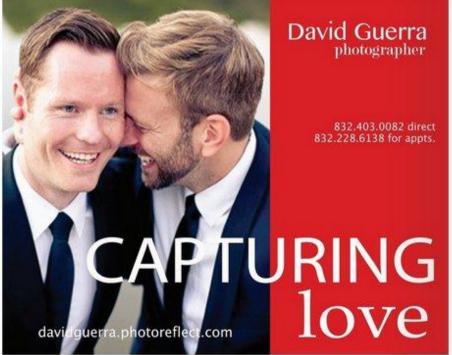
5) Big penises can be painful. When men discuss the merits of having a big penis, something that often gets overlooked is how excruciatingly painful it is to have sex with a guy who has one. No matter how much of an ego trip it must be for a dude to be packing a Louisville Slugger instead of a Fisher Price toy, the sad truth is that it's actually quite difficult for well-endowed men to find partners who are able to handle their equipment, because bottoms, I don't care if you're the Virgin Mary or if you've had sex with the entire 2014 lineup of the Houston Texans. If you are not regularly having sex with a man with a big penis, it will hurt. A lot.

6) Being a "size queen" leaves too many men out. If you're the type of person who will only have sex with guys who at are at least nine inches long (I have some friends insist upon ten), you are severely depleting your dating pool. Studies show that the average erect penis is between 6.1 and 6.9 inches long, but the actual range in terms of penis size is all over the place. An sculpture at Iceland's Penis Museum shows the incredible diversity of male phalluses, not just in terms of size but also girth. It's an eye-opening and powerful example of why society's big penis fetish simply doesn't measure up, having just one preference doesn't just set your partners up to fail. It sets you up to fail.

Arguably, that small penis phobia is even more toxic in the bedroom than the actual phallus itself. Men who don't have a porn-ready seven or eight inches might be dealing with a great deal of internalized shame about their privates, accrued from years of rejection by their partners or silent feelings of worthlessness. Although many studies have shown that those feelings are "all in guys heads," as even well-endowed men deal with feelings of penis shame, that sense of dysmorphia can lead to eating disorders, depression, and anxiety. Considering the fact that around 45 percent of men report that they're unhappy with the size of their equipment, this is a major problem.

How can we address such a widespread phenomenon? You can begin by simply shifting your own preferences. Be the change that you want to see in your bedroom.









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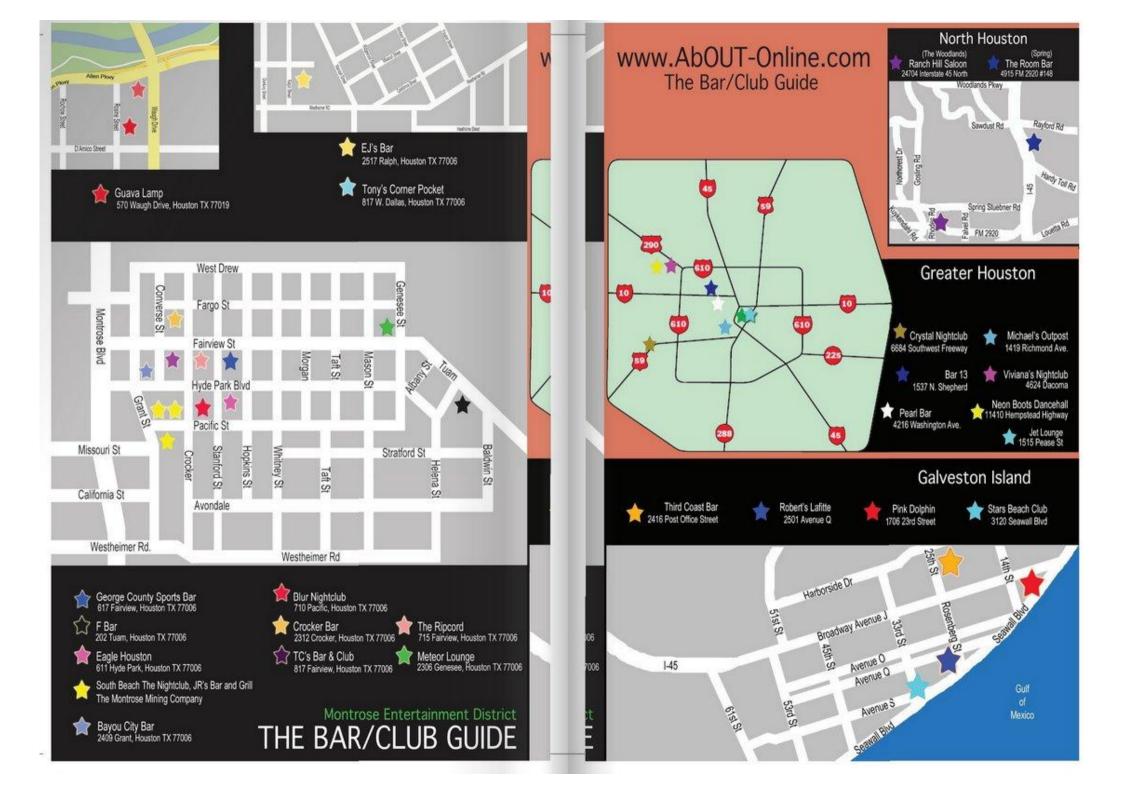


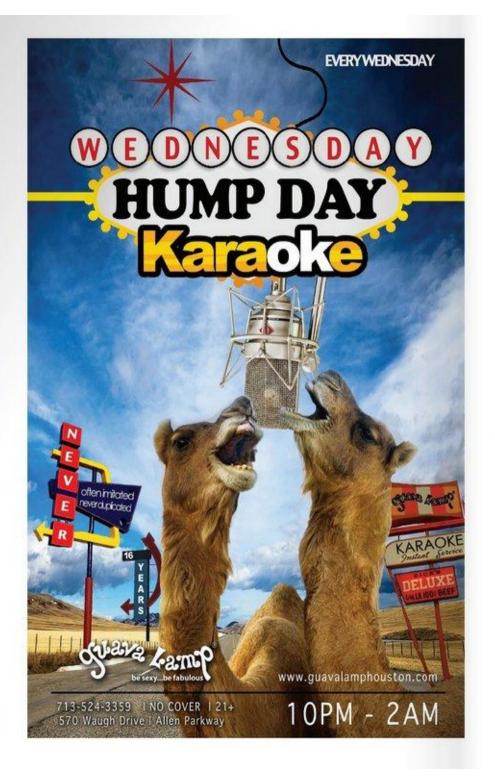




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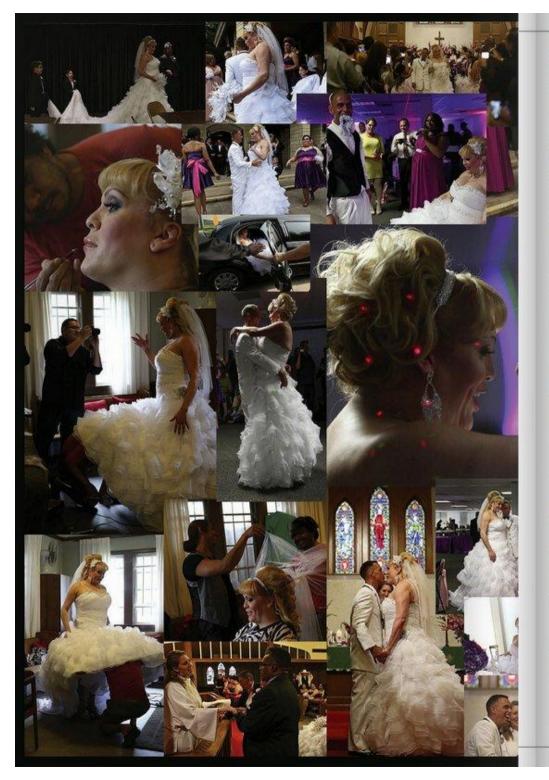


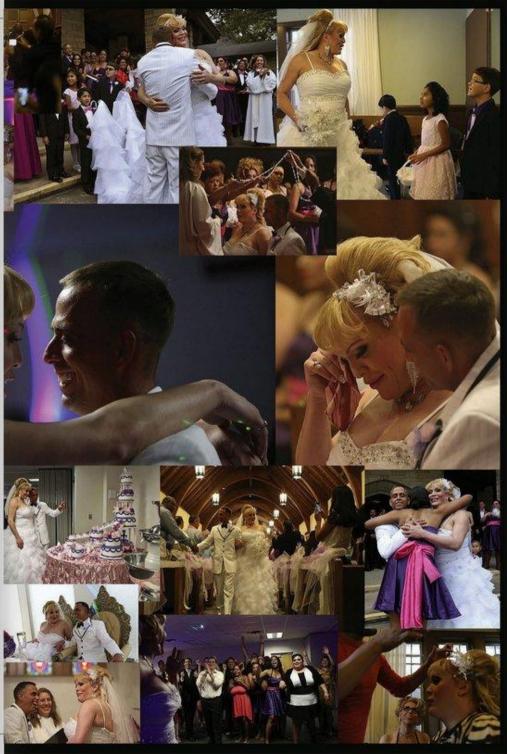


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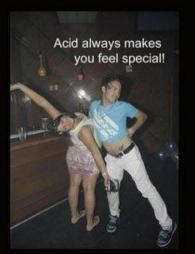
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