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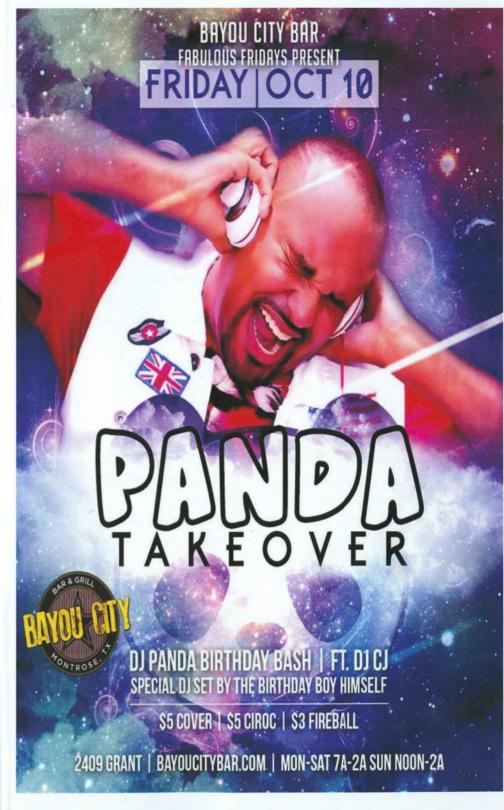












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Where do begin...Well as promised here is the tea on the cat-fight at the O.K coral. I was at a show recently, won't say where, and the dressing room got a little heated when two legends clashed in the worst way.

Now let me set the scene...it's always lively in a dressing room of a drag show...a real drag show that is, I digress. So all of the girls were laughing and playfully being catty. THEN.... Dina Jacobs called Monique Johnson something to the affect of "EENA" Turner as Monique was doing Tina Turner that night, and we all know Dina has been doing a lot of Tina Turner lately.

Well baby if I tell you Monique went completely off!!! The room fell silent as the barrage of insults went on (all one way,I might add) for about 5 minutes. I finally stepped in and calmed the situation down.

All Dina wanted to do was address the issue in private. Monique went on to say this had nothing to do with Tina Turner, it was a catty comment made behind her back moths ago by Dina.

After it all calmed down we all went on with the show as though nothing had happened. Just goes to show, be careful who you read and who you read them too.

AND THE PARADE ...

As I write this, Montrose is in a tither as the Pride committee announced that the parade is moving downtown. I haven't

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been to the parade myself since 2011. So I'm not really bothered one way or the other. But the tradition does mean something to me. Something about just knowing it is that time of year, ya know.?

It is sad to see so many of our clubs, establishments and history are disappearing. I asked if Montrose was dying on my facebook today and legendary **DJ Tony Powell** had this to say "The Montrose we knew died a long time ago! It's just been a slow steady death...And I'm thinking the new Montrose really doesn't want any part of the old Montrose"

I have to admit it is certainly starting to look that way. Well my cup is empty so let me put a fresh pot on the stove...till next time-**RXC**



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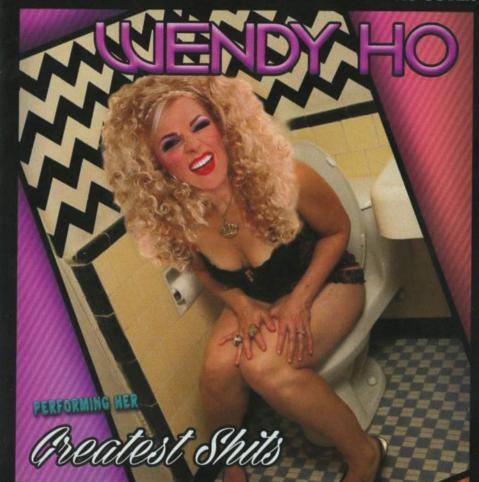
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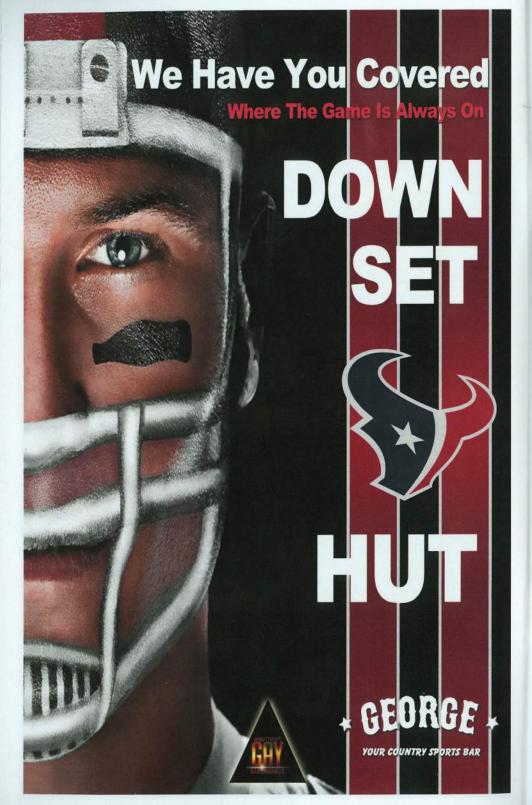
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Interview with David Rosen

For the first time an American political candidate with gay parents has released a campaign ad starring their modern family. Astonishingly this groundbreaking moment didn't occur in California or New York, but instead right here in Houston, Texas. David Rosen, the Democratic nominee for Harris County Treasurer, released a campaign video starring his two lesbian parents and calling on same-sex partner benefits to be offered to employees of Harris County.

"The fight for GLBT equality is my generation's civil rights movement; it's time for couples like my parents to have the same rights as everyone else."

Rosen was raised by two lesbians who have been together for 28 years, since he was one year old. "We were rich in the sense that I had a very happy and loving upbringing, but we struggled financially. My working-class parents were forced to pay two separate health insurance premiums every month they have been together. This has been a tremendous financial burden placed on my family for no reason other than because my parents are gay."

While Rosen thinks the benefits should be offered because it's the right thing to do, that it would also be an advantage in terms of recruitment. "My parents had talked about moving our family to part of the country that was more tolerant. I have plenty of GLBT friends that have left the South for parts of the country that appear more accepting. It's frustrating to me that in such a diverse part of the country, we're still arguing over this in 2014. I think we're going to look back years from now and be embarrassed that it took so long to treat GLBT people with the same basic legal dignities and respect afforded to everyone else."

Rosen believes that Harris County should provide equal right protections similar to the Houston Equal Rights Ordinance. He acknowledges HERO is a dramatic step forward that will help many couples like his parents and is grateful for Mayor Parker's leadership and the bravery of the majority of City for passing the ordinance.

"We have a serious problem with parency in Harris County - in the six years, three of our Constables been indicted and a County Comp sioner and County Budget Officer had to resign their positions, all be cause of alleged financial impropr I've got a simple, non-partisan sol we're going to turn the lights on."

Rosen realizes that the County Tre urer's office is a low profile and un derutilized office, pointing to the fa that office had many of its respons ties stripped away by Commission Court in the 1990s. In other Texas counties, the County Treasurer ha some finance, budgeting and fored ing responsibilities, but in Harris County it is relegated to only hand accounts payable and accounts re able. "I would like to see some of t

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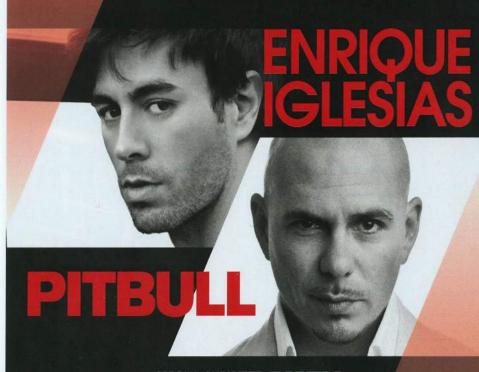
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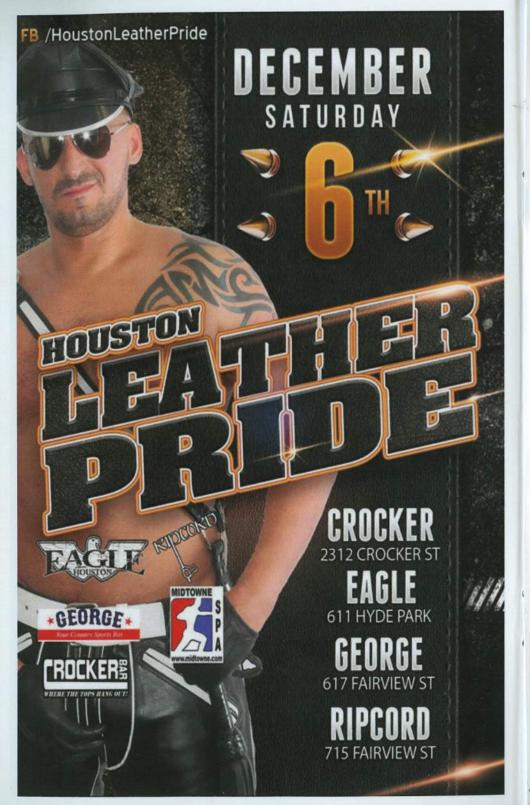
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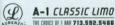
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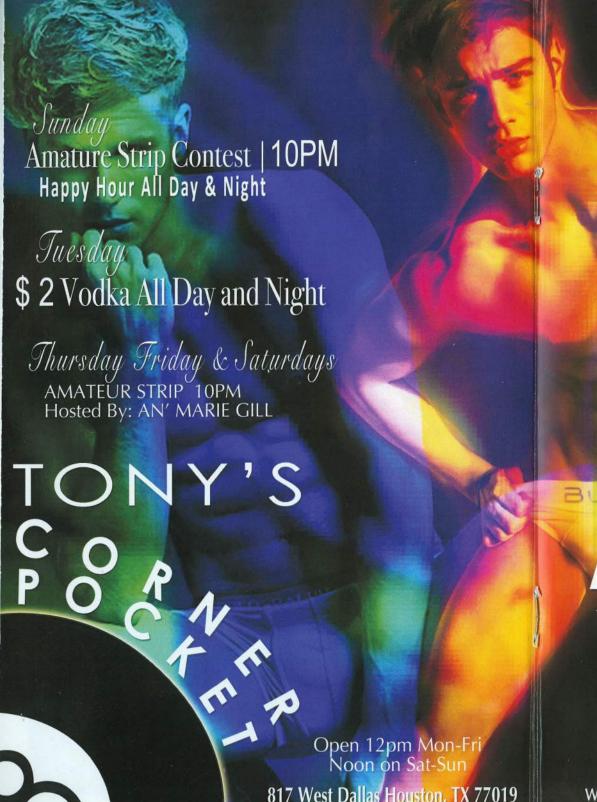
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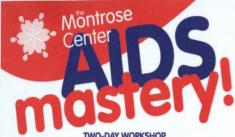


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Houston's annual LGBT Pride Parade and Celebration dropped a bombshell announcement last week on the LGBT community informing people they are moving the event from Montrose to the hollow streets of downtown Houston effective for 2015.

AbOUT Magazine broke the story last month that the organizers of Pride were in the process of moving the annual celebration. The city of Houston and Pride Houston denied the story, and even presented records indicating the parade would be staying in Montrose. Those records turned out to be nothing but propaganda used as an attempt to calm a feared massive public outcry. Due to Pride's decision that outcry not only came about, but has now led to the storm that's now brewing with local officials, business owners and leaders of non profits in Montrose calling for the resignation of the President of Pride Houston, Inc.

The parade and festival has been held along the Westheimer strip in Montrose for 36 years. The Montrose community accepted the LGBT community with open arms and now that things look better else where. Now Pride says it's time to say goodbye?

NOT So Fast!

On Wednesday of last week, Pride Houston purposely tricked each of the local LGBT bars owners into thinking they were having a private meeting with the Board. "I even asked if any other bar owners would be there" stated one local bar owner. "I was told no."

Upon arriving at the meeting the owners ended up in the same room, and as a group were slammed with the announcement of the move. Pride cited that the growth of Pride was a deciding factor, along with a civil lawsuit Pride had to litigate several years ago when a Houston Police Department horse kicked a parade bystander. A rather weak excuse since Pride won that lawsuit. Does Pride think Houston Police won't utilize horses downtown?

Some new incentives were mentioned — an enhanced Family Fun Zone, a cultural stage and even misting stations – Is Pride kidding? A misting station? We move one of the most historic days of the year out of Montrose for a misting station?

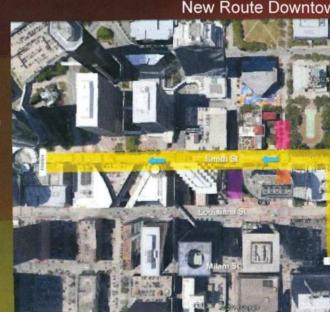
Instead of winding our magic down Westheimer on Pride night, passing the thousands of people that have lined the streets all day, past the historic bar of Mary's – We head down to a square block around city hall. Is this the progress we want? The cries that things have changed are right. Montrose has changed, but BECAUSE of us!

A recent poll asked the community if they would like to see the parade move.
The poll included 304 people.

59% -NO 34%- YES 6% -UNKNOWN

Pride Houston noted in their press release that they are "in final negotiations" for a fireworks display at the end of the parade.

Local Montrose organizations will be meeting in the upcoming week to determine if they should launch a second Houston Pride that will be held in Montrose. AbOUT will keep you updated as information becomes available to this unfolding series of developments.

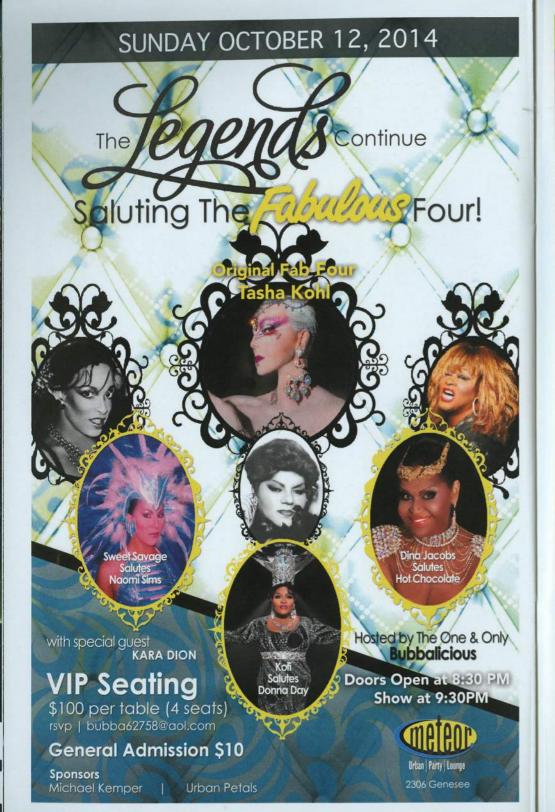


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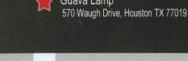
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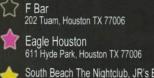


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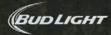
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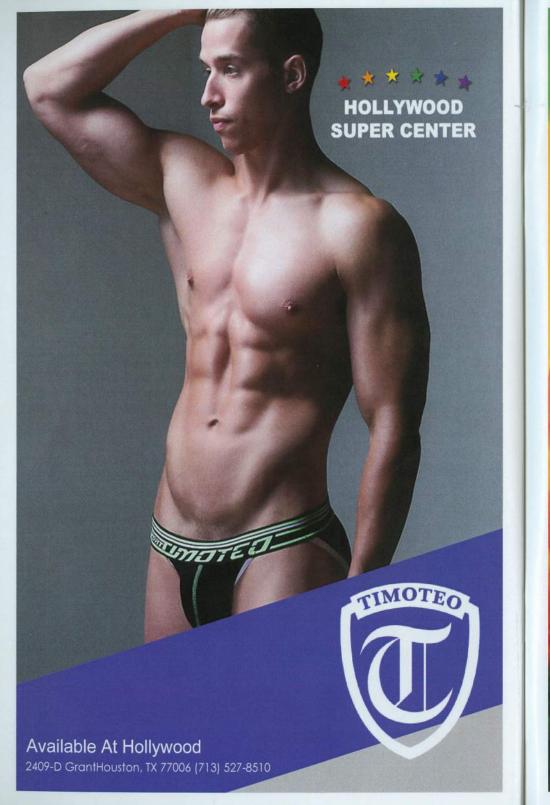
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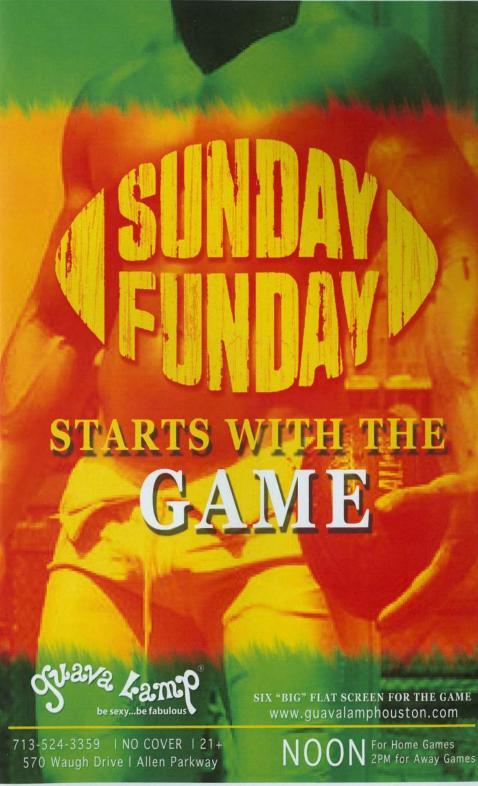
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