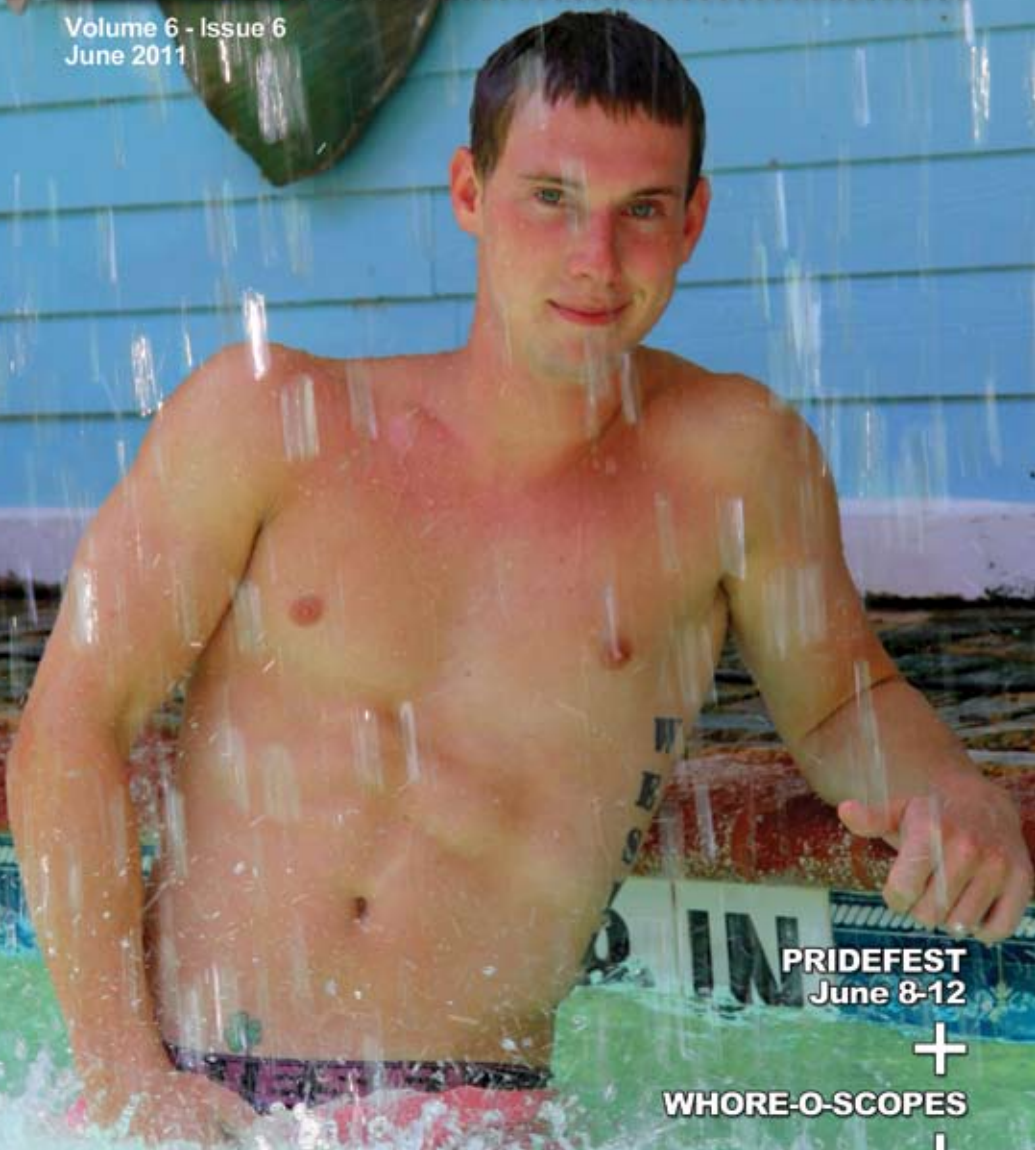




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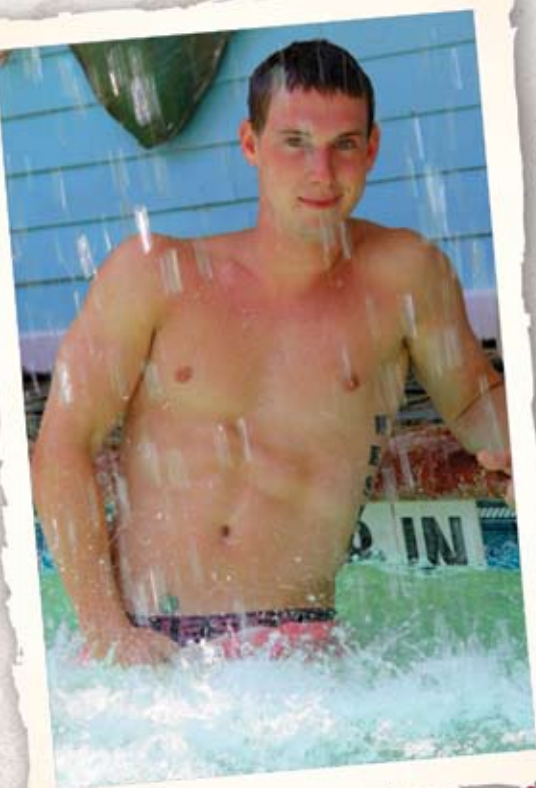




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Our cover model can be seen bartending or barbacking (that's BARbacking!) at the Bourbon Street Pub.

You'll also find him providing entertainment (usually naked) at the Saturday Pool Party each week out back in the Garden Bar.

Key West Pridefest is this month. For a full list of events, go to page 32.

Enjoy!

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*I just met a great guy about a month ago and things are going great. We clicked immediately and I'm totally smitten. The one problem is that it's highly likely that I will have to move to another state for work in the next 3 months. I'm already starting to think about how I could make this work long distance. I could possibly move my work schedule around to work 4 days a week and then fly back and forth for 3 day weekend, etc. Is this something we should be talking about as a couple? I feel like we have to get a move on if we're going to survive the change in distance.*

Oh Nugget, how cute are you?!. Listen, I'm sure in your little gay mind 3-4 months of dating someone is an eternity. But the truth is that, that is a very, very short amount of time in which to begin to throw in obstacles like state borders and frequent flyer miles. I've seen people move around the world for the one they love... to have it fall apart. And I've seen people use the excuse of love to get out of a job or life choice they don't really want to be making. If you like what you do and you like your job, then the years of work you've already put into that part of your life shouldn't just be pissed away because you like giving this boy a pearl necklace a couple times a week. I'm not saying long distance won't work, though the odds at this early stage are against you, I'm just saying it will be what it's gonna be. And no amount of preparation is going to help... or hurt... you. Stay in the moment, enjoy the tail while it's in your back yard, and then see how and where the chips and his panties fall....



*Dear Nana,*

*I have to go in to have what my doctor keeps saying is a "routine operation". But no matter what they say, I am scared to death! I've actually postponed it twice now because I just can't do it. I have nightmares about the hospital all the time and I'm convinced something is going to go wrong while I'm under "the knife". Have you ever had surgery? Can you give me any words of advice or reassurance?*

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### Bobby's

*Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM*

### Bourbon

*Monday Night Football in the Garden Bar starting at 8:30 PM*

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

## TUESDAY

### 801

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

### Bourbon

*GLEE on the big screen 8 PM*

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*



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Bobby's- 900 Simonton St.



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**801**

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bourbon**

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

**T H U R S D A Y**

**801**

*Karaoke starting at 5 PM*

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bobby's**

*Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM*

**Bourbon**

*Movie Madness in the Garden Bar starting at 8 PM*

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

**F R I D A Y**

**801**

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bobby's**

*Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM*

**Bourbon**

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

**La Te Da**

*Christopher Peterson's Eyecons at 9 PM*

**One Saloon**

*Cock Shock contest starting at Midnight*

**S A T U R D A Y**

**801**

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bourbon**

*Pool Party starting at 1 PM*

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

**La Te Da**

*Christopher Peterson's Eyecons at 9 PM*

**S U N D A Y**

**801**

*Karaoke starting at 5 PM*

*Gay Bingo starting at 5 PM*

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bobby's**

*Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM*

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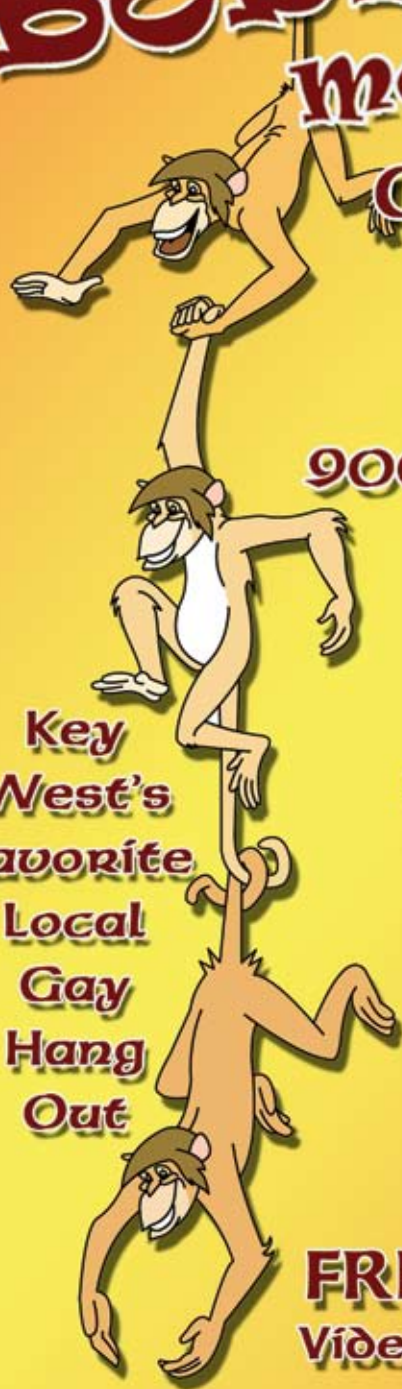
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# HALF THE MAN I USED TO BE?

by: **Brad Loekle**



Now I'll be the first to admit that I am no bathing beauty. This isn't some thinly veiled attempt at garnering a compliment, it's just the simple truth that I have never been the guy you've wanted to see standing on the bar with a bandana tied around my thigh to cover my Kibbles & Bits. But to the same point, I know I am also not an albino Flava Flav. I'm a decent enough looking guy who if you like stocky guys or perhaps have a clown fetish or soft spot for manatees... well, then I'm your guy. And likewise I can say that my taste in men also runs the gambit from Grecian statues to broken birds. In fact, it has long been a habit of mine to date men who have, shall we say, some sort of "defect". And I don't mean this figuratively like, "Rick's emotionally unavailable" or "Steve has an unhealthy close relationship to his mother". If we were all going to start adding those up as defects there wouldn't be an undamaged car in the showroom! No I mean I actually seem to be subconsciously drawn to men with physical defects. For example, I lived with a guy for 2 ½ years who has a slight tremor in both his hands. Think of it almost like a touch of the "Hepburn", if you will. I first noticed it the first night we went home together. I thought it was so adorable and romantic... I mean, his hands were trembling because he was so nervous and excited. Yeah, it wasn't my silhouette in the moonlight that made his hands tremble... it was a series of synapses in his brain that done fire correctly. Well, whatever it was, it was like Loekle catnip and we were together all that time. But up until recently it's always been something that, for the most part, only I would know about. Meaning that their defect wasn't blatantly apparent; blood disorders, deaf in one ear, crossed eyes as a child, a webbed toe... that sort of thing. It has truly been such a standard issue item in my boyfriends that even my best friend, when first finding out about a new beaux of mine, won't ask what his name is or what he does for a living... but rather, "so what's broke?"

But recently, while on the road, a new man came into my life who took this little quirk to a whole new level. I was in Cancun, Mexico headlining for Atlantis Events on one of their fagtastic gay resort weeks. I had spent the better part of the week doing an elaborate mating dance with a young man who, to fit my M.O., had no balls. Literally. He was a survivor of testicular cancer and was now a national spokesman for testicular cancer research. Perfect, right?! Not to mention the fact he was gorgeous, witty and the monthly testosterone injections he had to take because of his condition had also left his built like a brick shithouse. Now I'm not very good at "sealing the deal". I maybe a dirty whore onstage, but offstage if you want to sleep with me; you really need to take the manatee by the flippers. So

one night, which this handsome man and I were doing our nightly, obtuse courting ritual. A new handsome man came right up to me at the bar, told me I was "hot as hell" and began kissing me. He was short, muscular Mexican dude with great arms, chest and killer smile. Before I knew it we were out on the dance floor and he was all over me. I thought, this might be a good way to get my ball-less beaux to grow a set and make a move on me; before someone else snatched me up. At one point, the hot Mexican went to put his hand around my neck to pull me in for a kiss. It was then that I noticed that he had a pinky... where God would never put a pinky. I remained calm as his hand pulled away from my neck and noticed that he had only 3 fingers on one hand. And not even 3 in a row. They were just sort of here and there. As if God had just sprinkled them on at the end... as a garnish. Okay, this was a little more in your face than my usual broken boyfriend quirk... but what the hell?!

We had a great night, dancing, making out, and I thought, "well, if my balls free beaux doesn't want to go all the way... this might be a pretty wonderful plan B". Three Finger Freddie went off to the bathroom and while he was gone I went to the bar to get another drink. I bumped into one of my Atlantis buddies who works a lot of these resorts and cruises and mentioned how I was having a great time with this 3 fingered guy.

"You mean the one with no leg?" he said.

He must be mistaken. My guy was dancing all over the place with me: Dropping it like it's hot, getting all J Lo on me, etc. Oh no! I come to find out it's the same guy! So this guy, who somehow knew that coming up to me at the bar and grabbing me with 3 fingers and no leg would somehow not freak me out, was looking to go all the way with me tonight. Oprah was right, that "Secret" shit works. Even when you're not trying to do it!! Just because I like a pretty guy with a few flaws doesn't mean I don't want a boyfriend with at least two thirds of his original parts! I mean there is a fine line between a quirk and a fetish. And I am not about to start having carnie sex... because in that scenario you know I end up being the bearded lady!

In the end, I didn't get either of them. Once again, the clown went home alone. But it has made me start to rethink my desire for each of my boyfriends to have some sort of little physical tick or set back. After all, it's a slippery slope: today's shaky hands or a missing ball.... Is tomorrow's NO hands or extra balls!

*Brad Loekle is a comedian based out of NYC. He can be seen Thursday nights on TruTV's "The Smoking Gun" at 9PM & produces the longest running weekly gay comedy show in New York.*

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# Pridefest Key West

## Schedule of Events

### Wednesday - June 8

- 5:00 PM - Guild Mixer / Kick Off Party - Island House - 1129 Fleming Street
- 6:00 PM - PrideFest/AIDS Help Film Festival, Tropic Cinema - 416 Eaton Street
- 8:00 PM - Miss Key West Pride Pageant - 801 Cabaret - 801 Duval Street
- 11:00 PM - The Pride Show by the 801 Girls - 801 Cabaret - 801 Duval Street

### Thursday - June 9

- Noon - Island House Men At Work and Play Party- Island House - 1129 Fleming Street
- Noon - Poolside Pride Happy Hour - Southernmost Hotel Pineapple Bar - 1319 Duval St.
- 6:00 PM - PrideFest/AIDS Help Film Festival, Tropic Cinema - 416 Eaton Street
- 8:00 PM - Ms. Key West Pride - Aqua Nightclub - 711 Duval Street
- 10:00 PM - Laugh your Pride Off Moonlight Cruise - Sunset Watersports - 201 William St.

### Friday - June 10

- 10:00 AM - Fury's LGBT Ultimate Adventure - Fury Catamaran - 631 Green Street
- 12:00 PM - Equator Pool Party & BBQ - Equator Resort - 818 Fleming Street
- 5:00 PM - MCCs Pasta for Pride - New York Pasta Garden - 1075 Duval Street
- 6:00 PM - PrideFest/AIDS Help Film Festival, Tropic Cinema - 416 Eaton Street
- 6:00 PM - Big Ruby's Poolside Happy Hour - Big Ruby's - 409 Applerouth Lane
- 8:00 PM - Pearl's Divas, Drags and Dancing - Pearl's Rainbow - 525 United Street
- 8:00 PM - Mr. Key West Pride - Bourbon Street Pub - 724 Duval Street
- 11:00 PM - KWest Late Night Dance Party - KWest Men - 705 1/2 Duval Street



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### Saturday - June 11

9:00 AM - GLCC Pride Ride - GLCC - 1801 White Street

11:00 AM - Pride Historic Gay Trolley Tour - Parking Lot at Simonton & Angela Streets

Noon - Key West Pride Street Fair - 700 & 800 Blocks of Duval Street

1:00 PM - Bourbon Street Pool Party - Bourbon Street Pool - 724 Duval Street

8:00 PM - Comedy Tonight! - San Carlos Institute - 516 Duval Street

9:00 PM - Pride Fetish Ball - 801 Bourbon Bar - 801 Duval Street

11:00 PM - Aqua's "Reality is a Drag" show - Aqua Nightclub - 711 Duval Street

11:00 PM - KWest Late Night Dance Party - KWest Men - 705 1/2 Duval Street

12:30 AM - Aqua's Fruits of the Rainbow Dance Party - Aqua Nightclub - 711 Duval Street

### Sunday - June 12

10:00 AM - Pride Church Service - MCC and Unity Church - 1215 Petronia Street

11:00 AM - IWFFA Exhibition Game - Wicker Field - Kennedy and 14th St

Noon - Hot Naked Sundays - Island House - 1129 Fleming Street

4:00 PM - Karaoke & Parade Watch - 801 Bourbon Bar - 801 Duval Street

4:00 PM - Bourbon Street Pub Parade Watch - Bourbon Street Pub - 724 Duval Street

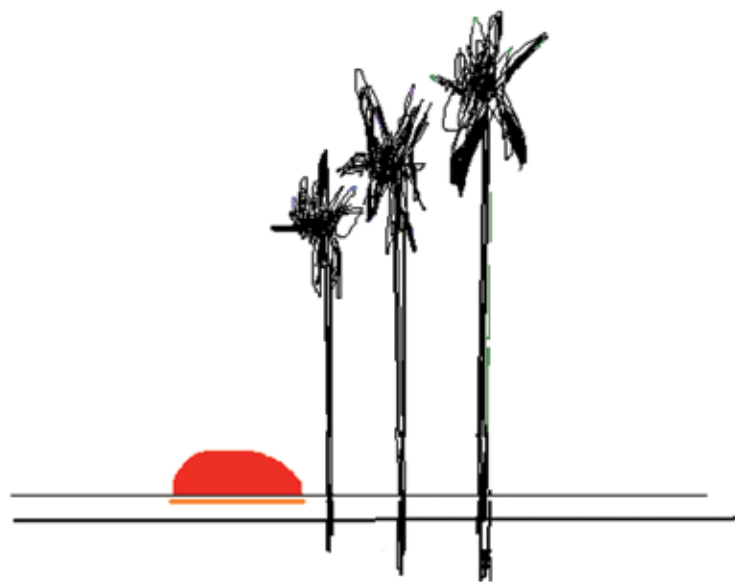
5:00 PM - Aqua Happy Hour & Parade Watch - Aqua Nightclub - 711 Duval Street

5:00 PM - Pride Parade down Duval - Duval Street 100 - 1200 Duval Street

7:00 PM - Southernmost Beach Party - Southernmost Cafe - 1405 Duval Street

8:30 PM - Christine O'Leary at La Te Da - La Te Da - 1125 Duval Street

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Thursday, June 9th at 6PM, "Making the Boys"  
Friday, June 10th at 6PM, "And the Band Played On"  
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# Oh Mary, Don't Ask!



Guuuuurrrrrl, if you're looking for wicked dialogue, a jaundiced glance at late-1960's gay life in Manhattan and a wince-worthy "Connie Casserole" stereotype or two, don't miss Harold's birthday party...



...and by that we mean the 1970 LGBT classic, *The Boys In The Band*, directed by William Friedkin, screening Wednesday night, June 8th, at Tropic Cinema, beginning at 6 p.m.

It's just one of the films scheduled during the 2011 Key West Pride Film Festival, expanded to three nights, sponsored by the Education department of AIDS Help and presented free to the public.



Making *The Boys*, which revisits the stage and film versions of *The Boys In The Band*, will receive its Key West premiere during the very next night, Thursday, June 9, also at Tropic Cinema, 416 Eaton Street, at 6 p.m.



"We're tremendously excited to reacquaint older theatergoers with *TBITB*, the first major motion picture to revolve entirely around gay characters, and introduce a younger audience to the laugh-out-loud comebacks and some painful truths of that era," commented Derrick Traylor, Director of Education for AIDS Help.

“For years, the movie’s been treated as a semi-embarrassment, yet its stamp on film history and our community is undeniable. It shows how far we’ve come...and how far we have to go.”

The new 90-minute *Making The Boys* explores precisely that: the Off-Broadway roots of Mart Crowley’s play, some of the LGBT community’s anger over what they perceived as a setback to public acceptance, then Hollywood’s resistance when it was translated to the screen with its original cast.

“It also gives great perspective with great interviews with people like Terrence McNally, Edward Albee and, Robert Wagner, and archival footage of Stonewall and the ACT UP era. An epilogue showing how AIDS personally impacted that cast is quite emotional,” Traylor said.

The evening’s audience should stick around: a live Q/A videoconference discussion with *Making the Boys* filmmaker Crayton Robey will convene right after.

And *The Band Played On* will be screened on the final night of the Festival, Friday, June 10th, at Tropic Cinema, 6 p.m.

Based on Randy Shilts’ non-fiction study of the international onset of the AIDS pandemic, the 1993 film stars Richard Gere, Alan Alda and Matthew Modine and a roster of other Hollywood biggies.

The production is unflinching. It disappeared since its pay-cable run, and it deserves to be seen again” Traylor explained. “Our decision to include it seemed to complete a trilogy of sorts... linked not only by the word *Band*, but by the dawning of an era that altered the definition of sex and sexuality forever.”

Now in its 4th year, the Key West Pride Film Festival at Tropic Cinema, 416 Eaton Street, has been sponsored and programmed by the Education department at AIDS Help since its inception. The goal: to provide free public access to cinematic works, some little-seen, that promote healthy living. Previous Festival films have included *Two Spirits*, *Key West: City of Colors*, *The Gift*, *The Ride: Seven Days To End AIDS* and *Gay Sex In The 70’s*.





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# Whore--Scopes

## **Aquarius**

**Jan 20 – Feb 18**

The rapture has come and gone and you're still here. Just goes to show that that even Jesus doesn't want you.

## **Pisces**

**Feb 19 – Mar 20**

You are very much like the chicken in my fridge. You went bad a long time ago!

## **Aries**

**Mar 21 – Apr 19**

The temperatures are starting to get warmer. You really need to start using a stronger deodorant, or at least stop standing around me.

## **Taurus**

**Apr 20 – May 20**

With the TV season coming to an end, what will you do with yourself each night? Here's an idea. Get off your ass and go out!!

## **Gemini**

**May 21 – Jun 20**

So you were hoping for something really big for your birthday? Well, you got it. Look at your ass.

## **Cancer**

**Jun 21 – Jul 22**

Cancer, cancer, cancer. Each month, you read this page hoping things will improve. I must disappoint you yet again. It's time to get a butt lift. It looks like you're carrying around two bowling balls in your pants.

## **Leo**

**Jul 23 – Aug 22**

Posting your marital problems on Facebook is like that old saying about trying to teach a pig to sing. It's a waste of time and it just annoys the pig.

## **Virgo**

**Aug 23 – Sep 22**

If you're wondering why you can't seem to have a long term boyfriend, you need to start with first impressions. A gift on a first date is sweet but not when it's condoms and lube.

## **Libra**

**Sep 23 – Oct 22**

There are pills to help you lose weight, pills to make you more confident and even pills to give you a boner, but there are no pills to make you less ugly. Sorry.

## **Scorpio**

**Oct 23 – Nov 21**

You may not think that you're a slut but, dear Scorpio, I must inform you that getting a blowjob is having sex!

## **Sagittarius**

**Nov 22 – Dec 21**

You are so cheap, you tried to negotiate with your hustler. You wouldn't have to pay for it if you weren't such an asshole!

## **Capricorn**

**Dec 22 – Jan 19**

You have got to be the dumbest person I've ever met. It was confirmed when you asked for a price check at the Dollar Tree!



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