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WHAT IS ODEFSEY®?

ODEFSEY is a 1-pill, once-a-day prescription medicine used to treat HIV-1 in people 12 years and older. It can either be used in people who are starting HIV-1 treatment, have never taken HIV-1 medicines before, and have an amount of HIV-1 in their blood ("viral load") that is no more than 100,000 copies/mL; or in people who are replacing their current HIV-1 medicines and whose healthcare provider determines they meet certain requirements. These include having an undetectable viral load (less than 50 copies/mL) for 6 months or more on their current HIV-1 treatment. ODEFSEY combines 3 medicines into 1 pill taken once a day with a meal. ODEFSEY is a complete HIV-1 treatment and should not be used with other HIV-1 medicines.

ODEFSEY does not cure HIV-1 infection or AIDS. To control HIV-1 infection and decrease HIV-related illnesses, you must keep taking ODEFSEY. Ask your healthcare provider if you have questions about how to reduce the risk of passing HIV-1 to others. Always practice safer sex and use condoms to lower the chance of sexual contact with body fluids. Never reuse or share needles or other items that have body fluids on them.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

What is the most important information I should know about ODEFSEY?

ODEFSEY may cause serious side effects:

- **Buildup of an acid in your blood (lactic acidosis),** which is a serious medical emergency. Symptoms of lactic acidosis include feeling very weak or tired, unusual muscle pain, trouble breathing, stomach pain with nausea or vomiting, feeling cold (especially in your arms and legs), feeling dizzy or lightheaded, and/or a fast or irregular heartbeat.
- **Serious liver problems.** The liver may become large and fatty. Symptoms of liver problems include your skin or the white part of your eyes turning yellow (jaundice); dark "tea-colored" urine; loss of appetite; light-colored bowel movements (stools); nausea; and/or pain, aching, or tenderness on the right side of your stomach area.
- **You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or serious liver problems** if you are female, very overweight, or have been taking ODEFSEY or a similar medicine for a long time. In some cases, lactic acidosis and serious liver problems have led to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any symptoms of these conditions.

Ask your healthcare provider if ODEFSEY is right for you, and visit ODEFSEY.com to learn more.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.



Please see Important Facts about ODEFSEY including important warnings on the following page.

- **Worsening of hepatitis B (HBV) infection.** ODEFSEY is not approved to treat HBV. If you have both HIV-1 and HBV and stop taking ODEFSEY, your HBV may suddenly get worse. Do not stop taking ODEFSEY without first talking to your healthcare provider, as they will need to monitor your health.

Who should not take ODEFSEY?

Do not take ODEFSEY if you take:

- **Certain prescription medicines for other conditions.** It is important to ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist about medicines that should not be taken with ODEFSEY. Do not start a new medicine without telling your healthcare provider.
- **The herbal supplement St. John's wort.**
- **Any other medicines to treat HIV-1 infection.**

What are the other possible side effects of ODEFSEY?

Serious side effects of ODEFSEY may also include:

- **Severe skin rash and allergic reactions.** Skin rash is a common side effect of ODEFSEY. Call your healthcare provider right away if you get a rash, as some rashes and allergic reactions may need to be treated in a hospital. Stop taking ODEFSEY and get medical help right away if you get a rash with any of the following symptoms: fever, skin blisters, mouth sores, redness or swelling of the eyes (conjunctivitis), swelling of the face, lips, mouth, or throat, trouble breathing or swallowing, pain on the right side of the stomach (abdominal) area, and/or dark "tea-colored" urine.
- **Depression or mood changes.** Tell your healthcare provider right away if you: feel sad or hopeless, feel anxious or restless, have thoughts of hurting yourself (suicide) or have tried to hurt yourself.
- **Changes in liver enzymes.** People who have had hepatitis B or C or who have certain liver enzyme changes may have a higher risk for new or worse liver problems while taking ODEFSEY. Liver problems can also happen in people who have not had liver disease. Your healthcare provider may do tests to check your liver enzymes before and during treatment with ODEFSEY.
- **Changes in body fat,** which can happen in people taking HIV-1 medicines.
- **Changes in your immune system.** Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any new symptoms after you start taking ODEFSEY.

- **Kidney problems, including kidney failure.** Your healthcare provider should do blood and urine tests to check your kidneys. Your healthcare provider may tell you to stop taking ODEFSEY if you develop new or worse kidney problems.
- **Bone problems,** such as bone pain, softening, or thinning, which may lead to fractures. Your healthcare provider may do tests to check your bones.
- **If you are pregnant** or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if ODEFSEY can harm your unborn baby. Tell your healthcare provider if you become pregnant while taking ODEFSEY.
- **If you are breastfeeding** (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed. HIV-1 can be passed to the baby in breast milk.

The most common side effects of rilpivirine, one of the medicines in ODEFSEY, are depression, trouble sleeping (insomnia), and headache.

The most common side effect of emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide, two of the medicines in ODEFSEY, is nausea.

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking ODEFSEY?

- **All your health problems.** Be sure to tell your healthcare provider if you have or have had any kidney, bone, mental health (depression or suicidal thoughts), or liver problems, including hepatitis virus infection.
- **All the medicines you take,** including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Other medicines may affect how ODEFSEY works. Keep a list of all your medicines and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist. Ask your healthcare provider if it is safe to take ODEFSEY with all of your other medicines.

SHOW YOUR RADIANCE

ODEFSEY is a **complete, 1-pill, once-a-day HIV-1 treatment** for people 12 years and older who are either new to treatment and have less than 100,000 copies/mL of virus in their blood or people whose healthcare provider determines they can replace their current HIV-1 medicines with ODEFSEY.

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IMPORTANT FACTS

This is only a brief summary of important information about ODEFSEY[®] and does not replace talking to your healthcare provider about your condition and your treatment.

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MOST IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ODEFSEY

ODEFSEY may cause serious side effects, including:

- **Buildup of lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis)**, which is a serious medical emergency that can lead to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of these symptoms: feeling very weak or tired, unusual muscle pain, trouble breathing, stomach pain with nausea or vomiting, feeling cold (especially in your arms and legs), feeling dizzy or lightheaded, and/or a fast or irregular heartbeat.
- **Severe liver problems**, which in some cases can lead to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of these symptoms: your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow (jaundice); dark “tea-colored” urine; loss of appetite; light-colored bowel movements (stools); nausea; and/or pain, aching, or tenderness on the right side of your stomach area.
- **Worsening of hepatitis B (HBV) infection**. ODEFSEY is not approved to treat HBV. If you have both HIV-1 and HBV, your HBV may suddenly get worse if you stop taking ODEFSEY. Do not stop taking ODEFSEY without first talking to your healthcare provider, as they will need to check your health regularly for several months.

You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or severe liver problems if you are female, very overweight, or have been taking ODEFSEY or a similar medicine for a long time.

ABOUT ODEFSEY

- ODEFSEY is a prescription medicine used to treat HIV-1 in people 12 years of age and older who have never taken HIV-1 medicines before and who have an amount of HIV-1 in their blood (“viral load”) that is no more than 100,000 copies/mL. ODEFSEY can also be used to replace current HIV-1 medicines for some people who have an undetectable viral load (less than 50 copies/mL), have been on the same HIV-1 medicines for at least 6 months, have never failed HIV-1 treatment, and whose healthcare provider determines that they meet certain other requirements.
- **ODEFSEY does not cure HIV-1 or AIDS**. Ask your healthcare provider about how to prevent passing HIV-1 to others.

Do NOT take ODEFSEY if you:

- Take a medicine that contains: carbamazepine (Carbatrol[®], Eptol[®], Equetro[®], Tegretol[®], Tegretol-XR[®], Teril[®]), dexamethasone (Ozurdex[®], Maxidex[®], Decadron[®], Baycadron[™]), dexlansoprazole (Dexilant[®]), esomeprazole (Nexium[®], Vimovo[®]), lansoprazole (Prevacid[®]), omeprazole (Prilosec[®], Zegerid[®]), oxcabazepine (Trileptal[®]), pantoprazole sodium (Protonix[®]), phenobarbital (Luminal[®]), phenytoin (Dilantin[®], Dilantin-125[®], Phenytek[®]), rabeprazole (Aciphex[®]), rifampin (Rifadin[®], Rifamate[®], Rifater[®], Rimactane[®]), or rifapentine (Prifitin[®]).
- Take the herbal supplement St. John’s wort.
- Take any other HIV-1 medicines at the same time.

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POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS OF ODEFSEY

ODEFSEY can cause serious side effects, including:

- Those in the “Most Important Information About ODEFSEY” section.
- Severe skin rash and allergic reactions.
- Depression or mood changes.
- Changes in liver enzymes.
- Changes in body fat.
- Changes in your immune system.
- New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure.
- Bone problems.

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The most common side effect of emtricitabine and tenofovir alafenamide, two of the medicines in ODEFSEY, is nausea.

These are not all the possible side effects of ODEFSEY. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have any new symptoms while taking ODEFSEY.

Your healthcare provider will need to do tests to monitor your health before and during treatment with ODEFSEY.

BEFORE TAKING ODEFSEY

Tell your healthcare provider if you:

- Have or have had any kidney, bone, mental health (depression or suicidal thoughts), or liver problems, including hepatitis infection.
- Have any other medical condition.
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
- Are breastfeeding (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed if you have HIV-1 because of the risk of passing HIV-1 to your baby.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take:

- Keep a list that includes all prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements, and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist.
- Ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist about medicines that should not be taken with ODEFSEY.

HOW TO TAKE ODEFSEY

- ODEFSEY is a complete 1-pill, once-a-day HIV-1 medicine.
- Take ODEFSEY with a meal.

GET MORE INFORMATION

- This is only a brief summary of important information about ODEFSEY. Talk to your healthcare provider or pharmacist to learn more.
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LGBT Book Reviews by *Terri Schlichenmeyer*



“BEAST” BY BRIE SPANGLER, READ BY ANDREW EIDEN
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In its most basic description, it's a muscle.

Nothing computerized, no easy-to-follow instructions or list of parts. Nope, it's a muscle – a dub-thumping, miraculous group of cells that was beating when you were born, due to simple electrical activity. It's just a muscle, although in the audiobook “Beast” by Brie Spangler, the heart knows who it loves.

At six-foot-four and 260 fifteen-year-old Dylan Ingvarsson was a beast.

And he hated it.

Not only did he tower over every single student and most of the teachers at St. Lawrence Prep, but he was also hairy as a fake-fur blanket. You might get teased, but you don't get bullied when you're like that. You don't have a lot of friends, either, and you don't get girls.

If it wasn't for his best friend, JP, Dylan wouldn't know what to do. They'd known one another since they were little and he was everything Dylan was not: well-off, well-groomed, and well-liked. Just walking the halls with JP made Dylan cool, though there was a bit of a dark side to JP's friendship. Dylan

hated that, too.

He hated his entire life, come to think, so he took risks. Big, stupid risks, which is how Dylan ended up on a roof, which was how he ended up falling and busting his leg, which was how he got sent to group therapy for self-harmers, which was how he met the girl of his dreams.

Her name was Jamie, she was the same age as Dylan, gorgeous, tall, smart, and she had the same struggles with the way her life was going. She only wanted to be friends, but he wanted so much more – partly because Jamie was funny and he liked her, partly because she liked him, and partly because she would prove to JP that Dylan could get a girl by himself.

But then everything fell apart. She said she told Dylan that she was transgender, but he didn't hear that. Was she a dude? He wasn't gay. She hadn't hidden anything, hadn't lied, but Dylan couldn't get over facts.

And he couldn't get over Jamie...

Two minutes. Get past the preliminary tracks in “Beast,” and that's how long it will take before you'll be eager to know more about Dylan. Author Brie Spangler gave him the right words with the right attitude, Andrew Eiden reads them perfectly, and you'll genuinely like this kid with a tough exterior but a marshmallow center.

Spangler and Eiden make Dylan come alive in this boy-meets-girl-who-used-to-be-a-boy story, by giving him more than just one dimension. He's a warm, responsible, and complex, well-crafted character; with Dylan, Spangler beautifully tackles a could-be-thorny subject, wrestles with its conscious some, then lets it do its own soul-searching. That leads to a new-old-fashioned love story that really couldn't be sweeter.

Be aware that this audiobook includes a delicately-presented make-out scene that turns surprising, but not graphic. It might be controversial for some, but it fits, so don't let it deter you. Start “Beast,” and you'll (heart) it.

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Brad Locke



MOLLY THE MARRIAGE COUNSELOR

As Valentine's Day falls upon us again, I am reminded of last Valentine's Day when a dear friend of mine asked me to help her and her husband for the holiday. I won't use any names, but the lady in question is a former Musketeer. She was in the same Rodent-graduating class as such famous Musketeers as Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake. But she chose to use her Disney Dollars to go to college rather than sell her pubescent self any further down the stony path. As she will tell you, "That was a crap idea!"

Anyhoo, She's presently a gifted stage and cabaret artist, a good friend, and is married to a delightful British man with a real job and a steady income. We, in show biz, should all be so lucky! Now they are not only heterosexual but also fairly straight laced. The closest either of them has ever really gotten to "drugs" is to smoke a little weed. Which, here in California, is completely legal. And legality, for better or worse, does take some of the fun out of a drug. Since she often performs on the gay cruises that I do, she's heard and witnessed the tall tales of "Molly". Now, if you're a gay man of certain age, you'll know Molly as being E or Ecstasy. In any permutation, the chemical we're discussing is MDMA. If you know nothing about it just imagine if you had an orgasm that lasted for 6 hours instead of 60 seconds. It's the sort of pill that will make you taste the color nine and make you spend an hour brushing your hair with an ice cube. The Mouse and the Brit were both very interested in trying this for Valentine's Day. As she put it, "Brad, we're probably going to try and crank out a kid before my womb goes the way of the Dodo, so we're figuring it's now or never for drug experimentation". I assured them I would get them the same stuff I use and that it's as safe as a drug can be. I told them the dosage and what to expect.

Mouse swung by my house in the late afternoon on February 14th. When she texted me, "I'm here", I came out of my house and was a bit confused as There wasn't a Mouse anywhere near my house. It turns out she'd parked at the end of the block so as not to draw "attention" to where I live. She was slumped down in her car with giant dark sunglasses on.

She was about as subtle as Bette Midler in an acting role. I handed her an envelope with two pills in it. She was overjoyed and overly thankful and reconfirmed with me twice, "We're not going to die on this, right?"

About an hour later I got the follow text message from her:

"Brad just a few questions from me and the husband..."

1. We won't die, right?
2. Can we eat on this? Should we eat first? We have reservations, should we cancel them?
3. Should we not drink citrus juices or milk? I know on some medications they advise against that.
4. We're really not going to die on this, right?
5. What happens if it doesn't work
6. What happens if it works but never stops working
7. Will this break our theoretically baby?

Thank you for understanding... love, Mouse

As I'd predicted, it took longer than normal for them to feel the effects of the Molly. I figured it kicked in after I got text messages every 15 minutes saying it wasn't working, followed by a 2 hours lull, followed by a text that read "YOU SAVED OUR MARRIAGE WE LOVE YOU SO MUCH" (insert 19 emojis).

But my favorite part is how Mouse described them both coming down for the first time. Since they'd both taken it together, they both came down off it at the same time. Mouse said, "We both just started yelling "no! Wait! Come back! Don't leave us!!" as if we were talking to the Molly like it was a person."

I mean have you ever heard anything so goddamn adorable in your whole life? Straight people are a constant source of amusement for me. I'm so glad they exist. And I'm even gladder I've never been one of them.

Happy Valentine's Day to all the lovers out there!

Brad Loekle was a semi-finalist on NBC's "Last Comic Standing". He can be seen every week on TruTV's "World's Dumbest", has written for Joan Rivers on E! "Fashion Police" & tours extensively on Atlantis Events & RSVP cruises.

His book, "My Big Gay Life" is available on Amazon.

For more on Brad, go to: www.bradloekle.com



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Febuary is fast approaching and with at least 2 days of below-70-degree weather, one can only hope the sun gods bless us this month. All frostiness aside, February is, for many, the best month of the year. It brings us The Super Bowl, Valentine's Day, and Mardi Gras!

Key West is no stranger to lavish celebrations and we need no excuse to, as we say in New Orleans, *laissez les bon temps rouler!* If you're in town for any of the revelry, check out as many of these events as you can:

Sunday 2/5: The Lady Gaga concert with special guest, Football, (otherwise known as The Super Bowl) will air at 801 Bourbon with drink specials and snacks throughout the game. Kickoff is at 6:30pm

Tuesday 2/14: Valentine's Drag Show at 801 Cabaret, show times at 9pm and 11pm

Thursday 2/23: Queen of Mardi Gras Pageant at 801 Cabaret, 8pm

Friday 2/24: Masked Underwear Party at Bourbon St. Garden Bar (all-male), 10pm-close

Saturday 2/25: Let the Good Times Roll Pool Party at the Garden Bar (all welcome), 12pm-5pm

King of Mardi Gras contest in the main bar at Bourbon St., 10pm

Monday 2/27: Lundi Gras Beer Blast at Bourbon Street, 10pm-close

Tuesday 2/28: Mardi Gras Pub Crawl to benefit Sister Season Fund – starts at the Garden Bar at 5pm, procession will be led by the King and Queen of Mardi Gras.

So now you know if you're in Key West during the shortest month of the year, you won't have any shortage of entertainment! But before you go to any of these events you'll need to put some food in your stomach.

If you're familiar with Leather Master, you'll notice a new restaurant has popped up next door. Mary Ellen's offers interesting takes on grilled cheese sandwiches. Try The Doris if you want something truly unique.

This next restaurant is not a new find. In fact, it's one of the first places I ate at when I visited Key West for the first time. Long before I knew anything of El Siboney's addictive and intoxicating bread, a dear friend took me to dinner at Juan Loves Lucy. Tucked between two buildings on the 100 block of Duval, this Cuban restaurant offers a warm and comfortable experience. If the beautiful courtyard with the lush canopy above doesn't put a smile on your face, the family treatment you'll receive from the staff sure will. I recommend the seafood platter with a carafe of their sangria [sharing optional].

So go forth into this, the coldest month of the year, keep yourself warm with dancing and good company, and get ready to usher in spring in no time at all! As we embark on a new year, I'm reminded of a quote by the great Oprah Winfrey that rings true now,

"When I look into the future, it's so bright it burns my eyes."

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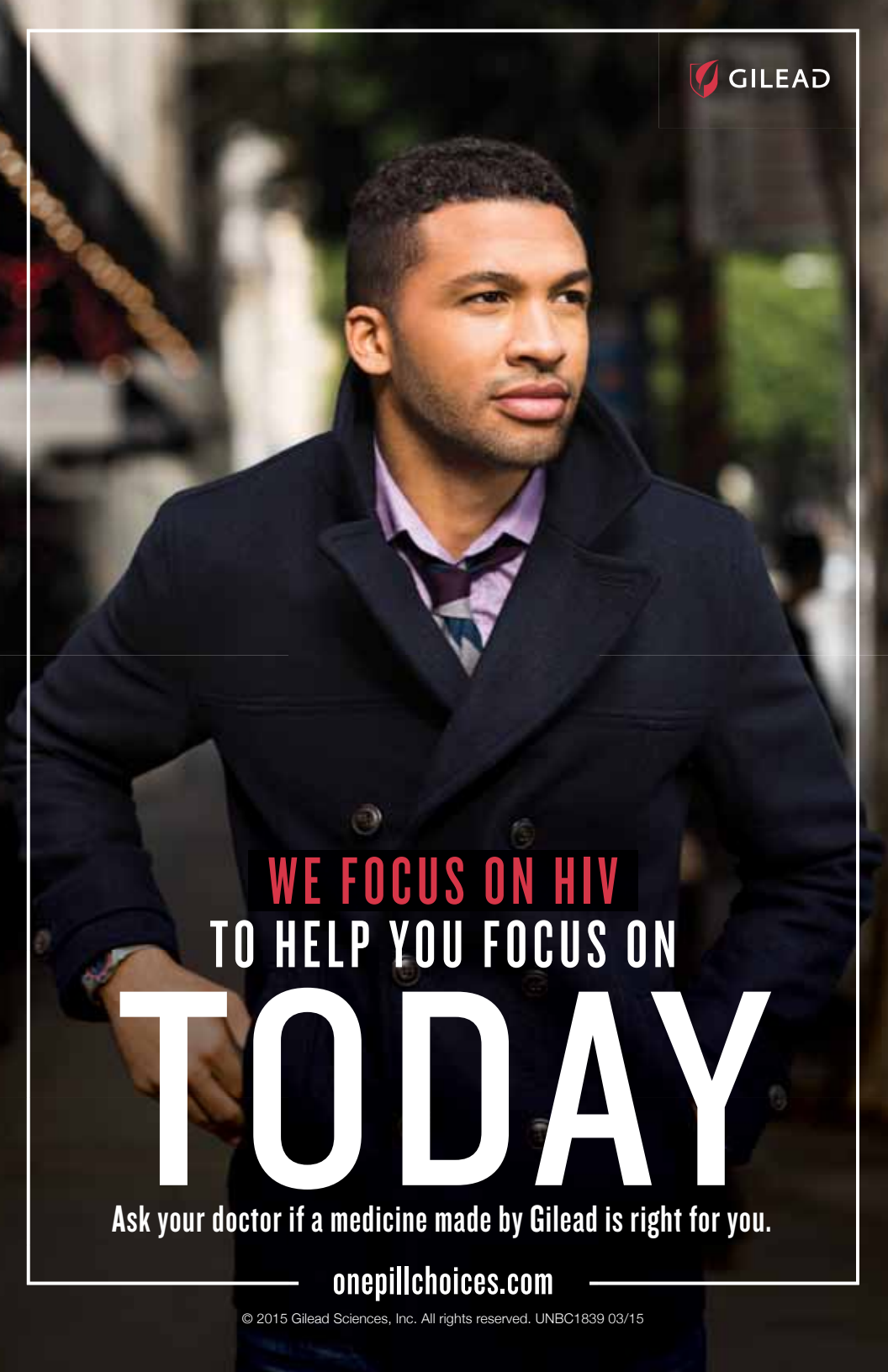
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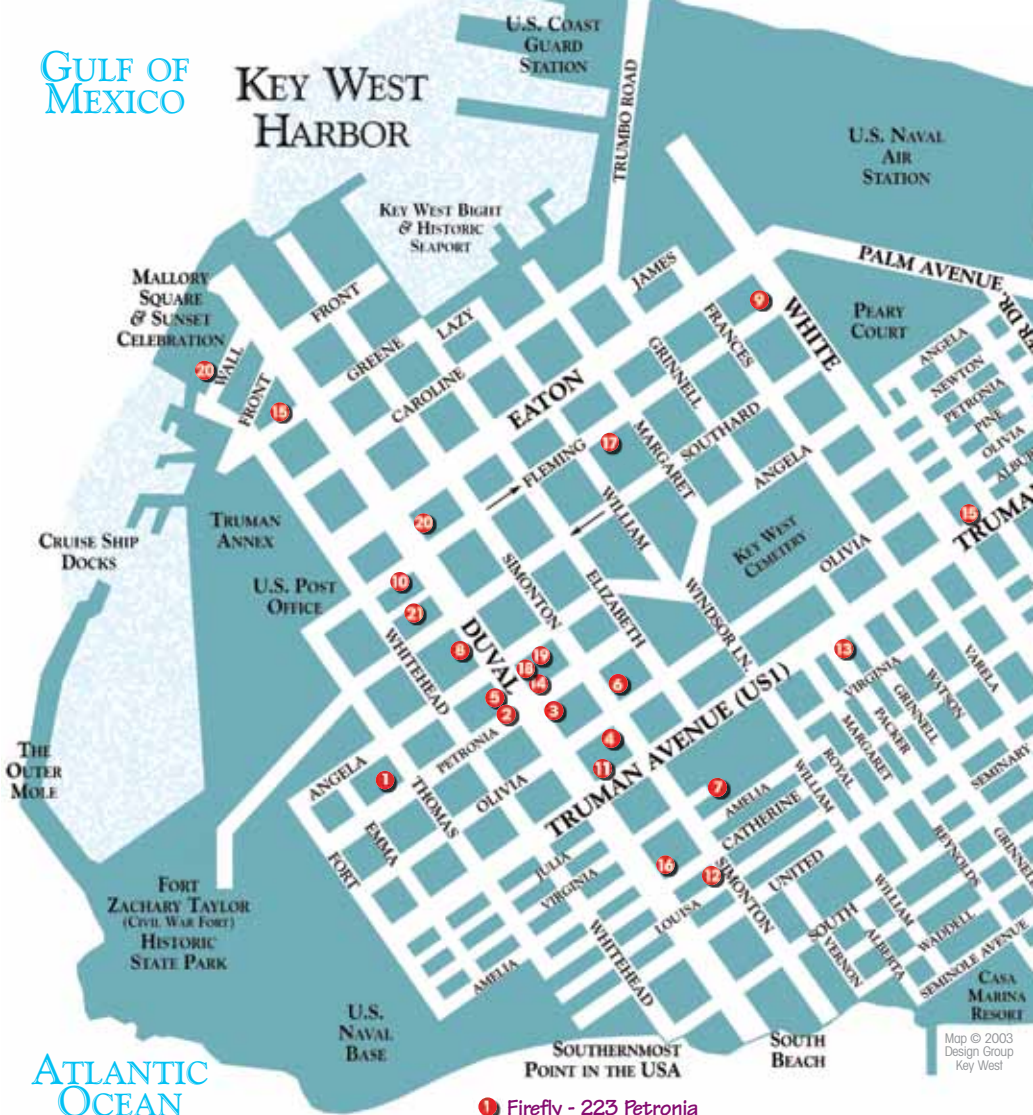
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MONDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Dueling Bartenders at 5:30 PM

Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Bria singing live at 8:00 PM

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

TUESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Aqua Idol at 6:30 PM

Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Bria singing live at 8:00 PM

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

W E D N E S D A Y

801

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM
Dragalicious at 1 AM*

Aqua

*Drag Show at 9:00 PM
Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM*

Bourbon

*Bria singing live at 8:00 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

Island House

Hot Naked Humpdays starting at 5 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

T H U R S D A Y

801

*Karaoke starting at 5 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

Aqua

*Drag Shows at 7 PM and 9 PM
Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM*

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

*Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

F R I D A Y

801

*Drag Shows at 5 PM, 9 PM
and 11 PM*

Aqua

*Happy Hour & Trivia at 5:00 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM
Dance Party starting at 11:30 PM*

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

*Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

One Saloon

*Cock Shock contest starting at
Midnight*

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

S A T U R D A Y

801

*Drag Shows at 5 PM, 9 PM
& 11 PM*

Aqua

*Drag Shows at 7 PM, 9 PM & 11 PM
Dance Party starting at 11:30 PM*

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

*Pool Party starting at 12 PM
Jessica Grabbit singing live at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ 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
SIN night starts at 10 PM*

Aqua

*No Limit Texas Hold 'Em Poker
at 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM
Drag Show at 9:00 PM*

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

*Jessica Grabbit singing live at 7 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

Island House

Pre-Tea Pool Party starting at Noon

La Te Da

Tea Dance starting at 4 PM

Sidebar

*After Tea with DJ Vogue at 6 PM
Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM*

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Aqua - 711 Duval Street

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Dear Nana,

Valentine's day is coming and my boyfriend and I haven't been able to have sex in 2 months because of a fissure I got when we went on vacation. I really want Valentine's Day to be the night we can get back in the swing of things but my doctor says I should probably wait another month just to be sure. What would you do to make Valentine's special? Would you risk it or wait?

How many times do I have to tell you crazy kids: SILICONE BASED LUBES! Or if you're a vegan, coconut oil. But for Garland's sake stop shoving things up your hairy starfish all willy-nilly. This is how you end up with a fissure! Your doctor is usually right: with fissures it can take anywhere from 1-6 months to heal depending on the severity. Sometimes even surgery is required. And though you could risk it, I don't know that your boyfriend would consider it romantic if you turned Saint Valentine's Day into Sunday Bloody Sunday. Maybe it's time for HIM to bottom for V-day? Or maybe take him to a nice dinner... and then blow him in the men's room to add a little risk to the evening. It'll be a night to remember and that doesn't involve anyone getting stitches. And remember, the longer he has to wait to get back into your little amusement park of an asshole, the happier he'll be. But it's probably best that Six Fags Gay Adventure stays closed for repairs until March or April.

Dear Nana,

Two friends in my circle have sort of split up as friends. It's a complicated story but basically one of them wanted to date the other and then when that didn't happen they both sort of turned on each other. It's now awkward anytime they're both with the group at the same time. Is there anything we can do as friends to help them both get to a place where they can hang out civilly? It's really bumming us out.

How old are your friends: fourteen? I mean honestly this is the stuff that an episode of "Saved By the Bell" would have been made of. They both need to get over each other, and even more so- themselves, immediately. If they don't want to hang around for a while, you should all respect that and not force it. It's fine for people to hang out with each other and not always everyone at the same time. But if they're going to end up in the same place a lot, they need to put on their big girl panties and learn to live with it. Or, frankly, not... in which case one of them is making the choice to lose friends over a fairly common and not that dramatic life occurrence. I mean, imagine if they HAD dated and then broken up?! Are all of you supposed to live like children from a broken home just because your friends can't control their behavior? Nope! Suck it up or sayonara, sissies!

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ARIES MAR 21 - APR 19

Someone should take away your access to Twitter!

TAURUS APR 20 - MAY 20

Take time to smell the roses, then rub them all over yourself because you forgot deodorant again today!

GEMINI MAY 21 - JUN 20

Where do you shop for your clothes, at Goodwill?

CANCER JUN 21 - JUL 22

So I understand you're having some pain in you joints as you get older? Well how about getting your ass off the couch once in a while and go outside and actually do something!

LEO JUL 23 - AUG 22

Better get all of your STD screenings done while you still have health insurance. It's no big deal, just a little prick. You're used to that.

VIRGO AUG 23 - SEP 22

Taking a bazillion selfies is so 2014!

LIBRA SEP 23 - OCT 22

They say that people should age gracefully. What went wrong?

SCORPIO OCT 23 - NOV 21

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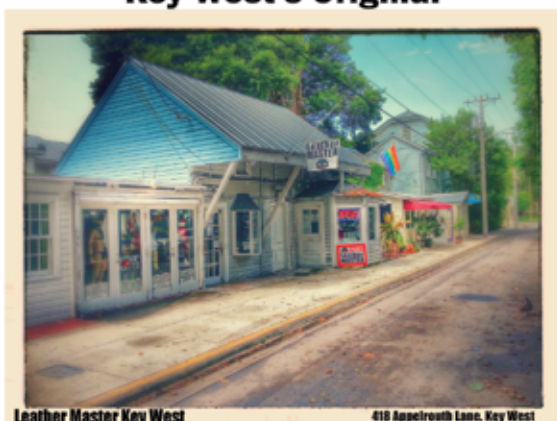
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