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Our water temperature is still warmer than most places are in the middle of summer so hop in and get wet!

Enjoy!

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Ask Nana

E-mail your questions to nana@keywestgayrag.com

Dear Nana,

I am a 40-something year old bisexual man. I was married to a woman for a long time, but since my divorce I haven't had another relationship with a woman. Just men. It's been about 5 years and I'm starting to wonder if I'm more gay than bisexual. Though I do love men, I don't think I fit in with most gay culture (show tunes, fashion, etc) and I KNOW I don't like having anal sex (receiving). But if I'm not really attracted to women anymore, doesn't that make me gay? I'm a little lost...



Hey Bill... honey... sugar bear... you are a goddamn homosexual. A fruit cake. An anal apostle. Is that clear enough?? Do you really need me to point out what's in front of you? If you don't find women attractive anymore (and your marriage did end) and you only like guys, then you're gay. And what rock have you been under that you think all gays love musicals and Isaac Mizrahi? God, just strap on some boots, head to a bear run and go top someone else's ass off! End of story.

Dear Nana,

I don't know if I have a problem or not. My boyfriend and my mom have become really good friends in the years that we've been dating. But I'm starting to wonder if they're too good of friends. I love my mom and I really do love my boyfriend, but I worry that they're becoming closer as a pair than I am with them. Should I bring it up, or should I let sleeping dogs lay?

-Mark

Oh Mark, on one hand you don't know how lucky you are. Every man or woman always hopes that their special someone will be a special someone to their parents as well. But on the other hand, you don't want them forming alliances behind your back... just in case you all end up on a reality show. But listen, it just sounds like you're feeling a little natural jealousy. You see, if your mother loves him enough to treat him like a second son (which is really the goal) you are feeling a sort of "sibling" rivalry. It will pass. Just focus on the good. As long as they both respect your boundaries. For instance, if you tell one of them something you don't want the other to know, make that clear; and then if they tell



the other person anyway then you have to have a talk with them about boundaries. If you're that concerned about it, give them a little test. I think they'll pass with flying colors.

Do you have problems? Of course you do!! Why not let Nana help you?! Send your questions to:
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As with most areas in the country, home prices have dropped in the last two years making now the perfect time to purchase your own little piece of paradise. Homes that only a few years ago sold for over \$600,000 can now be bought for under \$300,000.

Perhaps you aren't ready to move here just yet but you still want to get in while the prices are low. Many people such as yourself have discovered that you can buy a home now, rent it out to cover most if not all of the monthly expenses, and then move here in a few years. Here's an example:

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Please check with your local Realtor and mortgage broker for listings and mortgage rates.

Of course, real estate is not guaranteed. Values could drop however, there has never been a 5 year period in history that real estate values have not increased.

Plus, wouldn't you just love to tell all your friends that you own a place in Key West?

WEEKLY EVENTS



TUESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Aqua Idol starting at 6:30 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bourbon

Karaoke starting at 6 PM American Idol starting at 8 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM

MONDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Dueling Bartenders 5:30 - 8:30 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Movies in the Garden Bar starting at 8:30 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM

WEDNESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bourbon

Karaoke staring at 6 PM
American Idol starting at 8 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM



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Agua- 711 Duval St.



Bobby's-900 Simonton St.

THURSDAY

801

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

Aqua

Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM

FRIDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Lenore Troia performs live starting at 4 PM

Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM

One Saloon

Cock Shock wet jockey contest starting at Midnight

SATURDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

World Tavern Poker Tournament starting at 3 PM and 6 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bobby's

Pool Tournament starting at 2 PM

Bowling Tournament on the WII starting at 5 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM

SUNDAY

801

Karaoke starting at 5 PM
Gay Bingo starting at 5 PM
Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

World Tavern Poker Tournament starting at 3 PM and 6 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

KWest

Men dancing for men starting at 10 PM



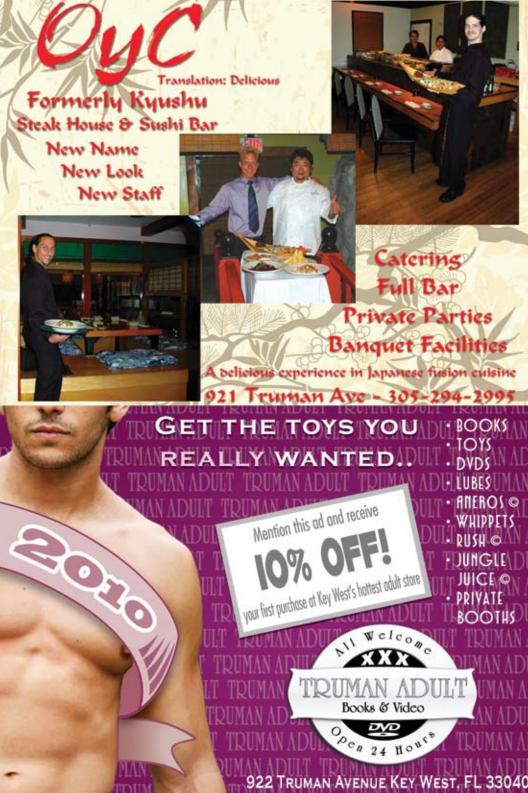
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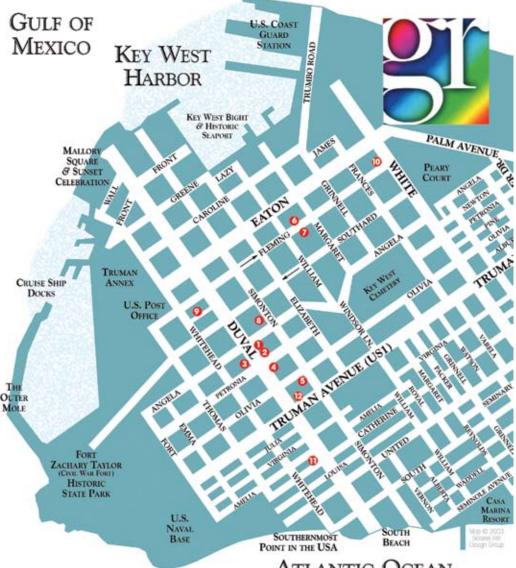
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2010. HERE WE GO AGAIN!



by: Brad Lockle

Here we go again! I joined a gym. This will be the 4th gym that I've joined in my lifetime but I am convinced this is going to be the one that "sticks". Now fear not, this doesn't mean I am changing all my hedonistic ways. It is just that I realized that it's probably not good to let your weight match the year. And lately, I feel like I've begun to approach that point. It's not all my fault, I swear. For the past ten years I have been able to keep my weight somewhere in between adorably doughy and manly manatee; until "he" came into my life. He would be my wonderful boyfriend who is a tall, lean, dashing pastry chef. I like to think of him as my own personal "top" chef. And although I can't tell you how wonderful it is to wake up to the smell of French toast stuffed with bourbon and butter roasted apples, raisins and walnuts... it has reaped havoc on my waistline. Oh, and in his defense, I don't think it helps that I have a tendency to edibly hate-fuck a bag of Chinese food once or twice a week...

So, I joined a gym. I've only gone once, but I looked the contract over thoroughly and it doesn't say anything about me having to go in the first place. So I feel like am already ahead of the game. During my one visit I got the chance to meet Heather. And let me tell you what a joy that was! Heather is a 5'4" bucket of energy and sweat and she loves to workout and train people to workout. To me, that's a lot like loving dental work but I try not to judge... much. The first thing Heather wanted to know was, "What are your fitness goals?" She seemed perplexed when my own fitness goal was to be able to walk up stairs without tasting blood or seeing Jesus. In fairness to her, I should have

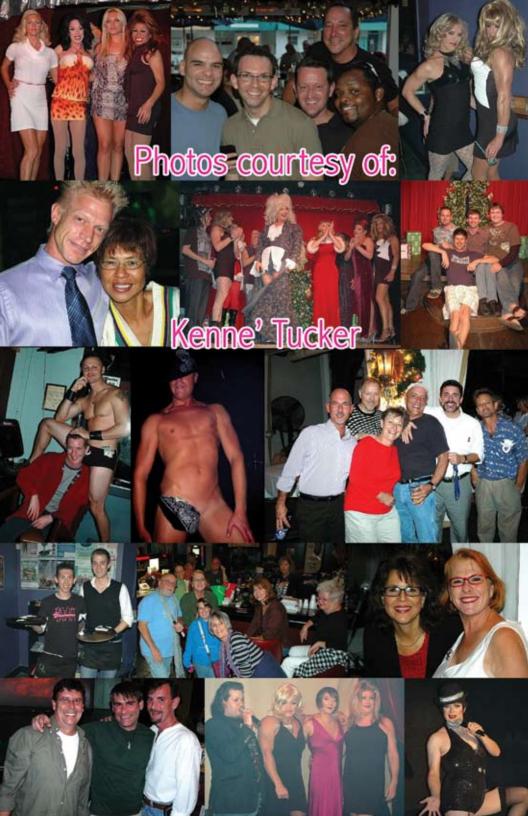
chosen my words better, since my gym is in a primarily Latin neighborhood and you can't swing a cat without seeing someone named "Jesus".

But aside from wanting to get in slightly better shape, for the first time in many years I don't have a ton of New Year resolutions. I stopped wishing for a 10" cock after I read a depressing article that told me that your penis doesn't grow much after 30; and I really want to wait until I'm impotent before I try to learn to knit. I guess the only other thing I really want to resolve to do in 2010 (other then achieve Oprah-like fame) is to be a little bit more on top of my bills. You know, it's a damned shame when in one year you have to try and convince your landlord, and Sprint, that you've had 5 deaths in the family and a smattering of personal catastrophes to explain why you keep forgetting to pay them. At this point, I've killed off all of my extended family and "come down" with every illness short of German mumps to try and keep the lights on and the phone company off my back. So this will be my Susie Orman year! I'm going to be like her in every way. I'm going to budget and plan and pay off debt. But I think I'll skip the "Designing Women" style blazers and lesbianic sex. I mean, you can only take on so many goals in 365 days!

Oh, P.S.... while I was writing this, I decided to treat myself to Chinese take out as a reward for going to the gym for the first time. Yeah, this time it's really going to "stick".

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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Aquarius Jan 20 – Feb 18

Good for you resolving to lose weight this year. Joining a gym was a good start but spending all of your time in the steam room looking at naked men isn't "working out."

Pisces Feb 19 – Mar 20

Christmas is over. Please get on the antibiotics and stop spreading "holiday cheer."

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 19

As the winter month's approach, it will be cooler but it's still not cold enough to justify letting your back hair grow down to your waist.

Taurus Apr 20 – May 20

Ahh, Taurus, sign of the bull. The bull is the symbol of strength and virility. Tauruses are powerful, aggressive and smart. What went wrong?

Gemini May 21 – Jun 20

When doing laundry, you found a pair of underwear that didn't belong to you or your boyfriend. Before you started that big fight that ended your relationship, did you stop to think of last week when you invited the pool boy in?

Cancer Jun 21 – Jul 22

It's true. You're an E-bay addict. Even the UPS driver knows you on a first name basis. It's a shame that you can't buy thin, youth, or pretty on E-bay.

Leo Jul 23 – Aug 22

So you're "going green." Good for you! You don't drink bottled water, ride your bike, open your windows, use approved cleaners, and you'll even dispose of this magazine in a recycling bin. You still may want to have a doctor check your foreskin. There are areas that should not be green!

Virgo Aug 23 – Sep 22

You are such a gossip queen. No sooner after someone tells you a juicy story, your texting everyone on the island. CNN should you you as an advisor on how to spread news all over the world faster!

Libra Sep 23 – Oct 22

You thought it was all behind you. You thought you had it all in control. You thought you didn't care anymore. Checking your ex's Facebook status every 5 minutes is STILL stalking!

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 21

As I look to the stars to see what is in store for you this month, I see many little stars. This is much like your mind. Pretty empty and not very bright.

Sagittarius Nov 22 – Dec 21

Breaking a mirror is 7 years bad luck. If you ever want to have good luck, stop looking at mirrors

Capricorn Dec 22 – Jan 19

If you want to meet the man of your dreams, I have one bit of advice. Don't speak!





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