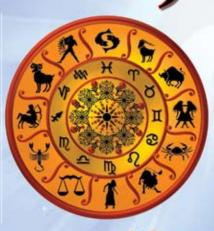


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Well my little sugar plum fairy, you've found yourself in an age-old dilemma: You love your family... you just don't like them very much. There's no reason to feel bad, none of us get to choose our family and so we shouldn't feel too bad when the only thing you end up having in common with some of them is time spent next to dead Douglas fir tree once a year. I am a firm believer that once you're an adult, you have just as much right to enjoy your holidays as everyone else. Now, there are exceptions on occasion. For instance, if great grandma Sara is on her last leg... then maybe suck it up, drink heavily at Christmas dinner, and see her one more time. But most years, you can simply avoid the whole thing. I would buy them all lots of gifts, mail them 2 weeks ahead of time, and simply tell them you're taking it easy this year. If they're smart, they'll get the message. If they aren't... well, it's not your fault they're stupid. And if, let's say, your mom or dad is particularly hard to get off your back: fake an illness. Nothing major! Don't be the douche bag who tells his mom he's got a tumor just so he doesn't have to break out the tinsel... but a good fake flu never really hurt anyone. I can't tell you the amount of times I've faked a poop a Christmas, just to get away from sticky hands of my grandchildren. You're not alone and I promise Santa won't bring you coal ...

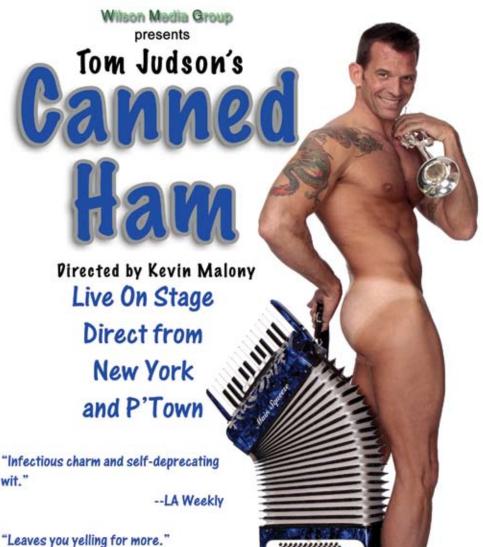
Dear Nana,

2010 was a pretty crappy year for me and I want 2011 to be just amazing. Do you have any advice on how to really live my life to the fullest this year?

Listen, Baby New Queer, you don't get to be 837 years old like me by living your life to the fullest. You know who lived their life to the fullest ... People who die in hotel rooms at 32 in the middle of a coke orgy with a United Nations of strippers. So I would ask those people how to really grab life by the coin purse... but of course, they're all dead! So people come to us old crows thinking we know all the answers. The truth is, I made it this long because not only do I not know the answers... I didn't even study for the test! One

thing I can tell you that has always been true for me as far as enjoying life in the moment is this... think less and drink more! Oh, and happy new year, homo!

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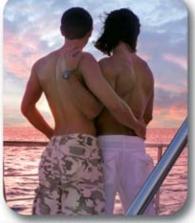
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Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

TUESDAY

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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.



Bourbon- 724 Duval St.

WEDNESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bourbon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

SATURDAY

201

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Bourbon

Pool Party starting at Noon

Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

THURSDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

Bourbon

Disco Wipeout at 10 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Island House

Pre-Tea Pool Party starting at Noon

FRIDAY

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

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

by: Brad Lockle



As we all move into another year, it is time for us to all sit down and fulfill that time honored tradition of making a list of things we swear we're going to do for ourselves and others (but mostly ourselves) this year. Then, by January 23rd, we've already failed at most of them. This allows us to then spend most of February quietly hating ourselves and questioning our life choices... until it's time to get it together for swimsuit season again. So, without further adieu, here are some of my top resolutions for this coming year, perhaps some of them are your resolutions too...

- Learn how to cook and do more cooking at home (we all know I mean meth, right?)
- Do a better job at "Love thy brother". And of course I mean: be nicer to dykes.
- Finally fill out all the paperwork to have my living room declared a Magic Johnson Movie Theater, for the amount of talking my black roommate does anytime I'm trying to watch television.
- Stop texting during sex.
- Get a mammogram. I want to know what all the "fuss" is about....
- Get into a fist fight with Sherry Sheppard and/or shit in Sarah Palin's mouth.

- Get my first STD... nothing too major, just a smart case of crabs or a UTI...
- Make out with better looking strangers.
 (Editor's note: Mr. Loekle already failed this by the time this issue went to print)
- Finally sit down and read the bible. Mainly to see if Cher's performance in "Burlesque" is listed as one of the seven signs of the apocalypse.
- Campaign to have Tina Fey declared a national treasure... and "Skating with the Stars" declared a national disaster.
- Get away with writing off \$10,000 in drugs, booze and lube on my 2010 tax return as "work-related expenses".

I'm sure I'll fail at many of these goals, but I think it's still important to try. Though as I look back over my list for this year, I have to wonder what it says about me that at least 1/3 of my goals for 2011 constitute a felony... Oh well, Happy New Year, Queers! xo

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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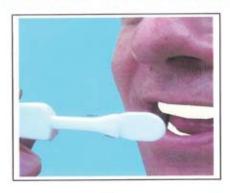
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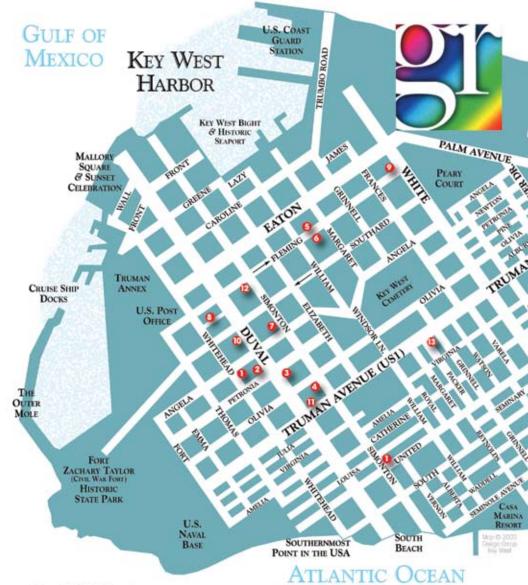
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Pisces Feb 19 – Mar 20

Make some new year's resolutions you might actually be able keep. Resolve to gain more weight, bathe less and be a total prick!

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 19

This month I see a free trip in your future. Make sure you have someone on standby with bail money.

Taurus Apr 20 – May 20

This month may be troublesome for you financially. Cut back on some of the luxuries. You really don't have the body to pull off those designer jeans anyhow!

Gemini May 21 – Jun 20

This month, you will have a run in with the law. Remember, it's either gum or salvia!!

Cancer Jun 21 – Jul 22

Let's face it, you couldn't get laid if you were on a gay cruise and a fire knocked out the power for three days!

Leo Jul 23 – Aug 22

So you tried to keep up with the younger guys by doing shots with them all night. The vomiting in the hot tub was enough of a turn off but when your false teeth landed on the bottom...

Virgo Aug 23 – Sep 22

It's really time to clean your house. A good rule of thumb is when you need to vacuum out your bed, it's time to change the sheets.

Libra Sep 23 – Oct 22

Keys Energy has figured out the reason we've lost power so often lately. They tracked the problem to your house. Specifically, that "toy" you bought on your trip to Amsterdam. It was never made to be used on standard residential electric power.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 21

You've been feeling left out lately. People seem to not include you in conversations or suddenly get a phone call when you try to talk to them. Here's a helpful hint. Carry breath mints and use them!

Sagittarius Nov 22 – Dec 21

Feeling lonely? Spend less time tending your farm on Farmville and more time actually talking to people out at the club!

Capricorn Dec 22 – Jan 19

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