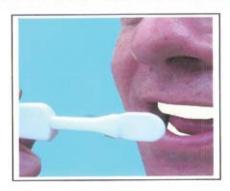
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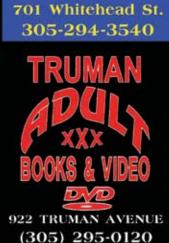
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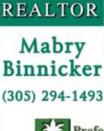
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My husband and I are actually going to become husbands during our vacation to California this Autumn. My husband wants us to use his grandparents wedding bands as our own. Though I never met them, I know they were very important to him and truly wonderful people. But, for me, I feel like the simple gold band is not all I dreamed my wedding ring would be. I always wanted something more unique and something that was personal to me. Should I stick with the traditional bands to make him happy, or should I push my desire to have a more unique look?

- Steve (no, my husband's name isn't Adam)

Steve.

Listen, love bug, the only way you should worry about your wedding being traditional is if one of you wakes up with a vagina! I think no matter what you do, this will be a unique time for both of you... and for our country. It's just a shame to me that you have to travel across the continent to do it... it's sad when this old dame is more ahead of the times than the entire federal government! But, to answer your question, I don't see why you both can't have your



way. Just because you have matching genitals doesn't mean you have to have matching rings. You are two different people and you should celebrate that, both on your wedding day and, hopefully, throughout the rest of your life together. Tell him to wear one of his grandparent's bands and celebrate what a wonderful family man you are marrying. And he should join you in choosing your ring. Both your rings should celebrate who you are as people. Besides, there are plenty of other things to fight about during the next 50 years.... Believe me!!!

#### Dear Nana:

My boyfriend is about 11 years older than me. We have been together for 4 years and I have never cared about the age difference. He has always cared a little... and as time has passed it seems to bother him more. For his birthday this year, he is seriously considering plastic surgery. I really, really don't want him to have surgery... because it's unnecessary and it's SURGERY! How can I convince him he doesn't have to do this to stay young? That he's got me for life?

#### - the younger lover

Oh Lover.

I don't know why you would ask me about surgery... look at me! I'm so wrinkled I practically have a second vagina on my neck! But listen, this whole thing might not just be about you. Maybe it is also about him. Though I don't get into the whole "fountain of youth" thing myself, I say "to each his own". Of course there are risks with surgery and you should both be aware of that. You should make sure that your guy is going to a top notch surgeon. I think the bigger question is are you okay with his feelings



about aging? If this is how he feels now, he will probably continue to feel this way in the future, even after surgery... and he may start to think it about you in 10 years. In the end, you can't change a person. Hell, you can't change much of anything, other than your underwear.

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#### Monday

801 - Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - Dueling Bartenders 5:30 - 8:30 PM Karaoke starting at 8:30 PM

Bobby's - Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon - Monday Movie in the Garden Bar starting at 8:30 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

#### Tuesday

801 - Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - Aqua Idol starting at 6:30 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bobby's - Pool Tournament at 7:00 PM

Bourbon - Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

#### Wednesday

801 - Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - World Tavern Poker Tournament at 5:00 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bourbon - Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Bobby Nesbitt is on the piano starting at 5:30 PM Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

#### Thursday

801 - Karaoke starting at 5:00 PM Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - Cornhole starting at 4:00 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bobby's - Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon - Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

#### Friday

801 - Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - Cornhole starting at 4:00 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bobby's - Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

**Bourbon** - Showtunes & Comedy in the Garden Bar starting at 10:00 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

One Saloon - Cock Shock wet jockey contest - Midnight

#### Saturday

801 - Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Agua - Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bobby's - Pool tournament at 2:00 PM

Bowling tournament on the WII at 5:00 PM

Bourbon - BBQ in the garden bar starting at 1:00 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Bobby Nesbitt is on the piano starting at 5:30 PM Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM Amateur Strip Contest at Midnight

#### Sunday

801 - Karaoke starting at 5:00 PM

Gay Bingo (Not your mother's bingo) starting at 5:00 PM Drag Shows at 9:00 PM and 11:00 PM

Aqua - World Tavern Poker Tournament at 3:00 PM and 6:00 PM Reality is a Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Bobby's - Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon - BBQ in the garden bar starting at 1:00 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10:00 PM

KWest - Michael Thomas singing with Larry Harvey starting at 5:30 PM Men dancing for men starting at 10:00 PM

#### Locations

801 - 801 Duval Street

Aqua - 711 Duval Street

Bobby's - 900 Simonton Street

Bourbon - 724 Duval Street

KWest - 705 Duval Street

One Saloon - 514 Petronia Street

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### Porsche, Wilford Brimley in a Caftan Stole My Blanket!



#### by: Brad Lockle

Oh Key West, I thought I made it clear last month that you were supposed to keep Gassy Winds down there for the entire season. So imagine my shock when I arrived on Fire Island for our annual 4th of July insanity to find our bar stocked with Wild Turkey and a man named JB, looking like Mrs. Roper in his housedress & cargo shorts combo, waiting for me!

The 4th is a huge holiday on Fire Island, not because of our independence, but because of "Invasion". It is the day all the boys of Cherry Grove dress in drag and invade our sisters to the East, The Pines. Porsche always goes with a gaggle of gals and does a big theme. This year's theme was: Famous First Ladies! Porsche was about to put about 25 of the first dames together and score the prize for best group and most original! Porsche was, of course, Jackie Kennedy... and Gassy was, Gassy Todd Lincoln. She spent most of the day trying to get a refund for the tickets to that damn play she went to see with her husband. Rebecca Glasscock and Desiray also joined in two stars and striped themed gowns that look like Uncle Sam himself had cum all over them.

Now, the Porsche and I live in a very roomy loft at the Grove Hotel. But once you put the three Florida girls, plus two extra New York queens, in there with us... it was a little like The Waltons. Porsche moved herself into our living room to take residence on the futon and that left two people per bed in the loft, plus two in an air mattress that just never seemed to stay full. Sounds like a sitcom, right? Well it was...

The night of Invasion I came home last... not a shocker if you know me. Well, Porsche had just got home and all the girls were in the loft asleep. Porsche pulls me down to the futon and says, "Shhh. Don't go up there... just sit here with me a bit and listen!" I swear to God there are no words to describe what we heard. All the queens upstairs are snoring in random intervals to create a symphony of deviated septum. It sounded like the cast of Cocoon was in our loft! And then there was Gassy's snore. Oh good lord, there are no words for this sound... even the great Porsche couldn't impersonate this! If you can imagine an out-board motor that a duck has gotten caught in and then the faint ending of a cricket's chirp.... That's it.

Finally I decide to brave the loft and try to go to bed. Well, it turns out I wasn't the last person home, as a hour later here comes Rebecca Glasscock, stumbling into the loft and going bed to bed trying to find a place to sleep, like a little tranny Goldilocks. After waking up Desiray, the two of them start battling for mattress space, so Desiray rolls over and farts on her. This putrid smell then wafts into the wind tunnel that is Gassy Winds which brings her back into consciousness and she takes a belly flop onto Dez and Rebecca to try and shut them up... so now there is

REALLY no air left in the air mattress! I begin to laugh my ass off, which catches Gassy's attention. She's just like a dinosaur: if you don't move, she can't see you. Well, she comes running over towards my bed to jump on me. In the dark, I can see that she is still in some sort of a rainbow colored night gown and is staring at me like a cartoon pork chop. I tuck and roll under her with my blankets, but she catches the end of them and starts trying to pull me back towards her. From the living room you hear Porsche yell, "Kids, what's going on up there?" I respond, "Porsche, Wilford Brimley in a caftan is trying to steal my blanket!" Meanwhile, Desiray is continuing to fart on Rebecca, our friend Tommy Kirby is stumbling around naked (we still don't know why) and we never really knew who was sleeping next to me at all that night!

When it was all said and done, we didn't stop laughing until about 6AM. I wonder if this is what the forefathers dreamed of on that fateful day that they signed that little scroll of paper that would change human history forever. Did they ever dream that the American Dream would involve 6 drag queens and a stand up comedian farting and snoring together in a loft on a sandbar off the coast of what is now known as Long Island? I'm sure Ben Franklin had an idea... the old pervert!

Brad Loekle can be seen on the TruTV series "The Smoking Gun Presents..." (Thursdays @ 9PM E/P). Listen to him on "Sirius Radio's OutQ in the Morning w/ Larry Flick" (Wednesdays 7-11AM). For a full listing of Brad's appearances and assorted other offensive material, go to: www.bradloekle.com or myspace.com/bradloekle





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Womenfest also invites everyone to enjoy the Opening Night Kick-Off Party recognizing the 30th Anniversary of the Key West Business Guild; Women Speak & The Guild 30th Celebration Luncheon with Keynote Speaker Beth Bass, CEO of Women's Basketball Coaches Association; and Women Who Laugh featuring the irreverent comedienne, singer and songwriter Lisa Koch. The entire, amazing line-up for all of the WomenFest 2008 happenings may be found at WomenFest.com.

But wait, there's more! Ok, you probably can't extend your stay until the end of October, so make plans now to be here for the Guild's 26th Annual Headdress Ball. This is the Gayest, Official Event of FantasyFest, and this year's "Raucous Caucus" will convene to "elect" the best headdresses amidst an elaborate production of live entertainment. Tickets are on sale now and are sure to sell out before the September issue of the Gay Rag comes out! Visit Keystix.com to purchase.

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Aquarius Jan 20 – Feb 18

Congratulations, Aquarius, you have perfected the instinct for being unhappy, and raised it to the level of "highly developed".

Pisces Feb 19 – Mar 20

This month, concentrate on not being so greedy...... There must be more to life than having everything.

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 19

For the love of God!! You cannot continue to be too shy to express your sexual needs except over the phone to people you don't know!!

Taurus Apr 20 – May 20

As those of your sign are beginning to age, you are all discovering that there is nothing more to happiness than good health and a bad memory.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 20

This month, try not be afraid of laughing at yourself. All of your friends have known for a long time that you are missing out on the joke of the century.

Cancer Jun 21 – Jul 22

Towards the end of this month, you will read a long article about the evils of drinking. While you are in Key West, we suggest that you give up reading.

Leo Jul 23 – Aug 22

If only you had a little humility, you would be perfect.

Virgo Aug 23 – Sep 22

Given the right state of mind, every innocent comment can be a back-handed cutter waiting to be discovered. We love you for your sensitivity. But there are times when we just can't stand your sensitivity. If you're a smart little thing, you'll surround yourself with people you love and trust. It's no guarantee that you won't have your sad days, fat days and Boy George in rehab days, but without a solid home base you'd be miserable.

Libra Sep 23 – Oct 22

Night terrors will plague you throughout this month and you may feel that people, both living and dead, are out to get you. You will be correct in this feeling.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 21

The future holds much joy and happiness for someone close to you. But not you. Oh no, you're fucked!!

Sagittarius Nov 22 – Dec 21

All for which you have fought will be lost if you cannot control your wang. Good luck!

Capricorn Dec 22 – Jan 19
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Whether you want to or not, this week will have a journey in store for you. Gift horses always happen to those who least expect it. The moral of this horoscope is: expect a gift horse.



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