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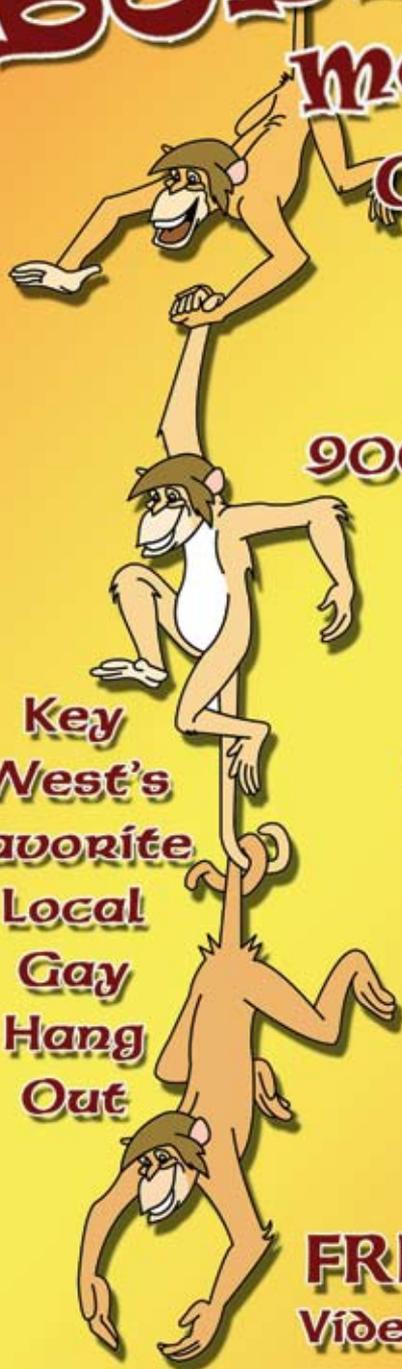


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# Ask Nana



E-mail your questions to [nana@keywestgayrag.com](mailto:nana@keywestgayrag.com)

Dear Nana,

*I've been with my boyfriend for 5 years, we genuinely love each other and he really is my best friend. The problem is, after 5 years we really aren't interested in having sex with each other anymore. I still think he's handsome it's just that I don't feel that sexual spark anymore. But in every other department we are perfect for each other. We've decided to open up our relationship and allow each other to have sex with other people, but sex only... no dating or relationships with others. Does anyone ever make this sort of relationship work, or are we just on a slippery slope to leaving each other?*

Oh sugar, though I can't relate to you from my own life experience, I can pretty much assure you that you two are not alone. Listen, making ANY sort of relationship work is well... just that: work. And I think in the end, the only chance any two



people have of making it through life together is if they make up ALL their own rules as they go. It always makes me laugh when couples get scared to even attempt to make a change in their relationship. As if once they make that change they can never change back or change again. Can you imagine how silly it would be if one Friday your boyfriend decided you guys had to go to dinner at Denny's... and then that somehow meant you had to eat there every single Friday til the time you die (most likely of heart disease)?! Anything that the both of you agree might help keep you together, if you want to be together, is always worth a try. And if your friends, your family, your co-workers give you some judgmental "puss-face" you remind them that it's none of their business what you or your boyfriend do in the privacy of your own home with three Latinos, a midget and a goat!

*Dear Nana,*

*I'm a 61 year old man in reasonably good shape for my age and I enjoy sunbathing in the nude. My partner, and even my friends, keep telling me that I'm at an age where I should consider putting on a swim suit because, well, a man of a certain age shouldn't just be going around naked. As someone older than me, do YOU think I'm too old to sunbathe nude?*

Listen, my little California raisin, I think that the older you get to be the more you should just do whatever the hell you want. What are you waiting for, The Rapture?! Now, as you've guessed by the looks of me, I don't see the sun too often, but that's MY choice. If I was going to sunbathe I'd probably want to do it naked simply because the idea of bikini shopping at my age is ridiculous. But I will remind you that there are some serious health concerns to sunbathing at your age. And I'm not talking cancer, either. I'm talking droopage. Let's face it, when I'm not wearing a bra I could use my breasts as knee pads. And at 61, I'm sure you have laid your balls over your thigh when you're on the toilet just to keep them from hitting the water! So if you're going to hang out (literally) in the nude... just make sure not to trip over your genitals. It's not a good look.



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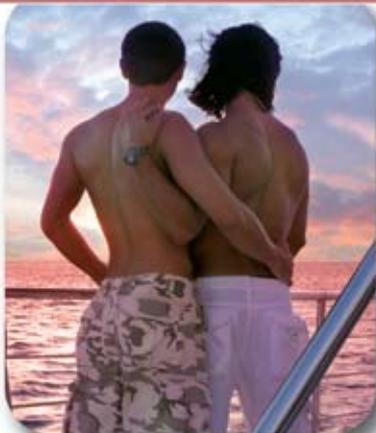
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## MONDAY

**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*

## TUESDAY

**801**

*Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM*

**Bourbon**

*America's Got Talent on the big screen at 8 PM*

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*



801- 801 Duval St.



Bobby's- 900 Simonton St.



Bourbon- 724 Duval St.

**W E D N E S D A Y**

**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*

*Amateur Strip at Midnight*

**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*

**Bourbon**

*Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM*

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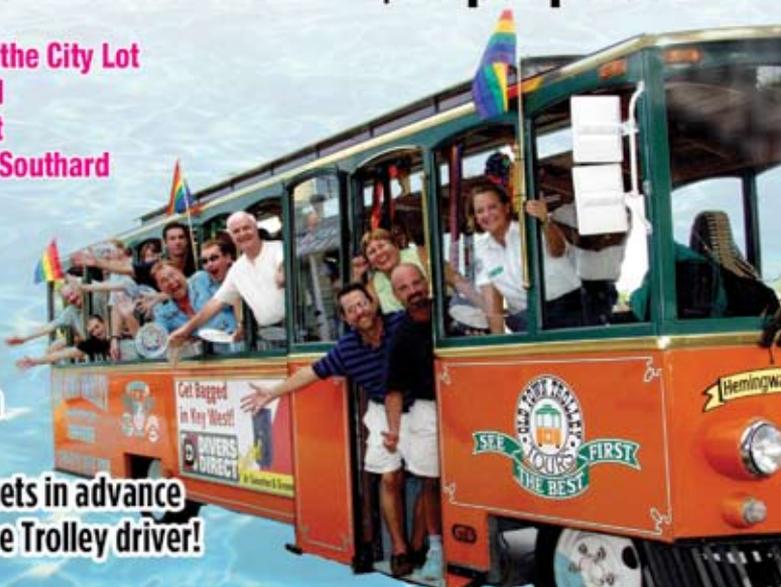
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# GOIN' TO THE CHAPEL

by: **Brad Loekle**



Well it happened: New York finally got marriage equality! Which means that, by the time you're reading this, the bill will have gone into effect and gaggles of gay will be flocking to City Halls all across the state to say "I Do" between two dudes or dykes. And of course I couldn't be happier. But I do think there will be some ups and downs as our entire community adjusts to our matrimonial future. Now there will be many ups to our new found civil rights. Aside from legal and tax benefits there will now be a clear economic boom in states that pass gay marriage. Let's face it, if the average gay man starts designing and spending money on his Halloween costume the day after Labor day... just think how much time and money we'll pump into our wedding day?! Gay weddings will not only benefit the small business of their areas, they also offer a "final comeback" opportunity for so many waning stars. Think about it, there is so little work left for our aging divas. But now with the increased need for wedding bands and ministers (Universalist, of course) these dames can return to spotlight and pay for their Boniva all at the same time. Just imagine getting married before God and Liza Minnelli?! You could have Debbie Reynolds make a toast at the reception. Is your mother not attending the wedding because she is dead (or at least, dead to you)? No Problem! For \$10,000 you can have Sally Fields walk you down the aisle... she'll even wear what she wore in Steel Magnolias! And for an extra \$20,000 she'll get Olympia Dukakis and Shirley McClaine to come to your wedding as Clarie and Weezer!! For you gays who might not be as well off as some of our Vanderbilt brethren, let me suggest that you actually charge your guys a cover charge. Let's face it, gay or straight, most people would pay to be at a wedding with half the women I just mentioned. Besides, after all the wedding presents I've had to cough up for all the straight weddings I've had to go to... it's the least the breeders can do for us.

However, there will be some potential pitfalls to our new found freedoms. One of which being, well, a lack of freedom! Remember that if marriage laws apply to us, so do divorce laws. You thought it was heartless when that Puerto Rican go-go boy that you dated for

a year left you and took half your DVD's? Well, wait til he takes half your 401K and then talk to me about equality. A friend of mine was one of the first gay men to get married in Connecticut. He was a ladies shoe store manager who married a senior partner in a law firm. He was also, then, one of the first gay couples to get a divorce, 17 months later. Now... he's a ladies shoe store manager with a 1.3 million dollar apartment and another 2 million in the bank. Not too shabby for a year and a half of blasé bottoming. Gay divorce will be a sad, yet inevitable, consequence for this new equality. Of course the worst part about gay divorce is that the people who suffer the most... are the pets.

Oh, and don't forget the double edged sword this now creates in your family. Sure, you always resented how being the pink sheep in the family made you feel outcast while all your brothers and sisters were having weddings and children. You felt like you were in the back seat at the family dinner table. But now, all that pressure that your parents and family... and society... put on your siblings from the time they hit puberty will now be sitting on your shoulders too. You thought it was bad when your mom and dad "gave up" on you every "settling down and starting a family", well you'll long for those good old days after a few thanksgivings and Easters where the constant topic is "when are YOU going to finally settle down with your boyfriend and adopt something Asian".

As for me, I always knew marriage wasn't my bag. God bless all you kids who want it. But I look at gay marriage the same way I look at abortion: I doubt I'll ever have any use for it personally, but fuck you if you say someone else can't have it! But I feel like I should put my new found rights to some good use within the community. So I have decided that from this day forth, I am going to marry every single well hung illegal delivery boy, bus boy, and go-go boy that I can find. That's right, if you want a green card you just need to punch my brown eye and it's yours! Plus, it will really piss off the Michele Bachmann's and Sarah Palin's of the world. And if I can piss off just one illiterate, overzealous Jesus freak like that... then my work here is done!

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

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