



Bear Briefs



July 2001

The Newsletter of the Heart Of Texas Bears

HEART OF TEXAS BEARS—FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Marcus and I had a great time hosting the HOT Bears at our pool “christening”; we now have a lost and found box filled with exciting prizes, I mean “found items.” We are keeping the Ming vase and the Ethel Merman Disco CD because of the hung over pug’s we had on Sunday Morning. Our out-of-town guests were amazed at the amount of food, like duh! We are Bears, they commented on how well we got along as a group and the absence of any “High Drama.” Though I did feel at one point the very fabric of reality was being ripped seeing Rick

and Ray in swim suits, I made them take the offending garments off.

I received my very first negative e-mail about the HOT Bears earlier in June. I of course puffed up, became self-righteously offended and had one of those dark cartoon clouds hanging over my head. I talked with people, I investigated, and I obsessed. The main focus of the e-mail was an incident that happened over two years ago that we had no control over and many of us were not even aware that it took place and yet we as a group are being punished because of it. I will

apologize to the offended party and let you know next month how it turns out.

The HOT Bears welcome Tape Lenders and Bearby as sponsors, more information about these two great business will be in the August Bear Briefs.

Have a great July, enjoy the parties and events and remember, only you can prevent forest fires.

Hugs,
Ed

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

Jamie R and Glenn S have invited the HOT Bears to celebrate the holiday with a pool party and potluck at their beautiful home beginning at five p.m. They also wanted the membership to know if you wish to

come earlier, you would be more than welcome! Bring your favorite dish but remember, fireworks are not allowed in the City of Austin but watching them is OK. The HOT Bears will provide a keg with a tip

jar; your donations will be greatly appreciated. Contact information will be on the members only calendar.

BEARS DAY OUT — JULY 7TH

The day begins at 10 a.m. with a hearty Bear Breakfast at Hoover’s (2002 Manor Road). Remember to wait at least thirty minutes after eating before getting in the water be-

cause there is a pool party!

Steve R and Ron K invite the HOT Bears to the Mid-Summer Splash! The party starts at 2 p.m. Keg beer, burgers and dogs will be

provided, contributions and potluck dishes are always appreciated. Contact information is on the member’s only calendar.

HOT BEARS QUARTERLY MEETING—JULY 8TH

The HOT Bears quarterly business meeting will be from 12 noon until 2 p.m. at the Austin History Center in the Reception Room.

BEAR BUST—JULY 8TH

Come join the HOT Bears for the monthly Rubbing of the Fur at the Chain Drive! Let's welcome the new general manager of the Chain Drive, William Davis, and show your support for our home bar. Check out the Bear's display case and enjoy a buck draft from a friendly Beartender. The Chain Drive also has some great drink specials and you never know whom you are going to meet. The bust is from 4 to 8 p.m.

BEAR BOWL—JULY 11TH

Dart Bowl, 5700 Grover, 7 p.m. Check out some HOT Bear Balls at Dart Bowl starting at 7 p.m.

BEAR COFFEE—JULY 12TH

With the success of Bear Coffee last month, we will be checking out Gabe 'N' Moe's, 1809 Manor Road, 3 blocks east of IH-35. Thursday's are Eastside Slam Night. The coffee shop is family owned and Bear Friendly. Join the HOT Bears at 7 p.m. for a taste of how Austin used to be.

BASTILLE DAY BASH—JULY 14TH

Bud M and Laszlo invite the HOT Bears to celebrate the end of the French Monarchy and the beginning of the First Republic by firing up the hot tub. There will be Marie Antoinette cake in addition to the regular chips, dips, etc.!!! The club will provide a keg and donations are greatly appreciated. We something red and practice yelling "Viva la France!" The party begins at 7 p.m. and contact info is on the member's calendar.

POOL PARTY—JULY 14TH

Jamie R and Glenn S once again open their lovely home and pool to the HOT Bears and the Austin Gay Nudists. The evening begins at 7 p.m. and is a potluck so bring your favorite dish. The party will be a great way to learn more about another Austin organization and for them to get to know the HOT Bears. The club will provide a keg and donations are appreciated. Contact information is on the member's calendar.



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BEAR CRAWL—JULY 19TH

This month the HOT Bears will invade the Boyz Cellar, 213 West 4th Street. Happy Hour is until 11 pm and there is a Campus Boys Strip Off beginning at 11:30 on Thursdays, maybe we can talk a furry one into taking it off.

BEAR MOVIE NIGHT—JULY 21ST

Bring a dish and a movie and join James P and Jim M as they host movie night! This is fast becoming one of the HOT Bears' favorite and most enjoyable events. Hope to see you there! Contact information is on the member's calendar.

BEAR PUTT-PUTT GOLF NIGHT—JULY 24TH

Join the HOT Bears for a night of mini-golf at Peter Pan Mini Golf, 1207 Barton Springs Road. From the Giant Dinosaur to Peter himself greeting you at the entrance, Peter Pan Mini Golf is popular with Bears of all ages. Only \$4 a game if we have more than eight HOT Bears show up. At 7 p.m. of course (the Bear Witching Hour?)...

BEAR NIGHT OUT—JULY 26TH

Join the HOT Bears at Razzo's Cajun Café, 11617 Research Blvd., at 7 pm for some of the finest Cajun food the Austin area has to offer.

BEAR TRIP TO THE BERTRAM—JULY 28TH

Join the HOT Bears as we head out to Bertram on the Bertram Flyer! The train leaves the Cedar Park station at 10 a.m. bound for Bertram. The tickets are \$15 for Coach and \$30 for the lounge, round trip. The depot is located at 401 E. Whitestone Blvd (FM 1431) Just east of 183. It is about a 20 mile trip (one way) and we will have lunch and time for shopping before returning Cedar Park. Aaaaalllll Aboard!



BIG BEND BEAR BREAK

September 20-23, 2001 at Big Bend National and State Parks, TX
Eddy and John, a bear couple in Dallas, invite you to spend a low-maintenance, come-as-you-are, do-it-yourself-reservations bear gathering. Come join us for a weekend gathering of hirsute individuals and admirers in the stark, desert landscape of the Big Bend Ranch State Park and Big Bend National Park. It's a non-event bear event. For more information about the weekend, visit <http://www.geocities.com/greyspeir/bigbend.htm> where all the details and phone numbers to make reservations are located. Also, if you want to tune into the discussion on the weekend, or ask a question of Eddy & John, then join the Yahoo! Group they've set up for this event You can join the Yahoo! Group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BigBendBears> . Come see Texas' answer to the Grand Canyon with your fellow bears!

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BEARTHDAYS AND NEW MEMBEARS

Wish the following HOT Bears a Happy Birthday this month!

Kevin PJuly 2
Mack RJuly 4
Alan K July 13
Frank C July 19
Chris M..... July 20
Toshio N..... July 22
Shawn F..... July 26
Jeffery M July 26
Jeffery K..... July 27

We now have 125 HOT Bears! We had a great June with Pride bringing in several new members. We had 6 renewals: Carl H, Daniel T, Tom B, Phil N, Larry H and Pancho L. Sadly, we note that member Paul B of Dallas passed away. We welcome new members Robert Y, JD P, Jeff D, Karl L, Kerry B, Chris M, Larry O, Kevin P, Hector G, Mark W, and Joshua D.

OUT-OF-TOWN EVENTS

Bear-All 2001, Atlanta, GA. July 4

Bear Camp 2001, Hinckly, MN. July 5

Bears in the Outdoor, Kansas City Cave Bears, July 5

Bearquake-SoCalBear Contest and Weekend, Los Angeles/North Hollywood. July 6

Summer Bear Week, Provincetown, MA. July 12

Kamp Kodiak 2001—Miller River Kampground, AK. July 12

Wildlife Refuge, Saugatuck, MI. July 26

Bear Rendezvous, Elk River Flats, ID. July 26

Bear Trap VII, Raleigh, NC. July 27



BEAR BITS...

Texas Conference of Clubs Information and Updates—Twenty-two HOT Bears attended Lonestar 14 and had a great time meeting and mingling with the Brother Clubs at Buzzard's Peak. We carried our Tiki theme over from TBRU and served Top Bananas at our cocktail party! The HOT Bears also fixed and served lunch on Saturday for all the campers. A big thanks goes to Max S for all of his hard work and talent in creating a HOT Bears leather banner for us to carry in the parade

of colors. The banner is on display in our case at the Chain Drive.

Upcoming TCC Events:

TCC Landsite "Unrun" July 6-8
TCC Activity Weekend July 20-22
TCC Summer Meeting July 21

Men of Colors—The Men of Colors Project have invited the HOT Bears to participate and come support their first annual Mr. Men of Colors Pageant 2001 on August 18th. The pageant will be held at the

Chariot Inn, 7300 N. IH-35, Austin, Texas. The doors open at 8 pm and the pageant begins at 9 p.m. Admission is \$5 at the door. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Book Woman, AIDS Services of Austin or by calling 512-406-6138. For application information, call 512-406-6138 or m_o_c_p@hotmail.com. Pageant registration is \$25 and ends July 15th; late registration is \$35 and ends August 1st.

July

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2	3	4 Pool Party, 5 pm	5	6	7 Bear's Day Out Hoover's, 10 am Mid-Summer Splash, 2 pm
8 Quarterly Meeting 12 noon Bear Bust, 4-8 pm	9	10	11 Bear Bowl, Dart Bowl, 7 pm	12 Bear Coffee, Gabe 'N' Moe's, 7 pm	13	14 Bastille Day Bash, 7 pm Pool Party, 7 pm
15	16	17	18	19 Bear Crawl, Boyz Cellar, 7 pm	20	21 Bear Movie Night, 7 pm
22	23	24 Mini-Golf Night, Peter Pan Mini Golf, 7 pm	25	26 Bear's Night Out, Razzoo's Cajun Café, 7 pm	27	28
29	30	31				

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