



Bear Briefs



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*The Newsletter of the **Heart Of Texas Bears***

HEART OF TEXAS BEARS—FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

When I lived in North Carolina, my friends John and Mark would throw "The" ultimate Thanksgiving Feast. We would gather around the table and John, with his slow and elegant Southern charm, would ask one of us to say grace. I do not remember many of those dinners starting with a dry eye because there was

always an empty place set at the table with an untouched glass of wine. It was reserved for our friends that had passed on and for our friends to be. Many a toast was directed to that empty chair.

Later, in the evening, we would hang the turkey bones on his neighbors front porch and each year

in the police report and to anyone that would listen, she would exclaim that drug-crazed devil worshippers lived in a coven somewhere in her neighborhood.

Have a great Thanksgiving!

Hugs,
Ed

TEXAS LEATHER PRIDE X—1-4 NOVEMBER

This year the Texas Leather Pride X will be held at the Sheraton Four Points Resort in Austin. Our own Glen S is the vice president of NLA: Austin.

There will be workshops, present-

ers and a vendor fair. Victoria Weston direct from New York City will provide entertainment.

The HOT Bears will work security Friday and Saturday, and we will host a cocktail party Friday

night from 7-8 p.m. Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact Ed B. at EdBearTX@aol.com or call 491—8888.

BEARS DAY OUT—3 NOVEMBER

. Laura's Bluebonnet Kitchen
5408 Burnet Road, 10 a.m.

A great breakfast venue with a menu for even the pickiest of Bears,

is that an oxymoron? Laura's gets the Golden Paw award for great food and service.



DINING FOR LIFE—5 NOVEMBER

Eat. Drink. And Make a Difference!

Eat dinner at any of these restaurants and they will donate at least 15% of what you spend to AIDS Services of Austin.

Aquarelle
Austin Land and Cattle
Baron's
Bellagio Italian Bistro
The Bitter End
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Girasole Italian Dining
The Granite Cafe
Hudson's on the Bend
Hula Hut
Jeffery's

La Traviata
Louie's 106
Malaga Wine & Tapas Bar
Mars
Mezzaluna
Paradise Cafe
Ranch 616
Romeo's / Barton Springs
Romeo's / Burnet
Saba Blue Water Cafe
Sardine Rouge
Shady Grove
Shoreline Grove
Thistle Cafe
Trudy's North Star
Trudy's South Star
Trudy's Texas Star
Truluck's



MR. HOT BEAR 2002 WEEKEND—10-11 NOVEMBER

The kick off for this fun filled weekend will start at Ed and Marcus' Den from 12-6 pm. Our brother bears from Dallas will be arriving in town and we will be matching them up with their overnight host. We also have several new members from San Antonio. Preview the bear prizes, sign up for the contest and make a new friend. Bring a swimsuit, towel and a side dish. The club will provide burgers and hot dogs donations will be accepted. BYOB.

Saturday night at 10, Mr. HOT Bear 2001 Contest gets started at our home bar, The Chain Drive. The our own effer-

vescent Bud M will be our Master of Ceremonies for this year's contest. To entice you to enter the contest and to thank our great sponsors, we have a partial list of great prizes to tease you with this year. The winner and new Mr. HOT Bear will receive a free TBRU Registration and represent the HOT Bears in Dallas next year. Second Runner Up will receive a pair of leather chaps from the Leather Chest. Third Runner Up will receive a gift basket filled with Bear Goodies from Tape Lenders.

Sunday, we meet up again for Dim Sum at Tien Hong, 8301 Burnet Road at

11 am. Tien Hong has been voted one of the best Chinese Restaurants in the Austin Area.

We wrap up the weekend with a Bear Bust at the Chain Drive, 504 Willow, from 4-8 pm. A great way to thank the fine staff of the Chain Drive and bid farewell to our brother bears from out-of-town. This Bear Bust we will raffle off several great prizes—two 2002 Colt Calendars donated to us from Lobo's, a massage from our own Phil N, two framed and signed prints from the famous Bear Artist Fran Frisch donated by the artist, and four Crystal Bear Paperweights donated by our own Ed and

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THE CERAMIC MUG—16 NOVEMBER

520 W Sixth St. 8 pm

From Citysearch, "The Ceramic Mug offers a wide variety of bare ceramic pieces (everything from Easter eggs to spoon rests to big ol' pitchers) for you to paint. Pick out your colors and patterns and when you're

done painting, they'll glaze and fire your piece.

Parties are definitely welcome, and pricing is based on the number of people (minimum eight, maximum 60) in your group.

On the menu are a few coffee

drinks, including the bottomless cup o' joe (\$1.35), lattes, mochaccinos, cocoa, hot tea and sodas. The coffee comes from Anderson's."

BEAR PUB CRAWL—23 NOVEMBER

'Bout Time, 9601 North 1-35, 7 p.m.

The HOT Bears have almost

crawled a 360 checking out the bars in and around Austin. "Bout Time is one of our favorites. Join

us for happy hours specials and check out the only gay bar in North Austin.

BEARS NIGHT OUT—29 NOVEMBER

Spaghetti Warehouse
117 W Fourth St, 7 pm

The HOT Bears dine Italian this month at the Spaghetti Ware-

house. The menu features traditional pasta with marinara sauce and long with such delicacies as 15-layer lasagna, chicken parmigi-

ana and much more! Oh, they have deserts too!

PROJECT TRANSITIONS

Project Transitions
Austin, Texas

www.projecttransitions.org

This month, the board has decided to ask our generous membears to donate to Project Transitions.

"Project Transitions (a non-profit 501(c)3 organization) is dedicated

to serving people with AIDS by providing hospice, housing and support in a compassionate and caring environment." Their Fall 2001 Wish List is quite long and includes such items as bandages, toasters and a Xerox Machine. The complete list can be found on their

web site. Or, contact the HOT Bears secretary at

info@heartoftexasbears.org.

We did an outstanding job for the animals in Austin, now let us help our fellow humans.



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25 State Road 611
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BEARTHDAYS AND NEW MEMBEARS

Wish the following HOT Bears a Happy Birthday this month!

Ron K	11/3
David J	11/8
Fred L	11/9
Robert M	11/23
Ben F	11/28
Tom S	11/30

The October numbers are looking pretty good! We have 117 members. There were four non-renewals

that have been moved from the active roster. There are eight new members. Please give a welcome to: Jade Y., William B., Thomas P., Mark S., Chuck B., Michael L., David L., and Brent M.

Thank you to everyone who brought towels to be donated. I took 62 towels to the Animal Clinic of Austin and they were very thankful and happy to get them.



BEAR BITS...

Firedance 15, 9-11 November, Dallas, Texas. Joint the fellows of Firedances at the Sheraton Brook-

hollow. For more information, consult their web site at <http://firedancersdallas.homestead.com/>

firedancers.html



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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Pool Pary Noon - 6PM Ed & Marcus' House Bear Contest 10PM – Chain Drive 504 Willow Street
11 Dim-Sum 11am , Tien Hong, 8301 Burnet Rd. 4-8pm, Bear Bust Chain Drive 504 Willow Street	12	13	14	15	16 Bears Coffee 8PM , Ceramic Mug, 520 W. 6th Street	17 Heart Of Texas Hoedowners Dance 7PM , Go Dance 9029 Research Blvd.
18	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23 Bear Crawl 7PM 'Bout Time, 9601 N. IH-35	24
25	26	27	28	29 Bears Night Out 7pm , Spaghetti Warehouse, 117 W. 4th Street	30	

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