



Bear Briefs



August 2001

The Newsletter of the Heart Of Texas Bears

HEART OF TEXAS BEARS—FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK

I want to welcome our new members and thank those of you that renewed your memberships. This is an exciting time in our Club’s history with reviewing policies and proposed bylaw changes. As President, I was proud of the voices I heard at our last general membership meeting and of the active members that keep in focus the very reason we exist as a social club--the friendship and fellowship of like-minded individuals. The HOT Bear Club is growing and we are becoming known nationally and within our own community. We have new sponsors and, though not



Photograph by Laszlo

on a large scale, we have donated to Project Transitions, the Deaf Bears and Cubs Organization and are volunteering for aGLIFF. Gone are the days when the Club’s funds were kept in a cigar box and the membership roster in a little black book.

There are minor problems from time to time but, as in life, we work through them and see each one as a Positive Growth Experience. We become a little wiser and get on with the program. Our motto could easily be: Motivate or Vegetate.

Hugs,
Ed

THE CHAIN DRIVE PRESENTS HELL PARTY 2001 — 3-5 AUGUST

Friday—Underwear from Hell Party. Check your clothes and get ready to “feel” the heat.

Saturday—Hotter’n’Hell Party: The Ritual. Be ready to sweat your butt off, Mr. Leather Austin contest at 11 pm. Adult Video Star Chad Hunt as Guest Judge. This party is

HOT.

Sunday—Hell Freezes Over. The Chain Drive is Closed until Sunset (8:22 pm).

Chain Drive Weekly Specials:

Monday-\$1 Well

Tuesday-\$1 Draft, \$1 Schnapps

Wednesday-\$1 Longnecks

Thursday-\$1 Well

Friday-\$1 Draft and Happy Hour until 11 pm

Saturday-Happy Hour until 8 pm

Sunday-\$2 Well, \$1 Draft until 11 pm.

BEARS’ DAY OUT—4 AUGUST

Classic Denny’s 10 am
1601 N. IH-35.

As much as we like Hoover’s, several members have been very vocal about the relaxed service we

have experienced on our Saturday mornings. In the spirit of trying something new and a more central location we will be checking out the Classic Denny’s located at IH-35.

Several members have reported the food is great and the service is fast.

Denny’s is directly across IH-35 from the Erwin Center.

HOT BEARS SPECIAL BYLAWS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING 5 AUGUST



AIDS Services of Austin
7215 Cameron Road
Austin, Texas 78752

Special Bylaws Subcommittee Meeting Scheduled

On Sunday August 5, 2001 at 2:00 PM there will be a special meeting of the HOT Bears Bylaws subcommittee. It will be held at AIDS Services of Austin, 7215 Cameron Road, Austin, Texas 78752.

The purpose of this meeting is to obtain addi-

tional input from the membership regarding the previously proposed changes to section 3.2 of the bylaws. As agreed at the July general membership meeting, the changes need additional work and additional input of the membership. Some of you have already submitted your input in writing. It is **much** appreciated, and that input has already been submitted to and considered by the bylaws subcommittee. Again,

thanks to each of you who have provided input. In this special meeting, we will solicit additional input as well as discussion regarding the structure and content of changes for the bylaws. If you cannot attend this meeting, then please contact Jack L at ZJack@pobox.com or 512.250.5114 with your input so it can be considered and discussed at this very important meeting.

BEAR PUB CRAWL—6 AUGUST

The Forum
408 Congress Ave
This month the HOT Bears invade The Forum

with its two bars and rooftop deck. Urban beats begin at 10 pm and \$2 well drinks every Tuesday from

2-11 pm. The password if you choose this mission will be: WOOF!

BATTALION MOTORCYCLE CORPS SHAKEDOWN 2001 10-12 AUGUST

The Recruits of Battalion have put together BIV-OUAC and have invited the HOT Bears to join them Saturday for dinner and a campout at Hueco

Springs in New Braunfels. The cost for joining Battalion MC for Saturday's gathering is \$25 per person. This price includes camping fees and dinner.

Run applications must be received by Monday, 6 August. Contact Ed B for a run application.

BEAR BUST AT THE CHAIN DRIVE—12 AUGUST

Join new and old friends for the HOT Bears monthly Bear Bust from 4-8 pm. This month's Bear Bust will be held in honor

of our new and renewing members with nametags and some very Bearish prizes to raffle off. \$1 Draft beer from our own HOT

Beartenders. \$2 well drinks, \$1 draft from the fine bartenders at the Chain Drive.

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BEAR COFFEE—17 AUGUST

Little City Espresso Bar and Cafè. 916 Congress Ave. 8 pm

Doing the java jive is fast becoming a HOT Bear favorite. This month we meet at Little City in beautiful downtown Austin at 8

pm. A cosmopolitan atmosphere and fresh roasted coffee makes Little City an excellent meeting place for any sort of rendezvous. The menu is full of soups, salads and sandwiches, along with pastries

and cookies. A great way to start the weekend, find a movie companion or hook up with a pack of bar-crawling HOT Bears.

SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE HOT BEARS 19 AUGUST

Austin History Center 1 pm.

The President and a majority of the Officers have called a special business meeting of the HOT Bears in accordance with Chapter 4, Sec-

tion 4.1(b) of the bylaws on Sunday, 19 August 2001 at 1 pm. This meeting was also requested by the members present at the last, regular HOT Bears business meeting on 8

July.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss additional changes to the HOT Bears bylaws in a general membership business meeting.

THE AUSTIN GAY AND LESBIAN INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL 24 AUGUST TO 6 SEPTEMBER

Several of the HOT Bears have volunteered to work with aGLIFF in manning the theater during the festival. The requirements for staffing have changed a bit; instead of three shifts of six, they only need one shift of six. We will be volun-

teering on Tuesday 28 August and Tuesday 4 September. Each shift is from 5:45 to 10:15 pm. Volunteers will need to be there at 5:45 pm for a brief 30-minute orientation as to our duties. Let Jack L know if you will be able to volunteer and the

date you prefer to volunteer.

Due to getting the Bear Briefs out in a timely manner we have no information on the movies but check local listings and support aGLIFF.



Pictures from the Bastille Day Party by Laszlo



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BEARTHDAYS AND NEW MEMBEARS

Wish the following HOT Bears a Happy Birthday this month!

David J..... 8/4
Larry O 8/5
Kase W 8/5
Mike G..... 8/8
Richard J..... 8/15
Jon M-C..... 8/19
John G..... 8/20
Michael Q..... 8/23
Gregory O..... 8/24

The HOT Bears continue to grow in numbers. We now have 127 HOT Bears! We welcome new and renewing membears: Timothy R, Michael K, David H, Todd K, Lee T, Johnny W, Fred C, Laszlo B, Ed H.



OUT-OF-TOWN EVENTS

Bears in the Keys, Key West, FL
8/3-8/6

FurFest 2001, Fredericton, New
Brunswick, 8/3-8/5

Sunbears Weekend 2001, San
Diego, CA 8/10-8/12

Bears in the Woods 2001:
SURVIBEAR, Camp Davis in Boy-
ers, PA, 8/10-8/12

Aurora Borealis 2001, Toronto,
Canada, 8/10-8/12

Bears in the Desert 2001, Palm
Springs, CA, 8/17-8/19

Mr. Gulf Coast Bear Contest, Mo-
bile, AL, 8/18

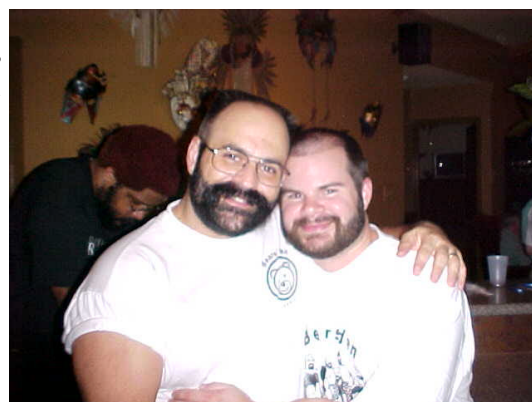


BEAR BITS...

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.

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August

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2	3 The Chain Drive Presents: Hell Party 2001 3-4 August	4 Bears' Day Out, Classic Denny's, 10 am
5 Special By-Laws Subcommittee meeting, 2 pm, AIDS Services of Austin	6 Bear Pub Crawl, The Forum, 7 pm.	7	8	9	10 Battalion MC BIVOUAC, 10-12 August	11
12 Bear Bust at the Chain Drive, 4-8 pm	13	14	15	16	17 Bear Coffee, Little City, 916 Congress, 8 pm.	18
19 Special Business Meeting of the HOT Bears, Austin History Center, 1 pm	20	21	22	23	24 aGLIFF 24 August to 6 September	25
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