



Bear Briefs

The Newsletter of the Heart Of Texas Bears

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From the President's Den



Happy NEW YEAR!

2009 has come and gone and 2010 lies directly ahead, filled with the hopes and resolutions of making the upcoming year better than the last. This past year has seen many ups and downs for the HOT Bears. On one hand we had a lot of fun and good times with each other and many good friends during the many events we hosted such as the UNRUN, Anniversary party, Back To The Woods, and a multitude of others. We also lost some of those same good friends who we will truly miss and will never forget.

It is with this same resolution of better times ahead that we introduce a few changes in events and procedures that we hope make being a HOT Bear a more convenient and enjoyable experience.

One of the first things you probably have noticed, is a new calendar format on the website. After many years the old calendar format was becoming more difficult to maintain, so we decided to make the change to a format that is not only easier to maintain, but also allows you to keep up with events and calendar updates via your personal calendar or smart phone. Click on the links at the bottom of the website calendar for details. Another planned change is the re-introduction of the quarterly membership roster. Within the next week or so, we will be mailing all the members to verify their desire to be included (or not) in list of contact information that will be distributed to the membership so that you

can keep in touch with other members...so be sure to look for an email from us soon. We have also made some changes to dates and days for various events such as the Beer Busts and Bears Night Out Dinners in hopes that more members have the opportunity to attend events as they can. See the calendar and HOT Bear Happenings for more details. Other things on the horizon include a new club tri-fold containing information about the group and how to join and the addition of a club display case at the Rusty Spur.

These changes are in part suggestions by members and others and we hope you find them helpful and convenient.

As we move forward throughout 2010, we look ahead to new and continued friendships and camaraderie with our fellow Bear brothers. Cheers!

*WOOF n GRRRRS
Kelly Stephens
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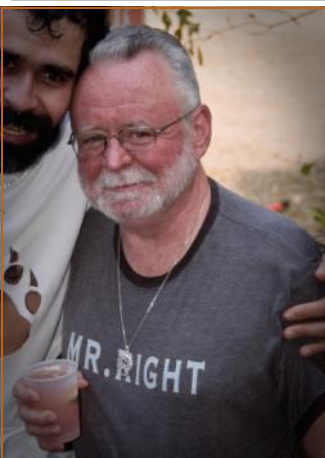
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Remembering Richard York



Richard Wayne York of Houston, TX passed away on December 2, 2009 in Houston, TX. He was born on November 26, 1951 in Dallas, TX to Melvin and Betty (Taylor) York. Richard loved antiques and having a good time with friends. He was very full of life and was a caretaker for family and friends. Richard was much loved and will be dearly missed.

As some of you know, Richard was a former member of the HOT Bears and a true friend to the Bear community in general. He was a great supporter of Back to the Woods, donating the safe kits, raffle baskets, etc. for the past couple of years. He was a current member of the Houston Area Bears.

A “potluck” memorial will be held here in Austin on Sunday, January 10, 2010 at ‘Bout Time from 1pm to 4pm. So bring a potluck dish along with your photos and fond memories of Richard as we honor the life of a dear friend and Bear Brother.

Friday, January 1

Leather and Denim Night. Join the Heart of Texas Bears at the *Rusty Spurs* for Leather and Denim Night. Leather and denim are encouraged but feel free to wear your kilt if it suits you. \$1 Drafts, \$2.50 well and domestic bottles. **9:30pm** till close.

Saturday, January 2

Bears Day Out breakfast at 10am at *Ryan's*. Join us at Ryan's for their great breakfast buffet! [1813 Parmer Lane West, Austin, TX 78727 (512) 835-8366]

Sunday, January 3rd

The **HOT Bears Quarterly Business Meeting** will be at **2pm**. The meeting will be held at the Austin Library, Carver Branch. The library is located at 1161 Angelina, Austin 78702; which is a few blocks east of IH-35 on 11th Street. Their phone number is (512) 974-1010. See the HOT Bears website for a map. Join us, hear about upcoming club events, and share your ideas.

Sunday, January 3

Join the HOT Bears as we throw a beer bust at the Rusty Spurs. Join us from 4pm - 8pm for \$1 draft pints on the back patio and BBQ cooked up by the Rusty Spurs Staff. therustyspurs.com [405 East 7th, 78701, (512) 482-9002]

Tuesday, January 5

HOT Bears Planning Meeting. Join the officers for their monthly board meeting at 6:30pm. It will be held downtown at the *Rusty Spurs*. Your input will help make the Club better!

Friday, January 8

Guerilla Queer Bar from 6pm to 9pm. See SmokingBanana.com for details.

Friday—Sunday, January 15-17

Activity Weekend at the TCC Landsite. Camp out in the woods and help work on some improvements for the Landsite. The **Winter Meeting** of the TCC will be held Saturday at 1pm in the pole barn.

Saturday, January 16

2nd Bear Breakfast at **10am** at *The Bakehouse Restaurant & Bar* (austinbakehouse.com). Join us for some great breakfast cooking and lots of Bear Brotherhood! [5404 Manchaca Road, Austin, 78745 (512) 443-5167]

Saturday, January 16

Bear Beer Bust. Come join us as we throw a beer bust at the Chain Drive from 6-10pm. Come enjoy cold \$1 draft pints served up by WOOFY, FURRY, Bear-Tenders, and music by DJ Mutt! Be sure to join in on the Boat Races conducted throughout the evening! [504 Willow Street, Austin, 78701, (512) 480-9017]

Monday, January 18

Bears Night Out. Join us as we celebrate a night out with friends! Lots of Bear brotherhood is sure to be had along with some tasty treats everyone is sure to enjoy. [*La Tapatia*, 13450 Research Blvd Austin, TX 78750, (512) 219-5008]

Saturday, January 23

Bears Bowling. We had so much fun last time, so we're doing it again! Come join your fellow "Kingpins" as we hit the boards at **Dart Bowl**. Join us at **7pm** sharp for lots of Bear Brotherhood as we take aim at those little white pins! [5700 Grover Ave. Austin 78756, (512) 452-2518]

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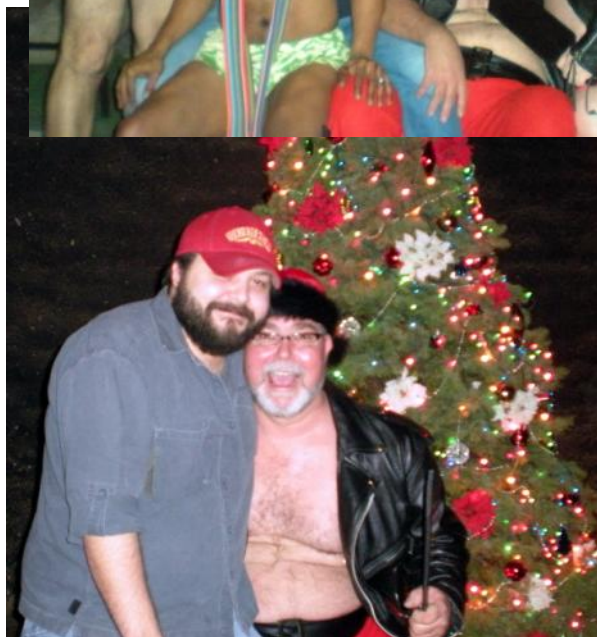
Bad Santa

Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Clause....sort of

Bad Santa (aka Mr. HOT Polar Bear Ken Earnest) and a few of his naughty elves visited the Chain Drive and Rusty Spurs during the HOT Bears (back-to-back) Beer Busts on Dec 19th and 20th and passed out many gropes and a spanking here and

there. Pictures were taken and over \$100 was collected to benefit the Capitol Area Food Bank.

*Woofs and Grrrs
Kelly Stephens*



Heart of Texas Bears Calendar

January 2010

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  **Month**
 Agenda
 

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	Jan 1 Fire & Ice - Lonestar Leathermen New Year's Day 9:30pm Leather and Der	2 10am Bears Day Out bre
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10	11	12	13	14	15 TCC Activity Weekend	16 10am 2nd Bear Breakfas 1pm TCC Winter Meetin 6pm Bear-Beer-Bust
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Events shown in time zone: Central Time

