



# Bear Briefs



April 2002

*The Newsletter of the Heart Of Texas Bears*

## HEART OF TEXAS BEARS—FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK

I write this looking out on my garden and I am wind and sun burned. Every plant has been pinched, snipped, pruned, staked, sprayed, moved or repotted. I am armed with three bibles on Central Texas gardening and just learned the Blackland prairies, Edwards Plateau and the Balcones Escarpment intersect right in the middle of the swimming pool. Each book preaches a basic truth “you win some, you lose

some”—don’t get attached to that palm. I think the county extension agent should have grief counselors on the payroll. I have learned from past experience if a plant is heat tolerant, I call it “Sir” and if it has fangs, bites, stings or is poisonous it lives in the Heart of Texas.

The only thing I have yet to figure out is why the local garden centers sell non-heat tolerant plants. The plants must taste good in salads

to the people who used to kill ants with a magnifier glass and are now calling themselves gardeners.

It is peaceful now, but I often wonder what effect treated pool water has on the thundering herds of horny squirrels that use my little piece of Heaven as a Rest Area.

Hugs,  
Ed Burleson

## TBRU—4-7 APRIL

Dallas, Texas

Our Mr. HOT Bear is looking great and the cocktail will be a “Beartini” shaken, not stirred. In keeping with the 007 theme, our cocktail party will be called “From

Austin with Love” and the dress should you choose this mission: Black boxers, boots and a bow tie (not required). A list of names has been compiled and Lou has already claimed “Furry Galore” as his.

Registration is \$125 at the door and there is no discount on the hotel rooms. Call Sheraton Brookhollow (214-630-7000) for reservations.

## BEARS DAY OUT—6 APRIL

Austin Diner, 10 am  
5408 Burnet Road

A great place to people watch and the HOT Bears favorite break-

fast hangout. Laura’s/Austin Diner as it all.

## TOGA! TOGA! TOGA!—XIII APRIL, MMII A.D.

VII pm

The debauchery commences after VII pm at Greyrock South. This

is the seventh annual Toga Party and as always a great time will be had. Keg Beer will be available

and remember contributions and potluck items are always appreciated. Hail Steve!



## HOT BEAR QUARTERLY MEETING AND OFFICERS ELECTIONS—14 APRIL



ASA, 1-3 pm  
7215 Cameron Road

I just wrote: 2002-2003 will be the main focus of this meeting. Several

other important items will be discussed and this is a most excellent time for your voice to be heard.

## BEAR BUST—14 APRIL

Chain Drive, 4-8 pm  
504 Willow St.

Meet up with old friends, make a few new ones or find that special Bear during the monthly HOT Bear Bust.

Get a dollar draft from one of our own HOT Beartenders and remember the Chain Drive has drink specials seven days a week.

## BEAR CRAWL—18 APRIL

Chain Drive, 7 pm  
504 Willow St.

This month we return to our home bar for \$1 well drinks. The Bear

Crawl is a great way to prepare for Friday.

## BEAR'S NIGHT OUT—25 APRIL

Marie Calendar's, 7 pm  
Loop 360 and US 183

The hearty portions and the traditional fare of these original recipes should fulfill the appetites of the HOT

Bears. Marie's is an Oregon institution well known for their food. The biggest draw has to be the numerous pies available daily. Remember to save space for them!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 <b>TBRU</b>	6 BDO 10 am Austin Diner <b>TBRU</b>
7 Daylight Savings Begins <b>TBRU</b>	8	9	10	11	12	13 Toga Party 7 pm
14 HOTB Qtrly Meeting Bear Bust	15	16	17	18 Bear Crawl Chain Drive 7 pm	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 BNO 7 pm	26	27
28	29	30	14 April — The HOT Bears Quarterly Meeting is from 1-3 pm. 14 April — The Bear Bust is from 4-8 pm.			

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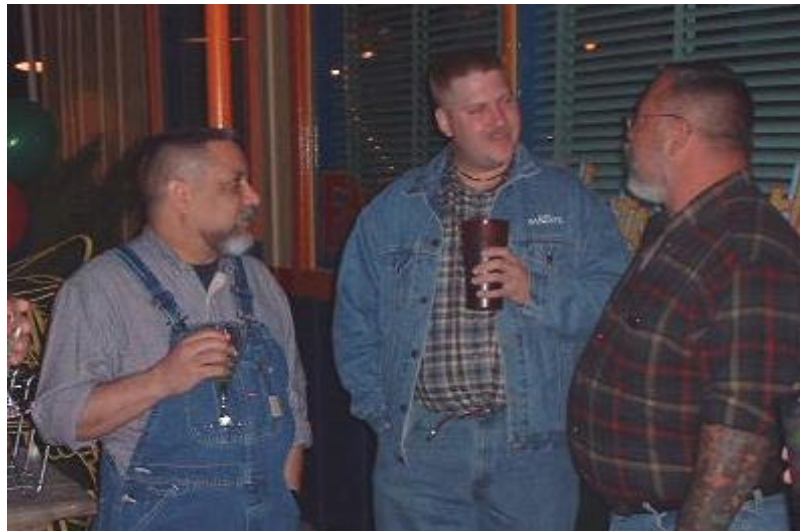
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## BEARTHDAYS AND NEW MEMBEARS

Wish the following HOT Bears  
a Happy Birthday this month!

Todd Kinney ..... 4/1  
Kerry Bell..... 4/6  
James Patterson..... 4/6  
Cecil Small..... 4/9  
Chuck Buckla..... 4/11  
Ying-Da Lee..... 4/29

We have eight new members  
this month. The HOT Bears are  
steadily growing with an all time  
high in membership now.  
Please welcome Hedley Lamar,  
Lili von Shtupp, Marlene D.,  
Lucille Ball, Sonic H, and E.  
Bunny.



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