



Bear Briefs

The Newsletter of the Heart Of Texas Bears

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From The President's Desk

It is with great excitement and trepidation that I begin my term as President. My excitement has grown from the discussions with members and new executive board about plans and events for the coming year. My trepidation, we have big shoes to fill. I would like too, on behalf of the new executive board, thank Bud, John, Kirk, Rick and Scott for all of the hard work, overseeing the successes of the past year. Undoubtedly their selfless work has allowed me to collect many fond bear activity memories that I now share with others. I am hopeful of continuing

activities that have generated membership attendance as



Tom Bolt — HOT Bears President

well as investigate new opportunities to connect all of our members.

Over the last few months the new board has met with our past board to make the transition as smooth as possible. The new executive board would like to establish or re-establish a Membership Committee and Activities Committee in addition to being very hopeful that we may enjoy the services of our members who have contributed to the expert production of the Bear Briefs, Web page and TeleBear.

Please take a moment to look at the schedule for July and set aside some assured fun time by attending one of the many gatherings.

Tom Bolt

Quarterly Membership Meeting — July 13, 2003

To begin the new administration of the Heart of Texas Bears, we are holding the next quarterly meeting at the home of Steve Rison, 1507 Fairfield Dr. on Sunday, July 13th. It is the desire of the new board to encourage greater participation in activities and events by creating more ownership in the on-going design and implementation of our calendar. There are a number of new items to discuss including the possible participation in the Dallas Gay Pride Parade and a possible collective Bear Run (camping)

at Buzzard's Peak this fall.

Although this past year we have had numerous successes with minimal planning, we are hoping that with a greater organizational effort and timely planning, our efforts will be even more spectacular. The executive board encourages all members to attend executive board meetings as well as quarterly meetings and to voice your concerns and, hopefully, offer your support to the planned activities as well as the new standing committees we are considering implementing to better serve our membership.

The executive board will meet at 11:30 a.m. at Steve's followed by the quarterly meeting at 1:00 p.m. Following the quarterly meeting, members will have access to the pool to relax and enjoy the afternoon before we head over the monthly Bear Beer Bust at the Chain Drive starting at 4:00 p.m. This will be a great opportunity for new members to participate in the club planning as well as share a relaxed and fun atmosphere with your fellow BEARS. Hope you all can join us.

WOOF!!! GRRRR!!!

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Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendar

Friday, July 4, 2003

Pool Party at Jamie and Glenn's house starting at 4pm; bring potluck dish, drinks and towels. The HOT Bears will provide a keg.

Saturday, July 5, 2003

Bears Day Out breakfast at Austin Diner, 5408 Burnet Road.

July 11 – 13

Austin Gay Nudists' annual event at the TCC campsite — \$80 in advance. Go to their website: www.main.org/agn

Saturday, July 12, 2003

Bear Game Night at Bill and Tom's house. It starts at 7pm. Members should bring a folding chair and their favorite game. BYOB; soft drinks provided.

Sunday, July 13, 2003

HOT Bears Quarterly Membership Meeting. Steve

Rison's House. Officers will meet at 11:30am, prior to the membership meeting. Membership meeting starts at 1pm, with members invited to bring a towel and swim afterwards.

Sunday, July 13, 2003

Monthly Bear Beer Bust at the Chain Drive from 4pm — 8pm.

Saturday, July 19, 2003

Bear Movie Night starting at 7pm at Bruce Mahaffey's house.

Thursday, July 31, 2003

Bears Night Out dinner at Macaroni Grill, Hwy 183 and Great Hills Trail. At 7pm (Bear Time).

Saturday, August 2, 2003

Steve Rison's Dawg Daze Summer Splash starting at 2pm. Bring a potluck dish. Keg beer provided.

August 21 – 24

Bear Jam 2003, Nashville, TN, put on by the Music City Bears

August 21 – Sept 1, 2003

The 16th annual Austin Gay and Lesbian International Film Festival. Bear volunteers wanted. Contact the club secretary for more information and visit www.agliff.org.

September 5 – 7

TGRA Rodeo, Travis County Expo Center. TGRA has the big air-conditioned indoor arena this time. HOT Bear members can volunteer to help with security and get in free.

September 5 – 7

International Bears Weekend, Sept. 5-7, put on by Bearhug of London.

September 12 – 14

Cowtown Leather Men run at Buzzard's Peak (\$60 by Aug. 1st). More information and applications at: cowtownleathermen@hotmail.com

September 12 – 14

Bearadise 2003, Oklahoma City, put on by the Red Earth Bears.

September 20 – 21

Gay Pride Weekend in Dallas. Saturday is Gay Day at Six Flags amusement park. Advance tickets are \$30; comedian Georgia Ragsdale will be performing. Sunday is the Dallas Pride Parade. HOT Bears may march in the parade!

September 26 – 28

Crescent City Outlaws presents JAIL BREAK 3 in New Orleans.

Congratulations to the HOT Bears!

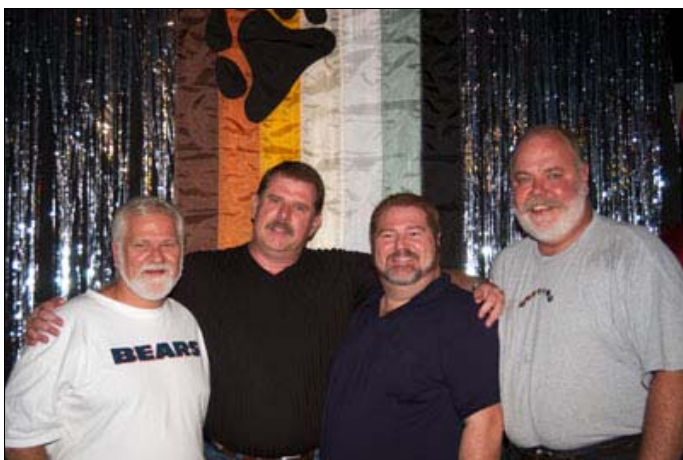
Congratulations on your well earned recognition from the Pride Parade Committee (Best Vehicle). My first contact with your organization was as emcee for the first monthly Bear Contest at Chain Drive. Those contests were a lot of fun and I learned just what big hearts Bears possess. It is an honor to share space and time with your

organization once again at Chain Drive.

Thank you for your continued cooperation, support and encouragement. Best wishes for all your future endeavors.

Respectfully,

Mona littleMore
Empress Emeritus I
United Court of Austin
AKA Marc Alexander



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July

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