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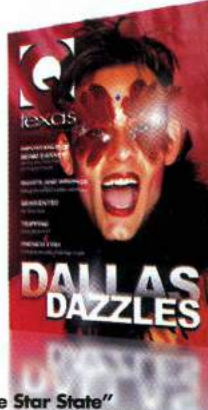
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Warring duo put differences behind them on set of *The Importance of Being Earnest*

Everett, a good friend of Madonna, says, "Colin was very serious — very left-wing. He had just come from university, and he was young and idealistic and had all these left-wing ideas. Like he was going to give all his money to charity. I couldn't deal with him except to bad-mouth him."

By the way, Everett says his acting talents — and perhaps his sexual orientation, too — showed up at an early age — when he would dress up in his mother's clothes.

Everett says as a boy, whenever guests came to visit his parents, he would be put to bed early — but that didn't discourage his desire to entertain.

He reveals: "Because I was such a show-off, I would go to my mother's room, put on her nightdress and Jackie Onassis shawl, run downstairs, go outside, ring the doorbell and pre-

tend to be one of the guests. I'd say, 'Hello, I'm Mrs So-and-so.' And my parents would say, 'Come in.'

"I would join the other guests for 10 minutes, then be sent to bed again, only to reappear 10 minutes later at the door in another outfit. This was repeated a couple more times before I became over-tired, refused to go to bed and clung on to the banister sobbing. Those were my dressing up days."

Between cross-dressing and growing up, Everett says his favorite job to date was cleaning theaters. The *My Best Friends Wedding* star's showbiz career had a less-than stellar start in 1979, when, at age 16, he swept the stage at London's Donmar Theatre, while his future *Earnest* co-star Dame Judi Dench played Lady MacBeth there.

And even though he's grate-



"He caused a humongous ruckus, shouting and screaming. It was a real big scene, then he and his group just bolted."

— An observer about Leonardo DiCaprio's reaction at a Los Angeles restaurant when told he'd have to wait for a table

"She doesn't show up looking like a dried-up heroin addict, like some actresses do."

— Hairdresser Jonathan Antiin on Kirsten Dunst, to *US Weekly*.

"Robin's dying to do it. Liberace was very kitsch, but Americans couldn't really recognize that the guy could be gay. They wanted him to marry. There's something wildly humorous about that."

— Director Philip Kaufman about plans for Robin Williams to star in a film about Liberace



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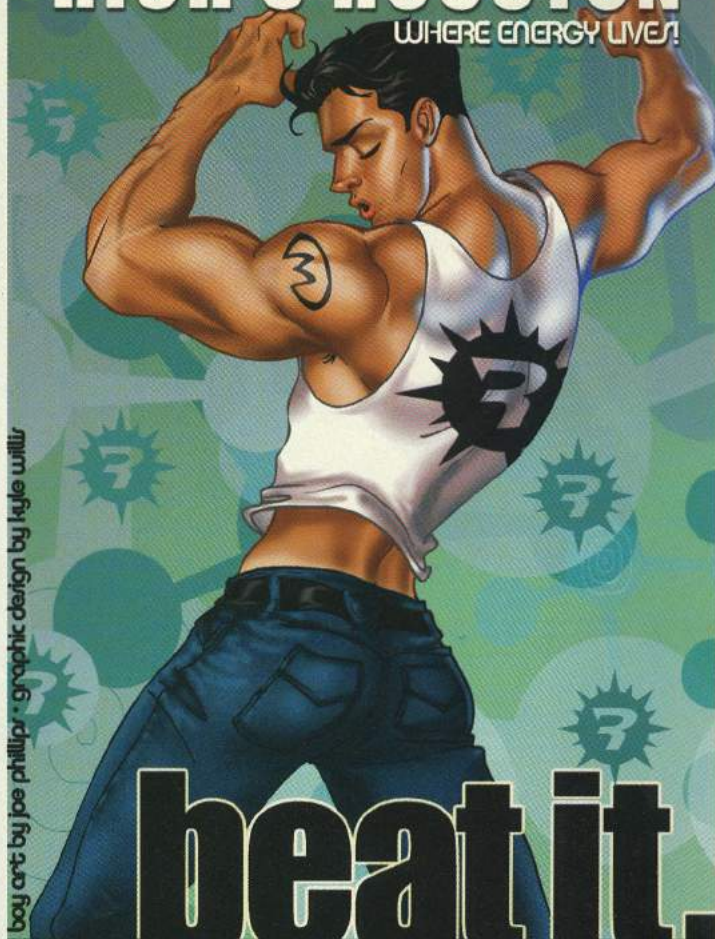
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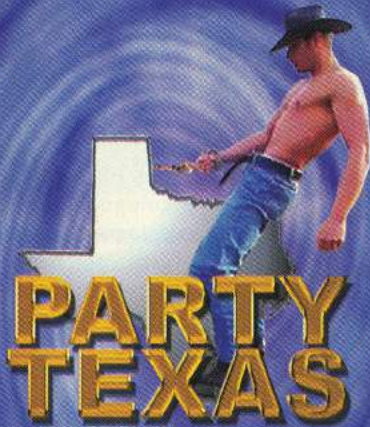
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Now, what I think is the worst, most selfish part is the smell. This could be an uncomfortable issue with some so I'm just going to come right out and say what needs to be said.

During exertion, we all smell. Some, however, stink much more than others. You may like the way you smell, and your boyfriend might find it arousing. But trust me, the rest of us don't. Foul is foul. So I'm going to be real bold here and ask everyone to put on a little deodorant before coming to the gym, maybe even shower (and use soap, please). Why not do this whether you think you need it or not? You'll look refreshed and clean, and maybe you'll even get a date! Let's keep the air at the gym clean.

Oh, and let's not forget those that like to drench themselves in cologne. Please, guys, put colognes on *after* you leave the gym, not before. Anything that burns my nose hair (whether natural or man-made) while working out in the gym is inappropriate. To prevent the need for everyone to bring clothespins with them, please slide on some deodorant before coming to the gym and lay off the cologne until after you leave.

If you don't think you smell at the gym, ask someone whom you know — and trust to be honest — if they think you are stinky. If they say anything contrary to an

absolute and total "no," then you can safely assume that you do. At our gym, a guy who takes yoga stinks to high heaven, yet no one says anything to him. I won't go to the class because it is absolutely, positively unbearable.

If you find this a problem in your gym, tell the instructor. It's in the teacher's best interest to keep the air in those rooms clean for the other students.

And let's talk about those flip-flops. They're not a good idea. If something were to fall on his feet, (say a 45-pound weight plate) the money he spent on the pedicure would be a waste. Wear tennis shoes, sneakers or my friend's personal favorite, metal-reinforced army boots!

And leaving the weights on the pegs — what a weenie! Come on, guys, put things back where you found them. Please re-rack and re-hang your weights. Also, if you move a bench to the other side of the gym, for whatever reason, put it back where you found it. Ever look around the gym in search of something you thought should be someplace and you finally find it somewhere else? What a waste of time. Don't be a slob! Re-rack, re-stack!

Okay, enough bitching. Thanks guys, in advance. We all need to wipe up and pick up after ourselves. If you leave stuff lying around your home, that's fine, but the gym is everyone's home away from home. We all have to share the environment. It's just common sense to keep the gym clean, safe and healthy for everyone!

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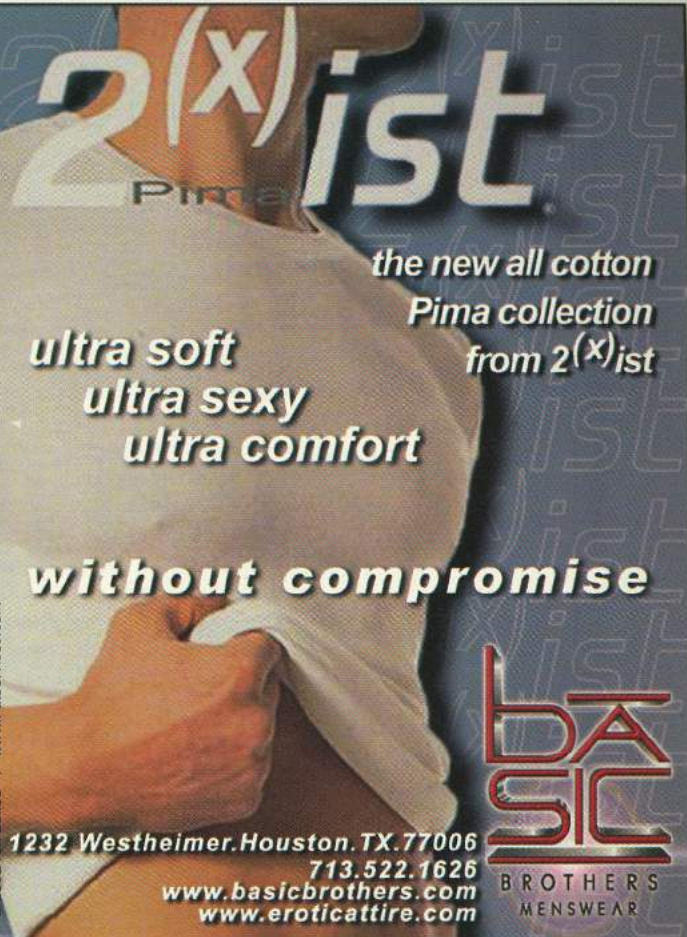
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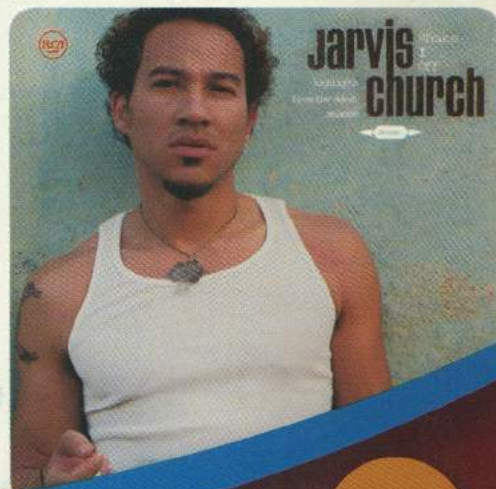
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7. Steven at Keys West.
8. Javier and Antonio at Viviana's Nite Club.
9. M2M Fashion Show at South Beach.

Qbites

Happy Birthday — It's hard to believe a year has passed, but it's time to give a First Anniversary salute to South Beach. To celebrate, the club presents international dance artist Thea Austin (profiled in a recent QTexas) on Saturday night, June 8. Showtime is 1 a.m. There's also 2 for 1 cover all night long, and anniversary drink specials 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. The following Friday, June 14, South Beach presents DJ Tedd Elison (Oz and Gay Days Orlando).

Pool Party — It's Pool Party weekend in Houston, with Whirlpool, the 14th annual Pool Party, and Soaked, the 3rd annual Swimsuit Party. Whirlpool features DJ JD Arnold and the Mr. Party Texas 2002 contest, along with a self-serve margarita and beer bar. It's at Club Houston on Sunday, June 9, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. www.partytx.com. The Pool Party is followed by Soaked with DJ Chris Sill, 7 p.m. to midnight at Rich's.

June Bride — It's purity, chastity and wholesomeness (NOT!) as Miss Camp American presents a "June Bride" show at Brazos River Bottom on Sunday, June 9. The show starts at 3 p.m. Wear your finest white veil!

Pageant — Miss Gay Space City USofA 2003 comes to Club Innergy on Sunday, June 9 at 4 p.m.

Dirty Vegas — Meteor holds an album release party for *Dirty Vegas*, the debut album featuring "Days Gone By," on Thursday, June 13.

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Gemini (May 21-June 21) The high point this week will be on Monday when that Solar Eclipse hits in your sign. It's going to create a four-month energy wave, which should float your financial and career boats. Romance, on the other hand, won't go quite as smoothly. That's simply because you're not able to settle on one special love.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) This week starts off as a bumpy ride but things pretty much settle down by Sunday night. Keep to yourself over the weekend. You need to settle down those poor fattered nerves. News from a distance brings a sigh of relief. An interesting financial opportunity should be checked out thoroughly (at least twice).

Leo (July 23-August 22) There's no rest for those who are weary or overly ambitious, right Leo? Be careful what you ask for, because it's liable to manifest. Don't get caught up in a friend's personal problems, or it'll create a strain between you. An overnight business jaunt brings about tremendous results and is cause for celebration.

Virgo (August 23-September 22) A relationship that's already in troubled waters may not survive the eclipse pattern occurring over the next three weeks. Speak only when you're in a calm and rational state of mind. Emotional outbursts must be avoided at any cost. Drive off to a secret (and special) destination on Sunday and just "be."

Libra (September 23-October 22) It's not you against the world Libra, even though it appears that way right now. You've just been going through a major transformation and seem to be having trouble emerging from that special cocoon. It's OK to feel moody and avoid the social scene, but don't break off contact from friends completely.

Scorpio (October 23-November 21) Out of the ashes of prior defeat rises the specter of the phoenix, which represents your sign at its most evolved. Savor the sense of victory while it lasts. Scorpio. That love interest sure is the magnetic and passionate type, isn't he? Don't fall for his charms too quickly, though. Slow and steady works best.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21) Monday's Eclipse in your opposing sign of Gemini will have your juices flowing, and the urge to find a mate will be overpowering. Take a nice cold shower before going out on the prowl, Sag. Some back pay is sent just in time to avoid legal action on your part. Use this for that August vacation jaunt.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19) You'll need all the charm (ask Leo for help) and tact available to pull off that current business deal before the month ends. Your focus and determination are admirable, but getting three hours sleep each night just doesn't cut it. Take better care of yourself Cappy, or the fatigue you feel may become exhaustion.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18) The next seven days will be very much a hit-and-miss affair. When the smoke clears, you'll likely end up batting .501, which isn't a bad average. People are likely to be moodier than usual, so cut them some extra slack. An unlikely source of income presents itself, and should be followed up on.

Pisces (February 19-March 20) If you're looking for a smooth and easy time of hit, rent a Brink's truck and hide for the week. Otherwise prepare yourself for an edgy but fulfilling time of it. Sleep patterns will run hot and cold as well. Force yourself to get out on Saturday night. It could end up being the best thing you've ever done.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Hold onto your hat, because this week is going to be the most active and enterprising you've experienced in quite some time. Force yourself to take off on Sunday, as you'll need plenty of energy as the work week begins. The planets smile on you, but not in financial matters. Watch that impulse buying, OK?

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Between multiple work-related activities and all of those social functions to attend, there won't be too much time for chilling out. Be careful not to burn the candle at both ends, or you'll suffer the consequences. You'll gain great favor with the boss by Tuesday. Make sure that cell phone is charged up.

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