



# hot tails of red stick

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## A Night on the Town

First, let me say that I am writing this in the order of my visits. Do not ever think one is more important than the other.

## Cajun Cove

Cajun Cove celebrated their grand opening last week, and it was cause for a celebration. I noticed the patio area seemed to be the most popular during the time I was there. Of course, the weather was perfect, and it was also the smoking area. No smoking is allowed inside the building. That is good, and it could be something other businesses may need to consider. It certainly works for restaurants.

Scoti looked great all decked out in cowboy attire and showing off that trim body and nice butt too. All the work in getting this entertainment venue off the ground and running has caused him to lose a few pounds. I don't ever recall him looking so good and being so happy. I wish all those concerned with Cajun Cove a very successful future. It is a nice addition to the Baton Rouge scene.

I'd like to congratulate Beau for being the first customer. I was able to catch him for a picture before he obtained his first drink, and I immediately took him away from his partner of the evening, Cameron, but I did get them pictured together later in the evening. Both are extremely handsome young men. I also noted great personalities in both of them, and I'm sure I'll be running into them again soon so I can collect more info to pass on to you.

I saw many people here that I hadn't seen in quite some time, but then again, I

don't get out as much as I used to so this was a special occasion for me too. I talked with Miss Gia before the doors opened, and I am impressed with her attitude and her beauty. I didn't see anyone to match her in these categories, and I went to all the bars, met lots of the entertainers, and she stands tall among them. I do think Adriana Alexander, who I ran into later, is wonderful too, but it was so crowded and so busy that I didn't get to talk with her very much. Thank goodness I could get a picture of her – and of Miss Mia and cute Rami. (Goodness! Thank goodness for proofing copy. I left the “e” off of cute, but that was probably the case anyway. Right, sweetie?)

Many of my old friends were here – Little John and other half Phil, Cass and his Dale, Carroll and other significant other, Rich and Mike, Effie, Mark, Ronnie, Pat, Sondra, Little Corey, Dwayne, Tim, and so many more. I finally got to meet Henry, and this is a rather nice young man. He has a beautiful smile, and the body is certainly well sculpted. I think I need to do an extensive interview with this one. I see some hidden potential lurking here.

From one section of the bar to the other, I observed and heard all nice comments about Cajun Cove. I didn't have a chance to have a separator, but that will be so nice to have on a Saturday afternoon on a beautiful patio, a little different from the balcony of Good Friends, but a separator is a separator, and thank goodness Scoti got the fixings for this drink.

## Splash

I made it over in time to see Cory completely miss a simple shot at the pool table. I thought I was the

only one to do this, but now I won't mind taking him on in a game or two. I also had the chance to meet another outstanding young man, Darryl. Now this is one that is going to bring me back to Splash or anywhere else he might be. He is slightly gorgeous to say the least. He was very nice, and first impressions mean a lot.

This one definitely made a passing grade, like in the A category.

I actually talked with Heather more this time than I ever did before, and I think Quentin was more open and friendly than I ever remember from past meetings. We

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A Committee to oppose Senate Bill 521. Ted Baldwin produced a wonderful video, **Family of Two**, and presented it to the committee. This video illustrated the love that is possible within a family of same-sex partners. In the end we were very victorious and the bill was withdrawn before entering the Senate floor.

**JC:** For those who may not be aware, what was Senate Bill 521 and what would it have done to our community?

**CM:** Senate Bill 521 provides that no Louisiana Vital Records registrar has to issue a birth certificate showing two same-sex adoptive parents, even if the parents are recognized in another state as the child's legal parents. This could have been detrimental to the legal process in regards to parents' rights.

**JC:** If there is one important thing that you can voice to the LGBT community and its allies, what would that be?

**CM:** It doesn't take much to become involved. A simple email or phone call to your elected officials doesn't take much time. I encourage each and everyone in our community, as well as our allies, to take this simple act. Such a small thing can make a large difference. Remember, these elected officials work for YOU and nobody else. Do not let this process or the State Capitol intimidate you. Anybody can walk in and request to speak in front of these committees. It takes a simple card to fill out for your voice to be heard. These elected officials are your voice on these House and Senate floors.

More information about Forum for Equality can be found at [www.forumforequality.org](http://www.forumforequality.org).

## LGBT Struggles Showcased

Starting on May 20<sup>th</sup> Cite Des Art Theater, located at 109 Vine St. in the downtown Lafayette area, will feature a performance based on the first Lafayette gay cabaret bar. **Chez Gisele** is a drag musical comedy noire and a tribute to a lovely French woman, Gisele Carriton, who lived from 1928 to 2008. Gisele, under much public turmoil, opened up her bar, Chez Gisele, during the late 1960s through the early 1970s.

This was an era of escalating civil rights for gays and African-Americans who poured much support into Gisele's efforts of creating a safe and accepting place for all people. Gisele was put into the spotlight by a local bigot with political ambitions, Mucky Raker. Raker used his media connections to slander Gisele and build a consensus of hatred and directed at her personally; calling her a madam and her establishment a house of male prostitution.

Unfortunately, an employee was murdered in the parking lot of Chez Gisele. During this time period the murder of a gay person carried very little interest of police and the judicial system. This has left the murder, to this day, unsolved.

Despite the outside tragedies that would occur, Gisele created a happy and loving atmosphere for her guests. She would use colorful expressions to lighten up the people around her and made sure that everyone, regardless of who they were, felt welcomed.

Come observe a time period in Lafayette history when it wasn't safe for the LGBT community to be who they are, express who they are, and take part in something that many take for granite on a daily basis. Opening night is on May 20<sup>th</sup> and the final performance is on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Performances are at 7:30pm with Sunday's matinee performance at 2:30pm. Tickets are \$10 for students and senior citizens and \$15 for general admission. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling 337.291.1122.

## Personal Note

As always, I encourage anyone who has any thing of interest to contact me at [ejcollins583@gmail.com](mailto:ejcollins583@gmail.com). You can also follow me on twitter at JoeyC\_583 or look me up on Facebook. The past few weeks in Acadiana have been a plethora of cultures and it continues to expand. I look forward to a summer filled with bonding moments with many of you. I would personally like to thank my very close besties, Trey Schmaltz and Ryan Rogers, who have never failed to be there for me. Honesty, loyalty, and reputation will always remain concrete. Such a thing is hard to go by and should be embraced. Take the time this week to thank your bestie for being a part of your life.

Remember to keep the summer going, Acadiana. Between John Landry's hot tub, Hunter Mainess' new pool, or Rick Rowan's backyard, this summer is determined to get crazy. See you at that after-party, girl. You just listened up with Joey Collins. Until next time, keep the party going!

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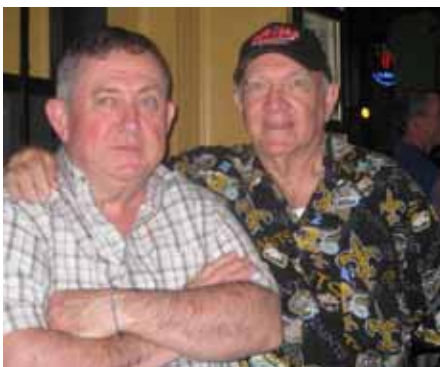
Cody King



Adriana Alexander, Rami & Miss Gia



John & James @ George's



Richard & Damon



Ronnie & Andy



Beau, Cajun Cove's first customer



Miss Gia @ Cajun Cove



Phil, Scoti & Little John



Jeremy relaxing @ George's



Jared, Chansley & Luther

red stick  
paparazzi



Ronnie & Corey



Heather @ Splash



David @ Hound Dogs



Gorgeous Michael & his girls



Chica La Rouge



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David @ Splash



Carol & Donna @ Cajun Cove



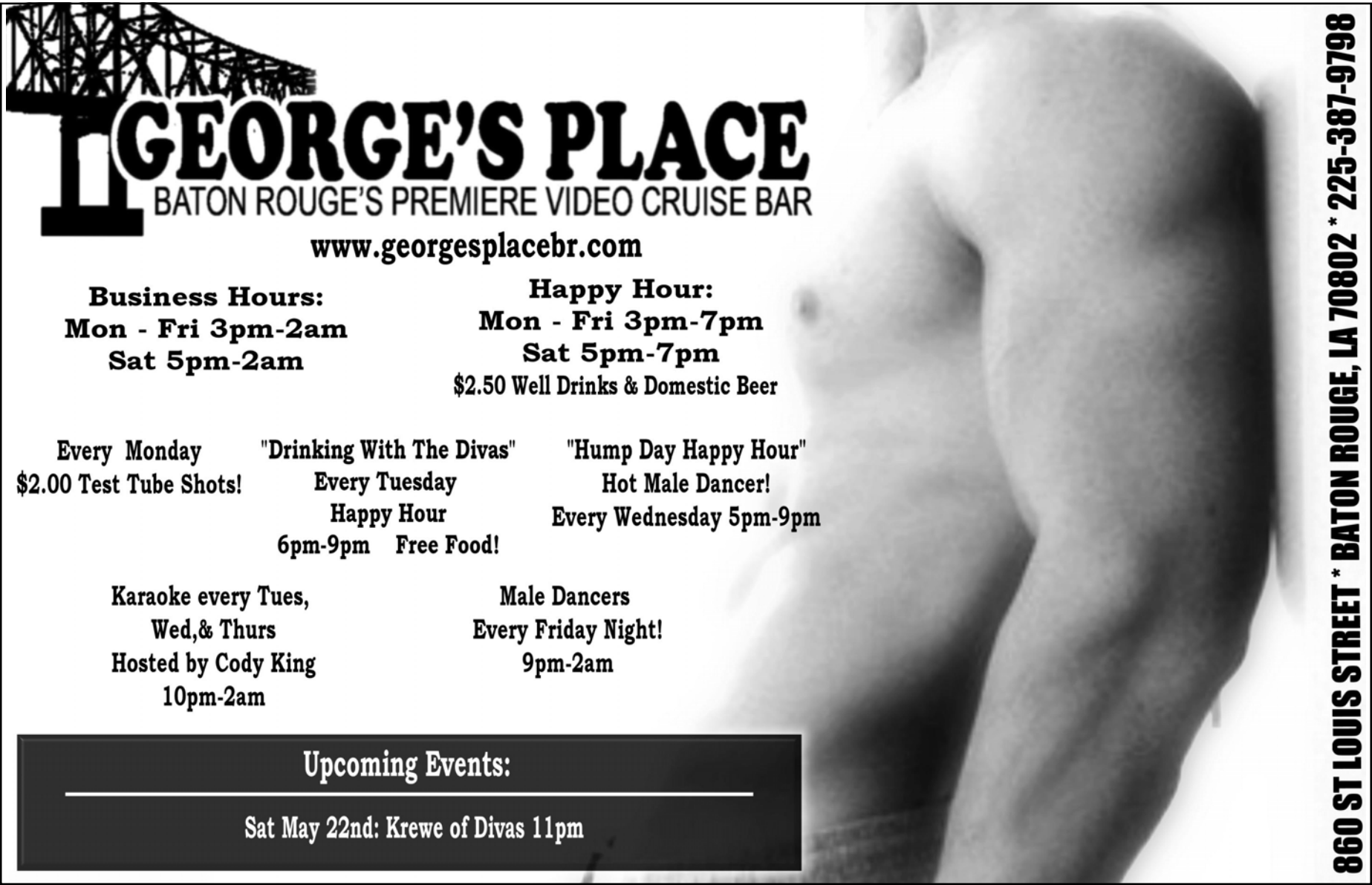
Quentin takes paddle to Heather




Entertaining @ George's

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have always enjoyed good conversations, but when someone drops his pants to grab the paddle to work on Heather, it was almost more than I could take. Be still my heart. Those were definitely fully packed whites. I should have dragged him to the back room and really done some great photographs. I like Quentin.

In fact, he showed me the new screen they have that covers the entire width of the stage. It is one of the new additions to this bar that constantly stand out each time I visit them. I really think that their sound system and dance area is one of the best in the entire South. I've been to most of them from San Antonio to Miami, and Splash is right there at the top.

I know Oz in New Orleans is great, but this is Baton Rouge, and things don't come together here like they do in a lot of cities. The city fathers are difficult to deal with here, or maybe I should say that some of the workers running the city just don't give a damn. Importance of a given piece of paperwork needing approval just doesn't move that swiftly. I think reading problems are involved here, or maybe it's a case of being extremely lazy.

Now back to dropping pants, I did so literally when I learned that Karen was no longer doing DJ duties and was going to get married – to a man. When Quentin told me that, my mouth fell open in disbelief. This sweetheart, I suppose, has finally made up her mind on which way to swing. Congratulations, sweetie, and good luck with the new love in your life.

David and I usually talk when I deliver *Ambush*, so we didn't chat too much, but I did take a picture of him, which I really think is the best I've ever made of him. He is that handsome stud at the front desk. I didn't get to chat with Jeff that much either. He was rushing up to the main office, and I had to get on over to George's. Overall, I enjoyed my time here except I didn't get to see Stephen, one of Baton Rouge's sexiest studs. It was two down, and two to go.

**George's Place**

I think Guy was really surprised to see me walk in the door. I know a lot of others were there that got a little shock out of it. I do a lot of my writing early in the mornings, so I'm not a late-night person. Luther, Jeremy, and Chansley managed to wave from the bar, but it was so crowded I didn't even make it past the front part of the bar. I talked with both Richard and Guy for a while, met old friends, made new friends, got a hug from the sexiest lawyer in the universe, and had a brief chance to talk with Adriana Alexander, a sexy beauty there to perform in the benefit they were having. It was a joint effort for the DIVAS and the Krewe of Apollo beauties.

I know one thing for certain - I'm getting over there again soon just to talk with Michael. I really think he is one of the finest young men I know, but maybe that's the way they grow them in Montana. He is just really too handsome for words. In fact, his entire body is handsome, and I do love handsome bodies. He fits into the A plus category. Outstanding! And that picture of him is so perfect in my "private file." Thanks

so much for the pleasure of my being able to continue admiration of your perfection. You are the best!

I hadn't seen my preacher friend since I went over to MCC some months ago, but there he was, and I was able to re-connect. The Reverend Keith Mozingo is actually a really wonderful guy, and I also enjoy being around him. I'm overdue another interview over at the MCC Church on Tom Drive. I keep a full schedule of activities, but I plan to work this in very soon.

I really enjoyed my hug from Joseph. The Men in Black Ties were out in force, but I yanked him to one side for that hug. I'd like to yank him period – meaning to one side for conversation, of course. What did you think I meant?

It was so nice to see such a big crowd at George's. You could hardly get in the door, but there were lots of people bar hopping, which is nice. You see this in New Orleans all the time, but Baton Rouge bars are not that close together, so it takes longer to get around. Whatever the case may be, Guy and Richard are still operating the place with the personal touch, and I plan to stay in touch as long as I'm able.

**Hound Dogs**

My final stop on my way home took me by Hound Dogs where there was a going-away party underway for Mark, our (now former) resident living above the Capitol Grocery. The grass is greener in Washington, D.C., so off he goes. I trust everything will go well for him, and maybe he will keep in touch through Facebook or through common friends. You will always be welcomed back here.

Ken was the talkative one here, but we go back a long way. I got caught up on what was going on in his life and with his other half David. And speaking of another David, he was bartending. I didn't get a chance to get to know him. He was just too busy with the crowd that was there. I'll check in with Joy to see if I can learn anything of interest to shake your world. Here again, it seems like everyone was out celebrating something, and I thoroughly enjoyed staying up past my bedtime.

Of course, the pièce de résistance of the entire night was Derek. This guy has no idea how sexy and handsome he really is. He is quiet but manages to relay a kind of sexual energy that strikes you as being relentlessly bountiful. It's not outward. It is smoldering inside of his magnificent frame. I find him to be one of the most impressive men I've ever met. We talked for a while. He was surprised to see me out and about, but it was nice that he came over and chatted with me. I really appreciated that act of kindness. He only lives a couple of houses from me, so I should just yank him out and take him barhopping with me. There I go yanking again, but that's what happens when you meet someone as attractive and good looking as Derek. He is just a marvelous human being – sweet, nice, and all the other positive points a man can possess. Am I in lust?

Well, it was finally time to get home. I made it through the night with only one Coke and one mixed drink, so I suppose I did okay with the alcohol intake. At least I could observe people with a sound mind.

Now who was that guy who showed me his penis ring?

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**Pride Grand Marshal Jerry Ehlen of B-Bob's fame leading the Mobile Pride Parade**



**Broadway & American Idol Diva, Frenchie Davis, letting them have it @ B-Bob's during Pride**



**DJ Tim Pflueger & Pride Grand Marshal Jerry from B-Bob's**



**Lee & a friend having a good time @ B-Bob's for Mobile's Gay Pride celebration**



**Order of Osiris Float in the Mobile Pride Parade**



**Brad & MJ @ Gabriel's Pride Foam Party**



**Mobile's Metropolitan Community Church walking for the One Nation, One Heart Tour**



**Miss Mobile Pride 2010 Jawakatema Davenport riding in the Pride Parade**



**Southern Renegades Float in the Mobile Pride Parade**



**Pooh, Alexa & DJ Mel "Gone Wild" at the Chix Mix Pride Party @ Gabriel's**



**All the boys come to celebrate Gay Pride events @ B-Bob's**



**Eva & Renita bartending for the "Chix Mix" Pride Party @ Gabriel's**



**B-Bob's Float in Mobile Pride Parade "Dance Dance Dance" with the Village People**



**Bartenders Jason, Bob & Jerry serving cocktails for the Frenchie Davis blowout @ B-Bob's**



**Former Miss Continental Tasha Long performs @ B-Bob's for Gay Pride Weekend events along with show director Miss Cie**



**Brenda, Wendy & Virginia playing dress up during Bingo @ B-Bob's**



**The Asian Goddess, Regine Phillips, visits with Ann Walker, aka Lavonda from Sordid Lives**



**Sean & Joey @ B-Bob's**



**Asher, Jennifer & Steven celebrating Gay Pride @ B-Bob's**



**Recording artist & Broadway Diva Frenchie Davis appearing @ B-Bob's with show director Miss Cie**

Pride By The Bay led by Pride Grand Marshal Jerry Ehlen of B-Bob's ~ Mobile, Alabama ~ Photos by Cianne & John, Leon Weekley



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