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"TRANS FIGURED: MY JOURNEY FROM BOY TO GIRL TO WOMAN TO MAN" BY BRIAN BELOVITCH

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It's not a good fit.

You saw it and loved it, but now you know the truth: it's too small or too large. Too brassy or too muted. It's the wrong color or the wrong neighborhood or just not you. It doesn't fit because maybe, as in the new memoir "Trans Figured" by Brian Belovitch, it's the wrong gender.

In his family of almost all boys, Brian Belovitch stood out because he lacked something his brothers had in abundance: hypermasculinity. Belovitch was soft and "chubby" with curls and long eyelashes and was often mistaken for a little girl as a preschooler, which

was just fine with him. He enjoyed his femininity, even though he knew that it would get him a beating – if not from his brothers, then from his father.

Even as a young child, Belovitch says, he was overly-curious about sex, and especially about the male body. He recognized early that girls held "no interest" but boys were another matter. He was in fourth grade when he had his first sexual encounter, with a slightly older male classmate.

By his early teens, Belovitch had discovered alcohol and shoplifting. He'd run away a few times, and visiting gay clubs near his Rhode Island home was, for him, a natural next step. After a traumatic coming-out to his family, he moved in with a man he considered his first real friend; it was through Paulie that Belovitch met a community of trans women.

And that was when "Natalia" was born with "great joy..."

She was beautiful, sexy, "my own special creation," says Belovitch of himself as a trans woman. As Natalia, she was the toast of New York, a model and actress thanks to hormones, silicones, pilfered clothing, and a desperate need for love. Belovitch got married as Natalia, and divorced; she led him to prostitution, heroin, cocaine, alcohol, HIV, and an attempted suicide. He was Natalia when he reached out to friends and sought therapy. As Natalia, he took "a... look at the direction in which my life was heading."

Belovitch was Natalia when he realized that he was "feminine-inclined," but Natalia had to go...

Toward the end of this totally frank memoir, author Brian Belovitch says that if it wasn't for the AIDS epidemic, his "story would be as common as salt." Readers may find that arguable, since "Trans Figured" goes well beyond unique.

Beware, though, that it's going to put you through the wringer.

Belovitch is completely open about the abuse he experienced, and his recounting can be graphic. Beware where you read this book, because it contains nudity inside. Also know that nostalgia for the 1970s may hit you but that's going to include a breathlessly steep plunge into memories of cocaine, promiscuity, and epidemic.

Still – without giving too much away – there's a happy ending to this memoir, one that manages to educate readers as it oddly entertains them with stories of times past. It's a happy ending well-deserved and well-told and, considering the overall uncommonness of "Trans Figured," it fits.



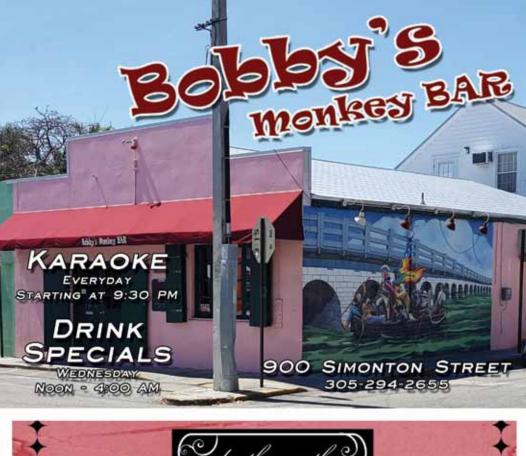
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MYBIG GAY LIFE Brad Toekle



A GREY GARDENS CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

This holiday season, I'm packing up my much loved, yet constantly cantankerous, grandmother for her move into the Shady Pines of Bergen County, NJ. At 91, and after a very dramatic fall in a grocery store parking lot..., which she fled the scene of, rather than being found out to be 30 years too old to still be driving, it's what's best for her and the general public.

And, as it would seem to be the tradition, my family has insisted I come home to be her transitional aide/ home nurse/ Little Edie. Yes, she is a hoarder and still has bank statements from the 1970's but can't tell you where her house keys are. Yes, she often refers to me by her husband's name as well as all eight of her daughters' names. And yes, I have been putting on a full Little Edie fashion show with all of her more questionable, hoarded fashion choices to keep her from getting too glum at the prospect of actually being "old". She loathes being old... not that she's ever been anything else. To look at her rather Dickensian childhood photos, one would think she had been born 36 and a single mother of six, at that!

For the next month (and next few months in this this magazine) we shall both be exposed to the day-to-day hijinks of a 40 year old, over weight, gay clown (that's me, in case you weren't paying attention) and his opinionated, obstinate, and, on occasion, obscene yet dear Grandmamma, a woman who will rage against the dying of the light as if she were the last cracked-out disco queen ghost still knocking around the balcony at Studio 54. By the way, when Studio 54 opened she had already had EIGHT children. What had you done? Certainly not that, would be my first guess.

One of my favorite tales of Grandmamma is, when I was twelve, she brought me on a two-week trip to Ireland to meet all my family there and learn her history. It would be like Walt Disney taking you on a tour of his

MY BIG GAY LIFE

park... if his park was depression-era replica of a dysfunctional family with macabre storylines and Masterpiece Theater ensemble cast members. One day we were taking a bus back from the seaside to her little home town in Northern Ireland, when British troops boarded the bus to search for some youth that may or may not had IRA ties. Everyone onboard showed them their ID's, ourselves included, however only one native born Irish person was choosing to, not so softly, voice their disapproval of the British occupation of Ireland. That's my grandmamma!

As the situation escalated, and the bus was surrounded by troops (not due to my grandmother's protests... which certainly didn't help matters... but because the young men had no ID and were now under great suspicion), my Grandmother looked at me and said,

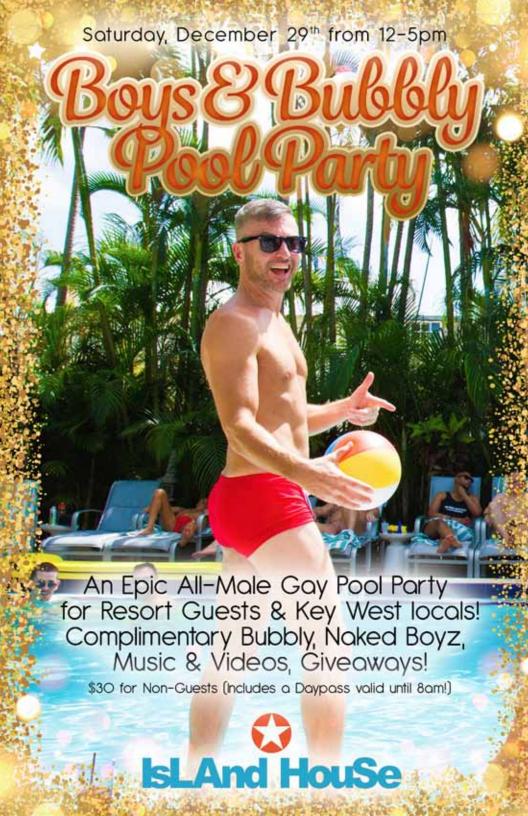
"If they start shooting, hit the floor and use the shopping bags we have in our laps to shield yourself from the bullets."

It is then that I quietly reminded her that the bags were, in fact, filled with Irish lace that we'd purchased as gifts for family back home.

"Damn! Right." She said, still concocting her great plan. "Then pull me on top of you and use me as a shield. I've had a good run. I won't cover your whole body but I'll keep the important parts safe."

She might not be the easiest person to get along with most days. She might even, on occasion, be a down right mean little Hobbit. But she'll be your human shield at the drop of an Irish lace tablecloth and that has got to count for something in this mad world that we live in now... and that she's lived in for almost a century.

Brad Loekle was a semi-finalist on NBC's "Last Comic Standing". He can be seen every week on TruTV's "World's Dumbest", has written for Joan Rivers on E! "Fashion Police" & tours internationally. His book, "My Big Gay Life" is available on Amazon and at www.bradloekle.com



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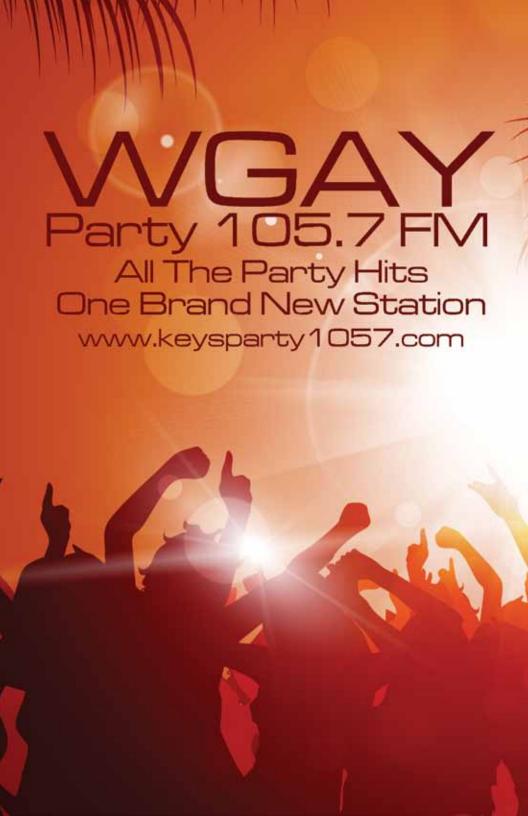


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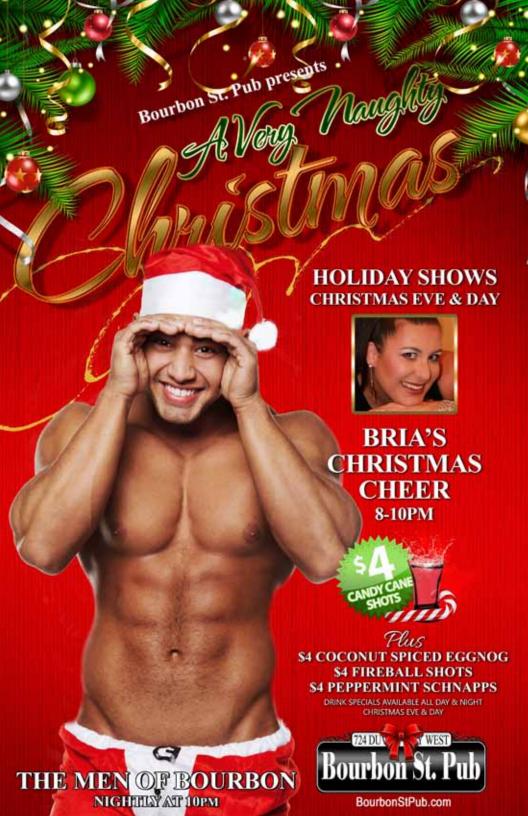
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Welcome Naked Men

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those Spaniard's were so kinky? OK, maybe we are thinking of something different than they were when we use that title! Regardless, we owe it to our Spanish friends for the well-known name that now attracts men from around the world to our Bone Island.

We are very excited to share this Decembers Bone Island Bare It All with our many returning friends. Even more so, we are excited to introduce the continuing newcomers to our weekend of all-male naturist fun as only Key West can offer! We promise you will leave after the weekend with new friends, new experiences, and maybe just a little worn out. We hope you will enjoy all the fun we have in store – including Mr. Naked Key West 2019 Contest, come put your best foot long forward.

Bone Island starts our thirteenth year, as a way to gather naturist men for a weekend of camaraderie and share with them the beauty and fun of Key West. It wouldn't happen without the support and encouragement of my friends in the local community. This event is without question a community effort and I thank all of our business partners for their continued assistance. They welcome us on their properties with open arms, and they are their staffs provide us fantastic venues to enjoy our weekend together. During your weekend, please show your support to all of our sponsors and partners, including the servers and service people who are working hard to make sure you have a fun and comfortable visit.

I'm very proud of how far Bone Island Bare It All has come since the first weekend

in December 2006. Each time, more men discover our unique brand of fun and go home telling their buddies about it. I'm also thrilled with our recent distinction as one of The Huffington Post's "'Top 13 LGBT things to do in 2013" and 2015. Finally, thank YOU for making Bone Island Bare It All the joy it is. Without you guys, I'd just be sitting in my backyard naked. So thanks for choosing to make the trip down the Keys. Remember the sunscreen and to play safe. Enjoy our Bone Island!

Dean Townsend The Naked Realtor of Key West thenakedrealtor@nakedkeywest.com



Schedule of **Events**



Bone Island Pass Event



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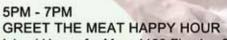
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12PM - 5PM REGISTRATION AND POOL PARTY

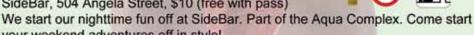
Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, \$30 (free with pass) Pick-up your pre-purchased weekend pass then hang out around the pool for a casual afternoon gathering.



Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, Free Kick off cocktail hour. Complimentary appetizers.

10PM - 1AM BUTTS AND BEATS

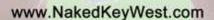
SideBar, 504 Angela Street, \$10 (free with pass)



your weekend adventures off in style!

LATE NIGHT HAPPY ENDING PARTY

Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, \$30 (free with pass) For when the parties are done but you're not.



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Bone Island Pass Event









Passes Available for Pickup & Purchase

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

1PM - 5PM PARTY IN THE FLESH

Equator Resort, 818 Fleming Street, \$15 (free with pass) A fun, frisky afternoon in the pool. Pizza, drinks and silly pool games.



9PM - 10:30PM DRAG CABARET

801 Bourbon, 801 Duval Street, \$10 (free with pass)

The girls of the 801 Bourbon Cabaret present their famous and funny show. Naked seating section available.

10PM - Until THE BLACK PARTY



Saloon One, 504 Petronia Street at Duval Street, \$10 (free with pass) Key West's leather and levi bar welcomes back Bone Island for an evening of dark fun. Show off your kink.

LATE NIGHT HAPPY ENDING PARTY

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

10AM - 1PM NAKED RETAIL THERAPY Graffitti, 721 Duval Street, Free 25% discounts off everything in the store during this naked, flash sale.

Schedule of **Events**



Bone Island Pass Event



Permitted





Passes Available for Pickup & Purchase

10AM - 1PM OUT NAKED IN TOUCH

In Touch With You, 706-A Duval Street, Free

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10AM - 2PM

THE SWEET SMELL OF LEATHER

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12PM - 5PM PENII IN THE POOL

Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, \$30 (free with pass) An afternoon of splish-splashy fun in the pool and café.



10PM - Until

UNDRESS TO IMPRESS: MR NAKED KEY WEST 2018

Bourbon St. Pub, 724 Duval Street, \$20 (free with pass)





Let your freak flag fly! This is your chance to be yourself. It's a gear party and the gear can be whatever turns you on. As long as our "Inspectors" consider you naked (family jewels and butt visible), we want to see what you love wearing most. Enjoy the entire Bourbon St Complex and dance to high-energy beats. THEN, Bare It All and compete for Mr. Naked Key West 2018. At midnight we crown the lucky man who walks away with \$500 in cash and other prizes! All naked men are welcome to compete.

LATE NIGHT HAPPY ENDING PARTY

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Schedule of Events



Bone Island Pass Event



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Passes Available for Pickup & Purchase

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

12PM - 4PM

HOT NAKED SUNDAY

Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, \$30 (free with pass)

Our recovery pool party offers a fun afternoon floating in the pool and enjoying brunch in the café.

5PM

BOING BINGO!

801 Bourbon, 801 Duval Street

Local celeb & funny man QMitch hosts the weekly bingo extravaganza. \$2 per game to play.

7PM – 9PM

KARAOKE

801 Bourbon, 801 Duval Street, Free

The fun at 801 Bourbon continues with their zany karaoke kraziness.

9PM – until

ICING ON THE CAKES

Saloon One, 504 Petronia Street at Duval Street, Free

The last official event of Bone Island with a good old fashioned beer bust complete with adult entertainment. \$10 all-you-can-drink beer specials.

LATE NIGHT

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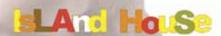
Island House for Men, 1129 Fleming Street, \$30 (free with pass) If you haven't passed out from exhaustion yet.

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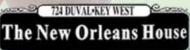




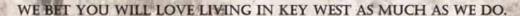


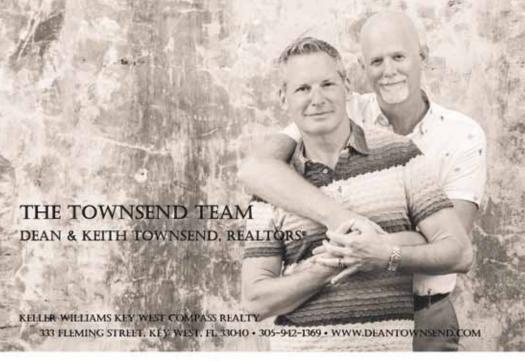
















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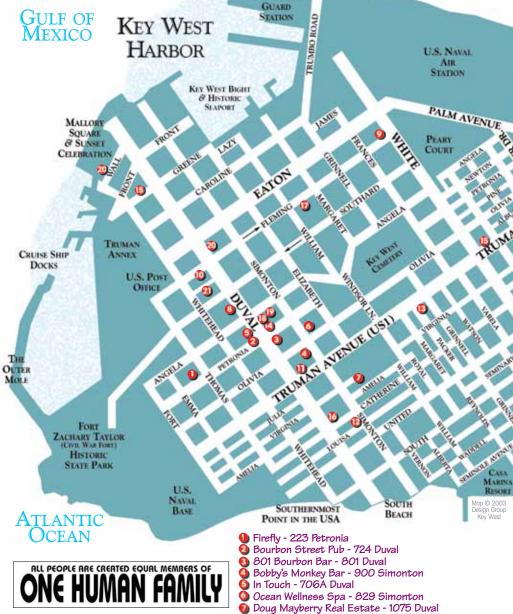
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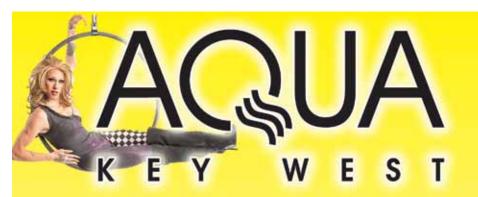
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Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Dueling Bartenders at 5:30 PM Drag Show at 9:00 PM Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Bria singing live at 8:00 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

TUESDAY

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Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Agua

Aqua Idol at 6:30 PM
Drag Show at 9:00 PM
Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Bria singing live at 8:00 PM
Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

WEDNESDAY

801

Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM Aqua

Drag Show at 9:00 PM Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Bria singing live at 8:00 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Island House

Hot Naked Humpdays starting at 5 PM

Sidebar

Drag Queen Trivia at 5:30 PM Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

THURSDAY

801

Karaoke starting at 5 PM Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM

Aqua

Drag Shows at 7 PM and 9 PM Karaoke starting at 11:00 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Jeff Moss singing live at 8 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

FRIDAY

801

Drag Shows at 5, 9, & 11 PM

Agua

Happy Hour & Trivia at 5:00 PM Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM Dance Party starting at 11:30 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Tea Dance starting at 5 PM Jeff Moss singing live at 8 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

One Saloon

Cock Shock contest at Midnight

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

SATURDAY

Drag Shows at 5, 9, & 11 PM

Aqua

Drag Shows at 7 PM, 9 PM & 11 PM Dance Party starting at 11:30 PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Jeff Moss singing live at 8 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

SUNDAY

801

Karaoke starting at 5 PM Gay Bingo starting at 5 PM Drag Shows at 9 PM and 11 PM SIN night starts at 10 PM

Aqua

No Limit Texas Hold 'Em Poker at 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM Drag Show at 9:00 PM

Back Bar

Hotdog Church starting at 3PM

Bobby's

Karaoke starting at 9:30 PM

Bourbon

Jeff Moss singing live at 7 PM Dancers on the bar starting at 10 PM

Island House

Pre-Tea Pool Party starting at Noon

La Te Da

Tea Dance starting at 4 PM

Sidebar

Dancing with live DJ at 9 PM

LOCATIONS

801 - 801 Duval Street

Aqua - 711 Duval Street

Back Bar - 711 Duval Street

Bobby's - 900 Simonton Street

Bourbon - 724 Duval Street

Island House - 1129 Fleming St

La Te Da - 1125 Duval Street

One Saloon - 514 Petronia St

Sidebar - 504 Angela St





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ASK NANA

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Dear Nana,

If you could get anything from Santa for Christmas this year what would it be?

I wouldn't mind having my youth back, I can tell you that much, my little holly jolly homo. When you're young you think that the best Christmas gifts in the word are fancy cars and jewelry. And then you get to my age and all you want are your original teeth back. The nice thing is that, as you get also older. vou get appreciative of the gifts you do get and the things you already have. The fact I still have a large circle of friends and family who gather together at the holidays is



really as nice of a gift as any shiny little bauble. But, I still wouldn't be mad if I found a winning lottery ticket stuffed in my stocking... even if it's the pair I have on at the time! Santa can come be naughty with this old broad if he's nice enough with the gifts. And THAT mental image, my dear, if my Christmas gift to you this year!



Dear Nana,

I can't decide if I should go home for the holidays. A lot of my family are STILL big time Trump supporters and I don't know if it's worth fighting through Christmas. But also really want to see the other half of my family and my nieces and nephews. Do you have any advice on how to get through a MAGA Christmas?

Well, cinnamon stick, that really is a Sophie's Choice. On one hand, no one wants to waste their holiday arguing about basic human rights with very basic relatives. But, there is also an argument to be made for not letting them rob you of time with loved ones... especially the little ones. I think



it would be fair to send up flag to those family members asking if everyone, on all sides, can leave the politics outside in the cold for Christmas. Make the family time about family. If they can't do that, then they really aren't at Christmas for the right reasons. However, if you think it's going to be a Ho-Ho-Horror show of fighting and pine scented bullshit... then avoid it. You can FaceTime with the children and send your love from the safety of a gay bar or a bathhouse. Everyone has the right to have a happy, healthy holiday season. So put that thought first in your mind and the rest will, hopefully, fall into place.

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PISCES FEB 19 - MAR 20 You're so stupid that you started using Uber just to prove that death and taxis were not certain.

ARIES MAR 21 - APR 19
You know you're a bad cook when you use the smoke alarm as a timer!

TAURUS APR 20 - MAY 20 No one wants to see you sleeping in the nude, especially the flight attendant.

GEMINI MAY 21 - JUN 20 When trying to lose weight, you can't use a pizza as an appetite suppressant.

CANCER JUN 21 - JUL 22 You can keep telling yourself that love is more important than money but your landlord would like you to stop hugging him. LEO JUL 23 - AUG 22
Going to the store is the only time you get checked out.

VIRGO AUG 23 - SEP 22 Who did your hair, Medusa?

LIBRA SEP 23 - OCT 22
The next time a guy tells you that he gets butterflies in his stomach when you're around, he probably has irritable bowel syndrome.

SCORPIO OCT 23 - NOV 21
If your toilet were a person, it
would press charges against you.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 22 - DEC 21
If you believe the way to a man's heart is through his stomach, you are aiming a bit high.

CAPRICORN DEC 22 - JAN 19 So you claim to be sexually active? Well, there are many active volcanos that haven't gone off in 50 years. FANTASY? REALITY!

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