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### Winslow's on The Strip closed

Owner Joe Berry informed his staff Wednesday, Nov. 2, that Winslow's on Cedar Springs Road is closed. The location in Fort Worth remains open.

Winslow's was the second attempt Berry made at a restaurant on the Strip. The first was Daily Juice that lasted less than a year.

— David Taffet

### Berryman terminated by DTG

Michael Doughman, executive director of the Dallas Tavern Guild, on Thursday, Nov. 3 released the following statement:

Recently, during our annual budget review, the Dallas Tavern Guild discovered some financial improprieties had occurred and examination showed that David Berryman, the assistant director of the Dallas Tavern Guild, had committed these financial improprieties. Mr. Berryman has confessed fully to these actions and immediate steps are being taken to claim full restitution for the actions. Effective immediately, Mr. Berryman has been terminated from the Dallas Tavern Guild.

The membership has met to discuss this issue and have immediately created new processes and procedures to ensure a more secure and fiscally responsible checks and balances, including quarterly financial reviews and an annual audit to assure that this situation does not happen again. All Dallas Tavern Guild business will proceed without interruption, as we move forward in not only managing this incident but continuing to serve our community and our charities.

### White nationalist Trump supporter gay-baits candidate in Utah

Evan McMullin isn't gay (as far as we know). But his mom and her wife are. And Evan, a Mormon, says that while he believes in the "sanctity of traditional marriage," he loves and respects his mother. That may not seem like any big news, except that McMullin is running as an independent candidate for president, and it looks like it is possible that he might win Utah's electoral college ballots.

Apparently that's got Donald Trump and his supporters in a bit of an uproar.

McMullin was formerly chief policy director for the House Republican Conference in the U.S. House of Representatives. He has also been a CIA operations officer, a volunteer refugee resettlement officer for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Jordan, as well as an investment banker. For many of



The election was on the minds of many who celebrated Halloween on Cedar Springs Road on Saturday, Oct. 29.

the folks in Utah — and Mormons elsewhere, supposedly — he is a better choice for president than either Democrat Hillary Clinton or Republican Donald Trump.

And the Trump camp is taking McMullin seriously enough that Trump supporter William Johnson of California this week unleashed a barrage of robo-calls lambasting McMullin's relationship with his lesbian mother and suggesting that the independent candidate is, himself, "a closet homosexual."

The robo-call says: "Hello, My name is William Johnson. I am a farmer and a white nationalist. I make this call against Evan McMullin and in support of Donald Trump. Evan McMullin is an open borders, amnesty supporter. Evan has two mommies. His mother is a lesbian, married to another woman. Evan is okay with that. Indeed Evan supports the Supreme Court ruling legalizing gay marriage. Evan is over 40 years old and is not married and doesn't even have a girlfriend. I believe Evan is a closet homosexual. Don't vote for Evan McMullin. Vote for Donald Trump. He will respect all women and be a president we can all be proud of."

— Tammye Nash

### Concern of the week

Suddenly the phrase "Trump has as much chance of becoming president as the Cubs have of winning the World Series" doesn't sound as comforting as it once did.

— Arnold Wayne Jones



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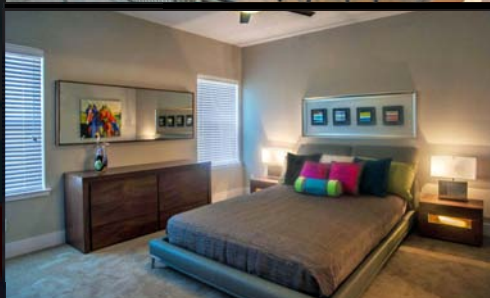
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- **Weekly: Lambda Weekly** every Sunday at 1 p.m. on 89.3 KNON-FM. This week's guest is **Candy Marcum**; **United Black Ellument** hosts discussion on HIV/AIDS in the black community (UBE Connected) at 7 p.m. every fourth Tuesday of the month at 3116 Commerce St., Suite C; **Core Group Meeting** every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.; **Fuse game night** every Monday evening except the last of the month at 8 p.m. at the Fuse space in the Treymore Building, 4038 Lemmon Ave, Suite 101; FuseConnect every Wednesday from 7 p.m. For more information call or e-mail Jalenzski at 214-760-9718 ext 3 or [Jalenzski@myresourcecenter.org](mailto:Jalenzski@myresourcecenter.org).

### NOVEMBER

- **Nov. 4: Cedra Pharmacy Grand Opening**  
Cedra Pharmacy, a substance organic juicery and Vitae Med spa at 9669 North Central Expressway, holds the grand opening of its

flagship location honoring The Family Place, from 4-7 p.m. For information email [cedrapharmacy@buzzellco.com](mailto:cedrapharmacy@buzzellco.com).

### • Nov. 4 and 6: Turtle Creek Chorale Chamber Chorus

TCC 36-member Chamber Chorus presents Honor as a tribute to veterans at 7:30 p.m. at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road on Friday and at 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, 2700 McPherson Ave., Fort Worth on Sunday. \$25.

### • Nov. 5: The Sands

AIDS Interfaith Network presents a retro nightclub experience with open bar, live music, dancing and hors d'oeuvres from 9 p.m.-midnight at 2616 Commerce Event Center, 2616 Commerce St. \$75-5,000.

### • Nov. 5: OOCCL fall workshop

Old Oak Cliff Conservation League presents Getting the Basics Right for your Neighborhood Organization to help get a new organization off the ground or strengthen an existing from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Bishop Dunne library, 3900 Rugged Drive.

## pet of the week / BROWN SUGAR

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• **Nov. 6: PurpleStride DFW**

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network 5K walk at 8 a.m. at the Deck Park, 2012 Woodall Rodgers Freeway. PurpleStride.org/dfw

• **Nov. 7: LifeWalk wrap up party**

Celebrates the community superheroes that made the event a success from 6-9p.m. in the Coronado Ballroom (parking lot 4) at the Hilton Anatole, 2201 N. Stemmons Freeway.

• **Nov. 8: Election Day**

• **Nov. 8: HRCDFW election party**

LGBT and allies election night party at 7 p.m. at PHDallas, 1300 W. Davis St.

• **Nov. 8: Stonewall election party**

Watch election returns at 7 p.m. at the Round-Up Saloon, 3912 Cedar Springs Road.

• **Nov. 8: Dallas County Democratic Party**

watch party 7 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Dallas, 300 Reunion Blvd.

• **Nov. 9: Resource Center Open House**

Resource Center holds an open house at its new facilities at 5750 Cedar Springs Road, with light bites and wine, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For information call 214-528-0144.

• **Nov. 10: Black Tie Check Distribution Party**

Black Tie Dinner check distribution party from 6-8 p.m. at the Venetian Room, Fairmont Hotel, 1717 N. Akard St.

• **Nov. 10: Gray Pride**

6 p.m. at Resource Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road.

• **Nov. 10: DIFFA/Dallas Wreath Collection 2016**

DIFFA/Dallas hosts the 2016 Wreath Collection, the 21st annual event, at Fashion Industry Gallery, 1807 Ross Ave., at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and cocktail attire is requested. The event includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction of more than 80 one-of-a-kind wreaths.

• **Nov. 10: Business Connections Mixer**

Two Corks and a Bottle, 2800 Routh St., Ste. 140, hosts the North Texas GLBT Chamber of Commerce's Business Connections mixer beginning at 5:30 p.m. For information call 214-871- 9463.

• **Nov. 11: High Tech Happy Hour**

High Tech Happy Hour, a monthly happy hour social event organized for the community by the TI Pride Network, is held at Mac's Southside, 1701 Lamar St., from 5:30-7:30 p.m. For information call 214-567-0592.

• **Nov. 11-13: Strength Conference for Men Living with HIV**

AIDS Walk South Dallas presents a weekend of support, empowerment and education. Seminars, speakers, breakout sessions, build skills and leadership. Embassy Suites Dallas-Love Field, 3800 W. Northwest Highway.

• **Nov 11-12: Bruce Wood Dance Project**

BWDP presents S/Xat 8 p.m. at City Performance Hall, 2520 Flora St. Tickets at BruceWoodDance.org.

• **Nov. 12: LGBT Aging Summit, film screening**

Councilwoman Ann Zadeh opens the Coalition for Aging LGBT's first Tarrant County summit from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at UNT Health Science Center, Carl E. Everett Education and Administration Bldg, 3500 Camp Bowie Blvd, Fort Worth. At 3:30 p.m., the coalition teams with Q Cinema and the city of Fort Worth Human Relations Committee to host a screening of the documentary GenSilent. Admission is free.

• **Nov. 12: Turtle Creek Cleanup**

Turtle Creek Association will provide trash bags and pickers. Volunteers should wear no-slip shoes. From 9-10 a.m. Meet at the foot of Beasley Steps on Hall Street at the Katy Trail. RSVP for coffee and T-shirts 214-400-8546.

• **Nov. 12: Leslie Jordan Uncensored**

Leslie Jordan performs to benefit Legacy Counseling Center at 8 p.m. at Majestic Theater, 1925 Elm St. Tickets at LeslieJordanDallas.com.

• **Nov. 10: Food Pantry Grand Opening**

Resource Center celebrates the grand opening of its remodeled facilities at 2701 Reagan, which house the food pantry and more, from 1-2 p.m. The event includes a ribbon cutting, remarks from local dignitaries and guided tours of the facilities. For information call 214-528-0144.

• **Nov. 15: Bridge Building Network**

Panel discussion on awareness about the care needs of LGBTQ older adults and the movie GenSilent will be shown. 1.5 social work CEUs available at 6 p.m. at The Senior Source, 3910 Harry Hines Blvd.

• **Nov. 17: Dallas Holocaust Museum Upstander Series**

The Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance completes its 2016 Upstander Speaker Series with a presentation by Mike Kim, author of Escaping North Korea: Defiance and Hope in the World's Most Repressive Country, talking about his efforts in helping refugees escape North Korea. The

## ELECTION NIGHT



Election Night watch parties are planned around the Metroplex for Tuesday night, Nov. 8, when we will hopefully watch history unfold with the election of the first woman president of the United States. Stonewall Democrats of Dallas are hosting a party at The Round-Up Saloon, 3912 Cedar Springs Road, beginning at 7 p.m. See listings for other options. Pictured: Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez, who is up for re-election this year, attended the 2012 Stonewall Election Night party.

event takes place at the Communities Foundation of Texas, 5500 Caruth Haven Lane, with a VIP reception at 5:30 p.m., and the event from 6:30-7:30 p.m. For information call 214-741-7500.

• **Nov. 17: Dallas LGBT Bar Association**

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• **Nov. 17: GALA Ally Awards**

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance of North Texas presents an evening to honor LGBT allies including Mayor Harry LaRosiliere and four city council members from 5:30-8 p.m. at Hilton Granite Park Prairie Fire Lounge, 5805 Granite Pkwy, Plano.

• **Nov. 19: Parents of Trans Youth Workshop**

Youth First, a program of Resource Center, hosts a workshop for parents and guardians of

transgender and gender-non-conforming youth at Resource Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road. Topics include psychological aspects of gender identity led by Sabine Rakos, medical aspects of transition by Dr. Ximena Lopez, advocating for trans youth led by Lou Weaver with Equality Texas, and a panel discussion with parents of trans youth. The workshop will be held from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and is exclusively for parents and guardians of trans youth. Admission is free and lunch is provided. RSVP at ParentsOfTransYouth.EventBrite.com.

• **Nov. 19: Nutcracker Gaybingo**

Monthly fundraiser for Resource Center takes place 6-9 p.m. the third Saturday of the month at Rose Room at S4, 3911 Cedar Springs Road. Doors open at 5 p.m. For more information, call 214-540-4458 or email Bscott@myresourcecenter.org.

• **Nov. 20: Transgender Day of Remembrance**



# 'Legacy loved me to life'

Founders Cottage began its existence as a hospice. But as it celebrates its 20th anniversary, the Cottage has instead become a respite facility

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When Clyde Cooper's family moved to Dallas in 1980, he decided to stay in Chicago. About 15 years later, after donating blood, he was called into the office and given the news: He was HIV-positive.

"I ignored it," he said.

That was 1995. New medications were just starting to come on the market, but he felt fine.

Then in 2002, he suddenly couldn't walk.

"My mom chartered a jet to get me here," he said. "They put me in hospice."

Fortunately, the hospice was Legacy Founders Cot-

tage, where, according to Cooper and other residents, "They loved me back to life."

Cooper said when he entered Legacy, he really didn't know what a hospice was. He didn't know that it was a facility where people went to die.

"I just never had any visions of [me] dying," he said. And the staff at Legacy didn't see that, either.

Soon after medications became available that were keeping people alive, Legacy staff realized they were becoming the hospice where people refused to die. And as soon as they realized he was not on any drug regimen, the Legacy staff got Cooper into care.

Cooper lived at the cottage for about a year-and-a-half. He used a walker to get around, but one day he went to the bathroom, washed his hands and walked to the doorway. He stopped when he realized something was missing: He had gotten to the door without his walker.

He improved enough to move out of the cottage and in with his mother. Then one day, Cooper said, "Mom, I'm ready to go back to work."

At a job fair, Cooper handed a resume to representatives with Hilton. When he didn't hear from them — or anyone else — he decided to go back to Chicago. While there, someone with Hilton called and left him a voice mail, which he ignored.

But when he returned to Dallas and received another message from them, Cooper interviewed and ended up working for the company for more than a decade.

Then, during a medical exam in 2013, Cooper learned his kidney function was down to 8 percent and that he'd probably need dialysis or a kidney transplant within a year. Today, he's on a machine 8 hours a night.

But instead of leaving him in despair, the situation just inspired him to do something else. So Cooper decided to open his own business and give back to the community. He opened a new store, Londyn Taylors Resale on North Collins Avenue in Arlington, as a division of Cornerstone





Community Church.

"When people come to the cottage, they sometimes come with nothing," Cooper explained said. So he has offered to make sure Legacy Founders Cottage residents have the clothes they need. Like him, he said, he expects most people who come to the facility may be bedridden when they arrive, but will be on their feet and eventually out of bed. Many will leave the cottage, ready for a new life.

Cooper also gives back to the agency that gave him a new lease on life in other ways. Each year, he said, he's done some volunteering for Legacy. That has included helping with required Black Tie Dinner volunteer hours or working on one of the many fundraisers that keep the agency running.

## 20th anniversary

This year, Legacy Founders Cottage celebrates its 20th anniversary. Melissa Grove, executive director of Legacy Counseling Center, the agency that operates the cottage, was the cottage's first director.

"People were dying alone with no one to care for them," Grove said. She took the job because her friend Randy had recently died of AIDS, and she figured she'd work there a year to get it off the ground before returning to her more lucrative counseling practice.

The agency had secured a house in Oak Cliff to use as a hospice. The owner of the building told Grove, "If you can chase out the drug addicts, you can use it."

Volunteer Carolyn Knox chased the squatters out and other volunteers rid the property of a boat filled with used syringes.

"In those beginning days, everyone was dying," Grove said. "Then, with some TLC, we began to nurse some people back to health."

Other than Grove, the entire staff were volunteers, and there was no money for food. Family, friends and community groups donated and cooked meals seven days a week.

Grove said she recently ran into someone who was one of the early cottage residents. When he entered the facility, the 6-foot-2 man weighed 85 pounds. Slowly, he recovered from the opportunistic infection that threatened to take his life

until one day, Grove had to kick him out: "You're too healthy," she told him.

That was the first time someone left the cottage alive.

A year after Legacy Founders Cottage opened, drugs came on the market that seemed to be keeping people alive. Grove's reaction to her year of work getting the cottage established was, "Well, this was useless."

But then Founders Cottage evolved into something completely different. Instead of being a place where people came to die, it became a place where people came to live. In 2006, the facility expanded from four to seven rooms and received the designation of respite facility rather than hospice as it became more relevant than ever.

Today, most cottage residents come from Parkland Hospital after they've been gravely ill and have nowhere to go to continue recovering. They may spend anywhere from two weeks to two years at the cottage, but most stay for two to five months.

Founders Cottage Director Brooke Nickerson, who's been with the agency almost six years, said today a staff member goes out to hospitals or homes and begins formulating a discharge plan even before that person enters the cottage. That helps turn over beds quicker.

This past week, Nickerson had a very sad week. Two of her residents died. That's something that hasn't happened at the cottage for years. In fact, a few years ago, she went two years without losing a resident. Last year, out of 27 people who spent time at the cottage, she lost four.

"We're getting sicker patients [again] lately," Nickerson explained.

The two recent deaths weren't from opportunistic infections — those illnesses caused by a suppressed immune system due to the action of the HIV virus. Instead, they died from co-morbidities — illnesses such as cancer that were unrelated to their HIV.

Nickerson and her staff provide assistance to additional patients they can't accommodate at the cottage. Last year, 18 people benefited from case management that place people in other facilities or found them housing where they were able to recover from lengthy hospital stays and illness that required long recovery periods.

To ease residents into the next step, Legacy established its Master Leasing Program, which includes an apartment and case management while living in the apartment that is subsidized by a grant.

Case managers will also help others obtain Dallas Housing Authority vouchers or subsidies from other programs, find an apartment, fill out paperwork and move.

To help prepare them for life on their own again, Nickerson said she runs classes on budgeting.

One of the most helpful things she's found, though, is when former residents return to the cottage and talk to current residents about how they made a successful transition from hospice care to respite and recovery to independent living. ■

Clyde Cooper, pictured at his shop with Rachelle Watson, left, and Joy Knox, says Legacy Founders Cottage loved him to life. (Tammye Nash/Dallas Voice)




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# A true community center

Construction is underway on Celebration's new fellowship hall

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The Rev. Carol West, senior pastor of Celebration Community Church in Fort Worth, talked about the times she has been riding in the Tarrant County Gay Pride Parade and has seen people waving, heard them yell out, "That's my church!" "I hear them say that, and when I see them, I realize, they've never even been in our church," West recalled. "And you know what — that's OK."

The point, she explained, is that Celebration truly is a community church, a place where LGBT people — and others — can come and find what they need.

"We want people to know that if they need something, we're here for them. And it doesn't require to ever even have stepped foot in our door," West said.

And the church's new fellowship hall, now under construction, will give Celebration even more room to accommodate the needs of the community it serves.

"We really need it," West said this week of the 5,500-square-foot addition being built behind the existing church sanctuary and combination office/fellowship hall. "Right now, if we have a church dinner, we don't have enough room for everyone to sit down and eat. When this is done, we will have that room and more."

The new construction will include a fellowship hall — designed to be sectioned off into smaller spaces when necessary — and some office spaces, connected to the existing structure by a hallway, West said. There will also be a columbarium, and "we will also have plenty of green space back here."

Celebration Community Church was formed in 1993, and in 1998, the 35-member congregation called West as its pastor. The church, with a primarily LGBT congregation soon began to grow and thrive, and before long members voted to purchase the building they had been renting, a Gothic Revival stone building at 908 Pennsylvania, designed by M.M Moseley and constructed in 1951 by Elbert Gunn.

(The building was originally built for St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church, which started in 1882.)

Several church members eventually purchased a fourplex next door to Celebration then donated the building to the church. It has since been remodeled, thanks to a grant from Black Tie Dinner, and now houses the Barron House Counseling Center.

When the congregation decided it was time to build the new fellowship hall — which church members have voted to name the Carol A. West



The Rev. Carol West checks out progress on Celebration Community church's new community center

Community Center — the pastor said they agreed not to break ground on the new building until they had raised at least a half-million dollars. "We've raised that half-million," and are on their way to the estimated \$1.2 million total cost, she said.

West said the church broke ground on the new building about a year ago, but construction didn't start until just a few weeks ago. "We had to jump through all the hoops with the city, and with Fort Worth South, to make sure all our permits were in order, and everything was tested and approved before we started," she said. "They have strict regulations, and we wanted to make sure we were meeting all of them."

Nan Faith Arnold of Nan Faith Arnold Co. is in charge of project management for the construction, and West said the church has complete trust in her and her abilities. The new building was designed by Jepsen/Guerin Architects, and H. Purdon Inc. is handling the construction.

West said the congregation has raised most of the fund so far, but a wide range of community organizations and individuals have pitched in to help.

"We already see ourselves as a hub for the com-

munity, and we want this new building to truly a place for the whole community to use, a true community center," West said. "And it has been so very affirming and encouraging to see the way the whole community has pitched in to help us. TGRA, the Imperial Court — so many organizations and individuals have done so much already."

Ron Hall, she added, has done a great job, a tremendous job" as chair of the church's capital campaign, the committee in charge of the fundraising efforts.

West noted that she and her partner will celebrate their anniversary on April 1, and her partner "is bound and determined that it will be complete by then. But I told her not to send out any party invitations just yet," the pastor said of the expected completion date for the new facility.



"Sometime in April is our target date, for sure. But it all depends on the weather and other factors like that we have no control over," she added. "But it should be done sometime between spring and summer. It WILL be done between spring and summer."



# ‘Heroes’ among us



For many of its customers, Club Reflection is the place where “everybody knows your name.” That included, on a recent afternoon, from left, Sean Tamboura, Scott Driver, bartender Rusty Bowlin and Terence Halpin. (Tammye Nash/Dallas Voice)

## Fort Worth’s Club Reflection wins IGRA national award

Club Reflection in Fort Worth has earned the International Gay Rodeo Association’s Hometown Hero award, the most prestigious recognition IGRA gives to non-members.

TGRA member Jason Bernard said he nominated the owners of the bar for the award, because since they opened six years ago, they’ve always offered their space to any group raising money for a community group or charitable cause.

TGRA member and Club Reflection fan Nancy Peoples said owners John Garska and Kevin Barnett created a welcoming environment when they opened the bar and maintain that with their pres-

ence in the bar.

“We call it the Fort Worth version of Cheers,” she said. “The bartenders know your name and they know your drink.”

That personal attention extends to care about the community.

“If you’re raising money, you can raise money for breast cancer or colon cancer or for your organization,” Peoples said.

Garska said he appreciates his customers and is happy to make his venue available for them to raise money. But he and co-owner Barnett, who are reluctant to talk about themselves, do more than just open their doors.

“They would say, ‘Whatever you make, we’ll match,’” Peoples said.

Club Reflection isn’t just the home bar for the rodeo, but also for the Trinity River Bears and Cowtown Leathermen.

Peoples said the bar welcomes each of the groups equally and, she added, Club Reflection’s owners and staff are always out in the community, supporting what’s going on. After the Pulse massacre, she noted, Celebration Church held a memorial and Garska and Barnett were there.

When TGRA hold its finals, Garska and Barnett attend and sponsor buckles.

In his letter nominating Club Reflection for the award, Bernard wrote, “Cowboys and cowgirls from across the state call Club Reflection their home bar; for their drinks and staff, TGRA fundraising efforts and John’s great dance floor.

They love supporting their Fort Worth community ... whether Kevin is singing karaoke with their bar patrons, stopping by another local bar to show support or bowing their heads in prayer, standing unified in our community church as one, Kevin and John have also been extremely generous the last couple of years opening their doors and hearts by doing fundraisers for the World Gay Rodeo Finals and IGRA.”

Garska and Barnett aren’t just bar owners, Bernard said, they are proud supporters of gay rodeo and the LGBT community as a whole. Their club, he said, is the home of the Texas Gay Rodeo family as well as rodeo-goers and volunteers across North America. ■

— From Staff Reports



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(Left to Right) Deborah Ross, Jared Polis, Evan Bayh, John Gregg, Tammy Duckwoth, Angie Craig, Jim Gray

# What to watch and when on Election Night

From the presidential contest to the the governor's race in North Carolina to House races in California, here are the elections LGBT people need to watch on Nov. 8

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Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton was looking like a shoe-in to win the 2016 presidential election — right up until Friday, Oct. 28, when FBI Director James Comey released a letter saying that his agency, while working on an unrelated matter, had come across emails they believed were “pertinent” to an investigation into Clinton’s use of a private server as Secretary of State.

Within hours, news sources were reporting that the emails were found on a laptop belonging to disgraced former Congressman Anthony Weiner, estranged husband of top Clinton aide Human Abedin, whose alleged sexually-related texts to a 15-year-old girl are also under investigation by the FBI. Some sources reported that the emails had nothing to do with Clinton and most noted that the likelihood of their having some pertinence in the Clinton-server matter seemed decidedly remote.

But Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump and his supporters jumped on that remote possibility in hopes of boosting Trump’s White House bid.

The Clinton campaign demanded Comey release more information about the new emails and irate Democratic elected officials berated the FBI director for possibly violating the Hatch Act and for refusing to comment equally on the FBI’s investigation into Trump’s possible ties to Russia.

And with all this in mind, the bottom line going into the Nov. 8 election is that nobody knows how much impact this late-hour development — which came after some states had already been in the early voting period for several days — will have on the vote or what else might happen that could have a dramatic impact on the race. And it may take until late this week for polls to provide any hint.

Nevertheless, the whole world will be watching next Tuesday as the American electorate weighs in on one of the most contentious and dramatic presidential campaigns in modern history.

The Human Rights Campaign has estimated the LGBT voting bloc to be more than nine million strong. HRC endorsed Clinton, as did the Lesbian PAC. The Log Cabin Republicans group chose to withhold making an endorsement for president in this election.

Much of the news next Tuesday night will have

significant impact on LGBT people and the guide below will help readers know what to watch and when.

## What “results” will be available and when?

Total early voting will be available when polls close in each state. Additional tallies will be available through the night.

What specifically are the milestones?

For president, the winner must accumulate at least 270 electoral votes to win.

For the Senate, the key question is which party will control. At a minimum, the controlling party must have 50 senators and the White House (with the vice president’s vote breaking any tie).

For the Senate to change party hands, Clinton must win and Democrats must pick up four new seats and not lose any existing seats. If Trump wins, Democrats would need to pick up five new seats.

In the governors’ races, political observers will be eager to learn whether North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory will lose his job over his enthusiastic support for the anti-LGBT HB2 law this year.

What’s the best channel to watch?

Any of the five major television networks — ABC, CBS, CNN, PBS, MSNBC, NBC and FOX News — will have the latest news quickly because they, plus Associated Press, are participating in the exit poll data collection.

Three networks have openly gay commentators who improve the chances that discussions of LGBT issues take place during the evening. CNN has two, possibly three: Anderson Cooper, Hilary Rosen and Don Lemon. MSNBC has Rachel Maddow and possibly Thomas Roberts. And Fox News has Shepard Smith.

When’s the best time to watch?

Political junkies who don’t want to miss any part of this historic election will tune in by 7 p.m. EDT, when the first poll result predictions will come. Specifically, this is what will come in and when: (All times listed below are EDT.)

## 7 p.m.:

States with polls closing are Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, South Carolina, Virginia and Vermont. Between these six states there are 60 electoral votes on the line.

Electoral votes on the line: 60

Polls prior to Comey’s letter were indicating that Clinton would win Virginia and Vermont (16 electoral votes), Trump would win Indiana and South Carolina (28 electoral votes), and Georgia was a toss-up. If the typically Republican Georgia swings to Clinton, commentators may start predicting an historic landslide for Clinton.

Senate races to watch early on are in Indiana and Kentucky. Democrats are expected to pick up their



first new Senate seat in Indiana, with former Sen. Evan Bayh, who had Human Rights Campaign scores between 84 and 90 for his voting record on LGBT issues in Congress. If Clinton wins, Democrats will need to pick up three more new ones to take control of the Senate.

And in Kentucky, openly gay candidate Jim Gray is making a tough bid to unseat incumbent Republican Rand Paul.

Governors races in Indiana and Vermont are very tight races for the open seats in Indiana and Vermont.

In Indiana, Democrat John Gregg has promised to issue an executive order prohibiting discrimination against state employees based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Republican Eric Holcomb says he doesn't plan to focus on the issue.

In Vermont, Republican Phil Scott spoke against civil unions when that was under consideration by the Legislature in 2000 but, by 2009, he was voting for marriage equality. Democrat Sue Minter was a sponsor of the state's marriage equality bill, added gender identity to the state's transportation regulations and promises to help fight bullying of LGBT youth.

#### 7:30 p.m.

Polls will be closing in North Carolina, Ohio and West Virginia, states totaling 38 electoral votes between them.

West Virginia's five electoral votes will go to Trump, but polls at deadline could not predict who would take Ohio's 18 and North Carolina's 15. Some number-crunchers believe Trump must win both to win the White House, but most believe he has to win Ohio.

The Senate races to watch are in North Carolina and Ohio. Democrats would really like to pick up the Senate seat in North Carolina with Deborah Ross, but Republican incumbent Richard Burr appears to be hanging onto a tiny lead. And in Ohio, Republican incumbent Rob Portman, endorsed by Log Cabin, holds a sizeable lead at deadline.

Governors' races to watch here are in North Carolina and West Virginia. North Carolina's Republican governor, Pat McCrory, has been in political hot water since he helped usher through the state's HB2, the controversial law restricting use of public restrooms by transgender people and prohibiting local governments from passing laws to prohibit discrimination against LGBT people.

HB2 has cost the state millions of dollars in lost revenue and jobs, as corporations and big sports tournaments have pulled out in protest. The latest polls showed McCrory slightly behind Democratic challenger Roy Cooper, the state's attorney general. Cooper has refused to defend the constitutionality of HB2 and has earned the endorsement of LGBT groups.

#### 8 p.m.

States with polls closing are Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Alabama, Illinois, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma and Tennessee, accounting for 172 electoral votes. (Polls in Texas close at 7 p.m. local time. However, while most of Texas is in the Central Time Zone, some areas are in the Mountain Time Zone.)

The District of Columbia and these 16 states hold the evening's largest block of electoral votes: 172. All eyes will be on Florida, with 29 electoral votes,

and Pennsylvania with 20. Once again, Trump needs both to have any chance of winning the White House.

Before the Comey letter, Clinton had a five-point lead in Pennsylvania and less than a one-point lead in Florida. If Clinton does pick up Florida and Pennsylvania, she'll take the lead, with at least 143 electoral votes and she will have enough electoral votes in the remaining true blue states to run well past the 270 she needs to secure the White House.

But if she's having a bad night, she'll end the 8 o'clock hour with only 94 votes and will need to pick up either Texas — a long shot — or both Arizona and Nevada in the coming hours.

Senate races to watch are in Florida, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Missouri. Democrats are poised to pick off a second Republican-held Senate seat in Illinois, with Rep. Tammy Duckworth. Duckworth got the backing of most LGBT groups, though the Human Rights Campaign initially gave its endorsement to incumbent Mark Kirk as the lone Republican willing to endorse the Equality Act. But HRC announced Saturday, Oct. 29, that it was "revoking" its endorsement of Kirk due to the "deeply offensive and racist" remarks he made during his debate last Thursday, Oct. 27.

Kirk has apologized for saying to Duckworth, "I had forgotten that your parents came all the way from Thailand to serve George Washington."

Democrats have a chance of picking up a third new seat in New Hampshire and/or Pennsylvania but polls in both states are too close to call.

New Hampshire Gov. Maggie Hassan, a strong supporter of LGBT equality, has been trading the lead with incumbent Kelly Ayotte, whose HRC scorecard has run from 15 to 60 to 80 in the past three sessions.

In Pennsylvania, where the race is also very tight, Democrat Katie McGinty has been taking a high-profile pitch for the LGBT vote. Incumbent Pat Toomey's last HRC score was a 16.

House races to watch in the 8 o'clock hour are in Connecticut, New Hampshire, Oklahoma and Rhode Island. Openly gay candidates are running for U.S. House seats in all four states, though incumbent David Cicilline in Rhode Island is the only sure winner. The openly-gay challengers are Clay Cope in Connecticut, Shawn O'Connor in New Hampshire and Al McCaffrey in Oklahoma.

New Hampshire's long-time lesbian activist Mo Baxley endorsed Democrat Colin van Ostern early in the governor's race there, saying he is a "trusted ally in the fight for equality." Republican Chris Sununu said he would have "a real problem" with businesses denying services to LGBT people based on the businesses' religious beliefs, but he said, in a separate interview, that he'd be willing to take a look at a law that enabled that. Polls show a very tight race.

#### 9 p.m.:

This hour, polls close in Arkansas, New York, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, South Dakota, Texas and Wyoming. All told, these 14 states account for 158 electoral votes.

This is potentially the Waterloo hour for the presidential candidates.

If Trump has been able to pull Ohio, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Pennsylvania into his column, the race will still be alive at 9 p.m. His best-case scenario would be to win 280, so he can afford



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Holocaust Museum partners with  
DISD for new program teaching  
history, immigration,  
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The Dallas Holocaust Museum has partnered with Dallas Independent School District to present a program for all fifth graders called The City-Wide Read and Performance.

This fall, students are reading *The Children of Willesden Lane*, by Mona Golabek, which tells the story of Golabek's mother's escape from Nazi Germany on the Kindertransport after Germany annexed Austria. The family was given one ticket on the train that evacuated children to England. They chose her mother, Lisa Jura, to escape, because she was a 14-year-old musical prodigy who, they reasoned, would have the best chance of survival on her own.

Jura made it to the Willesden Lane orphanage in London, where she became a concert pianist. Later, she taught her daughter the piano and instilled in her the story of her survival.

These days, Golabek tells the story of her mother's Holocaust experience on stage at the piano. While telling the story, she shares some of her mother's favorite classical music such as Beethoven's *Moonlight Sonata*.

Golabek talks about her mother's fear of being a stranger and her ultimate perseverance and triumph. She explores what it feels like to be an immigrant. Jura's story will expose the more than

12,500 DISD fifth graders to this period of history through the eyes of a young girl.

For the City-Wide Read and Performance, Golabek made sure each DISD student was given a copy of the book at no charge. Copies were made available in Spanish and audiobooks were available for students who required them.

On Nov. 14-16, Golabek will be in Dallas for six performances at Fair Park Music Hall and all 12,500 students will attend. To ensure each fifth grader could participate, the Holocaust Museum raised money to cover the wholesale cost of the books and the cost of busing the students to the Music Hall. Golabek is donating her time. Even the Music Hall slashed its fees to help insure the program would happen.

Dallas Holocaust Museum President and CEO Mary Pat Higgins said teachers were provided professional development on teaching Holocaust history. Additional curricula and materials were developed that included art and music teachers. Classes are discussing a wide variety of topics from immigration to discrimination and tolerance, constant themes of Holocaust Museum exhibits.

"DISD was thrilled to do this," Higgins said. "It's very relevant to their students."

She added that it is important for students to learn history to keep from repeating it. "We've made these mistakes before," she said. "Learn from it."

Higgins explained that Great Britain was the only government to change its immigration quotas before World War II to allow in more Jews from Nazi-occupied countries. To honor the Kindertransport, Great Britain is planning a second one to help children evacuated from war-torn Syria. ■





to lose 10 electoral votes along the way. But at 9 o'clock, he'll still need to see Arizona (11 electorals) and Texas (38 electorals) in his column or the race is likely over.

If Clinton has won Pennsylvania, Florida and Minnesota, she'll be at 235 and the race is all but over, because she can reach the magic number of 270 by simply taking California — and that's a given.

But if Clinton's having a bad night, she'll need Texas or Arizona this hour.

Senate races to watch at 9 p.m. are in Wisconsin, Arizona and Colorado. Democrats are expecting to keep their Democratic Senate seat from Colorado and pick up a new seat in Wisconsin.

If they have already won Indiana, New Hampshire and Illinois, then Russ Feingold, a strong LGBT equality supporter, makes four and — if Clinton wins the White House — Democrats will take over control of the Senate. If Trump wins, Democrats will still need to pick up one more Senate seat.

But no celebration can really begin until Democrats have secured the existing Democratic seat in Nevada in the 10 o'clock hour.

House races to watch this hour are Arizona, Colorado, Minnesota, New York and Wisconsin.

Watch for Minnesota's 2d Congressional District where voters are leaning towards openly-gay businesswoman Angie Craig, and last week, the Minnesota Star Tribune endorsed her over the "outsized personality" radio talk show host running on the Republican side.

Two other openly gay congressional candidates — both in Arizona, Paul Babeu and Matt Heinz — have tough but possible chances of success. And in Colorado, newcomer Misty Plowright, is making a long-shot Democratic bid to unseat a Republican incumbent for Colorado's 5th district.

Four incumbent gay/bisexual Democrats are expected to enjoy easy re-elections: Jared Polis in Colorado, Sean Patrick Maloney in New York, Mark Pocan in Wisconsin and Kyrsten Sinema in Arizona.

No governor races to talk about in this group.

#### 10 p.m.

Polls close this hour in Iowa, Montana, Utah and Nevada, with 21 electoral votes on the line.

Montana's three electoral votes are going to Trump. But the other three states each have six electoral votes and polls prior to the Comey letter showed them each to be a toss-up state. And each could become critical to reaching 270, depending on how the evening has been going so far.

The Senate races to watch are in Iowa and Nevada. If Democrats haven't won five new seats by now, Nevada is the last chance for a Democratic majority in the Senate; Democrats have to retain this seat — currently held by Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid. The Democrats' nominee, Nevada Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto, has the endorsement of the Lesbian PAC and the Human Rights Campaign.

Republican Rep. Joe Heck has a zero score on LGBT issues in Congress.

Montana and Utah have the House races to watch this hour. For Montana's one at-large Congressional seat, lesbian Native American Denise Juneau has the backing of HRC and the Lesbian PAC, but the Republican incumbent is expected to win. In Utah, transgender newcomer Democrat Misty Snow is running against incumbent Mike Lee, who had a 35-point lead in the polls mid-October.

Montana's Democratic Gov. Steve Bullock signed an executive order in January, prohibiting discrimination against LGBT state employees. He's urged support for programs that help homeless youth to include LGBT kids and he's presided over a same-sex wedding. His Republican challenger, Greg Gianforte, is opposed to marriage equality and has given more than a half-million dollars to the anti-gay group Focus on the Family.

Polls show the race leaning toward the Democrat.

#### 11 p.m.:

Polls close this hour in California, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon, North Dakota and Washington, with 85 electoral votes on the line.

Most of the electoral votes this hour — 78 of the 85 — will go to Clinton, California being the biggest prize of them all with 55 electoral votes.

The California U.S. Senate seat held by Barbara Boxer is not in danger of being taken by a Republican. In fact, only Democrats have survived to run in the general election: State Attorney General Kamala Harris and U.S. Rep. Loretta Sanchez. Both are strong supporters of equal rights for LGBT people, but Equality California and LPAC have endorsed Harris.

On the House side of things, openly-gay incumbent Democrat Mark Takano is expected to easily win his re-election to California's 41st Congressional district.

Governors' races to watch are in Oregon, Washington and North Dakota.

Oregon's openly-bisexual Gov. Kate Brown is running for re-election, and as a Democrat in a blue state, she's a safe bet. Washington state's Democratic Gov. Jay Inslee is a safe bet, too. He supports marriage equality; his Republican opponent does not.

In North Dakota, polls indicate a Republican win, but Republican candidate Doug Burgum bucks the common trend on LGBT issues. He's said there should be no discrimination based on sexual orientation and that he would work with the legislature to address the problem. On the transgender bathroom issue, he's said he's for both religious liberty and tolerance. He's also in support of marriage equality.

Democrat Marvin Nelson has spoken out strongly against anti-LGBT discrimination and for the rights of transgender people to use public restrooms.

Results from Alaska, with three electoral votes, are not expected until after 1 a.m. EDT. All three are expected to go to Trump.

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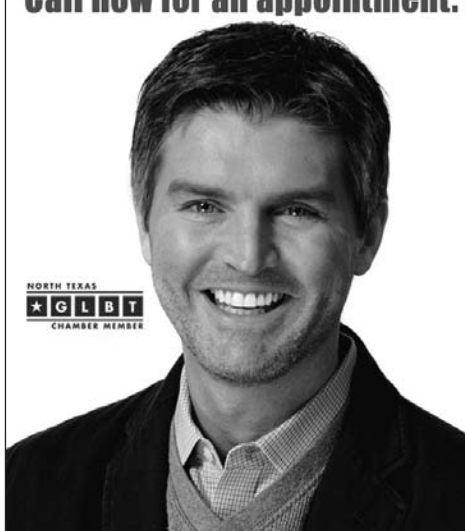
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## What is TRUVADA for PrEP (Pre-exposure Prophylaxis)?

TRUVADA is a prescription medicine that can be used for PrEP to help reduce the risk of getting HIV-1 infection when used together with safer sex practices. This use is only for adults who are at high risk of getting HIV-1 through sex. This includes HIV-negative men who have sex with men and who are at high risk of getting infected with HIV-1 through sex, and male-female sex partners when one partner has HIV-1 infection and the other does not.

Ask your healthcare provider if you have questions about how to prevent getting HIV-1. Always practice safer sex and use condoms to lower the chance of sexual contact with body fluids. Never reuse or share needles or other items that have body fluids on them.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

### What is the most important information I should know about TRUVADA for PrEP?

#### Before taking TRUVADA for PrEP to reduce your risk of getting HIV-1 infection:

- ◆ **You must be HIV-negative.** You must get tested to make sure that you do not already have HIV-1 infection. Do not take TRUVADA for PrEP to reduce the risk of getting HIV-1 unless you are confirmed to be HIV-negative.
- ◆ **Many HIV-1 tests can miss HIV-1 infection in a person who has recently become infected.** If you have flu-like symptoms, you could have recently become infected with HIV-1. Tell your healthcare provider if you had a flu-like illness within the last month before starting TRUVADA for PrEP or at any time while taking TRUVADA for PrEP. Symptoms of new HIV-1 infection include tiredness, fever, joint or muscle aches, headache, sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, rash, night sweats, and/or enlarged lymph nodes in the neck or groin.

#### While taking TRUVADA for PrEP to reduce your risk of getting HIV-1 infection:

- ◆ **You must continue using safer sex practices. Just taking TRUVADA for PrEP may not keep you from getting HIV-1.**
- ◆ **You must stay HIV-negative to keep taking TRUVADA for PrEP.**
- ◆ **To further help reduce your risk of getting HIV-1:**
  - Know your HIV-1 status and the HIV-1 status of your partners.
  - Get tested for HIV-1 at least every 3 months or when your healthcare provider tells you.
  - Get tested for other sexually transmitted infections. Other infections make it easier for HIV-1 to infect you.
  - Get information and support to help reduce risky sexual behavior.
  - Have fewer sex partners.
  - Do not miss any doses of TRUVADA. Missing doses may increase your risk of getting HIV-1 infection.
  - If you think you were exposed to HIV-1, tell your healthcare provider right away.
- ◆ **If you do become HIV-1 positive, you need more medicine than TRUVADA alone to treat HIV-1.** TRUVADA by itself is not a complete treatment for HIV-1. If you have HIV-1 and take only TRUVADA, your HIV-1 may become harder to treat over time.

#### TRUVADA can cause serious side effects:

- ◆ **Too much lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis),** which is a serious medical emergency. Symptoms of lactic acidosis include weakness or being more tired than usual, unusual muscle pain, being short of breath or fast breathing, nausea, vomiting, stomach-area pain, cold or blue hands and feet, feeling dizzy or lightheaded, and/or fast or abnormal heartbeats.
- ◆ **Serious liver problems.** Your liver may become large and tender, and you may develop fat in your liver. Symptoms of liver problems include your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow, dark "tea-colored" urine, light-colored stools, loss of appetite for several days or longer, nausea, and/or stomach-area pain.

- ◆ **You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or serious liver problems** if you are female, very overweight (obese), or have been taking TRUVADA for a long time. In some cases, these serious conditions have led to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any symptoms of these conditions.
- ◆ **Worsening of hepatitis B (HBV) infection.** If you also have HBV and take TRUVADA, your hepatitis may become worse if you stop taking TRUVADA. Do not stop taking TRUVADA without first talking to your healthcare provider. If your healthcare provider tells you to stop taking TRUVADA, they will need to watch you closely for several months to monitor your health. TRUVADA is not approved for the treatment of HBV.

### Who should not take TRUVADA for PrEP?

**Do not take TRUVADA for PrEP if you already have HIV-1 infection or if you do not know your HIV-1 status.** If you are HIV-1 positive, you need to take other medicines with TRUVADA to treat HIV-1. TRUVADA by itself is not a complete treatment for HIV-1. If you have HIV-1 and take only TRUVADA, your HIV-1 may become harder to treat over time.

**Do not take TRUVADA for PrEP if you also take** lamivudine (Epivir-HBV) or adefovir (HEPSERA).

### What are the other possible side effects of TRUVADA for PrEP?

#### Serious side effects of TRUVADA may also include:

- ◆ **Kidney problems, including kidney failure.** Your healthcare provider may do blood tests to check your kidneys before and during treatment with TRUVADA for PrEP. If you develop kidney problems, your healthcare provider may tell you to stop taking TRUVADA for PrEP.
- ◆ **Bone problems,** including bone pain or bones getting soft or thin, may lead to fractures. Your healthcare provider may do tests to check your bones.
- ◆ **Changes in body fat,** which can happen in people taking TRUVADA or medicines like TRUVADA.

**Common side effects** in people taking TRUVADA for PrEP are stomach-area (abdomen) pain, headache, and decreased weight. Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

### What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking TRUVADA for PrEP?

- ◆ **All your health problems.** Be sure to tell your healthcare provider if you have or have had any kidney, bone, or liver problems, including hepatitis virus infection.
- ◆ **If you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.** It is not known if TRUVADA can harm your unborn baby. If you become pregnant while taking TRUVADA for PrEP, talk to your healthcare provider to decide if you should keep taking TRUVADA for PrEP. **Pregnancy Registry:** A pregnancy registry collects information about your health and the health of your baby. There is a pregnancy registry for women who take medicines to prevent HIV-1 during pregnancy. For more information about the registry and how it works, talk to your healthcare provider.
- ◆ **If you are breastfeeding** (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed. The medicines in TRUVADA can pass to your baby in breast milk. If you become HIV-1 positive, HIV-1 can be passed to the baby in breast milk.
- ◆ **All the medicines you take,** including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. TRUVADA may interact with other medicines. Keep a list of all your medicines and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.
- ◆ **If you take certain other medicines** with TRUVADA for PrEP, your healthcare provider may need to check you more often or change your dose. These medicines include ledipasvir with sofosbuvir (HARVONI).

**You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit [www.FDA.gov/medwatch](http://www.FDA.gov/medwatch), or call 1-800-FDA-1088.**

**Please see Important Facts about TRUVADA for PrEP including important warnings on the following page.**





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**While taking TRUVADA for PrEP to help reduce your risk of getting HIV-1 infection:**

- **You must continue using safer sex practices.** Just taking TRUVADA for PrEP may not keep you from getting HIV-1.
- **You must stay HIV-1 negative to keep taking TRUVADA for PrEP.**
- **Tell your healthcare provider if you have a flu-like illness while taking TRUVADA for PrEP.**
- If you think you were exposed to HIV-1, tell your healthcare provider right away.
- **If you do become HIV-1 positive, you need more medicine than TRUVADA alone to treat HIV-1.** If you have HIV-1 and take only TRUVADA, your HIV-1 may become harder to treat over time.
- **See the "How to Further Reduce Your Risk" section for more information.**

**TRUVADA may cause serious side effects, including:**

- **Buildup of lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis),** which is a serious medical emergency that can lead to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of these symptoms: weakness or being more tired than usual, unusual muscle pain, being short of breath or fast breathing, nausea, vomiting, stomach-area pain, cold or blue hands and feet, feeling dizzy or lightheaded, and/or fast or abnormal heartbeats.
- **Severe liver problems,** which in some cases can lead to death. Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any of these symptoms: your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow, dark "tea-colored" urine, light-colored stools, loss of appetite for several days or longer, nausea, and/or stomach-area pain.
- **Worsening of hepatitis B (HBV) infection.** If you have HBV and take TRUVADA, your hepatitis may become worse if you stop taking TRUVADA. Do not stop taking TRUVADA without first talking to your healthcare provider, as they will need to check your health regularly for several months.

You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or severe liver problems if you are female, very overweight, or have been taking TRUVADA for a long time.

### ABOUT TRUVADA FOR PrEP (PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS)

TRUVADA is a prescription medicine used with safer sex practices for PrEP to help reduce the risk of getting HIV-1 infection in adults at high risk:

- HIV-1 negative men who have sex with men and who are at high risk of getting infected with HIV-1 through sex.
- Male-female sex partners when one partner has HIV-1 infection and the other does not.

To help determine your risk, talk openly with your doctor about your sexual health.

**Do NOT take TRUVADA for PrEP if you:**

- **Already have HIV-1 infection or if you do not know your HIV-1 status.**
- Take lamivudine (Epivir-HBV) or adefovir (HEPSERA).

### POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS OF TRUVADA FOR PrEP

**TRUVADA can cause serious side effects, including:**

- Those in the "Most Important Information About TRUVADA for PrEP" section.
- New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure.
- Bone problems.
- Changes in body fat.

**Common side effects** in people taking TRUVADA for PrEP include stomach-area (abdomen) pain, headache, and decreased weight.

These are not all the possible side effects of TRUVADA. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have any new symptoms while taking TRUVADA for PrEP.

**Your healthcare provider will need to do tests to monitor your health before and during treatment with TRUVADA for PrEP.**

### BEFORE TAKING TRUVADA FOR PrEP

**Tell your healthcare provider if you:**

- Have or have had any kidney, bone, or liver problems, including hepatitis infection.
- Have any other medical conditions.
- Are pregnant or plan to become pregnant.
- Are breastfeeding (nursing) or plan to breastfeed. Do not breastfeed if you become HIV-1 positive because of the risk of passing HIV-1 to your baby.

**Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take:**

- Keep a list that includes all prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements, and show it to your healthcare provider and pharmacist.
- Ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist about medicines that should not be taken with TRUVADA for PrEP.

### HOW TO TAKE TRUVADA FOR PrEP

- **Take 1 tablet once a day, every day,** not just when you think you have been exposed to HIV-1.
- Do not miss any doses. Missing doses may increase your risk of getting HIV-1 infection.
- You **must** practice safer sex by using condoms and you **must** stay HIV-1 negative.

### HOW TO FURTHER REDUCE YOUR RISK

- Know your HIV-1 status and the HIV-1 status of your partners.
- Get tested for HIV-1 at least every 3 months or when your healthcare provider tells you.
- Get tested for other sexually transmitted infections. Other infections make it easier for HIV-1 to infect you.
- Get information and support to help reduce risky sexual behavior.
- Have fewer sex partners.
- Do not share needles or personal items that can have blood or body fluids on them.

### GET MORE INFORMATION

- This is only a brief summary of important information about TRUVADA for PrEP to reduce the risk of getting HIV-1 infection. Talk to your healthcare provider or pharmacist to learn more, including how to prevent HIV-1 infection.
- Go to [start.truvada.com](http://start.truvada.com) or call 1-800-GILEAD-5
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# Hillary Clinton: ‘I want LGBT people to know that I will always have your back’

Washington Blade shares its exclusive Q&A with the Democratic presidential candidate

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In an exclusive interview with the Washington Blade, an LGBT newspaper based in Washington, D.C., Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton pledged to build a “hopeful, inclusive America where everyone counts” as she continues to draw a contrast between herself and GOP nominee Donald Trump over their views on LGBT issues.

The Democratic presidential hopeful answered 13 questions on issues important to the LGBT community in a written interview with the Blade completed Wednesday, Nov. 2, with less than one week remaining before Election Day.

*The Washington Blade agreed to conduct the written interview with Clinton and submitted similar questions to Trump’s campaign. Although the Trump campaign said it would answer the questions, the Blade as of Nov. 4 had yet to receive responses from the Republican candidate. Read the full interview online at DallasVoice.com.*

**Washington Blade: Where would passage of the Equality Act fit among your legislative priorities as president?** Hillary Clinton: As you know, there are still places in America where LGBT people can get married on Sunday and fired on Monday, just because of who they are or who they love. That’s wrong, and it goes against everything we stand for as a country.

As president, I’ll make fighting discrimination against the LGBT community a top priority — including by working with Congress to pass the Equality Act. And we won’t stop there. We’ll also take on harassment, bullying, and violence — and youth homelessness, which disproportionately hurts LGBT kids. We’ll end the harmful practice of so-called “conversion” therapy for minors, because LGBT kids don’t need to be “cured” of anything. And we’ll bring people together to reform our gun laws and keep guns from falling into the wrong hands, so that what happened at Pulse never happens again.

**The Clinton Foundation has faced criticism for accepting millions of dollars from countries with laws that punish homosexual acts with death, including between \$10-\$25 million from Saudi Arabia. The foundation has done much good work, but do the ends justify the means?** I am so proud of the work the Clinton Foundation has done on behalf of vulnerable people all across the world — especially the work to combat HIV and AIDS, an epidemic that disproportionately impacts LGBT communities around the globe. Due to the work of the Clinton Foundation, 11.5 million people in the developing world have access to HIV medication at 90 percent lower cost. That’s more than half of all adults and three-fourths of all children receiving treatment today. I’ve always believed that we shouldn’t shy away from confronting human rights abuses around the world — against LGBT people or anyone else. That’s why, as secretary of state, I actively stood up to these coun-

tries and have advocated for the rights of many, including declaring that “gay rights are human rights,” and made advancing the rights of LGBT people around the world a cornerstone of our foreign policy, including advocating for the first ever United Nations resolution on LGBT rights.

Donald Trump, on the other hand, has conducted business deals worth millions of dollars in or with some of these countries and has done it for the sole purpose of padding his own pockets.

Here’s the bottom line: As your president, I will continue to fight for LGBT rights here in the United States and around the globe.

**In 2013, you forcefully came out in favor of marriage equality, but others, including President Obama and Republican Sen. Rob Portman, preceded you. Why didn’t you echo President Obama and endorse marriage equality as secretary of state and do you regret not coming out for it sooner?**

Like a lot of Americans, my views on this have changed for the better. And that happened because people I cared about had the grace and patience to help me understand two key things. First, everyone in this country must have the right to marry whoever they love just like everyone else. This was about being recognized as full and equal citizens and protecting families from very real discrimination. I’ve always believed marriage is a great blessing, so why deny that joy to anyone? And second, marriage equality makes us fairer, more respectful and a better country. It is the affirmation of our basic civil rights.

**Based on donations to the Clinton Foundation, Donald Trump has famously said “ask the gays” who has the better record between you and him on LGBT rights.**

**Who has the better record and what is the biggest risk to the LGBT community of a Trump presidency?** I’ll gladly put my record on LGBT rights next to Trump’s for the voters to decide any day!

Let’s start with Donald Trump. He’ll appoint Supreme Court justices who will overturn marriage equality, and said he’ll repeal President Obama’s executive actions to protect LGBT people from discrimination. And in case there’s any doubt about the kind of president he would be, look who he chose for his running mate: Gov. Mike Pence, who signed a law that allowed Indiana businesses to legally discriminate against LGBT customers. We also know that Donald Trump has a long track record of bullying, harassment, and discrimination in his businesses, including reportedly against LGBT employees.

LGBT equality is an issue that’s so close to my heart. As first lady, I fought to expand funding for HIV and AIDS research — and became the first first lady to march in a Pride parade. As senator from New York, I championed legislation to address hate crimes, fought for federal non-discrimination legislation to protect LGBT Americans in the workplace, and pushed for an end to

discriminatory and harmful laws that blocked LGBT Americans from adopting children.

As secretary of state, I led the effort to pass the first-ever U.N. Resolution on LGBT Human Rights, launched the Global Equality Fund, ended State Department regulations that denied same-sex couples and their families equal rights, helped implement LGBT-friendly workplace policies, and updated the State Department’s policy so that transgender individuals’ passports reflect their true gender.

We have so much more work to do, and I want LGBT people in every corner of this country to know that as president, I will always have your back.

But first, we have to win this election!

**Trump has pledged to sign the First Amendment Defense Act, “religious freedom” legislation that would enable anti-LGBT discrimination, if Congress approves it. Would you veto such legislation if passed while you’re president and what is your plan to fight the growing movement of religious freedom bills across the U.S.?** I would absolutely veto that legislation, which is part of a

concerted effort to discriminate against LGBT people under the guise of protecting religious freedom. I firmly believe that we can promote equal rights and dignity for all Americans and protect religious liberty at the same time. That’s not what the so-called “First Amendment Defense Act” does. It’s insincere and insidious, and we can’t let it become law. As president, I will protect religious liberty and fight to make sure all Americans can live their lives free from discrimination. We can do both. The Equality Act, for example, advances LGBT equality while maintaining the religious exemptions that have been part of our civil rights laws for decades.

**You made international LGBT rights a priority as secretary of state. How would you advocate for them as president?** LGBT rights are human rights — plain and simple. No matter what we look like, where we come from or who we are, we are all equally entitled to our human rights and dignity. But hundreds of millions of people live in places where anti-LGBT violence is rampant and where they can be arrested, imprisoned, even executed for their sexual orientation or gender identity.

As president, I’ll continue to stand up for LGBT rights around the world, as I did as secretary of state. We’ll start by stepping up our support for the Global Equality Fund with a \$50 million investment over the next decade. This will expand programs that advance LGBT human rights around the world and send a strong message that the United States is an ally to LGBT people everywhere.

We’ll also continue to work on public health issues like HIV and AIDS, and take on discriminatory, outdated laws that stigmatize and even criminalize being LGBT. And we’ll partner with governments, multilateral institutions, NGOs, and activists on the ground so that the LGBT community around the world gets

the resources and support they need to not just survive but thrive.

**When you were secretary of state, what are the top items you accomplished on behalf of LGBT people and do you have favorite memories of working with LGBT people in other countries?** I’m proud of what we were able to accomplish at the State Department in making the advancement of LGBT equality worldwide part of our foreign policy.

We announced for the first time ever that we would take into consideration how a country treats LGBT people when we delivered foreign aid. We instructed American diplomats to raise concerns about specific cases and laws. We worked with partners to strengthen human-rights protections. I helped lead the effort to pass the first-ever U.N. resolution on LGBT human rights. And we launched the Global Equality Fund to support the work of civil society organizations working on these issues around the world.

Some of my proudest accomplishments were actually here at home, because we know that the U.S. is strongest when we lead by example. We ended State Department policies denying same-sex couples and families equal rights, implemented LGBT-friendly workplace policies, and updated the department’s policy for transgender persons’ passports to reflect their true gender.

**The rates of violence and murder for transgender women of color remain stubbornly high. What would you do to address this problem?** This is a serious and urgent problem. In 2015, 21 transgender people — most of them women of color — were murdered. And that doesn’t even begin to account for the violence that goes unreported or ignored.

We need to stand up for the lives and safety of transgender people, and take on bigotry and discrimination wherever they occur.

That means fighting for strong anti-discrimination laws. It means doing a better job of collecting data on gender identity and sexual orientation, because we can’t solve the problem of discrimination until we understand its full scope. It also means investing in law enforcement training to ensure fair and impartial policing in interactions with the LGBT community.

America saw the effects of hate in Orlando, with the attack on the Pulse nightclub — the deadliest mass shooting by a single person in our history. So we also need to finally pass common-sense reforms to address the gun violence epidemic.

Most of all, it’s far past time we say with one voice that transgender people are valued, they are loved, they are us, and they deserve to be treated that way.

**Whom would you identify as an LGBT role model?** I’m inspired by Edie Windsor, the lead plaintiff in the Supreme Court case that paved the way for marriage equality. When Edie’s wife, Thea Spyer, passed away, Edie realized she owed hundreds of thousands of dollars in federal estate taxes she wouldn’t have had to pay if she had been married to a man. She had to choose whether to live with this injustice, or fight back. She chose to fight back — and as a result, the court ruled that all legally married LGBT couples must be treated equally under federal law. ... Edie is a truly remarkable woman: smart, feisty, and very brave.

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# Different journeys

For those seeking spiritual homes, moving beyond the homophobia isn't always easy

A few weeks ago, a man named Jason Thomas made headlines when he shared the story of how he was forced to leave Watermark Community Church, a nondenominational evangelical Christian megachurch here in the DFW Metroplex that he had attended for some time.

Thomas had posted a letter from the church telling him he was no longer welcome there because, after years of trying to “convert” or at least stay single, Thomas fell in love and began a relationship with another man. The church insisted he break it off; when he refused, Thomas was told to leave.

While many people in the LGBT community and among its allies were chastising Watermark church, Dallas Voice staff writer David Taffet wrote a blog that basically chastised Thomas for even wanting to stay in a church that required he hate himself and deny his identity as a gay man, when there are so many churches that affirm their LGBT members.

David's column caused me to think back on my own spiritual journey. And while I appreciate his point about how we shouldn't expect sympathy for being thrown out of churches we know we're not welcome in, I know that sometimes it's not that simple.

I was raised Southern Baptist. In my late teens, I moved on to churches that were even crazier, and I was briefly a student at a local non-denominational Bible college.

It takes awhile to leave all that behind.

My first ventures out of the closet were in the mid 1980s. I met a nice guy at a card shop on the Cedar Springs Strip called Off the Street. We started dating and at some point, we started going to Metropolitan Community Church-Dallas. (I'm talking about the old church at Reagan and Brown. Cathedral of Hope and MCC of Greater Dallas both trace their roots back to the congregation at Reagan and Brown. That campus is now part of Resource Center.)

Several months passed and my first boyfriend moved away. I joined MCC-Dallas and kept going for a couple of years. That was my first round of unlearning the toxic theology of my youth.

Jobs that required me to work weekends or to



**David Faulkner**  
Contributing Columnist



be “on call” kept me away from regular church attendance for much of the 1990s. So my unlearning of toxic theology was basically on hold for most of that decade.

In the late 90s, I went to the Dignity Dallas masses on Sunday evenings, and in 2001 I converted to Catholicism. There I found a more beautiful worship experience than what the churches of my youth offered. And the parish I was part of was mostly welcoming.

This was a move that challenged my thinking. But I'm not sure it involved much unlearning of toxic theology.

The years from 2005 to 2012 found me at three different liberal protestant churches that were mostly welcoming as well as visiting a local Reform synagogue for a few months in 2011. But at those churches, I felt isolated from the LGBTQ community.

But in the fall of 2012, I found my way back to Cathedral of Hope.

Since then I've been more seriously learning what I call a “healthy intolerance” for any politics or religion that doesn't accept me unconditionally. Today, I have reached the point where I really have no use for any religious or political group where I'm not fully welcome.

It's been quite a journey for me. As a teenager I thought Jesus was the only way to heaven. Or to put it more accurately, “the Baptist version of Jesus” was the only way to Heaven.

And then my first ventures outside of Baptist churches took me to churches that were even more conservative and intolerant. I mostly learned to have more fear and be more intolerant from them.

MCC-Dallas was the first church to challenge that intolerance and close-mindedness. Liberal protestant churches, the Unitarian church and the Roman Catholic church offered even more challenges to my early beliefs and way of thinking.

Still, after these adventures in tolerance and acceptance, I still returned to these more conservative churches. I think it was because they were familiar and, in some important ways, comfortable.

To put it bluntly, they were comfortable because they weren't challenging me to learn and grow.

If I'm in church now it's either a welcoming United Methodist congregation (usually Northaven United Methodist) or Cathedral of Hope, and I spend at least a few minutes almost every day reading about Judaism.

Wouldn't that be a spiritual journey — from fundamentalist Christian to Reform Jew! Not saying it will happen. But, I wouldn't rule it out.

My point is this: Find a spiritual home where you are welcome. As you are. No strings attached.

Don't waste your time and please don't waste your money on any person or group that considers you to be anything less than a beautiful creation of God. But once you get there, remember your journey, and don't judge others harshly because they aren't yet where you are.

Shalom. ■



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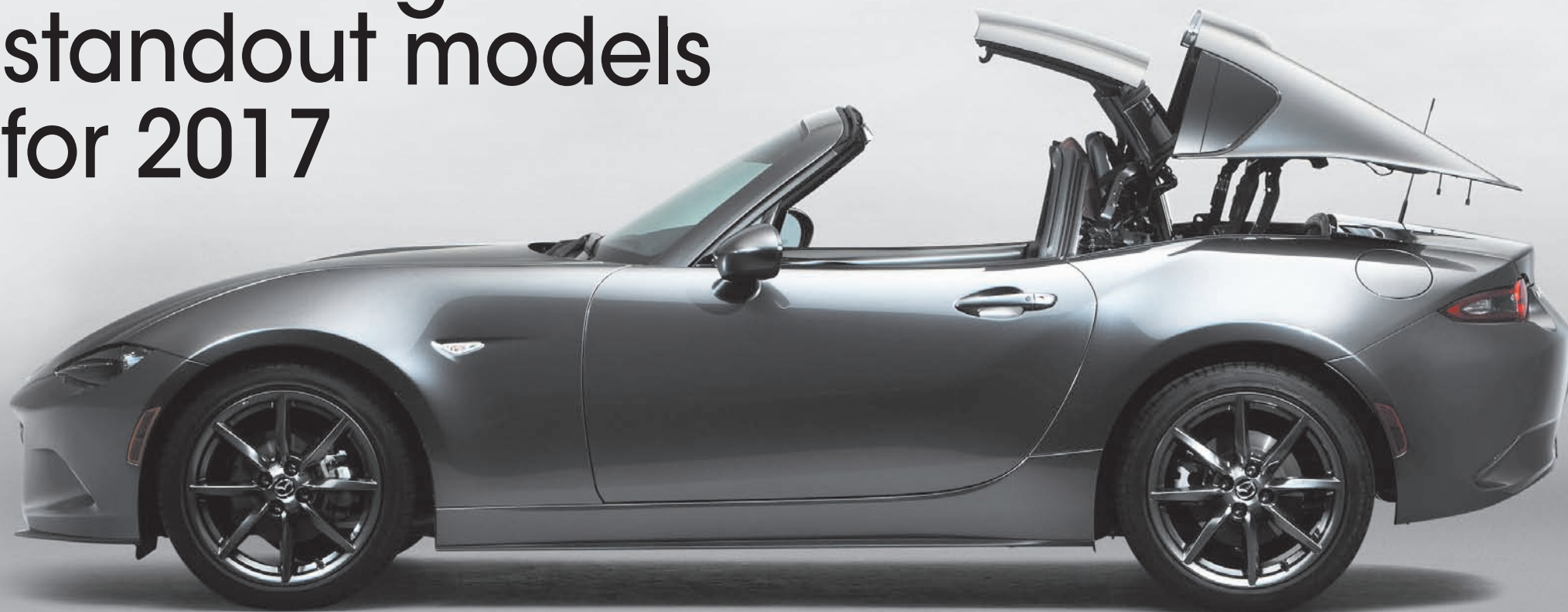
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# Hottest rods

## Previewing the standout models for 2017



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It's that time of the year once again when all the world's automakers attend their debaute balls and start revving their engines. It's new car season and this year we have everything from a mega-advanced Mercedes sedan to a targa-topped Miata, Ford supercar, luxury crossovers, sexy Swede, plug-ins, rebirth of the Lincoln Continental and a hot Honda pickup with sporty surprises between.

Here's your guide to all you'll want to drive:

**Mazda MX-5 Miata RF.** I adore the Miata's elegant manual cloth top, but the new RF has a hard top for touring, and with the flip of a switch, converts into an open roof targa. It can even perform this trick at slow speeds. Fastback styling gets pulses quickening —



as does a choice of SKYACTIV 1.5- or 2.0-liter gasoline engines, the latter delivering 155 horsepower. Interiors can be upholstered in Nappa leather, but are still models of simplicity. The RF should please Miata enthusiasts while enticing new fans. *Base price:* \$31,555.

**GMC Acadia.** Moving to smaller architecture, Acadia is completely restyled while shedding 700 lbs. Engines include a 310 horsepower V6 and 194 horsepower Turbo-4 delivering 22/28-MPG city/hwy. Denali trim is joined by a new All Terrain edition. Three rows of seats hold up to 7 passengers in a more sumptuous interior. Standard rear seat alert reminds parents to grab their children and prevent heat-related deaths. It's a fancier, more urban-friendly version of its former self. *Base price:* \$29,070.

Yes, that's a Miata getting your heart racing, top; Toyota's Prius Prime, above, targets the Tesla model for plug-in efficiency; nobody competes with Mercedes for straight-up drama in a sporty sedan, left.





Ford' GT supercar celebrates its 50th like all sex symbols — with a makeover, above; Honda's Ridgeline pickup is essential for Texas living, below.

**Mercedes-Benz E-Class.** The world's most advanced sedan sports dramatic curves, broad shoulders and "stardust effect" LED taillamps. Interiors harbor twin screens for instruments and infotainment. Natural Grain Ash wood, contrasting leather, heated armrests and 64-hue ambient lighting add panache. A 241-horsepower 2.0-liter turbo-four delivers pace; a dynamic air suspension system adds grace. The Drive Pilot system can automatically follow traffic, assist in steering around corners and change lanes automatically. *Base price: \$52,150.*

**Ford GT.** Crowds are already forming for Ford's sleek new supercar. Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Ford GT's 1-2-3 wins during the 1966 24 Hours of Le Mans race, this version employs a mid-mounted 600-horse twin-turbo V6 engine, carbon fiber passenger cell and active aerodynamics to enhance track performance. Exotic features include a reconfigurable digital instrument panel, seven-speed dual-clutch transaxle, carbon-ceramic brakes, upward-swinging doors and aircraft-inspired fuselage with air pass-throughs in the rear fenders. Passengers sit in fixed seats, adjusting the pedals and steering column for comfort. You're looking at the future of Ford performance. *Base price: Est. \$400,000.*

**Chevrolet Bolt EV.** One year after the concept's debut in Detroit, Chevrolet beats Tesla to offering an affordable electric car with more than 238 miles all-electric range. The Bolt charges for 90 miles of driving in 30 minutes. Drivers will enjoy an electric car

rush given 200 horsepower and 266 lb.-ft. of torque. Tech includes a rear camera mirror, remote starting, smartphone-managed charging, navigation, and cabin pre-conditioning (warm or cool before entering). Connect iThings via 4G LTE Wi-Fi. Even better, it's built in Michigan. *Base price: \$37,495 (before \$7,500 federal tax credit).*

**Infiniti Q60 Coupe.** Like street sex, the third-generation Infiniti coupe is raw and elative. Edgy creases and crevices reflect Infiniti's expressive design language — especially fetching over 19-in. alloys and glistening with LED headlights. Slide inside to caress contrast-stitched dashboard and door covering. Bluetooth, RearView Monitor, Bose Performance Series Audio and sport seats lure you in. Step into the 2.0-liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine that delivers 208 horsepower or choose the 3.0-liter twin-turbo V6 that produces 300 horsepower in 3.0t Premium trim or a boisterous 400 horsepower in the Red Sport 400 edition. Select rear- or all-wheel-drive. Drive one and get busy. *Base price: \$38,950.*

**Honda Ridgeline.** Honda's crossover-based pickup goes from homely to handsome as designers rebuff origami styling for streamlined normalcy. The bed has its own audio system, power outlet, under-floor trunk with drain for iced beverages and a tailgate that swings and folds. Flip-up rear seat allow cross-loading cargo. A standard 280-horsepower V6 engine easily tows a couple of jet skis. Safety is enhanced by available Collision Mitigation

Braking, Lane Keep Assist, Adaptive Cruise Control and LaneWatch camera. Keep haulin'! *Base price: \$29,475.*

**Volvo S90.** China's Geely may own Volvo, but the automaker's latest sedan exhibits Swedish design ethos with simple, but elegant forms. Styling includes signature Thor's Hammer LED headlamps, concave grille from the classic P1800 and adaptive lighting that adjusts for oncoming traffic. Interiors indulge in swaths of soft leather, exuberantly grained planks of wood, and 9.3-in. tablet-like touchscreen. Powertrain choices include a supercharged and turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine that delivers 316 horsepower and 25-MPG highway or a "Twin Engine" plug-in hybrid delivering 410 horsepower. Being a Volvo, the S90 boasts safety tech like Adaptive Cruise Control, Pilot Assist semi-autonomous drive feature and an IIHS Top Pick+ rating. *Base price: \$46,950.*

**Nissan Sentra SR Turbo.** An engine doesn't make the car, but it gives it swagger. Take the Sentra for example. Nissan took the milk toast sedan, shoved the Juke's 1.6-liter turbocharged four-cylinder engine under the hood, stiffened the suspension, quickened the steering and sported out the exterior with 17-in. wheels. Fully stoked drivers enjoy 188 horses through either a 6-speed manual or Xtronic continuously-variable transmission. Safety tech includes a rear camera, blind spot warning and rear cross traffic alert. Crank the Bose audio, spread heated leather seats and zip out! *Base price: \$21,990 (for either transmission).*

**Toyota Prius Prime.** Toyota confronts Tesla with a plug-in Prius that can travel up to 25 miles on electricity, achieving 133-MPGe. On gasoline, the sleek batmobile achieves 55/53-MPG city/hwy. Ultra-low profile LED headlights and sleek body enable a 0.25 coefficient of drag. Enjoy driving more with an independent rear suspension and 1.8-liter Atkinson-cycle four-cylinder engine that contributes to a combined 121-horsepower hybrid system output. A head-up display, wireless phone charging and touchscreen challenge the auto from Silicon Valley. Safety is enhanced by pedestrian detection, departure warning, radar cruise control and crash mitigation systems. Bitch can even park herself! *Base price: \$27,100.*

**Lincoln Continental.** Continental returns with styling only a mother could love, but it certainly has presence. Bold exterior styling sports the brand's new grille and power opening/closing doors with e-latch handles hidden in window trim. Interior luxury rivals the classic era with rich leather, genuine wood or aluminum and stretch-out rear legroom, but greets today with Pedestrian Detection radar and adaptive cruise control that can creep the car through traffic. Passengers luxuriate in 30-way adjustable heated, cooled, and massaging seats. A twin-turbo 3.0-liter V6 delivers 400 horsepower to torque-vectoring AWD. Exquisite. *Base price: \$44,560.*





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# What a concept!

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Concept cars — which can cost well over a million dollars, if even available — have far more importance than just adding auto show flash as turntable eye candy. These expensive forecasters of the future serve the important purposes of communicating brand direction, showcasing advanced technology, and preparing drivers for upcoming models.

Sure, they sometimes have fanciful features like gullwing doors, glass dashboards, and ultra-expensive interior materials, but these concepts aren't a mere drag show; they'll directly influ-

ence autos you'll see on the road in the next few years. All are pretty cool!

**Lincoln Navigator Concept.** Inspired by yachts, and maybe the Mercedes Gullwing, Navigator Concept mashes Range Rover with Continental. The cabin features middle row loungers, Revel audio, light blue leather, teak trim and a built-in wardrobe. Head restraint monitors with Wi-Fi allow music sharing. The 400 horsepower 3.5-liter twin-turbo V6 gets it moving. Forget about the

gullwings and retracting stairs.

**Subaru XV Concept.** Subaru is preparing to move Impreza production to Indiana from Japan later this year. And, here's a preview of the 2018 Impreza-based Crosstrek that's proven incredibly popular for its affordable price and rugged off-road "mini-Out-

Acura proves its sex appeal with a sleek, cherry-red roadster that oozes next-generation style, above; Lincoln's gullwing SUV reclaims the 'family car' with Range Rover bravado.

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back” looks. Expect more of the same, but refined with chiseled bodylines, smoother flanks and simplified infotainment systems.

**Acura Precision Concept.** Created at Acura’s design studio in California, the Precision Concept defines the automaker’s next generation of style. Attributes include a wide stance, long hood, faceted surfaces, LED headlamps and diamond trapezoid grille. Interiors feature a floating control pod, independent flat screen instrument cluster and head-up display screen. Design cues began rolling out on the current MDX crossover.

**Buick Avista Concept.** On opening night of the Detroit auto show, Buick rolled out the Avista Concept — an elegant Camaro-sized coupe with fluid bodylines, boat tail roofline, 20-in. wheels, and the brand’s new chrome winged grille. Curved swipe-screen controls extend to the console. Providing pace to grace is a 400 horsepower twin-turbo V6. Look for the Avista’s essence in the 2017 LaCrosse sedan and Envision crossover.

**Lexus UX Concept.** Unveiled at the recent Paris Motor Show, this compact crossover entices young buyers upgrading and luxury buyers urban-sizing. A coupe driving position, frame-and-strand seats, visible inner skeleton and see-through A-pillars set the stage for camera “e-mirrors,” holographic gauges and electro-chromatic windows. Expect a tamed down version in Lexus’ near future.

**VW I.D. Electric Concept.** VW sees this car as the next step in a history that includes the original Porsche-engineered Beetle and Giugiaro-designed Golf. I.D. will become the first VW built off of its

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# Upscale add-ons

Accessories and after-market toys to turn your hooptie into a 'whoopie!'

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Is your once fly ride beginning to resemble one of the hoopties from *Pimp My Ride*? Perhaps your old Honda Civic or Subaru Impreza is looking a bit tired. Your friends are embarrassed to even stand near and it smells like your dog took a bath under the back seat. Don't ruin your mascara, gurl, because even a little cash can put a sparkle on it.

**Slob that knob.** As much works of art as mere shifter grips, MOMO Italian shift knobs are a pleasure hold and behold. Chrome, carbon fiber and leather conspire for designs that look great in sports cars, muscle cars or even to dress up that manual-shift econobox. If a shift knob makes a car, then you will be driving a Bentley ... even if you paid for a Hyundai. *Most styles available for under \$100 from MomoUsa.com.*

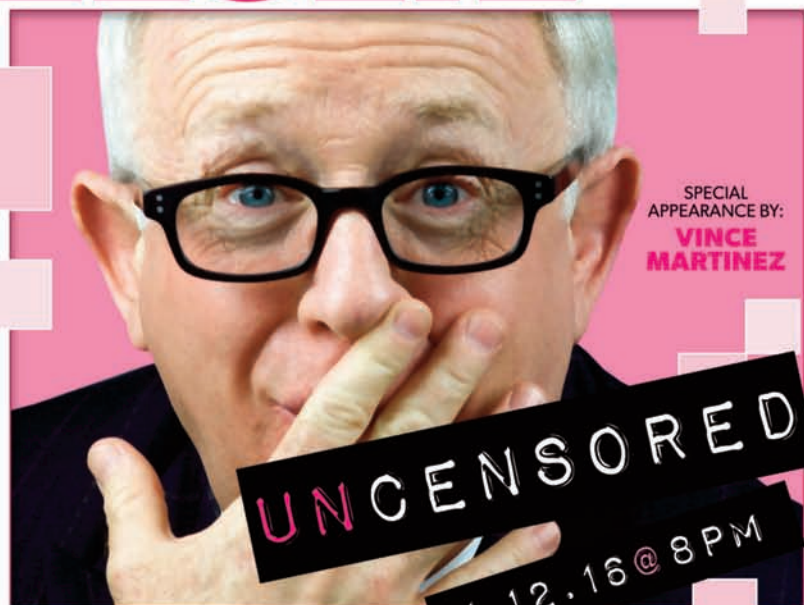
**Hot wheels.** Nothing puts polish on a car faster than a new set of fashionable shoes — or a set of stylish wheels ... and you won't have to get a second job to pay for them. As an example, 15-in. wheels for a 2010 Honda Civic cost around \$85 each at Discount Tire — under \$350 for a set of four. Tires, of course, are extra, but size correctly, and you can keep the old tires. Upsize for a few hundred more to achieve that slammed



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**Mercedes-Benz Generation EQ.** This is the future of Mercedes-Benz. EQ is a futuristic crossover, but sets the stage for a generation of electric cars that connect via apps and Wi-Fi, offer autonomous driving and parking, can participate in shared ride services and replenish batteries via wireless charging. A glass cockpit brings infotainment to passengers. Driving range tops 300 miles. By 2025, Mercedes expects to offer ten all-electric vehicles.

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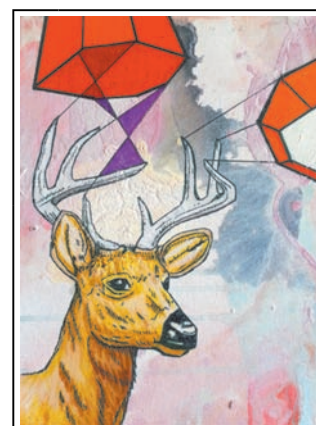
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Luxury in a roomy idiom: Lincoln's MKX (and check out the new Bentley Bentayga!)

CASEY WILLIAMS | Auto Reviewer

Take a second and think about what Lincoln means to you. If big fluffy Town Cars or sleek Continentals come to mind, you're probably a little behind the times. Lincoln sells the MKS and MKS sedans, but earns its luxury credentials with crossovers. In a segment dominated by Japanese and German automakers, the Lincoln MKX makes a statement for Ford's luxury brand. Is that enough?

Lincoln designers took a soft approach with styling, integrating evolving cues from the rest of the model range. Up front, the bow wake grille — cribbed from the '40 Continental — connects it to the brand. LED lighting elements give the car a signature greeting. Broad flanks over 20-in. wheels are broken with deep cut tailoring in the fenders and lower doors. The formal chrome-ringed windowline and upkick in the rear shoulder recall '60s and '70s Continentals while wide taillamps leave us knowing were passed by a Lincoln.

Open the doors and smell the soft leather waft through your nostrils. Aluminum finishes on the console and stitched dash coverings also feel upscale. But, that's just the welcome for a roomy five-seat cabin loaded with heated/cooled front seats, heated rear seats, and a heated steering wheel. Peel back the twin-pane panoramic sunroof to let in the outside. Power-fold rear seats

and a power hatch swallow bicycles, strollers and your IKEA haul.

And it's loaded with technology. Push button gear selector and starting are but a start. Bluetooth calling and audio stream-

ing are givens, but the MKX shows off with rain-sensing wipers, semi-autonomous parking system, around-view monitor and navigation. Safety is further fortified with adaptive cruise control, forward collision alert with auto brake, lane keep assist, blind zone warning and rear cross path detection. Inflatable rear safety belts better spread the load across one's chest to prevent injuries during a crash. Forget all that unpleasantness and crank the Revel audio system

**'16 MKX**

**Lincoln.** 335 horsepower, 2.7 liter turbo V6. 17/24 MPG city/hwy. As-tested price: \$57,710.



The Lincoln crossover competes in performance and design with the big boys from German and Japan.



that will thump your ears and all of your sides.

You could choose an MKX with a normally aspirated (non-turbo) 3.7-liter V6, but the smaller 2.7-liter EcoBoost (turbocharged) V6 is a better choice for power and fuel economy. The turbo engine delivers 335 horsepower and 380 lb.-ft. of torque — 32 hp and 102 lb.-ft. more than the 3.7-liter engine. The horsepower helps shove the all-wheel-drive wagon down the road, but the smooth torque eases it around town and across wide expanses of highway with quiet gusto. Fuel economy is rated 17/24-MPG city/hwy. — OK, but not stellar.

Continuous suspension damping and variable effort steering help transform what's essentially a Ford Fusion wagon into a credible luxury car. The 20-in. wheels challenge the suspension to keep harsh knocks out of the cabin on rough roads, but underway, the system adeptly absorbed expansion joints and broken pavement. The ride provides a good balance of comfort and handling, but I'd skip weekend track days.

So what statement does the MKX make — a vehicle that helps define Lincoln or just a fancy Ford? The design won't make you scream in high-pitched screeches, but the MKX is handsome and visually fits within the Lincoln family. The interior is beautiful, and smells heavenly, even if there is a lot of plastic. It comes with a full suite of technology and plenty of power. That, and a base price of \$38,260 — \$57,710 as-tested — elevates the MKX above Ford and keeps it competitive with luxury leaders like the Lexus RX, Acura MDX and Cadillac XT5.

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The handling is more racecar than soccer-mom people-mover; we easily got up to well over 100 mph on the straightaway, and the me-



chanics swiftly adjusted to minimize wind resistance and stabilize the ride — you'd swear you were with an old lady driving to church, except the Porsches in the next lane disappear into your side-mirror immediately.

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# Brokeblack mountain

North Texas native Trevante Rhodes on the making of 'Moonlight,' the most acclaimed modern gay romance since 'Brokeback Mountain'

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Not to sound overconfident, but as soon as Trevante Rhodes was cast in the indie film *Moonlight*, he knew he was making a hit.

Not that he could predict the box-office receipts — who could? — but a hit in the sense of an instant classic, a cinematic winner ... oh, hell, just call it what it is: A great film.

"As [arrogant] as it may sound, when I read it for the first time, I knew [it would work] because it's so personal," says Rhodes. "From Page 7, I knew this was something I had to do. I thought, I have to tell this story! I'm a romantic, and it's an epic love story, man!"

And a love story in many unexpected ways: Between African-American men living troubled lives in the inner city of Miami.

*Moonlight* — adapted by writer-director Barry Jenkins, from a semi-autobiographical story by

MacArthur "Genius" Grant laureate Tarell Mc-Craney — is told in three chapters, all centered around the same kid. In the first chapter, Chiron (now called "Little") is about 8 (played by Alex Hibbert), and comes under the protection of a local drug kingpin named Juan (Mahershala Ali), who shelters him from his drug-addled mother Paula (Naomie Harris). Chapter 2 meets Chiron (Ashton Sanders) about 10 years later, as a moody high school kid grappling with issues of sexuality. By the third chapter, Chiron is known by the street name Black (Rhodes), a badass drug dealer, finally hoping to find a way toward self-acceptance. Throughout, it's Chiron's friend Kevin who anchors him... and stokes his sexual longing.

The challenge facing Rhodes — a native of Little Elm who admits to falling into acting "by happenstance at the end of college" — was "summarizing" Chiron's journey at the end ... and doing so with little guidance from the first two chapters.

"We shot in sequence, but Barry was really adamant that Andre Holland [who plays the adult Kevin] and I not watch the [footage of the earlier chapters]," he says. "We wanted to look for similarities in what they were doing, but Barry really wanted us to focus how we *changed* so drastically. I think that was liberating for me as an actor" to do that.

He had to fill in a lot of blanks about what happened to Chiron in the intervening years between his chapters, but he plays it close to the vest ("I won't go







Trevante Rhodes, above, plays the oldest version of Chiron, who struggles with his feelings for his best friend Kevin, played by Andre Holland, opposite, in 'Moonlight.' (Arnold Wayne Jones/Dallas Voice)

too deep because it's like a magician telling you his secrets," he says), but "In my mind, he spent some years in jail and after that he developed this life and adapted to what the world's mold of him should be."

That is a large part of the message of Moonlight — should you conform to expectations society has of you, or break free? Rhodes says embodying Chiron's inner conflict was something he related to — but for different reasons than the character he played.

"We all have identity issues and we all struggle with insecurity and with trying to find out who we are and what love is," Rhodes says. "Yes, it's a very specific story about gayness and blackness, but it's about humanity — a human life. And we use these very specific topics as a conduit for a universal story. I dealt with issues not so much in regard to sexuality or my relationship with my mother, but I was bullied some and that

spoke to me. But the differences were really enticing to me [as an actor]. Back in middle school and high school, I felt that being a hyper-masculine, physical being was my way of projecting success out into the world. I thought if I had this physicality about me, as well as being able to articulate myself appropriately, [others would think], 'Hey, that guy has it all figured out.'"

Rhodes didn't, of course. And that's where he found the core of his character.

"Chiron is someone trying to find out who he is, and has to fortify himself to project what masculinity was to him," he says. "I look at love on a scale of 1 to 10, and most settle for 6 or 7. But Chiron found his 10 when he was like 8 years old! [He needs to realize], I can be tough and gay and happy with the guy I love. I need to live my truest life or at least attempt to experience it."

Moonlight opens today in North Texas. For a review, see Page 41.

  
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## Bruce Wood Dance Project returns for Season 'Six'

More than two years after his sudden passing, choreographer Bruce Wood's vision for the magic of dance continues to flourish. His company, the Bruce Wood Dance Project, returns for its sixth season opener, featuring three works: A restaging of one of Bruce's enduring pieces, *No Sea to Sail In*, and two world premieres: *Klezmer Rodeo* by guest choreographer Katarzyna Sharpetowka, and BWDP artistic director Kimi Nikaidoh's *Bloom*, a multi-media work developed in conjunction with Aurora co-founder Shane Pennington (pictured). Dallas Voice Executive Editor Arnold Wayne Jones will lead post-performance discussions both nights.

**DEETS:** City Performance Hall, 2520 Flora St. [BruceWoodDance.org](http://BruceWoodDance.org).

## 'Angels in America' finally returns to the Kalita Humphreys Theater

Back in the mid-1990s, the Dallas Theater Center mounted the most acclaimed play of the decade: Tony Kushner's Tony and Pulitzer-winning AIDS drama *Angels in America*. At the time, a lot of subscribers didn't cotton to the frank, conservative-bashing treatment of the Reagan Era treatment of the HIV crisis. It's been 20 years now since the stage of the Kalita Humphreys Theater has seen Prior Walter, Belize, Roy Cohn and company hash out the grim but also hopeful realities of life in the 1980s. Now, Uptown Players brings it back as their season opener — the first part of the two-parter, *Millennium Approaches*. (Look for *Perestroika* next season). Cheryl Denson directs.

**DEETS:** Kalita Humphreys Theater, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. [UptownPlayers.org](http://UptownPlayers.org).

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## calendar highlights



Halloween is over, which can only mean one thing: It is now officially Christmas season. You can get into the spirit early with the DIFFA wreath auction, where designers and celebrities marshal their most creative works to create stunning ornamentation, for charity. It takes place at FIG on Thursday.

## ARTSWEEK THEATER

### **Angels in America, Part I: Millennium Approaches.**

Tony Kushner's Pulitzer- and Tony-winning play about the AIDS crisis in the 1980s, as filtered through perspectives of a closeted Mormon and a malicious powerbroker, the all-too-real Roy Cohn. Directed by Cheryl Denson. Presented by Uptown Players. Kalita Humphreys Theater, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. Nov. 4–20. [UptownPlayers.com](http://UptownPlayers.com).

**Ann.** Emmy winning actress Holland Taylor (*The Practice, Two and a Half Men*) wrote this solo show about famed Texas Gov. Ann Richards, for the first time played by an actress other than Taylor herself, Dallas' Linda Leonard. *Final weekend.* Stage West, 281 W. Vickery Blvd., Fort Worth. [StageWest.org](http://StageWest.org).

**Chicago.** MainStage Irving-Las Colinas opens its season with this sassy musical, directed by B.J. Cleveland, music direction by Mark Mullino. Irving Arts Center, 3333 N. MacArthur Blvd. Nov. 4–19. [IrvingArtsCenter.com](http://IrvingArtsCenter.com).

**Dreaming Electric,** a world premiere play by local playwright Kevin Grammer about the revolutionary but troubled inventor Nikola Tesla. Ochre House Theater, 825 Exposition Ave. Through Nov. 19. [OchreHouseTheater.org](http://OchreHouseTheater.org).

**Million Dollar Quartet.** Elvis, Jerry Lee, Carl Perkins and Johnny Cash all gathered one day in 1956 at Sun Records, before any were legends. This musical

imagines what it must have been like. Casa Manana, 3101 W. Lancaster Ave., Fort Worth. Nov. 5–13. [CasaManana.org](http://CasaManana.org).

**Slave Letters.** Return of a play comprised of actual stories of slave life, as recounted in correspondence. *Final weekend.* Studio Theatre of the Addison Theatre Centre, 15650 Addison Road. [MBSProductions.net](http://MBSProductions.net).

## OPERA

**Eugene Onegin.** Tchaikovsky's tragic romance, about a selfish soldier and the woman who adores him. Opens Dallas Opera's 60th season. (Performed in repertory with *Moby-Dick*.) Winspear Opera House, 2403 Flora St. Nov. 5 at 7:30 p.m. [DallasOpera.org](http://DallasOpera.org).

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**Moby-Dick.** Composer Jake Heggie and librettist Gene Scheer devised this take on Melville's classic novel, which was commissioned by the Dallas Opera for the opening season at the Winspear Opera House and returns for the first time. (Performed in repertory with *Eugene Onegin*.) Winspear Opera House, 2403 Flora St. Nov. 4-20. DallasOpera.org.

#### DANCE

**Dallas Black Dance Theatre: Director's Choice.** Two world premieres from the storied company. Wyly Theatre, 2400 Flora St. Nov. 4-6. ATTPAC.org. DBDT.com.

#### EXHIBITION

**Birds of Paradise.** Developed by the national Geographic, this exhibition explores 39 rare birds found in the area of New Guinea. Perot Museum of Nature and Science, 2201 N. Field St. Through Jan. 8, 2017. PerotMuseum.org.

### SATURDAY 11.05

#### COMMUNITY

**The Sands: A Retro Nightclub Experience.** The AIDS Interfaith Network presents this fundraiser, a party with live music, open bar and more, set to the mood and style of the Rat Pack. 2616 Commerce St. Events Center in Deep Ellum. 9 p.m.-midnight. \$75. AINDallas.org.

#### CONCERTS

**Bob Gould.** The out frontman for Husker Du performs. Trees, 2709 Elm St. 7 p.m. doors, 8 p.m. show. \$25. TreesDallas.com.

### SUNDAY 11.06

#### WORSHIP

**Dignity (LGBT Catholics).** Worship the first Sunday of each month, led by ministers Cliff and Jon Garinn. Interfaith Peace Chapel (lower level), 5910 Cedar Springs Road. 6 p.m.

### TUESDAY 11.08 — ELECTION DAY

### THURSDAY 11.10

#### COMMUNITY

**DIFFA Dallas Wreath Collection 2016.** Auction of more than 80 one-of-a-kind wreaths from designers around the world. Proceeds benefit DIFFA Dallas. Fashion Industry Gallery, 1807 Ross Ave. 7-10 p.m. \$50. DIFFADallas.org.

**Black Tie Dinner Wrap Party and Beneficiary Distribution.** Kudos and checks will be handed out. The Fairmont Hotel, 17127 N. Akard St. 6-8 p.m. BlackTie.org.

### FRIDAY 11.11

#### DANCE

**Bruce Wood Dance Project: Six.** The sixth season of the acclaimed dance company includes two world premieres (*Klezmer Rodeo* and *Bloom*), as well as Wood's *No Sea to Sail In*. City Performance Hall, 2520 Flora St. Nov. 11-12. BruceWoodDance.org.

#### Screen review: 'Moonlight'

In Greek mythology, Chiron was a centaur — half man, half horse. He was both wild and artistic, a hunter and a healer: Two identities within a single body.

That description begins to explain the character named Chiron in *Moonlight*, easily one of the best films of 2016 and the most poignant love story since *Brokeback Mountain*. We first meet Chiron (Alex Hibbert) as a sensitive 8-year-old, maneuvering the mean streets of Miami — trying to avoid bullies as well as his cracked-out mom (Naomie Harris, who's amazing). The local drug kingpin, Juan (Mahershala Ali), takes notice of Chiron, and, with his girlfriend Teresa (Janelle Monae, who's revelatory) becomes a surrogate father, even as Chiron wonders whether, as the other kids say, he may be "a faggot." He's not, Juan insists — he might be gay, but that's not the same. He has strength.

The remainder of *Moonlight* — divided into two more chapters, with Chiron as a teenager (Ashton Sanders, pictured) and a young man (Trevante Rhodes) — is about Chiron coming to terms with those competing identities. Can he be a strong black man *and* in love with his best friend?

It would be nice to say that *Moonlight* plays out predictably along that course, but the truth is anything but. Writer-director Barry Jenkins fashions a surprising and sensitive and profound journey for this character and those in his orbit. Like Chiron, it's tough and dense, but in search of the tender essence inside.

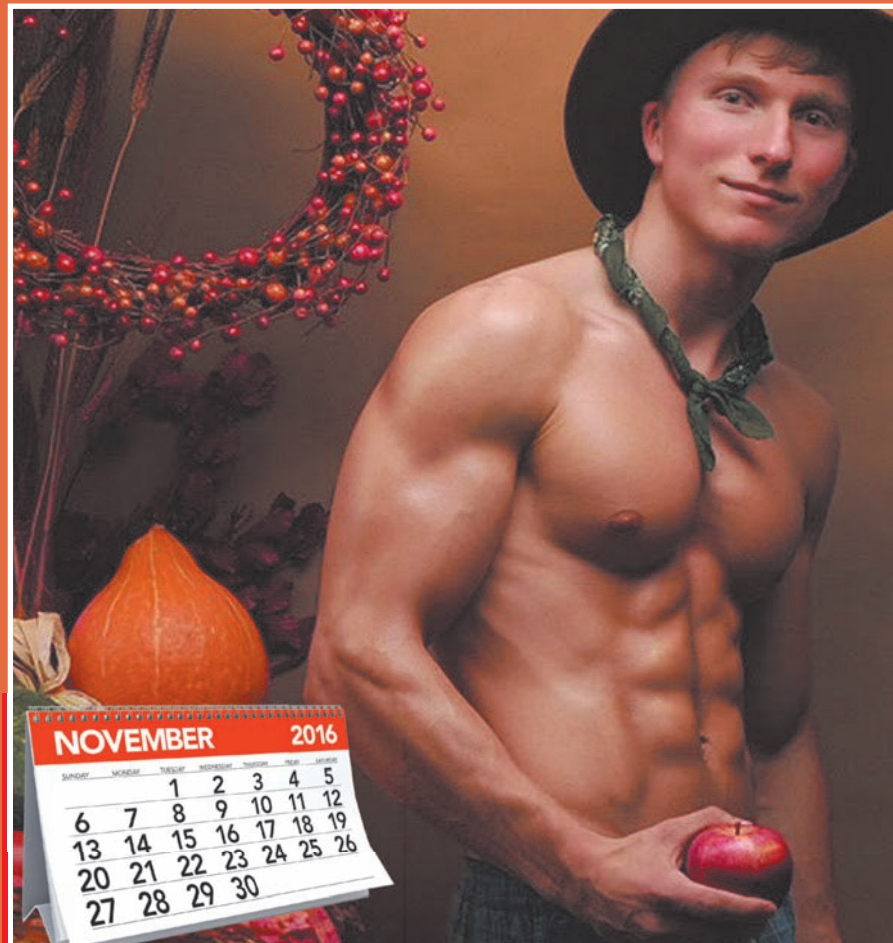
The performances are uniformly intense and heartbreaking. This is a film that dares to challenge its audience to dispel expectations and discover humanity in unlikely places. It's as if *Boyz n the Hood* were recast with Ennis Del Mar and Jack Twist. *Moonlight* is the unmissable film of the fall.

— Arnold Wayne Jones

Five stars. Now playing in wide release. Read our interview with Trevante Rhodes on Page 37.



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# Girl on Girls

Jenny Block answers: How do you grow as a person yet stay a couple?

Sometimes I get an e-mail that really hits me hard. This was one of those emails. It was from a woman who feels as if her relationship is slipping away from her. It began when she and her girlfriend moved in together. She is more communicative than her girlfriend, she told me, and so talking about how she is feeling isn't helping much. Her girlfriend is no longer interested in sex and blames it on stress or adjusting to the move.

Her question to me was a huge one: How do I get our relationship back on track and keep her from slipping away all together?

I'll be honest. Her question terrified me. It's a huge query and a problem that's all too common. Why do partners slip away, particularly when a big step takes place like moving in together, getting married, even having a baby?

People grow and change. Major life events can put that process into overtime, especially with couples. Growth and change *will* happen. The question is: Will the couple grow together or apart?

If you sense that your partner is beginning to slip away, don't ignore it. The one thing I know for sure is that ignoring the issue will most certainly make it worse.

Start simply: Ask your partner how she's feeling. Now, don't do this while you're both racing to get to

work or after a long day when the dishwasher is finally emptied and you have crawled into bed with your eyes barely half-open. Don't do it during or after a fight. Don't do it with any expectations. Just open the door to allow her to share where she is in her head.

If she tells you it's not you, it's just "stress," ask her how you can help to alleviate that stress and make a real plan to work together to alleviate the pressure she is under. If she tells you it's not you, it's just all the "changes," ask her to define what that really means. Maybe she misses a certain amount of quiet time or cooking alone or dancing in her underwear to ABBA while folding the laundry. Let her know that she doesn't have to give up herself in order to be with you.

Sometimes we are frightened to tell our partners just what it is that we need because we are afraid of losing them. But not telling them is precisely how we will lose them if we can't learn how to evolve both on our own and as a couple without ending up completely unrecognizable from our former selves. Change is never easy. It is bound to be bumpy. But there is no reason it has to be misery or a deal-breaker.

Your partner needs to know that it's OK to talk to tell you the truth, that it's OK to keep all of those secret and silly and wonderful parts of herself, that there is nothing she can tell you that aren't willing to hear because you love her.

My fiancé and I have certainly had our bumps. I don't like football; she hates to miss a Texans game. I prefer Bieber; she's more of a Bublé girl. I don't always have the urge to hit the dance floor; she hates to waste any tune that fills her ears. But we love one another. A lot. And so when we hit a bump, we take that bump head-on instead of quietly sidestepping it



in hopes of never meeting it again, because — believe me — whatever the bump, if we don't address

it, it is sure to come up again.

We haven't completely moved in together, but we do stay together every other week. So we are learning each other. I am not a morning person, while she is Mary Poppins with the break of day. I cannot stand the thought of food before 11 a.m. while she needs fuel before jumping into the day. I am always freezing; she doesn't even know that you can set the A/C thermostat over 71. But instead of being irritated with one another, we adjust. OK. We do get irritated with one another. But *then* we adjust. There's no dissimilarity or change that's worth losing each other over.

Now when it comes to sex, problems in the bedroom are more often a symptom rather than a disease. There is no right number of times to have sex a week or ways to have it and every couple's sex life will go through different phases. But if things are suddenly vastly different and both partners are not happy with the new state of affairs, then it's time talk. Again, it's possible that she really is just under a lot of stress or feeling displaced after a move or other life change.

But it's also possible that there is something else at play and she is simply too afraid of your reaction to bring it up. I've said it before and I will say it again: Nothing is more important than creating a safe space for any and every conversation. That, and that alone, is the key to any successful relationship from family to work to romantic to sexual. You have to talk and you have to be authentic and you have to say what your heart wants to say. As partners we must hold that space for one another.

If you feel you are growing apart, take a deep breath, ask the hard questions, and give the real answers. There's no point in putting off the inevitable. Relationships that are destined to survive will grow stronger when you do and for those that can't take the heat, well, there's no reason to staying in the kitchen any longer.

Block is the author of the *The Ultimate Guide to Solo Sex* by Jenny Block, foreword by Betty Dodson.

Have a question about sex you want Jenny to address? Email it to [GirlOnGirlsJenny@gmail.com](mailto:GirlOnGirlsJenny@gmail.com).





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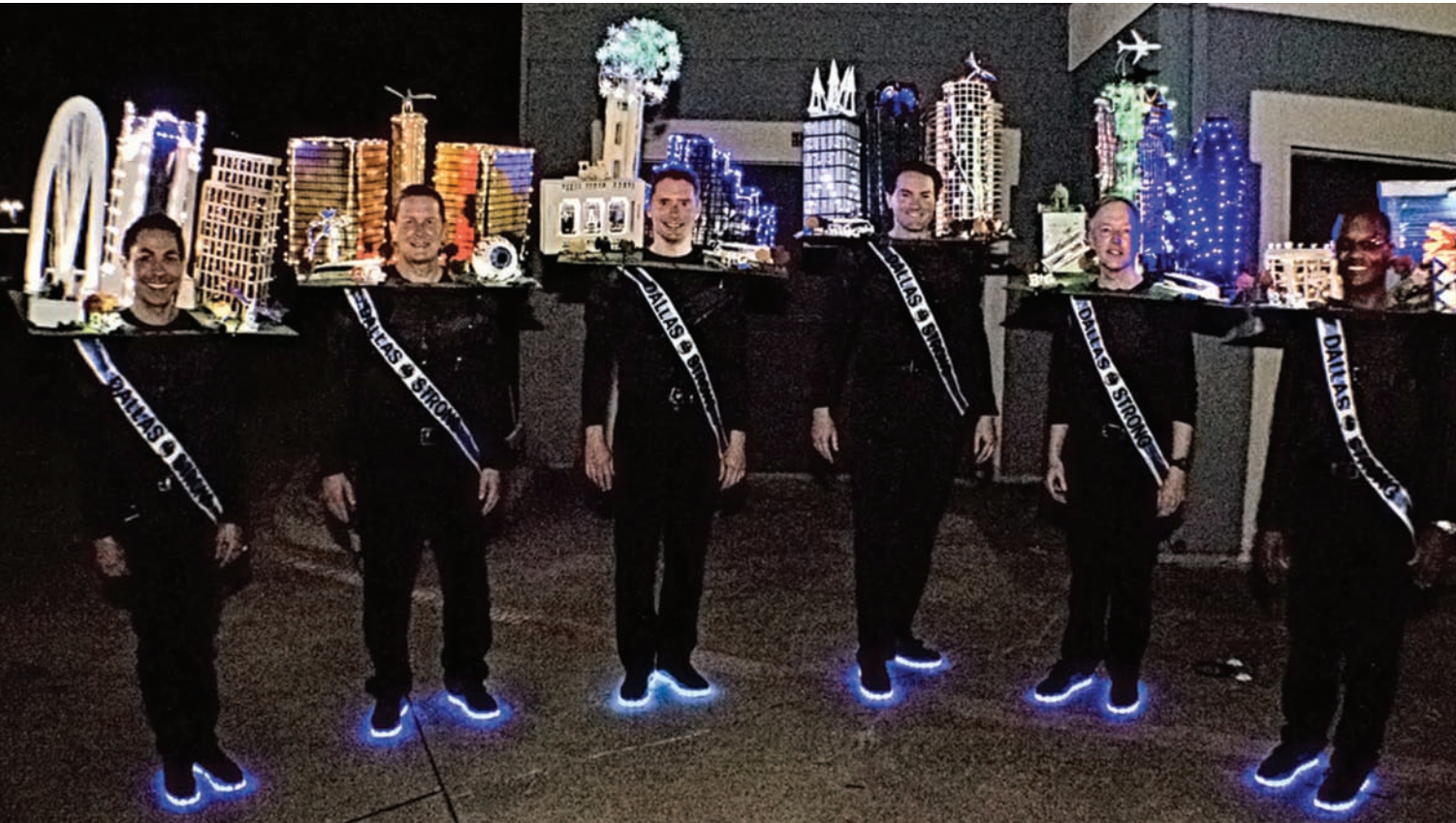




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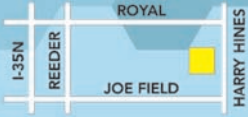


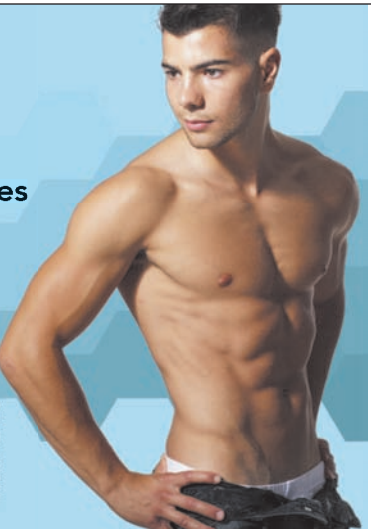
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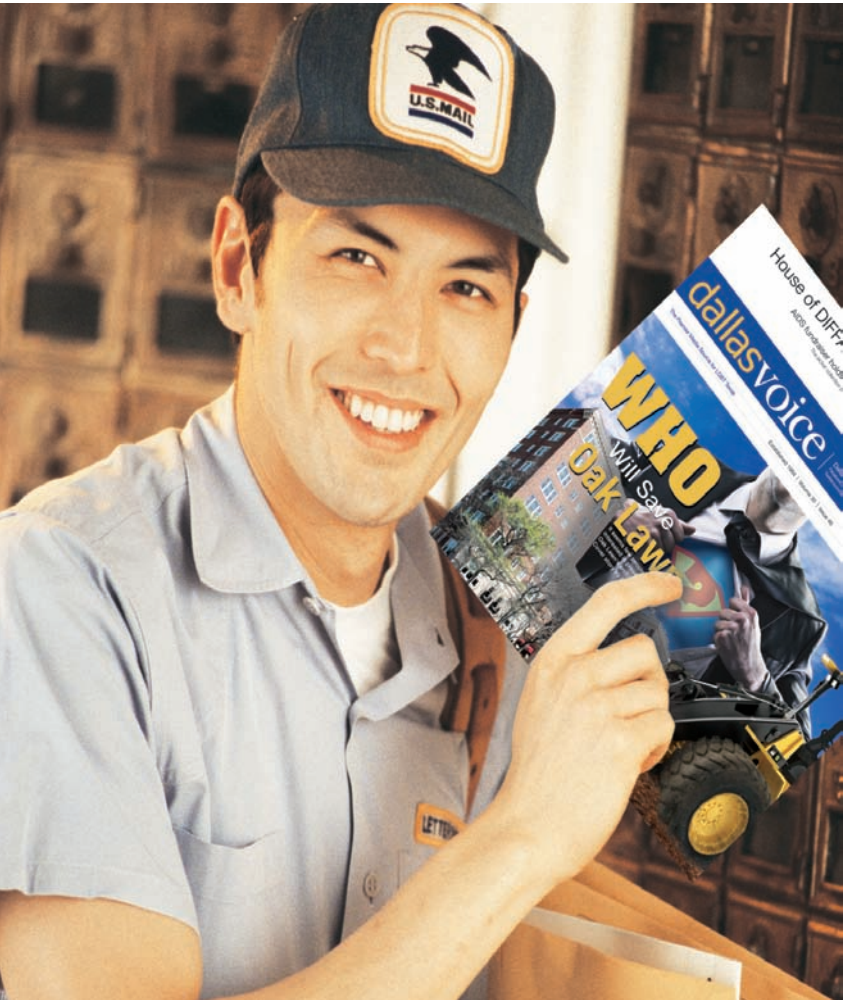
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## CoverGirl Boy

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### Across

- 1 Olivier of *Marathon Man*  
9 Pose for a Mapplethorpe photo, e.g.  
16 Variety store  
17 Prop for "I have a headache, honey..."  
18 Start of a comment on representing CoverGirl as a gay male, per James Charles  
20 Canadian oil company  
21 State, to Renee Vivien  
22 Word on either bride's towel  
25 Musical based on a John Waters' film  
30 *A Chorus Line* song  
31 Muslim faith  
34 Troy Perry and others  
35 Dastardly deeds  
37 Dakar's nation  
40 More of the comment  
42 Removes (oneself)  
43 Cause of shrinkage for skinny-dippers  
45 Guilty or not guilty, to Perry Mason  
46 Drags along  
47 Early man's opening  
48 AIDS awareness symbol  
52 Pt. of DOS  
53 Shakespeare's "anon" updated

- 54 *Casablanca* role for Ingrid  
57 End of the comment  
65 Kane, for Orson Welles  
66 Pious ejaculation  
67 Advocate  
68 Filling a crack

### Down

- 1 Non-Judy garland  
2 Six in., e.g.  
3 AP rival  
4 Pink shades  
5 Sea eagles  
6 Crabs residue  
7 Stephen King's killer canine  
8 Meat source Down Under  
9 Evita portrayer on stage  
10 Dorian Gray creator Wilde  
11 Dice markings  
12 Curry of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*  
13 Psychic Geller  
14 \_\_\_ Tin Tin  
15 E. John's tongue  
19 Line of clothing  
22 The, to Socrates  
23 Lend dignity to  
24 Passed up  
25 Diced meat  
26 Pink Triangle \_\_\_  
27 Luxury hotel of San Francisco

- 28 Internet images  
29 Big initials in fashion  
31 "It's showtime!"  
32 Direction for Rick Rodgers  
33 Mauresmo's do-overs  
36 Dangerous emission for Tin Man  
37 James VI, e.g.  
38 Gallic "she"  
39 Moves the head  
41 Subj. for John Nash  
42 Mo. after March  
44 Honey holder  
46 Collette of *The Hours*  
49 Mazda competitor  
50 Makes holes  
51 It was good for Stein in Paris  
52 "Sorry to say ..."  
54 Queer spelling of an Alaskan dome  
55 Gay tune  
56 Leave in the text  
57 Rudy Galindo's milieu  
58 They come between la's do's  
59 Gas additive  
60 Science course, for short  
61 Break for Heather's mommies  
62 Aye, in Versailles  
63 Come out on top  
64 Will to Grace, or Grace to Will





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