

THE

BARFLY



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Welcome to the final **Barfly** installment of 2009. As I mentioned in last week's column, our two-week holiday issue will hit the streets next Wednesday, but instead of the usual editorial, it will be chock full of hot Steppin' Out models. I am sure you will dearly miss our writers' musings... but not for long! lol With the cold weather that now has us in its grip, I think it's very appropriate to end off the year with a "hot" theme.

So, speaking of things that are hot... over in Wharton, N.J., I got the recipe for the signature margaritas found at **Hot Rod's BBQ**. These guys go through so much of the stuff that they make the drink by the gallon! Ingredients include fresh squeezed lime juice, tequila blanco, triple sec, sour mix and a secret ingredient. (Don't even think of asking them what it is cause I could not get it out of them, and I usually have success at such things! lol) The joke around Wharton is that quite a few pregnancies have been attributed to Hot Rod's Margaritas. Those in the know try to limit themselves to having just two as a result. True story :) Hot Rod's own **Alex** is seen here long-pouring the tasty cocktail into one of their pint glasses. **Julia Sauder** of **Runaway Girl Photography** took these shots, and I can vouch for the margaritas in terms of taste; they are absolutely **DELICIOUS!!!** I actually had three, but my wife, **Beth**, was driving and I've already had a vasectomy so I was OK on both fronts! :) To learn more about Hot Rods BBQ, surf to [www.](http://www.hotrodsbbq.com)



On your mark... get set... enjoy!

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And continuing with the year-ending "hot" theme... I will put 2009 in the rearview mirror with a shot of myself doing something I rarely ever do—cook. Two reasons for the inclusion of this picture here is that 1) I've found yet another use for **Hades Persephone's Fire** hot sauce—as an additional ingredient to your Bloody Mary and 2) You can try **Persephone's Fire** at Hot Rods. If you want that little extra kick to your favorite B.M. recipe, just sprinkle a few precious drops of Persephone's Fire into that drink. To purchase the hot sauce, you can go to: frommildtowild.com.

If you buy some, drop me a line here at **Steppin' Out**, and I'll mail you out a few books of limited edition Hades hot sauce matches. However, to prove you have bought the sauce and are not just yanking my chain, you'll have to e-mail me a picture of yourself with the bottle. Not that I don't trust ya or anything! LOL Send it to: atecchio@yahoo.com.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year. Lord knows after the economic chaos of this past year, we deserve it!

Cheers!



Alex pours the good stuff at Hot Rods!



That's bloody hot mate!