



INSOMNIA AND MARGARITA STATION

In our weekly "Bar Hopping" tour of the bars on Field Avenue in Angeles City in the Philippines we have come to Insomnia and Margarita Station after last week's story about Camelot. Angeles has become a favorite destination for alternative fun and entertainment for many Pattaya farang residents.

Insomnia (formerly Voodoo): Owner is the Insomnia Group Corp. There is a 'marketing alliance' between them and Roadhouse and Confetti's, but other than having each other's beer mats in all the bars it is hard to see what the alliance is bringing. "Just been to Insomnia today, filled up with Filipino men. Asked a girl if her boyfriend was there and she said yes to Jung who is the daytime manager. I don't like hanging around Filipino guys with their

girlfriend working the customers. Get a grip of your business or lose us. I'm staying here for two weeks at Kokomo 's so I don't hide away. I'm just being honest." - "I spent a few hours very late in the morning at Insomnia, boy has it changed since the last time I was there, girls were a blast and a lot of fun and full of energy for 4 in the morning. Manager Dennis has the place going great guns and plenty of girls to choose from, had no cherry or men's problems it was hard to knock back the girls who all keen to bar fine, wife not real keen on me bringing someone home! In general it was a lot of fun and well worth a look and a few beers, the rest will take care of itself."

Margarita Station (formerly Margaritaville): 940 Field Ave. This is not a go-go



bar, but a bar/restaurant hangout. It does a brisk business and is popular with many locals. Each and every day the place is packed with people. Maybe it's their clientele that draws in a crowd or their good food or their margaritas or the women? Having ended up there on countless nights after hours,

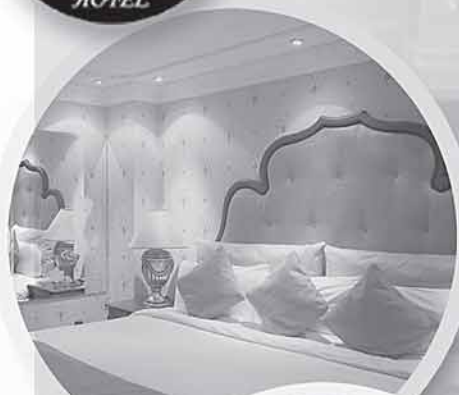
(they used to be the only place open after hours for food), I have had occasion to sample their menu. It's very extensive. You'll probably find something you like. It isn't as lively after hours as years ago. It's affected by things like Pick Up disco, but mostly by cellular phones and the internet. Girls that have

regular money coming in don't need to pick up a 3 am drunk to pay the rent. "Margaritaville: (sorry, just cannot use the other name) Still the #1 the place in town happening 24/7. Service a number one. Great place to hit late if you are still out in the wee AM hours. My favorite here is the Chicken Fried Steak, also any kind of breakfast really good, also prices look the same as they have for quite a few years. Also Filipino and Thai dishes." - "The best Thai food in town." - "Let me tell you, at 6 AM, the only girls hanging around MS are either the waitresses (who aren't available) or a complete bunch of dogs." *Dark Knight*. "Whilst munching down some Thai food who should present himself none other than the infamous Noi Noi of the now defunct Cozy Cleopatra. Noi Noi is the

shift manager for the mid-shift (equal in status and pay to the foreign managers on the other shifts) and if you ever thought you could handle your shooters try your skill with Noi Noi sometime." - "I chose the meatball sandwich and was not disappointed. Nice big soft roll, lotz of meatballs and a tasty sauce. All complimented by the very cute and friendly waitress serving us." - "The place is a restaurant."

The action you want is in one of those brightly lit bar places where they have scantily clad women dancing on stages. Walk down Field a few metres and you can't miss 'em. They have girls at the door to direct you if you get lost. Just ask where you can get boom-boom, they all understand that. Margarita has great food and that's what the place is for."

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