

Hot tub provides barrel of fun

The water barrel on the back porch can't compare. Neither can scrunching friends into a bath tub filled with tepid water.

The hot tub experience can't be approximated. But for cash, it can be had in Lincoln. Myron Malone, a native of Palmyra, packed up his hot tub rental store in Dillon Colo., and brought it here. For \$7 per adult per hour on weekends, you can fit as many as 10 adults into one of The Tubbery's hot tubs for one hour.

Malone said he brought the store to Lincoln because there was no such place here, and because it might prove lucrative once The Tubbery became

temperatures than chlorine, and the fiberglass tubs are simple to sanitize. Malone said the tubs are emptied and refilled daily.

Malone said he wanted to keep The Tubbery from becoming "a den of iniquity" so people under age 18 are not allowed to use the hot tubs unless they are with a family or organization, such as a church group.

His greatest fear about allowing minors in, he said, is that an older male might have sex with a young woman illegally.

"That would go on if we allowed it to," he said. Customers aren't supposed to bring alcohol into The Tubbery, either, he added.

Customers sometimes come to The Tubbery after a night of drinking, he said. If the person is obviously intoxicated, he or she will not be allowed in. He said if a person fell or got hurt in any way, a lawsuit might result.

The Tubbery is open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday. It is open 11 a.m. to midnight on Fridays and Saturdays and 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Sundays.

For an hour of relaxation, both of mind and body, The Tubbery can't be beat.

Weekend...

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Plaza 4, 12th and P streets — *Gorky Park*, 1:30*, 4:15*, 7 and 9:40 p.m.; *Fanny and Alexander*, 5:15 and 8:45 p.m.; *The Smurfs and the Magic Flute*, 12:45*, 2:15* and 3:45; *Sudden Impact*, 1*, 3:15*, 5:30, 7:45 and 10 p.m.; *Two of a Kind*, 1:15*, 3:15*, 5:15, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Sheldon Film Theatre, 12th and R streets — *Liquid Sky*, 3*, 7 and 9 p.m.

State, 1415 O St. — *Scarface*, 8 p.m.

Stuart, 13th and P streets, *Terms of Endearment*, 1:30, 4, 7:15 and 9:40 p.m.

THEATER

Lincoln Community Playhouse, 2500 S. 56th St. — *Terra Nova*, Friday through Saturday, 8 p.m.

Spigot Lounge, 1624 O St. — *Battery*, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m.

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Chris Welsch

known around town. He said business at The Tubbery has been getting better week by week since opening last October.

The Tubbery, lower level of Haymarket Square, 818 P St., offers four private rooms, each complete with tub, shower, towels and your choice of radio station. Four tubs are available: one 10-man tub, one eight-man tub, and two five-man tubs.

A group of six ardent Daily Nebraskan researchers took to the tubs last Friday. The reaction was entirely positive.

We were led to a private room. A hot tub filled with clear, 103-degree water and surrounded by redwood flooring sat waiting on a raised platform. The group chose a favored radio station, disrobed and enjoyed an hour's worth of hot swirling water and cool conversation.

Although \$7 each seemed expensive, the privacy and luxury of the room made it worthwhile.

Malone and his partner, Paul Becker, now offer a reduced rate for groups Sunday through Thursday. If a group can fill a tub, it's a bargain at \$3 per person.

The Associated Press reported last November that herpes germs have been found to be able to live for up to four hours in a wooden hot tub with insufficient chemical treatment.

Malone said no such problems exist at The Tubbery.

The tubs are made of fiberglass, and bromine instead of chlorine is used to keep the water sanitary, Malone said. Bromine works better at high

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