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strings and bouncing breasts. When one of the girls starts to swing back and forth on the jungle gym bar at the front of the strobe-lit strip stage, you feel like you've stepped onto the set of a Fellini film.

The Night Before is an equal-opportunity strip-joint too. Last year, they actually featured a one-legged stripper. And at the back of the stage is an electronic sign that flashes bad cocktail-party jokes for people who get dizzy looking at wobbling mammaries.

There's usually no cover charge

and the drinks are reasonably priced, but there's one catch: No touching the girls, please. If you want to tip the one-legged stripper, you'll have to hand the money to her.

The girls range in looks from Barbie-doll cute to lady-wrestler rough. But what about breast size? A good strip joint has to have a good number of large breasts to be successful — and this place certainly does. "Bosomania" film director Russ Meyer would approve.

So if you're in the mood for sexist carnality, leave the Rita Mae Brown books at home and get down to see the one-legged stripper. The Night

Before's eccentricities make it the best burlesque house in Lincoln.

— Scott Harrah

**Celebration Gold's Galleria, lower level**

It's actually more fun to watch people entering Celebration than to go there. Why, you ask? Everyone knows the type of bar Celebration is: a top 40, neon-lit breeding ground for yuppies. So if you're not into that scene, stand inside Gold's Galleria and watch the swinging singles entering Celebration's golden gates.

Sights to see outside of Celebration:

See the bitchy businesswoman with teased-to-the-nines hair applying some red lip gloss that matches her red leather mini dress and 5-inch stiletto heels.

See Joe Stud gazing at his reflection in the Rolex watch he wears. Is that a hair out of place?

See the Pat Benatar look-alike adjusting the headband on her head. Deftly, she reaches into her purse and pulls out a compact. She licks her

lips. She looks fabulous. Maybe she'll get a man tonight who actually thinks she is Pat Benatar. Perhaps he won't even notice her headband went out of style eight years ago.

See the macho stockbroker in the black wool Armani suit. Look, he's scratching his head. Look, the Pat Benatar clone is staring at him. She's obsessed, but he didn't use that shampoo. He's not for her.

Then, just for a moment, follow them inside to watch them deliver mating calls. See them put their hands on their hearts as the DJ spins "Born in the USA."

But please, whatever you do, don't make fun of them. They're entitled to a little Celebration, too.

— Scott Harrah

**The Royal Grove 340 W. Cornhusker Highway**

It's far, far too easy to make fun of the Grove. You've heard the stories: "It's a meat market," "It's a biker joint," "It used to be a biker joint, now it's just a meat market."

Well, so what?

If anything, the Grove is always good for a laugh. Yes, you'll see a wide spectrum of trailer-court dregs and bikers, but that's half the fun of going to the Grove. Why not look at what else the Grove has:

Attraction No. 1: Amateur Strip Night.

Every Wednesday, both men and women are invited to come on stage and "take it off" while the cover band of the night churns out bad AC/DC and Motley Crue songs. Sometimes the judging takes longer than the stripping. "Can we see that again once more — I couldn't hear the applause," judges will say. So the strippers will be forced to flash their unmentionables at the drunken audience again and again, hoping they just might win that \$100 if they give it to 'em once more.

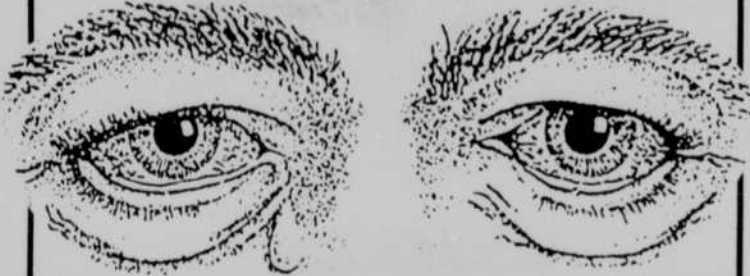
Attraction No. 2: Bands.

Yes, boys and girls, real bands — classic musicians like Wendy O. Williams and has-beens like Molly Hatchet.

Attraction No. 3: Nude sunbathing at the swimming pool.

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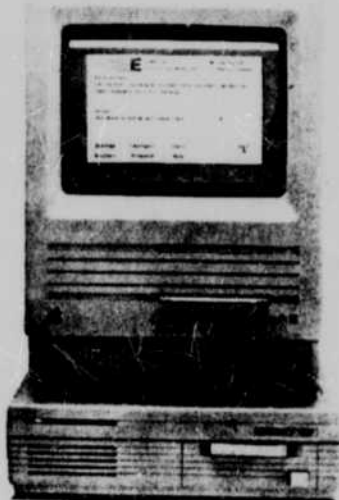
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