

There always seems to be a lot of booty in this section

# Features

## Asstrologist Extraordinaire brings you Bootyism: Finding Hidden Truth in Your Butt

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A new religion is sweeping the nation. Maybe you thought there was not enough room for more yuppy, new-aged spiritual froo-froo. Butt no.

Welcome to the newest spiritual path to fulfillment, improving and enriching the lives of millions: Bootyism.

Bootyism, with a developed base and center in Butte, Montana, was originally founded in 1998 by Ophelia Buns and her husband Dr. Hap E. Buns. Having gained its initial followers via the internet, Bootyism has spread far and wide.

Worship within the Bootyistic church consists of singing, "I Like Big Butts" and

"Jump, Shake Your Booty" being among the more traditional hymns, and the ritual eating of le-

gumes in order to release the spirit and song of the Butt. Some of the more radical churches, however, also incorporate Butt handling (much like snake handling although not at all), to display extreme faith in the Butt doctrine, and some have been known to encourage, in fits of religious fanaticism, speaking in Butts. Other Bootyistic churches, especially in the southeastern United States, encourage religious worship via "booty" dancing in which members shake and occasionally rub rumps.

Based on worship of the Butt, this religion has been criticized by some. "Bootyism, being Butt-oriented as it is, will create a buttriarchy in

our society. It is dangerous," said religion expert Bud Tocks.

The Buns, however, deny such claims. "The Butt has a spirit all its own. We have denied its original power and unique expression for centuries," said founder Ophelia Buns. "Its time we all touched ... got in touch with our Butts and our inner booty."

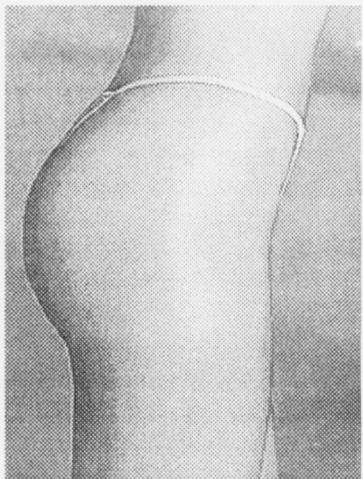
The crux of the religious celebration comes in early August when Uranus can be viewed on the edge of the horizon. The Uranus Celebration is held annually in Butte, the veritable mecca of Bootyism. The spirit of the season, however, was slightly marred last year when a naughty youth broadcast "The

Thong Song" at the celebration. The youth was later spanked.

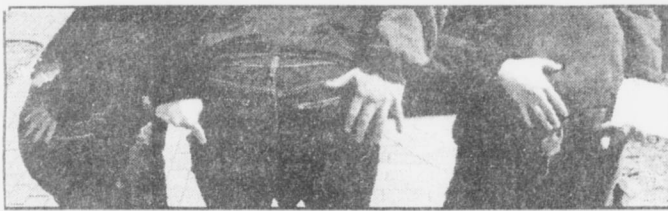
Despite this obvious show of disrespect for the Butt (thongs are considered a sacrilege by the Bootyists — too much chaffing), last year's Uranus Celebration drew quite a large crowd. "Last year, over 250 people — and 500 cheeks — all came out to Butte to celebrate Uranus. It was bootyful," said Bootyist Seymour Rump.

To encourage knowledge and exploration of the Butt and

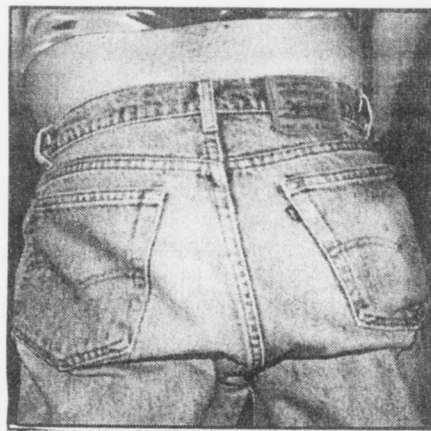
Bootyism, weekly meetings will be held in the Butt ...errrr, the Hut.



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Grab some friends and make a chain



Behold the buttocks!

## Frank Family Science Center to be Used as a "Glistening Emerald City"

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Look, just past Bauman, it's Emerald City! No, Guilford students, you are not dreaming. Frank Family Science Center has entered the running to become the new Emerald City in the much -- anticipated remake of the now classic 1939 movie The Wizard of Oz.

"When we created the building," says Guilford College Building director Lionel Richie, "We were certainly reaching somewhere over the rainbow. The fact that the tiles in the bathroom make no pretense of matching each other and the vaulted ceilings, painted maroon and blue, creep most people out was not a mistake. We went to the edge of Quaker design. We wanted to be noticed, to attract students."

What they got was Frank Family Science Center, a 54,000-square-foot building planned "from

the inside out" to "support Guilford College's unique vision of science education," according to its description on the web-page.

Now it has been one of five "unique" buildings located in colleges across the country that MGM might use for its upcoming film. Guilford now has to convince them that the building could suit their needs, which have likewise been described as "unique."

It is not enough to offer the building, though. Guilford students are encouraged to "come together as a community" and help make the school more desirable. Therefore, the biology department has been working nonstop to locate all the brains and hearts that the producers might need. Jonathan Malino's

Philosophy 100 class has been promised extra credit if they can discover "courage." Winged monkeys, of course, are known to live in the basement of King. The brunt of the work, however, falls to the Physical Plant,

who would have to renovate the "plain" building.

"Yeah, well, the building does have spooky angles, and many "multi-purpose rooms" that

can be used for the witch's tower and the wizard's throne room, but it's just not green enough," says Weeks. "And we would have to tear down Binford to plant a deadly poppy field."

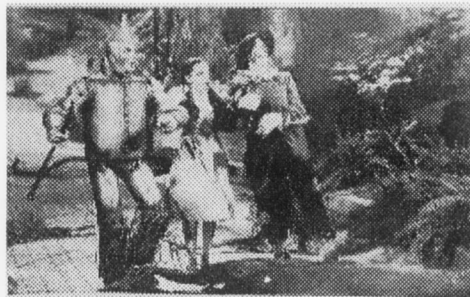
Tearing down Binford has been, all along, the most controversial part of the plan. As part of the

plan, Guilford will not admit a first-year class, as they have done every year since the college's founding. Many students have expressed concern.

"Yeah, I'm thinking 'what about community;' and 'we should have a forum,'" stated a sophomore student who preferred to be named only as "Sarah".

Others, however, who are apathetic about Binford Hall's being destroyed cite the wildly-popular substance-free section of Bryan Hall. Residential life states that, though the deadline for getting a suite is fast approaching and no one has applied for the substance-free suites, they are expecting "at least two" applications for the seven substance-free suites.

One student, who prefers to remain anonymous, agrees with the proposed deal with MGM stating, "Yeah, this makes about as much sense as, like, a Subway. It's about time we staged a revolution and made Guilford less quaint."



Physics students, Bio majors, and Chemistry crackheads, oh my!