



The Pride Committee of Houston

α 501 (c)(3) non profit group
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June 15, 1993 AGENDA

Call-to Order
Welcome
Proof of Meeting Notice
Treasures Report

Committee Reports —

Fundraising
Newsletter & Pride Guide
Merchandise
Events
Media & Outreach

RALLY — 6 PM, Spotts Park, Waugh @ Memorial
PARADE — 4 PM, Woodhead @ Westheimer

Old Business

New Business

Announcements —

Media Conference, June 18, 11:00 AM, MAC Center, 3330 Graustark
IAL/GPC, Texas Conference, October 8-11
Stonewall 25, June 26, 1994, New York City

Adjournment

Parade Application

Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week 1993 Out & Proud

DATE SUBMITTED		ENTRY FEE MUST BE INCLUDED	
SUBMITTED BY		CONTACT PERSON	
TELEPHONE DAY		TELEPHONE EVENING	
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS			
ADDRESS			
CITY		ST	ZIP
TYPE OF BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION			
FEE		LATE FEE: \$20	
BUSINESS: \$100	NON-PROFIT: \$40	OTHER: \$100	
TYPE OF PROPOSED ENTRY		OTHER	
MOTORIZED FLOAT	NON-MOTORIZED	WALKING UNIT	
DESCRIPTION (use separate paper if necessary)			

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN ENTRY		NUMBER OF ANIMALS IN ENTRY	
PLEASE DO NOT WRITE IN SHADED AREA		DATE RECEIVED	
AMOUNT RECEIVED		RECEIVED BY	
CHECK NUMBER		COMMENTS	
PARADE SLOT			
<p>PLEASE RETURN TO: Parade Committee Gay/Lesbian Pride 1993 Box 66071 Houston, TX 77266-6071</p>		<p>PRIDE WEEK INFORMATION: 713-529-6979 FAX 529-1223 Please read the accompanying rules. The Agreement <i>must</i> be signed and returned! Deadline: May 31, 1993 Penalty Deadline: June 15, 1993</p>	

1993 Parade Agreement

Applicant, acting by and through the undersigned Entry Manager, agrees to be bound by the Rules and Guidelines attached to this Application Form. It is agreed and understood that Applicant and participants representing Applicant in the 1993 Pride Parade sponsored by the Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee has read, fully understands, and will abide by all terms and conditions of the aforesaid Rules and Guidelines, which are final as to all matters involving the 1993 Pride Parade enforcement of the Rules and Guidelines.

Entry Manager:

Note: Applications must be received by May 31, 1993 to avoid payment of a Late Fee. Applications received after June 1, 1993 must be accompanied by the Entry Fee and a Late Fee of \$20.00.

NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 7:00 PM, JUNE 15, 1993.

Any questions regarding the 1993 Pride Parade should be addressed to the Parade Committee in writing at the address below. Any changes in the Entry which vary from the information herein contained should be immediately transmitted to the Parade Committee.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM TO: HG/LPW, Box 66071, Houston, TX 77266-6071. A copy will be mailed to you.

HG/LPW Pride Parade Rules and Guidelines

It is the intent of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee to establish firm rules and guidelines for participation in the Pride Parade. Any variance from the rules and guidelines requires approval of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee. A request for a variance must be received by the Committee not later than June 1, 1993. It is the policy of the Committee not to grant variances in fairness to all entries; however, in the event of an emergency or other compelling reason, a variance may be granted.

In order to assure participation from all sectors of the Lesbian and Gay Community, the Pride Committee established these Rules and Guidelines to govern the Parade:

1. Time of Parade

The Pride Parade will be held on Sunday June 28, 1993, beginning at 4:00 PM.

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2. Pre-Parade Meeting, Assembly Time and Location

The Assembly time and location for assembly will be announced at a meeting of the Pride Parade entrants to be held at 7:00 PM on June 15 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center at 1475 W. Gray. Lineup and parade details will be supplied at that time.

3. Entry Fees

Each entry will be required to pay an Entry Fee of \$100.00, except non-profit organizations will be required to pay an Entry Fee of \$40.00. Determination of whether an organization qualifies as non-profit will be made by the Pride Parade Committee. Generally, an organization does not qualify as a non-profit organization unless it is duly incorporated under the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporations Act or a similar statute from another state. Unincorporated associations of individuals and/or businesses which are primarily engaged in providing services to the community or members of the community will qualify as non-profit organizations (i.e., unincorporated groups which raise and distribute funds to non-profit organizations and charities). Entry Fees must be accompanied by the application form prescribed by the Committee. No Entry Fee will be accepted without a fully completed application form.

4. Payment of Entry Fees

Each Entry Fee must be received no later than May 31, 1993 to avoid payment of late registration charges. Any Entry Fee received after June 1, 1993 must include a registration charge of \$20.00 in addition to the prescribed Entry Fee. The last day on which registration and Entry Fees will be accepted is June 15, 1993.

5. Parade Route (To be announced)

6. Floats and Entries

The committee encourages individuals, organizations and businesses to have floats professionally built. Floats which are not professionally built are welcome in the Pride Parade and will be given the same consideration as professionally built floats. In the event a float is constructed and entered, the Committee requires the radiator of the float be left uncovered in order to prevent overheating and stalling of the vehicle propelling the float. No vehicle will be accepted in the Pride Parade which has the radiator covered; i.e., automobiles driven in the Pride Parade may not have decorations over the radiator of the automobile. The greatest delay experienced in prior Pride Parades has been overheating, and the covering of the radiator has generally been discovered to be the cause of the overheating.

All floats must not exceed the following requirements:

(a) The float must be able to navigate the parade route and make all turns required by the parade route.

(b) A float may not be greater than 14 feet in height and greater than 40 feet in length; the maximum width must be no greater than 16 feet; wheel base width may not exceed 12 feet.

(c) Walking units, trucks, automobiles and other motorized vehicles, such as motorcycles, motor scooters and similar vehicles, will not be considered as floats and subject to float requirements, if they are registered as motor vehicles by a state department of motor vehicles. The Pride Parade Committee will make determinations of entries which are registered by a state agency as to whether they constitute floats.

7. Certain Entries Prohibited

Individual bicycles, roller skates and skateboards will not be accepted as entries in the Pride Parade. Any entry wishing to use bicycles, roller skates or skateboards must be an official registered entry and must meet additional requirements set forth by the Parade Committee. Any individual or entry not adhering to set rules concerning bicycles, roller skates and skateboards can and will be subject to arrest by the Houston Police Department.

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8. Pride Parade Image

It is the express purpose of the 1993 Pride Parade to promote a positive image of the Lesbian and Gay Community to the City of Houston and the State of Texas. It is to be a celebration of the work started at the Stonewall Bar in New York City in 1969 and which continues to this day. It is a time for all elements of our community to come together as one group to honor and learn from the past while reaffirming our goals for the future. The Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee requests all people entering the parade to show respect for all sexes, ages, races, cultures, creeds and sexual orientations. Please refrain from anything which would demean any segment of our community. The Committee urges all entrants to maintain a high degree of sensitivity to and compassion for the feelings, values and views of others.

9. Dress Code

The Committee encourages all participants to appear in appropriate and suitable costumes which celebrate Lesbian and Gay Pride. Unity is always the object of the Pride Parade and no entry, presentations, or display which is demeaning to any sector of the community will be accepted in the Pride Parade. Cross-dressing is a significant part of our Lesbian and Gay heritage. Both serious and comic male or female impersonation is welcome in the parade providing that such presentations adhere to all rules governing parade dress codes. Cross-dressing presentations must be part of a unit registered and entered in the parade.

All costumes and other apparel worn in the Pride Parade must comply with the Obscenity Statutes of the State of Texas and the public decency ordinances of the City of Houston. Accordingly, the minimum attire for men appearing in the Pride Parade will be clothing no smaller than "Adidas-type" jogging shorts. The minimum attire for women appearing in the Pride Parade will be the above described "Adidas-type" shorts and a tank top. No posing straps, "Speedo-type" bathing suits, jock straps, G-strings, bras, or

panties will be permitted to appear in the Pride Parade. No see-through clothing of any nature will be permitted unless the undergarments meet the requirements set out above for proper attire. By way of illustration, but not limitation, any person wearing chaps will be required to have jeans or other suitable attire under such chaps to prevent public viewing of parts of the anatomy which violate §43.21 et seq or any other sections of the Texas Penal Code. All decisions as to the propriety of attire to be worn in the 1993 Pride Parade will be made by the Executive Team of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee. The decision of the Executive Team will be final in all cases.

10. Conduct of Pride Parade Participants

It is required that all participants in the 1993 Pride Parade comport themselves in such a manner as to promote pride in being Gay and Lesbian and in accordance with the wishes of the Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee. No participant may use profanity, obscene gestures, or other improper conduct towards another participant or towards any spectator viewing the Pride Parade. The following are expressly prohibited from use in the Pride Parade: sexual paraphernalia, genital or phallic representations, sexual acts, and simulated sexual acts. It is the intent of the Parade to portray the Lesbian and Gay Community as a responsible part of the Houston Community and to be able to conduct itself with dignity and pride. Retaliation for discourteous or insulting gestures, name-calling, obscene gestures, or heckling only brings further abuse and reinforces the attitude many persons have towards the Lesbian and Gay Community.

11. Alcohol and Illegal Substances

No participant in the Pride Parade will be permitted to consume any alcoholic beverage at the assembly site of the Parade, on the Parade route or at any disassembly site. Use of illegal or controlled substances, such as drug or "poppers" will not be permitted by any participant before or during the Parade at any site which is designated for assembly, on the Parade route, or at the site of disassembly. The Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee will not permit any entry or participant who violates this rule to appear in the Pride Parade.

12. Distribution of Items During the Pride Parade

No participant may throw any item from any float or other unit in the Pride Parade. In the event that an entry wishes to make any distribution of any item, such as beads, doubloons, flowers, condoms or similar items, such distribution must be made personally to persons along the parade route by persons walking as a part of the entry. In particular, condoms should not be distributed to any person under the age of 17 years. It is, therefore, requested that those groups who expect to distribute condoms should do so discreetly and only to persons who are readily identifiable as being over the age of 17 years. No sexually explicit or sexually suggestive printed materials may be distributed by any participant in the parade. In order to maintain reasonable clean-up costs, it is requested that distributions of all items be kept to an absolute minimum. No literature, confetti, streamers, or other types of festival materials, including glitter, may be thrown or distributed by any entry in the Pride Parade.

13. Pride Parade Participation

All entries are encouraged to utilize music and participant enthusiasm as part of the Parade. One of the objects of the Pride Parade is to get spectators involved in the spirit of the activities. Cheer, clap, chant, or do any proper act which will promote enthusiastic response from the spectators. Always remember that as a Parade participant you are representing the Lesbian and Gay Community and any act you perform which is degrading, obscene, or improper only brings discredit upon your fellow Gays and Lesbians and the Community as a whole.

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14. Trophies and Judging for Trophies

Trophies will be awarded in the following categories:

- ▼ **Grand Marshal Trophy** — best interpretation of the parade by a non-profit organization
- ▼ **Spirit of Montrose** — best interpretation of the parade by an entry other than a non-profit organization
- ▼ **Pride Trophy** — best motorized entry other than a float (car, truck, etc.)
- ▼ **Unity Trophy** — best non-motorized entry
- ▼ **Texas Trophy** — best professional float
- ▼ **Houston Trophy** — best non-professional float
- ▼ **Stonewall Trophy** — most original float
- ▼ **Out & Proud** — best out of town

15. Entry Manager and Pre-Parade Meetings

It will be necessary for each entry in the Parade to designate an Entry Manager with whom the Parade Committee can coordinate. The Entry Manager shall be designated on the application form and no other person will have authority to represent the entry to the Parade Committee. It will be necessary for the Entry Manager to be present at all Pre-Parade meetings and at the assembly and disassembly sites on the day of the Parade. Out-of-town entries who are unable to send an Entry Manager will be requested to contact the Chair of the Pride Parade Committee at which time special arrangements will be made.

16. Personal Safety

The Pride Parade will occur during the hottest hours of the day. All persons participating in the Parade are urged to be careful of heat prostration and heat stroke. Please be aware of the dangers associated with marching and participating in the Parade and bring along lots of water, soft drinks, iced tea, or other liquids. "Gatorade-type" drinks are also recommended for parade participants. The Committee cannot assume responsibility for the health and well being of the participants.

17. Clean-up and Trash

The costs of clean-up following the Pride Parade are the responsibility of the Committee. The Committee directs that all entrants in the Pride Parade will not throw trash, bottles, cans, or other similar matter from floats, automobiles, walking units, motor vehicles, or trucks along the Parade Route, the assembly area, or the disassembly area. Littering violates the criminal statutes of the State of Texas and the ordinances of the City of Houston. Any party found littering is subject to fine and/or arrest. In order to help contain clean-up costs, each Entry in the parade is required to carry plastic trash bags, as prescribed by the Ordinances of the City of Houston, for depositing all trash and other litter that is accumulated by the Entry during the Parade. Any Entry discovered throwing trash or other litter from the unit will be removed from the Parade and will not be allowed to continue along the Parade Route.

18. General

As with all rules and guidelines, it is impossible to anticipate each and every situation which may arise. No conduct which violates any statute of the State of Texas or the ordinances of the City of Houston will be tolerated. Any entry violating the same will not be allowed to participate in the Pride Parade. The Pride Parade Committee will monitor all entries in the parade for such violations and apprise the Entry Manager of the infraction, giving the entry the opportunity to correct the infraction. Failure to correct the infraction will result in a suspension

of the entry from the Parade. Common sense is one of the best guidelines which can be used by entrants in the Pride Parade. Generally, laws are created in accordance with the standards of the community and propriety of conduct in public. The application of common sense to any area of concern will provide an appropriate and legal answer.

The Lesbian and Gay Community is as diverse as other communities in the City of Houston. We have our likes and dislikes, our causes and concerns, our prejudices and acceptances. We request that all participants in the Pride Parade, at least for the duration of the Parade, put aside all of the prejudices which are held against other sectors of the Lesbian and Gay Community and unite as a single body to celebrate the Spirit of Stonewall and the effect it has had on Lesbian and Gay Liberation. We have made great strides in the last 23 years and hope this will demonstrate to the world that Gays and Lesbians are responsible and vital members of society. Accept the ideas of your brothers and sisters in this effort and show the world that despite our many differences we truly love one another and have united to improve the lot of Lesbians and Gays everywhere.

19. Decisions of the Committees

The decisions rendered by the Pride Parade Committee will be final unless an immediate appeal to the Executive Team is taken in accordance with the terms hereof. Any decisions of the Pride Parade Committee may be appealed to the Executive Team and the decisions of the Executive Team will be final and unappealable.

The undersigned, as Entry Manager for:

_____ hereby agrees that the foregoing Rules and Guidelines for the Houston Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee have been (1) read, (2) fully understood, and, (3) agrees to be bound thereby.

Entry Manager: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Phone: _____

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The Parade Lineup as of 6/15/93

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|----|------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | Parade Banner | 36 | Gays & Lesbians of Rice | 69 | American Gay & Lesbian
Atheist |
| 2 | TGRA Houston (Color
Guard) | 37 | Miss Camp America | 70 | Pet Patrol |
| 3 | TGRA Houston | 38 | Gay Man's Network | 71 | Gay & Lesbian Switchboard |
| 4 | Female Grand Marshall | 39 | Gays & Lesbian Student
Assoc of U of H | 72 | HATCH |
| 5 | Q-Patrol | 40 | Pre-Parade Party | 73 | Sober & Free |
| 6 | Old Sixth Ward | 41 | Colt 45s | 74 | Gentry |
| 7 | MCCR | 42 | Dignity | 75 | Curaflex Infusion Services |
| 8 | Male Grand Marshall | 43 | Miss Montrose | 76 | EJ's |
| 9 | AIDS Foundation Houston | 44 | Prime Timers Houston | 77 | Astro Rainbow Alliance of
the Deaf |
| 10 | Houston Gay & Lesbian
Parents Support Group | 45 | Imperial Court | 78 | KRBE |
| 11 | Garden Party | 46 | HGLPC | 79 | Act-Up |
| 12 | Honorary Grand Marshall | 47 | Women's Action Coalition
(WAC) | 80 | Team Houston |
| 13 | Lone Star Symphonic | 48 | Kon Tiki Club | 81 | Northern Lights Alternatives |
| 14 | Houston Non-Violent Action | 49 | Montrose Clinic | 82 | Houston Mission Church |
| 15 | The Ranch | 50 | Houston Peace Network | 83 | Mary's |
| 16 | Honorary Grand Marshall
(Organization) | 51 | Mothers | 84 | Pacific Street |
| 17 | GLHU | 52 | Chain Gang | 85 | Pride Week Bus |
| 18 | Lambda Roller Skating Club | 53 | Montrose Counseling
Center | 86 | |
| 19 | LiB | 54 | Gay Fathers | 87 | |
| 20 | Pride Committee Co-Chairs | 55 | LOAF | 88 | |
| 21 | Pride Committee | 56 | Charles Armstrong Invest-
ments | 89 | |
| 22 | Community of Reconciling
Servant | 57 | Maranatha Fellowship | 90 | |
| 23 | Community Gospel Church | 58 | THRF | 91 | |
| 24 | AIDS Equity League | 59 | Ron's Limousines | 92 | |
| 25 | Inklings | 60 | Lone Star Softball Assoc | 93 | |
| 26 | NLA Houston | 61 | BRB | 94 | |
| 27 | Mining Company | 62 | Assistance Fund | 95 | |
| 28 | Ripcord | 63 | United Cab Company | | |
| 29 | Leather by Boots | 64 | Gay Men's Chorus | | |
| 30 | NLA Austin | 65 | Parade Co-Chair (Daryl) | | |
| 31 | Texas Riders | 66 | Parade Co-Chair (Dean) | | |
| 32 | Silver Sabers | 67 | Krewe of Olympus | | |
| 33 | Koby Project | 68 | National Assoc of Social
Workers | | |
| 34 | Names Project | | | | |
| 35 | Miller Beer | | | | |

PARADE STARTS @ 4 PM
SET-UP STARTS @ 2 PM

W = WALKING
C = CAR/TRUCK
F = FLOAT
B = COORDINATOR ENTER

RECORD BUS
45-75 FLOATS
ENTER

DUNLEVY

KIRPLING

#54 LOAF

RECORD BUS STOP

34-C
33-C

23 W 24 W 26 W 27 W 28 W 29 W 30 W 31 W

3-40
FLOATS
ENTER

HAROLD

WOODHEAD

17-W
16-W
13-W
12-W

45-F 50-F 55-F 60-F 66-F 70-F 72-F

SCHOOL
LANIER

SCHOOL
LOT

35-W
37-W
38-W

39-C 41-W
HAWTHORNE

HAWTHORNE

DOVOT
ENTER

9-W
8-W
6-W
5-W

46-W 48-W

42-C
43-W
44-C
47-W

HAZARD

49-W
52-W
54-W
56-W

1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 15, 19, 20, 69, 65

PARADE ROUTE

WESTHEIMER

57-81
ENTER

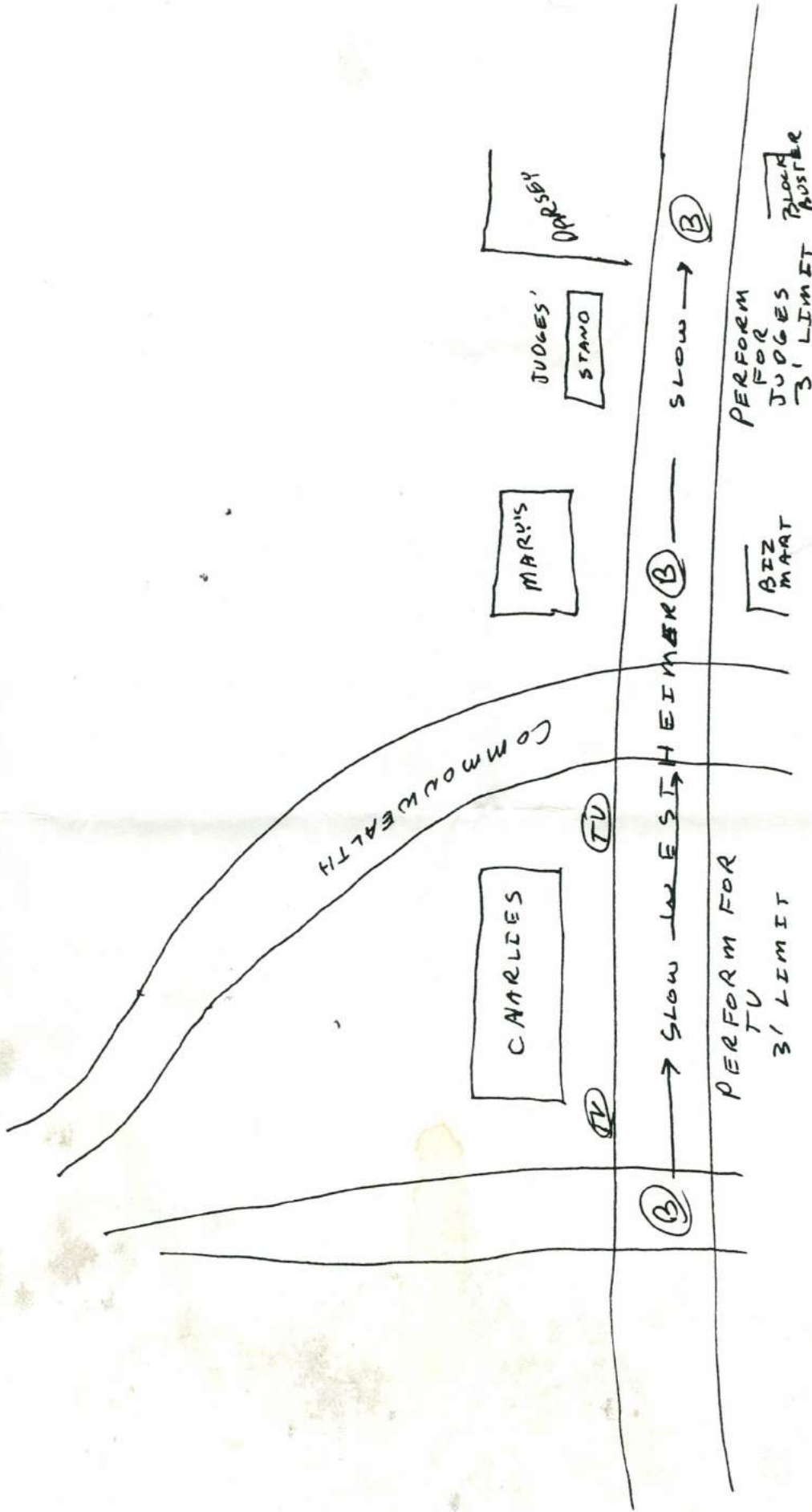
79-83
FLOATS
ENTER

61 W 63 W 68 W 71 W 74 W 77 W 80 W 81 W

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LIVE ACCESS
CABLE BROADCAST

B = COORDINATOR
TV = TV CAMERAS



OVER THE 3'
LIMIT DISQUALIFIES
FOR AWARD AT 30"
! WARNING AT 30"
! TO MOVE