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The New York April Fools' Committee Is Proud to Announce

NEW YORK CITY'S 28th ANNUAL APRIL FOOLS' DAY PARADE

Forget the Big Bang Theory, Let's Just Go Out With a Big Bang!

The **28th Annual April Fools' Day Parade** will begin at Fifth Avenue and 59th Street at 12 noon, Monday, April 1, 2013. Rain or shine, the parade will march down Fifth Avenue to Washington Sq. Park for the climactic selection of the King of Fools from the costumed marching look-alikes.

The **New York April Fools' Day Parade** was created in 1986 to remedy a glaring omission in New York's ethnic and holiday parades. These events fail to recognize the importance of April 1st, the day designated to commemorate the folly of mankind. In an attempt to bridge this gap and bring people back in touch with their inherent foolishness, the parade annually crowns a King of Fools from parading look-alikes.

The theme for this year's parade is "**Forget the Big Bang Theory, Let's Just Go Out With a Big Bang.**" The parade blasts off with **John Lee Hooker's** hit "**Boom Boom Boom Boom.**" **Grand Marshall Gen. David Petraeus** plays lead kazoo with the **Up Your Wazoo Marching Band** and is joined by N. Korean, Russian, Syrian, Iranian, Israeli and Chinese military processions showing off their big-bang bombs.

Setting the pace for the floats will be **Lance Armstrong and his U.S. Postal Service Pro Cycling Team**, which will be much slower this year as the team is no longer using performance enhancing drugs. The first float will be the **Room Temperature IQ float** featuring medical doctor, Rep. Paul Collins Broun, Jr. (R-GA), who says that evolution, embryology and the Big Bang Theory are "lies straight from the pit of Hell;" Arkansas Republican State Legislator John Hubbard, who believes slavery "may actually have been a blessing in disguise" for blacks; Arkansas legislative candidate Charlie Fuqua, who wants to deport all Muslims and establish the death penalty for rebellious children; Televangelist Pat Robertson, who encourages men to become Muslim and relocate to Saudi Arabia so they can legally beat their wives; and Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC) who believes "the more you drink, the better you're able to cope in Washington." Demand to be on this float was so great this year that participation had to be limited. Next up is the **Boy-Scout-Pedophile-Troup-Leaders-Against-Homosexuality protest float**, followed by the **Zumba Brothel Dance float** featuring Alexis Wright and her johns, the GOP sponsored **Clint Eastwood Empty Chair float**, and the Viagra sponsored **Hugh Hefner Marriage float**.

Trojan Pleasure Carts will weave through the crowd handing out 10,000 vibrating sex toys. **Ultra-Orthodox Jewish Vendors** will follow in their footsteps handing out eye glasses that blur vision so attendees won't have to look at anything they consider immodest.

The marching celebrity look-alikes will include **John Sununu** and **Lil Wayne** spewing racial slurs; former AIG CEO **Hank Greenberg** threatening to sue the government for its generosity; **Chuck Norris** ushering in 1,000 years of darkness after Obama was re-elected; wannabe senator **Geraldo Rivera** pleading "Vote for me!"; and biographer **Paula Broadwell** scoping out anyone who appears at all interested in General Petraeus. Bringing up the rear, and making his final exit, will be the **2012 King of Fools Mitt Romney**, triumphant with an overwhelming 47% of the vote from last year's parade attendees. He'll be followed by adoring throngs of self-deporting immigrants.

As the parade enters Washington Square Park, the festivities will begin. Food concessions will sell **Pink Slime, Horsemeat and Desinewed Meat Burgers**; there will be an **Artificial Fiscal Cliff** where patrons can line up to jump off; a booth offering **Free Amish Haircuts and Shaves**; a **Papal Confessional booth** where Pope Benedict XVI will confess to the public about predator priests, BBC presenter Jimmy Savile's Papal Knighthood, and the Vatican butler, before his sequestration and eternal silence begins; a **Demonstration of Fracking in Public Parks** will show how the government plans to use wasted open spaces to support energy independence while searching for Jimmy Hoffa's body. A **Celebrity Auction booth** will offer a virtual date with Manti Te'o and will sell the Reverend Jessie Jackson Jr's personal bling collection to help pay back squandered campaign contributions. There will be a **XXX Screening** of Hulk Hogan having sex with his friend's wife. And finally, an **Ask-a-Scientific-Genius booth** where Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R-CA) will discuss his belief that dinosaur flatulence might explain historic warming patterns; Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX), current chair of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, who describes environmentalists who warn about the seriousness of climate change "global warming alarmists"; Todd Akin, former Missouri GOP Representative, who believes "if it's a legitimate rape, the female body has ways to try to shut that whole thing down." **Volunteers will circulate waiting lists** for personal surveillance drones and semi automatic assault rifles as well as petitions to make it harder for the elderly, disabled and poor to vote. At sunset, carrying on the theme of the parade, there will be a **Ted Nugent Patriotic Fireworks Display**.

This year's parade will be televised by Al Jazeera with guest commentator former Florida Tea Party Congressman Allen West who will amaze the crowd with his talent as an anal ventriloquist. The public is encouraged to participate, in or out of costume, with or without floats, and may join the procession at any point along the parade route. Floats can be no wider than 10' and no longer than 30'. They can be self-propelled, towed, pushed or pulled. Customized bicycles, tricycles, baby carriages and aerial balloons are welcome. All participants are costumed look-alikes, and the Parade Committee assumes no liability for damages caused by satire. Parade floats and marchers must be at 59th Street and Fifth Ave no later than 11:30 a.m..

We are grateful for the generous support of Goldman Sachs which wishes to express appreciation for having gotten off scot-free after ripping off the public. Other proud sponsors include the Government Services Administration (GSA) offering free champagne and caviar throughout the park; Chick-fil-A offering free food to gay couples who refuse to patronize the anti-gay restaurant chain; Pizza Hut redeeming themselves after their misguided dare to customers to ask debating presidential candidates if they prefer sausage or pepperoni; and the international cruise ship industry hoping to entice patrons to take their new less toxic and more sanitary virtual cruises.

The King of Fools will be chosen based on the loudest cheers at Washington Square Park. The winner will reign through March 31, 2014.

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