SEX SCENE

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Sperm Wail

It was to have been the biggest public auction of sperm ever. Hundreds of people, mostly women, were expected to turn out for the sidewalk sale of celebrities' sperm in Greenwich Village. The event, however, was hindered by the reported theft of the sperm the night before the scheduled sale was to take place. A handful of stalwart rock groupies, their hopes to be inseminated with the come of their idols shattered, hung about as Giuseppe Scaggoli announced that his Celebrity Sperm Bank was forced to close all but a few of its accounts. Scaggoli claimed the theft might ruin his sperm service, and that rescheduling the celebrity sperm auction was still uncertain.

For occasional SCREW readers who haven't yet caught on, Giuseppe Scaggoli is none other than Joey Skaggs, an irrepressible prankster. Regular readers will remember his last hoax, the "Cathouse for Dogs" (reported in *Sex Scene* #364 and 373) which, having fooled major news organizations, humane groups, the local District Attorney, SCREW and *Midnight Blue*, was infinitely more successful than the attempt to sell celebrity sperm.





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OPERATION SPERM SALE: Prankster Joey Skaggs draws a blank instead of a crowd when he tries to auction celebrity spunk off to fertile groupies.

And the press must have been royally embarrassed by the Skaggs con because the only media to give Skaggs a chance to redeem himself were SCREW and *Midnight Blue's America*, our Cable TV show.

But Skaggs, a conceptual artist in search of a benefactor, has never been known for his legitimacy, and his greatest enjoyment seems to be putting people on. This time out, Skaggs and a couple dozen of his actor friends who made up a disappointed and angry mob, only managed to have a few laughs for themselves while they succeeded in fooling a bevy of local drunks and a few cops who, confused by the commotion over nothing, went back to the station house to sleep off the day. You didn't miss much either.