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We've had a really easy winter here in Pennsylvania..I hope your weather was as mild as ours. (PLEASE! No comments from the sunny south about only 8 inches of snow being considered MILD! NFS members here and north of here will know what I mean.) Spring has sprung and the crocus are giving way to the daffodils and lots of softbills downstairs are carrying nesting material, as are the birds outside. I hope your flocks are happy and that this is a productive season for you. Please consider enrolling in our FINCHSAVE Program so that each spring we can say that NFS members are conservationists as well as aviculturists.

Best wishes, hope all of your nests are full.

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PLEASE...Be sure that you are using this current list. It is up to date. Sometimes addresses, phone numbers, etc. change and all other lists are now invalid. Thank you for your attention to this.

Dr. Al Decoteau.
January 1, 1992

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Pam Liddy, the Liaison Officer for the National Finch and Softbill Society since its' inception has resigned. She says her "life has gone to the dogs" but that its not bad news! She has just shifted her major focus of interest to raising and showing dogs! We owe her a great deal for taking care of this complicated and complex job for so long and so well. Thanks a lot pam and best wishes to you and the dogs too.

Russ Armitage, Jr. is very familiar with the way the affiliations system works and has kept track of the payments over the years in his capacity as treasurer. Russ has volunteered to take over Pams' position and I have accepted on behalf of the Society. Thanks to you too Russ.

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Please remember that your "renewal date" is on your address label. Check it and please keep your membership and your correct address up to date. It'll save time and money if Wiki doesn't have to send reminders to you.

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TOP TEN SHOWS OF 1991

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National Cage Bird Show Dearborn, MI	Judged by Earl Courts	347 entries
Canadiana National Show Pickering, Ontario	Judged by William Parlae	209 entries
Aviary & Cage Bird Society of South Florida Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Judged by Dr. Al Decoteau	208 entries
Santa Clara Valley Canary & Exotic Bird Club San Jose, CA	Judged by Brian Mandarich	172 entries
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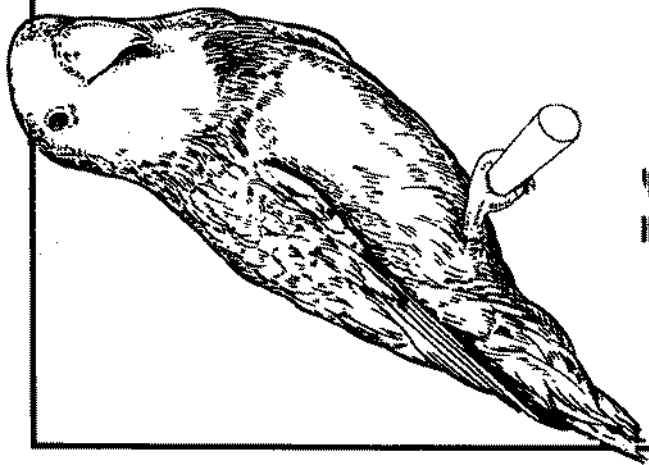
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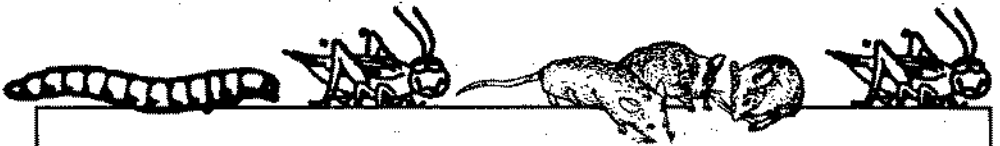
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	MA01198A	MA0012NA	M01027NA	M00812BA	MI09088A	M004308A	NC1987NA
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GOULOLIAN -- OILUTE	MI0908BA	NY0200NA	OR01318A	PA0741BA	CN1525NA		
GOULOIAN -- BLUE	MA0008NA	MI0908BA	NY0832BA	OK0109BA	OR1127NA		
GREEN SINGING FINCH	C00154BA	C003438A	FL0552NA	FL1284NA	IL1391NA	MA0008NA	MA0226NA
	MI0648NA	M01421BA	M00365NA	NC1135NA	NC0057NA	NH1515NA	NY0200NA
	NY04148A	PA0591NA	PA0657NA	TN0795NA	VA1124NA	VA0959NA	WA02188A
	CT0876NA	FL1252/1253NA					
GREY SINGING FINCH	NC0057NA	PA0591NA	PA0657BA	VA1285NA			
NARTWICKE'S LEAFBIRD	IN0021NA						
NAWFINCH -- BLACK-TAIL	PA0551NA						
HAWFINCH -- JAPANESE	PA0551NA						
NONEYCREEPER	UK0173NA						
JACARINI	IN0021NA						
JAVA -- NORMAL	CN1501NA	CT01768A	IL1391NA	IL0682NA	MI0648NA	M00326NA	PA03508A
	PA0551BA	VA1285BA	NY0373/0374NA	FL1252/1253NA	PA0ECKAR0BA	PA0748NA	
JAVA -- WHITE	CN1501NA	CT0176NA	IL0682NA	M01027NA	MI0648NA	MI0908BA	M00326NA
	PA0551BA	TX13438A	VA05508A	VA1285NA	NY0373/0374BA	FL1252/1253NA	
	PA0ECKAR0BA	PA0748NA					

JAVA -- CINNAMON	CN1501NA	IL0682NA	MI0648NA	MI0908BA	PA05518A	WI0904NA
JAVA -- PIE	CT01768A	NC1135NA	TX13438A	VA0959NA	VA0550BA	WI09048A PADECKAR08A
LAVENOR	CA0495NA	C00343NA	IL1391NA	NM0982NA	NY1087NA	PA13268A PA0657BA
	IL0863/0864NA	NE1103/1104NA		NY0373/0374NA	CN1525NA	FL1252/1253NA
MANNIKIN -- BRONZE WING	CN0790BA	FL13118A	MA0226NA	NY0476NA	PA0551BA	PA1363NA
MANNIKIN -- BLACK & WHITE	PA05518A	PA0748NA				
MANNIKIN -- BLACK THROATED	PA0551NA					
MANNIKIN -- MAGPIE	PA05518A					
MANNIKIN -- RUFIOUS BACK	MA0226NA	PA0741NA	FL1252/1253NA			
MASKEO GRA55FINCH	CN05138A	C007438A	FL1311NA	M00430NA	NY1087NA	PA0657BA CN1525NA
MELBA	M01027NA	NY0945NA	PA1326NA			
MONGOLIAN ROSE FINCH	PA0657NA					
MYNAH -- BALI	MD1027NA	GAJOHNSONNA				
MYNAH -- CRESTED	M01027NA	MI0441NA				
MYNAH -- INDIAN HILL	M01027NA	MI0441NA				
NUN -- BLACK-HEADED	PA05518A					
NUN -- TPI-COLORED	CA0495NA	IL1391NA	NY1087NA	PA05518A	WA0218NA	FL1252/1253NA
NUN -- WHITE-HEADED	0E0168NA	MI0908NA	MN0688NA	NY0200NA	PA0551BA	
ORANGE CHEEK WAXBILL	CA0495NA	IL1391NA	MA0226NA	MA0012NA	M00110NA	MI0908NA NH1515NA
	NM0982NA	NY1087NA	NY0200NA	NY0476NA	PA0551BA	PA0657NA SC0268NA
	VA1124NA	VA1332NA	WA0218NA	NE1103/1104BA	NY0373/0374NA	CN1525NA

OWL FINCH (BICHENO)	CN0513BA MA0866BA NY0200NA VA0550BA	CN1501BA MA0012NA NY0945NA VT0518NA	CA0495NA MD0110NA OR0109BA FL1069/1070BA	C00743BA MI0908NA OR0131BA NE1103/1104BA	C00343BA MN0688BA OR1127BA NE1103/1104BA	FL0042NA NH1515NA PA1326NA CN1525NA	IL1391NA NY1087NA VA0920BA
PAINTED FINCH	NY0832NA	CN1525BA					
PALLID FINCH	PA0551NA						
PARROT-BILLED SEEDEATER	IN0021NA						
PARROT FINCH -- BAMBOO	FL0042NA						
PARROT FINCH -- BLUE FACE NE1103/1104NA	CN0513NA CT0176BA PA0657NA	FL1311NA SC0265BA	FL0042NA VA0920BA	MA0008NA VA1124NA	MI0908NA PA0748NA	OK0109NA FL1069/1070NA	
	GAJOHNSONNA						
PARROT FINCH -- PIITAIL	AL0643NA	CN1525NA	CN1501NA	FL0042BA	PA0657NA	FL1252/1252NA	
PARROT FINCH -- RED HEAD	AL0643BA MI0908NA FL1069/1070NA	CN1525NA M00430NA NE1103/1104NA	FL0552NA NY0945NA	FL1284NA OK0109BA	FL1101NA OR0131BA	FL1311NA PA0657BA	FL0042BA VA0920BA
PARSON	CN0790NA	C00743NA	NY0945BA				
PEARL-HEADED AMADINE	CN1525NA	NC0057NA					
PEKIN ROBIN	CN0513NA OR1392NA	FL1311NA PA0551NA	IL1391NA VA0920NA	IN0021NA VA1285NA	MA0226NA FL1252/1253NA	NH1515NA	NY0945NA
PLUSH-CRESTED JAY	MA0008NA						
PURPLE GREVADIER	AL0643NA	CN1525NA	CN0790NA				
QUAIL FINCH	CN1525NA	MI0908NA	PA0657NA				

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RED-CHEEK CRIMSON WING	NE1103/1104NA								
RED EAR WAXBILL	CN1525NA	CN0790NA	CA0495NA	CT0876NA	IL1391NA	MD0110NA	MO0430NA		
	NH1515NA	NY1087NA	NY0414NA	OR1392NA	PA0657NA	WA0218NA	WI1393NA		
	FL1252/1253NA	NE1103/1104NA	NY0373/0374NA						
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	IL0863/0864NA	MA0610/0611NA	NE1103/1104NA	NE1103/1104NA	NY0373/0374BA	PA0748BA			
	PADECKARDBA								
SHAFTTAIL -- FAWN	CO0743NA	FL1284NA	FL1311NA	FL00428A	IL00438A	MA0866BA	MA0012NA		
	MI0648NA	MI09088A	MO0430BA	MO1274NA	NC1135NA	NY0200NA	NY1254NA		
	NY0945NA	PA1212BA	PA1326NA	MA0610/0611NA	NE1103/1104NA	PADECKARDBA			
SHAFTTAIL -- WHITE	CA0495NA	FL1311NA	FL00428A	IL00438A	PAD748BA	MA0610/0611NA	PADECKARDBA		
SHANA THRUSH	CN0513MA								
SILVER EAR MESIA	PA0551NA								
SILVERBILL -- AFRICAN	CAD495NA	FL1284NA	FL1311NA	FL0042BA	MI0908NA	MO0326NA			
	NC1135NA	NM0982NA	NY1087NA	PA06578A	VA0959NA	VA1285NA			
	WI1393NA	MAD610/0611NA	NY0373/0374NA						



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WEAVER -- SCALY CROWNED	PA1326NA			
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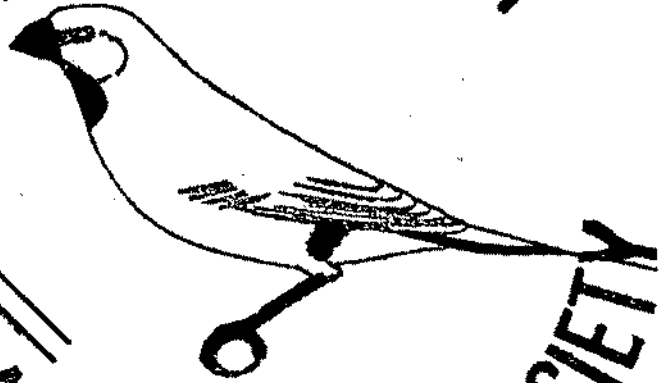
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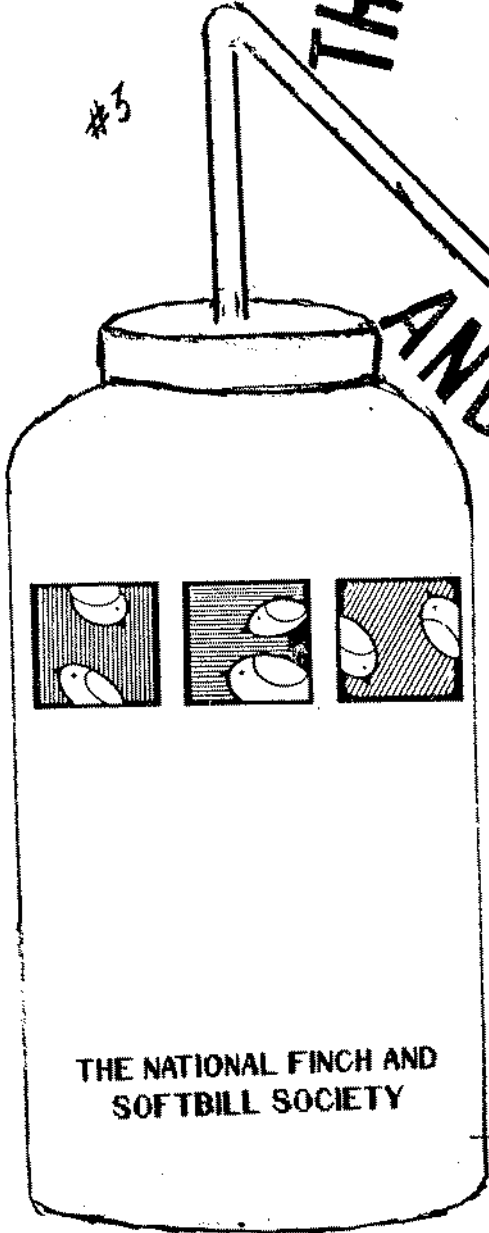
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Thanks, Brenda.

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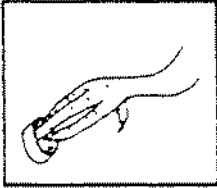
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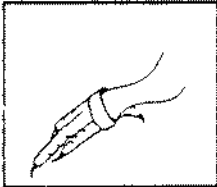
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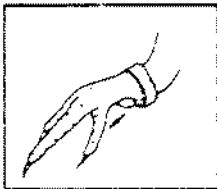
The most important thing to remember when banding chicks is to do it over a counter or table so if the chick is dropped it doesn't fall to the floor. The age to band varies between species but is generally between 5 and 10 days. You can tell by looking at the ankle joint (the joint where the toes come together) and the size of the band.



Have the bands, a toothpick (or other small blunt instrument) and some lubricant ready. Be sure you have the bands "right side up" for easier reading.



The band is generally placed on the birds' right leg. Banding just before the parents go to roost in the evening will prevent them from picking at the band. By the next morning they will have forgotten about it.



Hold the chick firmly but in such a way as to not cut off its' breathing and so that you don't harm it. Remember, their bodies cannot tolerate compression. Put a little bit of lubricant on the chicks' foot and slide the band over the three front toes and finally over the ankle joint. The back toe will probably have to be gently pried out from under the band with a toothpick. The band now should be in the proper location between the ankle and the elbow joints.



Check on the chick the next few days to be sure that the band has not slipped off and that there are no scrapes or irritations on the foot or leg.

Phlebotomy for Treatment of Hemochromatosis in Two Sulfur-Breasted Toucans

Amy Worrell, DVM

Hemochromatosis, or *Iron Storage Disease*, results when an excessive amount of iron accumulates in various body tissues. In affected individuals, a microscopically identifiable iron-containing pigment can be identified in affected tissues.

Hemochromatosis affects a variety of avian species and is considered to be a serious, life threatening condition in these species affected by the condition. In the family of birds *Ramphastidae* (Toucans), twelve species are presently known to be affected by the devastating effects of iron storage disease. Most of these individuals are presented deceased for post mortem examination and the subsequent diagnosis of iron storage disease is determined from examination of tissues during histopathology.

Man is also affected by this condition, and the disease is represented by two distinct forms. The more common, which is an idiopathic form, is thought to be due to a genetic defect in the lining of the intestinal tract. Abnormal amounts of iron are thus absorbed, and subsequently deposited in various body tissues and organs. This condition is thought to be independent of the amount of iron in the diet that is consumed.

The preferred treatment in man involves biweekly phlebotomies (removal of blood from the vein), which eventually results in a lowering of the serum iron level.

As several species of toucans commonly succumb to this devastating disease, weekly phlebotomies were performed on two birds to attempt to lower the serum iron level.

These birds have been presented weekly for more than one year for phlebotomies. The condition was confirmed in one bird with a liver biopsy, which demonstrated iron deposition in the cells of the liver. The birds are monitored weekly by hematocrits which determine the percentage of red blood cells. These birds tolerate the removal of a significant amount of blood on a frequent bases and the phlebotomies potentially are beneficial to the birds.

The work with phlebotomies in birds as a management tool for hemochromatosis is still quite preliminary, but response to this approach and potential benefit to the birds is hopeful. At this time, the author recommends serum iron levels, total iron binding capacity levels (TIBC), and liver biopsies as a method for determining the status of toucans of known affected species. Weekly phlebotomies should be considered in birds demonstrating an elevated serum iron and TIBC level, to potentially manage this devastating disease.

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**A LADY IS NEVER MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN
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by Steve Hoppin

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It is not often that a finch and softbill judge will find many hens being exhibited. The cock birds are generally more colorful and flashy and this seems to give the exhibitors the feeling that achieving top bench honors are greater if they exhibit cocks versus hens of most species.

This years' first show has proved that just the opposite can be true. I was invited to judge the NFS affiliated finch and softbill division at the Florida State Fair on February 16, 1992. The Gulf Coast Birds Club, of which I am a member, sponsored this event for the second year.

As most breeders and exhibitors are aware, many aviculturists are in the process of attempting to produce top bench winners for the fall show circuit during these spring months, which are the breeding season for many birds. Therefore, one would not anticipate as great a number of entries as during the fall show season. This year the division drew a total of 44 entries.

As I approached the birds to give them the usual overview prior to initiating the judging procedure I could not help but take notice of a few well formed, good hens in top condition. I remember thinking that one or more might finish on the top bench.

Judging proceeded and soon enough a very good Normal Button Quail hen (1991 closed-banded), with all the right parts in all the right places and in immaculate condition won the best softbill sub-division. Incidentally, her competitors consisted of a Turquoise Tanager and a Purple Glossy Starling, to say the least. Later in the day a sporty St. Helena Waxbill hen won the strong African sub-division. They were both so good! Each appeared to have an aura around her. (Or could this have been my imagination?)

The time came for all of the sub-division winners to come back one last time for the finch and softbill Best in Division judging. Upon viewing these birds I was in for a big surprise. During their time back on the benches, waiting for this big event, both the Button Quail hen and the St. Helena hen had produced an egg in the bottom of their show cages! Amazingly, both hens remained in excellent condition and continued to display beautifully during the final placements.

In the judging for the top ten the St. Helena finished second to a magnificent Crimson Pileated cock (sorry ladies) and the Button Quail placed third in division. Not bad!!! Judging from their appearance both hens were in excellent condition. Obviously, they were both in top physical condition, not only to hold up so well during a day-long "beauty contest" but to have produced eggs. With luck those eggs went back into nests to hatch, be banded, fledge and return to the show bench as winning youngsters this fall. HENS, OF COURSE!!

HOME GROWN MILLET

by Jodie Davis

Last summer some kind of millet-like grass came up in a patch of garden near my compost piles. Though I hated to devote such fertile soil to such an unlikely crop, I let it grow. Much to my pleasure my birds loved the fresh seed heads.

This season I almost totally eliminated vegetables from my garden and planted successive crops of millet in their place all summer.

The first crop was planted in late March. I removed the seeds from heads of spray millet and soaked them overnight to speed germination. In subsequent sowings I abandoned this practice. When wet the small seeds clumped which made them extremely difficult to sow at all evenly. Unlike peas, which unless soaked take forever to germinate if at all, the millet seeds germinated just as well whether soaked or not. Either way I covered the seeds with compost or good garden soil, pressed them in for good soil contact, and watered them. Simple!

Actually I did cover them with spun-bond polyester row covers (Reemay). Wild birds and bunnies may have done the seedlings in other wise, but my main purpose in this was to keep our five kitties from the usual scenario, "Oh thank you! This nice freshly turned soil is perfect for...." You get the picture. (Speaking of kitties. A stand of millet is perfect for a game of hide and ambush with one's siblings.)

The sprays grew to two to five inches long. The plants reached waist high, except when feline-flattened. they required approximately 50 days from sowing to harvest. I made several staggered sowings throughout the summer.

The results were worth every bit of effort. All of my seed-eating birds relished this fresh treat. The Yellow-bellied Waxbills lighted on the plants as soon as I placed them in the aviary -- even before I had closed the door.

I'll continue to grow sugar Snaps and tomatoes, but the rest of my garden is for the birds!

Editors note: I think it was Gene Miller who said he had been doing this too, with great success. We grow some here and besides the benefits to the birds it's pretty and a conversation piece in the neighborhood. As urban gardeners we're interesting to our neighbors. They're especially friendly when I offer to dig out their dandelions for our birds. I'm so dedicated that I virtually eliminated dandelions from this block and then we tried to transplant some to our "french intensive" flower beds. They didn't survive transplant shock. HA!!

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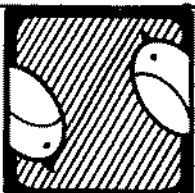
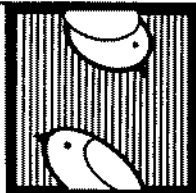
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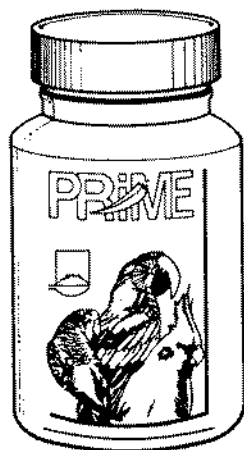
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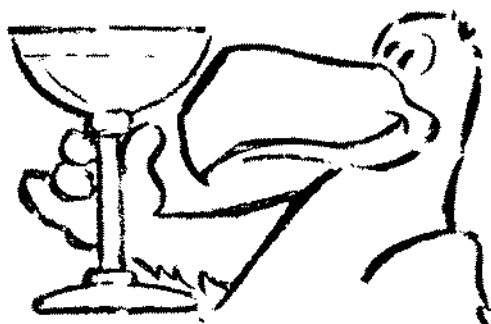


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