



**Meat Loaf
"Bat Out of Hell"
1977**

Some things are meant to go together.

Baseball and corn dogs.
Movies and popcorn.
Road trips and Meat Loaf.

Any cross-country voyage is incomplete without sounds from the classic 1977 Meat Loaf "Bat Out of Hell" album. Everyone knows the words. Everyone knows the tune.

You've got to love it.

Even before I reached driving age — and before I was sure what "Paradise by the Dashboard Light" exactly meant — I had the words and the music in my blood.

Memories of cruising around in my own classic — a 1978 Thunderbird — come back to me whenever I hear the songs.

After all, how many other recordings have been made on eight track, cassette and compact disc?

We certainly wouldn't have gotten through all those "Hot Summer Nights" without that album.

The road trips I took at age 16 across one corner of Nebraska certainly differ from the road trips I take across the United States today. The friends are different. The cars are different.

But one thing stays the same.

Meat Loaf.

The popularity of the album is overwhelming. When you've played "You Took the Words Right Out of My Mouth" one too many times and your cassette has worn thin, there is never a need to worry.

At the next truck stop on your road trip there is sure to be a brand new "Bat Out of Hell" in the \$3.99 bin.

— Jeff Zeleny, senior news-editorial major and editor of the Daily Nebraskan

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Still swingin'



Jeff Haller/DN

A couple dances in front of the stage Sunday night at the Pla-Mor Ballroom, 6600 W. O St., as the band Sandy Creek plays its music.

Sandy Creek adapts to music trends

By David Oldham
Staff Reporter

Over the past 20 years, the Lincoln county-bluegrass band Sandy Creek has experienced changes in style, touring and popularity.

The band's current lineup is John Paul on drums and lead vocals, Don Robertus on rhythm guitar and lead vocals, Steve Heironymus on lead guitar and Mike Paul on bass.

Brothers John and Mike Paul and Heironymus began playing together in grade school, Heironymus said.

They played in different bands in high school, Mike Paul said, and in 1974 formed

the Sandy Creek Pickers. The Sandy Creek Pickers played all bluegrass covers. In 1977, the band recorded an album of old bluegrass songs.

Back then, bluegrass was more popular with college-age music listeners, John Paul said. The band toured the Midwest more extensively and played up to six nights a week. Touring would take them to places such as Colorado and Texas.

"We were probably as popular in the late '70s as we are now," John Paul said.

Then bluegrass and the Sandy Creek Pickers' popularity began to fade, John Paul said. Many of the band's fans got married or moved away, and the band decided it was time for a change.

"We knew the country thing would start booming, and we jumped on it," John Paul said. "In about 1983 it took off."

Playing country music clubs in Omaha and Lincoln, the band regained popularity with its new sound, Paul said. They began to play bigger clubs, ballrooms and county fairs.

Robertus, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln graduate and former Scarlet and Cream singer, joined the band in 1989.

But the members of Sandy Creek still love bluegrass music, and an occasional bluegrass tune shows up in their shows.

Sandy Creek plays at 8 p.m. every Sunday at the Pla-Mor Ballroom, 6600 W. O St.

Simpson story won't address guilty question

By Joel Strauch
Senior Reporter

The Fox Broadcasting Company raised questions of legality and taste by choosing to show the "The O.J. Simpson Story" tonight before the trial is over.

Marilyn Rothe, Fox spokeswoman, said there was no danger of the movie influencing the jury's decision.

"Now that the O.J. Simpson jury has been officially sequestered," Rothe said, "we can tell the story."

But the made-for-TV movie — which airs in Lincoln at 7 p.m. on KPTM Fox 42 — was juggled around quite a bit before Fox decided when to air it, she said.

"They've been cancelling and rescheduling the show a lot," she said. "We wanted to schedule it after a lot of the specifics of the trial were through."

Although there is no danger of influencing the jury, the movie makers had to be careful not to even hint at Simpson's guilt or innocence.

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Photo courtesy of Fox Broadcasting Company

Bobby Hosea stars as O.J. Simpson and Jessica Tuck stars as Nicole Brown Simpson in "The O.J. Simpson Story," which airs tonight.

Blimpie's prices, quality just right

By Gerry Beltz
Restaurant Critic

The name may not be appealing, but the food at "Blimpie," 11th and Cornhusker streets in Belmont Plaza, makes up for the name.

Specializing in submarine sandwiches, Blimpie offers 16 varieties of subs, both hot and cold, in two sizes (6-inch or footlong).

The subs are available on wheat or Italian bread, and all bread is baked on the premises.

Of the 16 varieties, nine of the sandwiches are "colds," meaning that they won't burn your tongue.

Blimpie also has soup and chili, four kinds of salads, dill pickles and five low-calorie "Blimpie Lite" selections that are available either as a salad or on pita bread.

Also available are kids meals and Blimpie Blasts (3-foot and 6-foot long sandwiches).

I sampled a 6-inch meatball and a 6-inch Blimpie Club (ham, turkey and Swiss cheese), both on

Italian bread, with a small drink. It only took about two minutes for my order to be prepared. The total with tax was about seven bucks, and I had leftovers.

The Blimpie Club was nothing spectacular, just your run-of-the-mill submarine combo-type sandwich. The toppings were fresh and delicious, and the bread was absolutely yummy.

The meatball sandwich was the real treat. Granted, it was a bit messy, but the juicy meatballs and tasty sauce worked together to make a truly delectable delight.

The overall atmosphere of Blimpie was rather laid back, with soft rock radio tunes played on the speakers, and all employees were very polite to me.

Blimpie's prices and quality are just right for college budgets. Free refills for dine-in orders make things very cozy for college-types.

Although they could offer more toppings, Blimpie definitely has something to offer to sandwich lovers everywhere.