

# Turf

By Cliff Hicks

## Weekend full of melodies, fresh movies

Trying to think of something to do this weekend? Ye verily, a plethora of entertainment lies just beyond that door, where one can go to spend an evening of bliss basking in the radiant glow of Omaha Beach.

But, since Omaha Beach is in France and you're in Lincoln, presented here for your enjoyment is what Lincoln has to offer for the partier without a party.

In the movie department, two films start this weekend.

The first, "Fly Away Home," is about a girl who is followed by geese everywhere.

The other is "Maximum Risk" with Jean-Claude Van Damme and Natasha Hestrige. The plot of this one is unclear, but it seems to be another in the endless cycle of action films with Van Damme. But who sees a Van Damme film for the story anyway?

Also, "The Young Poisoner's Handbook" plays this weekend and next at the Mary Rieprma Ross Theatre. The film shows tonight at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.; Saturday at 1, 3, 7 and 9 p.m. and Sunday at 3, 5, 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$4.50 for students.

At the Mueller Planetarium, the laser light show will feature the music of KISS tonight and Saturday night, with shows at 8, 9:30 and 11 p.m. On Sunday, the stars at the planetarium will be coupled with the music of the Beach Boys for a 3:30 p.m. show.

At Knickerbockers, Fragile Porcelain Mice will play with Rascal Basket tonight. The show starts at 10 p.m. and cover is \$3. Saturday night, Knickerbockers will feature February and the Sissies starting at 10 p.m., with a \$3 cover.

Sunday, Duffy's will feature the female country band Hazeldine, starting at 10:30 p.m. with a \$3 cover charge.

The Zoo Bar will feature the music of the Fab Tones tonight and Saturday. The show starts 9 p.m. and the cover charge for the show is \$4.

If you're feeling up for a road trip and can leave right now, you may be able to make The Wallflowers show at The Bottleneck in Lawrence, Kan. The show starts at 9 p.m., so start driving south. Jakob Dylan (son of Bob Dylan) and company are great, so the trip will be worth your while.

For those of you who haven't heard, the Dave Matthews Band concert in Kansas City this weekend has been postponed. Details have not been released.

However, 13 bands are playing at Edgefest Sunday at Ak-Sar-Ben. The show starts at 11 p.m. and tickets are cheaper in advance.

"Jam On The Groove" at the Lied Center for Performing Arts plays tonight and Saturday starting at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$13, \$11 and \$9 for students.

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# On the Edge

## Festival packs live rock

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Thirteen bands. Nine and a half hours of music. Inexpensive tickets. It could only be Edgefest '96.

With the success of last year's festival, which included bands like 311 and the Violent Femmes, radio station KGDE-FM (101.9) The Edge will put on its second annual all-day music festival at the Ak-Sar-Ben racetrack.

This year's line up is, in tentative order of performance: Local H, The Why Store, Semisonic, Poe, The Refreshments,

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Verve Pipe, Seven Mary Three, Goldfinger, The Nixons, Tracy Bonham, A Flock of Seagulls and Blue Moon Ghetto. There is no headliner.

Dan Charleston, vice president of Mitchell Radio Group, which owns the Edge, said Edgefest was switched from a Saturday to a Sunday this year for one major reason.

"Largely for the Nixons and Goldfinger," Charleston said. "We absolutely wanted the Nixons. Since they played at Edgefest last year, they have really come into their own."

The Nixons are this year's only returning band. Since last year, their album "Foma" has taken off with two fairly big singles.

John Humphrey, drummer from the Nixons, said the band was excited about their return to Edgefest.

"We thought it was cool," Humphrey said. "It was really an awesome day for us. It wasn't just a standard gig, it was an opportunity for the band to introduce them to our music for our time. That's what's cool about a lot of festivals."

Humphrey said his band has done several festivals this year. On tour for over 15 months, the band has played hundreds of shows coast to coast.

Last year, the Nixons had to leave right after finishing their set because they had another show to do in Tulsa that night. This year, however, they plan to stick around for the festival.

"A Flock of Seagulls was my first concert," Humphrey reminisced. "They were opening for the Go-Gos. It'll be cool to see them again."

Charleston, who lined up the bands for Edgefest, speculated on the next Edgefest band to repeat the Nixon's success in the coming year.

"If Semisonic does as well as we think, they'll be the ones we invite back next year."

Jacob Slitchter, drummer and keyboardist for Semisonic, said the band is looking forward to the festival.

"It's really fun, when you get to see all these other bands," Slitchter said. "To see a good band means you have to go to some other city and then it's just one band. At festivals we can see, like in this case, twelve other bands. We plan to milk as much rock out of it as we can."

Semisonic was formed by two members of the now-defunct Trip Shakespeare and their debut album, "Great Divide," was released in April. They have recently been on tour with the Refreshments in support of their latest album.

Filter was also scheduled to join Edgefest but had to cancel when their drummer left to replace Smashing Pumpkins' Jimmy Chamberlain, who was thrown out of the band because of heroin abuse.

In addition to the bands, there will also be 12 food vendors. Villians, a vendor specializing in tattoos and body piercing as well as California Banners, specializing in fabric band posters, will also attend the festival.

Edgefest representatives said that as of Thursday morning, ticket sales were at about 16,000. Tickets are \$12.50 in advance and \$18 the day of show.

Gates open at 11 p.m. and the music will start at 11:30. The show is expected to be done by 9:30.



Poe, top, and The Refreshments, above, will perform at Edgefest.