

What's Happening

A guide to entertainment in Lincoln
Aug 14 - Aug 20

Concerts

Thursday

Karaoke with Shithook (Duffy's, 10:30 p.m.)
King Ernest (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)
Robbie Fulks (Knickerbockers, 10 p.m.)

Friday

Jimmy Johnson (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)
Wuf and Shaking Tree (Knickerbockers, 10 p.m.)

Saturday

Yabba and Traxx (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)
Ditch Witch and Shithook (Knickerbockers, 10 p.m.)
Pears-A-Palloza (P.O. Pears, 5 p.m., music from Fishheads, One More Time, Confidentials, Self-Righteous Brothers, Nuclear Bees and On the Fritz)

Sunday

Self-Righteous Brothers, Third Degree, Jumpin' Kate, McGovern's (Zoo Bar, 3 p.m.)
Funk-O-Matic (Duffy's, 10 p.m.)

Monday

Big-Daddy & Authorized Personnel, Julius & The Windows (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

Tuesday

(Open Stage, Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

Wednesday

Larry Garner and His Boogaloo Blues Band
(Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

Music

(Tuesdays are new release days for record companies)

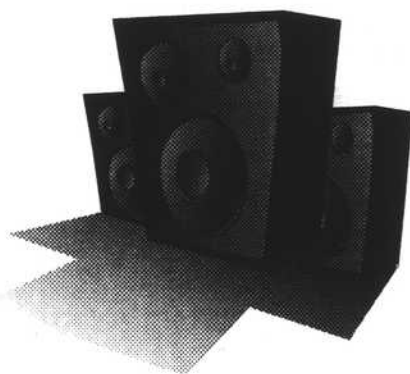
Billy Joel
Fleetwood Mac
Flying Burrito Brothers
Lords of Acid



Videos

(Tuesdays are new release days for videos)

"Dante's Peak"
"The Beautician and the Beast"



Movies

Friday

"Event Horizon"
"Steel"
"Copland"
"Money Talks" at the Plaza 4 Theaters, stay for "Spawn"

Sneak Preview

"G.I. Jane" at the Douglas 3 Theaters, stay for "Face/Off" (Sat. at 7:30 p.m.)

Returning Movies

"The Lost World"
"Gone Fishing"

Summer Film Classic Series

"National Lampoon's Vacation" (Thur. at 9 p.m., free at the grassy area north of Kimball Hall)
(At the Mary Riepma Ross Film Theater)

"The Daytrippers" (Thur.-Sun.)



New restaurant offers food with southern touch

By AMY KELLER
Staff Reporter

Many Americans try different kinds of food from all over the world, from Chinese to Mexican to Italian, but sometimes they don't realize that their own country has good food.

That was the idea behind Southern Hospitality, a new restaurant in Lincoln that opened a month ago, said owner Chauncey Blakely. Located at 1317 North 10th Street, Southern Hospitality features a variety of foods with a southern flair, such as red beans and rice, gumbo and barbeque beef sandwiches and ribs.

The restaurant is owned by Blakely and his wife, Michele. Their son and daughter also help with the business.

Blakely said that he wanted to have his whole family involved in the business to show his children that "the only way to keep a restaurant is to keep it family-oriented."

Blakely said that part of his reason for opening Southern Hospitality was that he has always enjoyed food and was a sorority cook in the past, as well as a manager of several restaurants. These included a strictly barbeque eatery in Lincoln called Chauncey's Place and the

"I think we have something that can touch everyone's taste buds."

CHAUNCEY BLAKELY
co-owner of Southern Hospitality

Acreage in Roca, Nebraska.

He also said that he had always wanted to do something to highlight southern cooking and not many restaurants in Lincoln serve that type of food, so Southern Hospitality was the natural outcome of that desire.

Jason Morehead, a senior advertising major at UNL and first-time customer at Southern Hospitality, said that he thought the restaurant was a good addition to the other types of food served in different restaurants throughout the city.

"I think that it's good for Lincoln to have a variety of food," Morehead said.

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Gibson, Roberts shine in 'Conspiracy Theory'

By JEFF RANDALL
Film Critic

The recent glut of wild-eyed ideas about government conspiracies — ranging from UFO cover-ups to the JFK assassination — has become one of the first recognizable cultural mainstays of the '90s. Individual theorists are popping up all over the Internet, television and talk radio; and even though most people consider their theories to be largely implausible, if not ludicrous, the paranoid few still manage to get plenty of air time.

So it was only a matter of time before somebody made a movie to make fun of 'em.

Richard Donner and Joel Silver, the duo behind the "Lethal Weapon" trilogy, took up those expected reins, and "Conspiracy Theory" is the result.

Mel Gibson stars as Jerry Fletcher, a cab driver who inundates his passengers with his own personal conspiracy theories on everything from fluoride in drinking water to Oliver Stone films. He spends his off-the-clock time typing up and mailing his own newsletter, "Conspiracy Theory," and fawning over Justice Department attorney Alice Sutton (Julia Roberts).

Alice and her co-workers are somewhat irritated by Jerry's persistence — he tends to burst into the office unannounced and bombard them with his ideas, which even he admits are pretty much unable to be proven. But six months ago, Jerry saved Alice from a

pair of muggers, so she tolerates his crackpot theories.

But what if Jerry's theories aren't entirely wrong? What if he got a couple right, and a few mysterious individuals weren't too happy about it?

That's where "Conspiracy Theory" starts to take off, emerging from a series of half-funny scenes into a full-fledged action-thriller, the kind that the Donner-Silver team has made into somewhat of an art form.

Not much can be revealed about the film's plot beyond that, except that Patrick Stewart plays the villain, an oddball figure who — for some reason — must stop Jerry at all costs.

Gibson's and Roberts' performances make the film, however. Gibson's portrayal of Jerry skirts a line somewhere between Brad Pitt in "12 Monkeys" and Jack Nicholson in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." Despite a few

The Facts

Title: "Conspiracy Theory"

Stars: Mel Gibson, Julia Roberts, Patrick Stewart

Director: Richard Donner

Rating: R (violence, language)

Grade: B

Five Words: "Theory" fails to prove self

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