

Free flick captures essence of new wave

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For those who party and pogo to the sounds of The Ramones, Elvis Costello and The Squeeze, Friday night's free flick, "Rock 'n' Roll High School," is a sure box office hit. But for those who aren't familiar with this new style of music, the film may prove to be at the very least an enlightening experience.

"Rock 'n' Roll High School" is about a group of young new wave fanatics who take over their high school to rebel against their old-fashioned principal who opposes the music. The movie features The Ramones, one of the pioneer new wave groups.

New wave Music has various meanings for different people. But Ken Friedman, who hosts WXYC's new wave program, "Anarchy in the P. M.," said new wave was just plain rock 'n' roll.

Its origin stems back to about 1975, when rock 'n' roll music was on a downhill slide in both England and the United States, Friedman said.

"The artists of the new wave chucked the image of the artist and became just musicians having a good time," he said.

What most people label "punk rock" was the first form of this new wave craze. Punk germinated in England because of the many serious economic and social problems that were occurring there, Friedman said.

He added that punk was an outlet for the many frustrated teenagers in England at the time.

At about the same time, punk was forming in the United States, but merely as a means of reviving the seemingly lost rock 'n' roll sound, he said.

When it (punk) first began, what it lacked in professionalism, was made up for in energy and spirit," Friedman said. "It created a lot of rubble, but punk rock opened the door for new wave, and its influence still continues today."

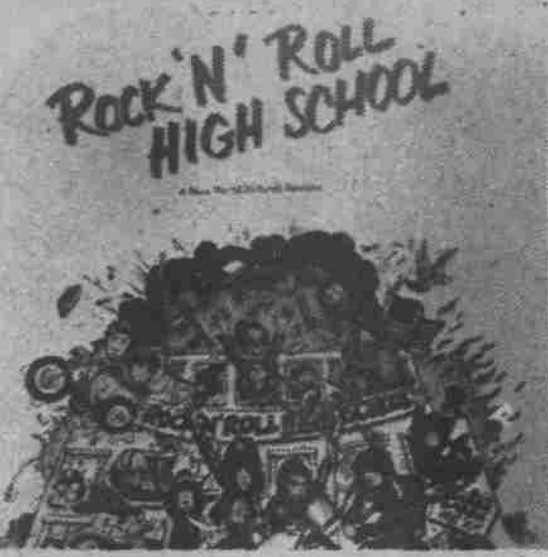
Though true punkers like the Sex Pistols have faded in popularity, a much broader range of music, new wave, has emerged.

"New wave is a movement that encompasses many different forms of experimentation," said Bo O'Reilly, vice president of the Disc Trading Company. That company in Carrboro distributes nationally the new wave records.

"The hope placed in new wave was that it would revitalize and reactivate rock 'n' roll at a time when the broader musical scene was stagnated," he said.

O'Reilly said that new wave has fulfilled this hope, but that Chapel Hillians just recently had picked up on the craze.

"There is a sort of sub-cult of new wave fanatics in the area that has been around for several years. But for this group in Chapel Hill, it has been a long wait of disillusionment and patience," O'Reilly



It wasn't until Sneakers, the first group bearing a resemblance to a new wave band, appeared in Chapel Hill in 1976 that this town began "riding the wave," he said. "There is a very hungry new wave audience right now."

And that audience has been responsible for the increased stock of new wave music in area record shops.

"Basically, we sell to those who are looking for an alternative to what is forced upon them by the radio and other media," Big Shot record shop manager David Giles said.

But club owners in town have been slow to contract new wave groups to play in Chapel Hill. O'Reilly said groups have been forming in the Triangle area to fill in the gap.

Durham based bands X-Teens, Human Furniture, and Secret Service, as well as the Psuedes from Chapel Hill are among the many groups satisfying the growing new wave audience, he said.

"It's a music of change," Friedman said. "The idea is to be different. It doesn't matter if you offend. It doesn't matter if people despise you — better despise you than ignore you."

Students must tie up loose ends

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Most University students soon will be leaving Chapel Hill for the summer. The next two weeks will be spent in a frantic frenzy, trying to study for exams and moving. But, there also are loose ends students need to tie up before heading homeward.

The post office has asked departing students to fill out change of address cards by May 2. These are available at the dormitories and the post office.

Chapel Hill Postmaster Fred Reiger said: "We ask that students make sure that they put down a permanent address that we can send mail to. If it (mail) is sent back (to the post office), we have to return it to the sender. This inconvenience students greatly because critical pieces of mail can hang in limbo and not be sent to them until months later."

Students should also stop any subscriptions before leaving town or send the company notification of their address changes, Reiger said.

Apartment dwellers also need to take care of some business before leaving Chapel Hill.

Most area apartments require that tenants clean their apartments thoroughly. Tenants are expected to give at least thirty days notice before moving, to pay the last rent installment, and to return all keys. Also, most complexes conduct a final inspection with both tenant and manager present to determine the condition of the apartment.

"Tenants sign an inspection sheet when they move in, stating that they have seen the apartment with the manager and have recorded any damages," Diana James of Carolina Apartments said. "When they leave, we check this sheet against the final inspection. It is good for both the tenant and manager to be there (at the last inspection), in case there are any disputes. We also ask for their new address, so we can refund security deposits."

Dorothy Bernholz, director of Student Legal Services, also had some advice for apartment dwellers. "If you are subletting, make sure that you put the other tenant's name on the agreement,"

Bernholz said. "Put the utilities in his name also. When you turn over possession, go over to the apartment together and submit a statement of its condition to the landlord. Also take a security deposit so you can protect yourself from possible damages."

Banks also ask students to give summer addresses where bank statements can be sent. Barbara Pearson of First Citizens Bank suggested that students check their accounts before they leave and make sure that all their checks have cleared. She also said student should keep enough money in their account to pay any service charges.

Bernholz also listed the following suggestions for departing students:

- Check police records to see if you are charged with any violations.
- If you have pets, either take them with you, or make sure that they're cared for.
- Make sure that you disconnect your phone. Southern Bell Telephone Co. is sending out cards for disconnect orders.

Counselors help

Blind students adjust to Carolina

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For most of us, living in constant, total darkness would be frightening, but for many of UNC's blind students it seems a mere inconvenience.

"Seeing is not a wish I have because being blind doesn't make me feel limited," one blind student said. Her sight began failing at age five and she went blind when she was six. "Once in a while something will come up that would be a lot easier if I could see, but I've adjusted so well, I really don't even think about being blind," she added.

Another student, blind since birth, said he wished for his sight only when he wants to travel. "I'd like to be able to drive, just take off and go anywhere I want, but besides that, not being able to see is not that important to me," he said.

Many blind students agree that their adjustment to college life is partly due to the friendly, helpful atmosphere of Carolina and Chapel Hill. "People here are real helpful," one said. "Sometimes people try to help when I don't really need it, but if someone wants to help, I let them. It makes people feel good to do something like that."

The students also agree that a person's age and education seem to make a difference in his general attitude toward handicapped people. "Many older people see a blind person and immediately say, 'God bless you, poor thing,' and they want to pick you up and carry you to where you're going," laughed one blind student. "The people here are young and know more about handicapped people. They seem to see you more as just another person, not as an invalid."

Because of individual interests and independence, most blind students are acquainted, but don't get together often. "Every once in a while a few of us will get together and someone will bring up something funny that has happened to him or her, and we'll all carry on and laugh about it, but mostly when we meet it's just general talk," one said.

The students find traveling on the UNC campus fairly easy. "The campus is set up in a concentrated space, the buildings are in straight lines and blocks and there is a good sidewalk system," one student said. Many students have traveled on the campus of

Western Carolina during a summer program there for the blind. Most said the scattered buildings and hilly terrain made getting around difficult.

Mobility instructor Gail White teaches many students to travel before their first semester at Carolina. White gives the students instructions for getting around on campus and in town. "I teach them to get from their dorms to their classrooms," she said. "I get them to the library, the Pine Room, the gym and the (Carolina) Union." The method and amount of orientation varies with the person's traveling experience. "I teach them to use landmarks like sewer drains, walls, driveways, fire plugs and constant sounds to travel," she continued. "Also, I give them the time and the distance it will take them to get there." White said blind people in Chapel Hill are aided by the town's good bus system and the wide sidewalks and marked cross walks. "Most people already know the basics of travel when they come here," she added. They have learned to find a chair and a door, to cross a street and to get up and down stairs. The more experience they have, the less I need to work with them." White cautions that being too helpful is no help at all. "Moving a blind person around sometimes disorients him," she said.

Laura Drumbheller, advisor for handicapped students, is one of the people who gives blind students the help they need. Drumbheller works to make sure the students get a fair shake academically as well as advising them on other problems. "In classroom settings, the professors sometimes use the blackboard and overhead projector and don't explain things fully enough," Drumbheller said. Most students take class notes in braille with a slate and stylus. They have people assigned to read them their books or to record the text on cassette.

Drumbheller said she thinks teachers should be more aware of blind and otherwise handicapped students and their special needs. "Blind students are living in a sighted world where people talk in colors and shapes and where visual media are used," she said. "They sometimes need explanations of things that other people see and take for granted."

While blind students might need special academic help, Drumbheller said she thinks other special treatment should be limited. "They're students here just like everybody else and should be treated that way," she said.

Advisers say jobs still available

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Although the deadline for most summer internships has passed, it is not too late for students to find summer jobs, say five campus placement coordinators.

"I know of two companies that will be recruiting for summer jobs," said Carol Haase-Greeley, a counselor in the University Placement office.

Owens-Illinois will be here April 23 and Walt Disney World, which has a big recruiting campaign going on now, will be here April 29 through May 2, Haase-Greeley said.

"Anyone wanting to set up an appointment for an interview should come by the placement office," she said.

"I wouldn't think it's too late at all," said Billie Nagelschmidt, administrative manager in charge of placement for the School of Journalism.

"I'd make sure to check what was left," Nagelschmidt said. "Most internships start recruiting in January or February, some in November, and some just a couple of weeks ago, although most (internships) have been filled by now," she said. "But there still may be jobs available on weekly newspapers which, I think,

give a student the best experience."

Pat Coke, placement coordinator for the city and regional planning department; Rankin Harris, placement coordinator for the M.B.A. program; and Leonard Berlow, placement coordinator for the School of Pharmacy, all said there should be summer jobs available but that most internships had been filled.

"If a student wants a job this summer and has waited this late, I would advise them to beat the pavement and knock on doors," Haase-Greeley said. "They should check all resources the University has. They should check with (UNC's financial aid office), the work-study program, and the counseling center."

"They can now also check with Job Service in Chapel Hill," she said. "They have local listings of both permanent and part-time jobs. Also, any jobs that receive federal funds must tell them."

Haase-Greeley said that on the average it takes 115 days to find a job, and that most of the better ones had been filled by now.

"That's why we encourage people to start looking for a job in the fall," she said. "But there are some good jobs still available, and it's possible that even more could open up. You just have to keep looking."

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