

Week's Fare

TODAY

4 Enigma recording artists **The Dead Milkmen** and the **Royal Crescent Mob** will perform at Cat's Cradle.

Purdy's will present **Comedy Zone** at 9 p.m.

FRIDAY

5 Country-pop singer/songwriter **Stuart Parrish** will perform at Ninth Street Bakery. For more information, call 286-0303.

Nothing In Common, a comedy film starring Tom Hanks and Jackie Gleason, will be shown at the

Carolina Union Auditorium at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Admission is free with UNC I.D. or Union Privilege Card. Country-rock artists **HEGE V** will perform at Cat's Cradle, 320 W. Franklin St.

SATURDAY

6 Folk-pop-rock artist **Steve Forbert** and **Southern Culture on the Skids** will perform at Cat's Cradle, 320 W. Franklin St.

Flashback will perform at He's Not Here.

Auditions for the talent competition **Monday Night Live!** will be held at The Courtyard on W.

Franklin St. Those interested in auditioning must schedule an appointment by calling Deborah Mann at 942-2041.

SUNDAY

7 Tex Mex artist **Joe "King" Carrasco** will perform at Cat's Cradle, 320 W. Franklin St.

Legal Eagles, starring Robert Redford and Debra Winger, will be shown at the Carolina Union Auditorium at 7 and 9:30 p.m.

The Sunday Jazz Series of the ArtsCenter will present a concert by jazz singer **Bus Brown** at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Church of Chapel

Hill, 106 Purefoy Rd. The group, led by Brown, will perform new music as well as old favorites from his album, "The Storyteller." Tickets are \$4 for the public and \$3 for Friends of the ArtsCenter.

Poet **Shelby Stephenson** and author **Pamela Oldham** will present readings from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Hardback Cafe and Bookstore, 110 N. Columbia St. Admission is free and will be followed by a discussion and a reception for the authors.

MONDAY

8 The local reggae artists **I-TAL** will perform at Cat's Cradle, 320

W. Franklin St.

The Color Purple, the film based on Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel and starring Whoopi Goldberg, Oprah Winfrey, Margaret Avery, Danny Glover and Adolph Caesar will be shown at the Carolina Union Auditorium at 7 and 9:45 p.m. Admission is free with UNC I.D. or Union Privilege Card.

WEDNESDAY

10 **Scruffy the Cat** and the local band **The Veldt** will perform at Cat's Cradle, 320 W. Franklin St.

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Watch out Felix! Here comes 'Scruffy the Cat'

By **JAMES BURRUS**
Staff Writer

After playing Boston music clubs for three years in the shadows of hometown heavyweights such as the Del Fuegos and Dumptruck, **Scruffy the Cat** are finally getting some national, and international, recognition.

The band's first EP on Relativity Records, "High Octane Revival," was recognized as one of the top EPs of 1986 by "The Village Voice" and pop music critic Robert Palmer of "The New York Times." The band was also men-

tioned in "Newsweek" and the English music mag "Melody Maker," which described **Scruffy the Cat's** sound as "thundering popabilly rhythms."

The band has just released their first full-length album, "Tiny Days," and in recent weeks their video of "MyBabyShe'sAllRight" has been on "120 Minutes," MTV's peek-a-boo look into the music of the future.

Scruffy the Cat have been labeled "country-rock" and "roots rock-and-roll." None of those labels have any stick, though. In

fact, there is only one label that has enough adhesive to stay on these guys. This band-aid's name is simply "rock and roll."

Scruffy the Cat is a band that uses all the musical talents, influences and ideas of its members to come up with an original sound. With all these pushes and pulls within the band, few songs sound alike. The band members take turns writing the songs, sometimes collaborating, sometimes going solo.

The differences in the band also account for their various points of

view. **Scruffy the Cat's** obviously enjoy being goofy, which is evident in the band's name and video. The words, though, are open to humorous and serious interpretations. For instance, the song "Shadow Boy" could be the story of the shy guy who can't gather the courage to ask out the girl he admires — or it could be subtitled "Tales of a Peeping Tom."

Charlie Chesterman, **Scruffy's** lead singer, said he does not think of the serious side of the songs when he writes them. However, lead guitarist **Stephen Fredette** said he does write with the intention of being serious. **Scruffy** must be a spotted cat.

Bassist **MacPaul Stanfield** and drummer **Randall Lee Gibson IV** round out **Scruffy the Cat**. The fifth member of **Scruffy**, banjo player **Stona Fitch**, has left the band. **Fitch** does, however, appear on "Tiny Days."

The personnel change has caused some adjustments, **Fredette** said. "I have to make more racket now," the guitarist said.

The band is currently enjoying the rewards and suffering the hardships of prowling across the country. **Scruffy** would have it no other way.

Scruffy the Cat returns to Cat's Cradle on June 10. Call 967-9053 for ticket information.



FOUR CORNERS

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WEEKLY SPECIALS*

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| Monday | |
| burger & draft pitchers | 3 ⁹⁹ 2 ⁵⁰ |
| Tuesday | |
| BBQ Chicken, corn-on-the-cob, baked potato (5-9:00) | 4 ⁹⁵ |
| Domestic bottles | 1 ⁰⁰ |
| Kamikaze shots | 1 ⁵⁰ |
| Wednesday | |
| Fruit plate with cottage cheese | 3 ⁷⁵ |
| Pitchers | 2 ⁵⁰ |
| Thursday | |
| BBQ Chicken, corn-on-the-cob, baked potato (5-9:00) | 4 ⁹⁵ |
| Highballs | 1 ⁵⁰ |
| Friday | |
| Shrimp Salad Pita w/Chips | 3 ⁹⁵ |

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