AROUND TOWN

Film:

Check theaters for specific times and prices. Movies subject to change without notice (Campus Theater 846-6512) (Plitt Cinema I&II 846-6714) (MSC Box Office-Rudder 845-2916)

ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN (Rudder Theater) Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman star as Woodward and Bernstein in this film about the role of two Washington Post reporters in uncovering the Watergate story. Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Rated R.

FAME (Campus Theater) You've heard the song, now there's the movie. A film about the goings on at a New York City high school for the performing arts. The films drags in places, but when the music and dance start the film can do no wrong. Sneak preview tonight at midnight, film starts Friday. Rated R.

FRIDAY THE 13th (Plitt Cinema I&II) A camp counselor murders middle-class children. Summer camp will never be the same. Friday and Saturday at midnight. Rated R.

HALLOWEEN (Rudder Theater) A story about a psycopath who kills lots of people, and makes a big mess doing it. Features Jamie Lee Curtis in her first tormented victim role. Friday and Saturday at midnight. Rated R.

LOVING COUPLES (Manor East) A story of musical mates, starring James Coburn, Shirley MacLaine, Susan Sarandon and Stephen Collins. Rated R.

ORDINARY PEOPLE (Plitt Cinema I&II) Robert Redford's debut as director, with Mary Tyler Moore and Donald Southerland. Some people think it's a real tear-jerker. See review on page

PRIVATE BENJAMIN (Manor East) Goldie Hawn stars as a poor little rich girl who finds out that playing Army is not just another game. Rated

ROCKY II (Manor East) Rocky makes an astonishing comeback. If you liked Rocky, you'll like Rocky II, because it's basically the same movie with a different ending. Friday and Saturday at midnight. Rated PG

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW: (Campus Theater) It's Rocky week again. (Not to be confused with Rocky II.) Drag out all the rice and newspapers and candles, Saturday at midnight. Rated R.

SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT II (Manor East) Again Burt Reynolds and Jerry Reed are still having a great time in a film about baby elephants and speeding through the South without getting caught. Rated PG.

THE AMITYVILLE HORROR (Rudder Theater) An allegedly true story about a young couple who have problems with flies and other pests in their new home. Starring James Brolin, Margot Kidder and Rod Steiger. Friday and Saturday at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Rated R.

THE AWAKENING (Plitt Cinema I&II) An cursed Egyptian mummy is brought back to life, much to the dismay of the bringer-backer. Another don't-mess-with-old-things movie. Rated R.

THE CHANGELING: (Campus Theater) Another scary movie for Halloween. Stars Gregory Peck. Friday at midnight. Rated R.

THE FOG (Rudder Theater and Manor East) John Carpenter duplicates his success in Halloween with this ghost story. Between 12 and 1 ... better watch out. With Adrienne Barbeau, Jamie Lee Curtis, Janet Leigh and Hal Holbrook. Thursday at 10 p.m. in Rudder Theater, and Friday and Saturday at midnight at Manor East if you miss it on campus. Rated R.



THE HAUNTING (Rudder Theater) A scary story about four people and one house. Thursday at midnight, Rated G.

THE LEGEND OF HELL HOUSE (Rudder Theater) Another scary story about four more people and a different house. With Roddy McDowell and Pamela Franklin. Thursday at 8 p.m. Rated

Live Entertainment:

BASEMENT: The MSC Basement Committee presents Shake Russell/Dana Cooper Band Tuesday night in Rudder Theater.

BACKSTAGE: Friday night, Backstage presents a Halloween Dinner Theater featuring four short plays by the Aggie Players. Diners will be served their choice of breast of capon for \$11.95 or prime rib for \$15. Complimentary "Witch's Brew" will be served. Saturday night "Jazz will appear, for a 75¢ cover charge.

FOR THE GOOD TIMES: Friday, the Texas Time Machine provides music for the Halloween costume party. Cover is \$2 with costume, \$4 without. Texas Time Machine returns Saturday. Cover is \$2 per person, \$3 for couples.

GRINS: Friday and Saturday the Banded Geckos, a rock and roll band, perform. Cover is \$1.50.

LAKEVIEW: Dennis Ivey and the Waymen perform Thursday, along with Ol' Amarillo, the bull. Cover is \$1 for women and \$3 for men, with 5¢ beer. Saturday, Ivey and the Waymen appear

ROSEWOOD JUNCTION: Tangent appears Friday and Saturday. Cover is \$1

TEXAS HALL OF FAME: Friday night the Music Masters perform, for a \$2 cover charge. Saturday, the Matheny Brothers appear. Cover is \$3.

TJ's WHISKEY BAR: Stardust will perform Thursday and Friday night. Cover charge is \$2. No band Saturday.

COLLAGE

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Retsmah!

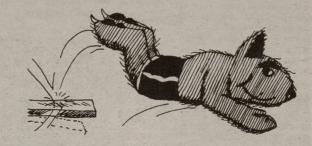
TAMPA, Fla. - If Rocky the Flying Squirrel achieved stardom,

can Retsmah the diving hamster?

University of South Florida student Niles Steckbauer is convinced he will. Steckbauer thinks his pet's ability to dive into a pool from a 27-foot platform will earn national interest. In fact, he's so convinced of Retsmah's potential, he's found the furry creature a lawyer, a producer and an escort. And he's still looking for a screenwriter to use Retsmah's talents, as well as a Lloyd's of London insurance policy to secure his future.

Retsmah — that's hamster spelled backwards — is already a seasoned performer, delighting USF students and local television seasoned performer.

crews with his dives.



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And as far as one **University of Nebraska** student is concerned, Richard Nixon's the one to turn to.

Journalism major Mike Foley says he is perfectly serious in his "Nixon for President" campaign, although other students may laugh at the posters he's hung around campus. "This country needs a strong leader now," he says, adding that there's no student enthusiasm for either major party nominee

THE BATTALION

Policy: Focus will accept any stories, drawings or photographs that are submitted for publication, although the decision to publish lies solely with the editor. Pieces submitted, printed or not, will be returned upon request. Deadline is 5 p.m. the Thursday before publication.

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On The Cover: Circus Vargas' highwire troupe, "Zaltanas," performs a daring feat on the wire. The "Zaltanas," featuring Delilah Wallenda Troffer, grand-daughter of highwire great Karl Wallenda, perform the human pyramid originated by Wallenda over 40 years ago. The troupe performs without a net. Cover photo by Pat O'Malley.