

around town

live music

If your club has live music that you would like listed, call *At Ease* at 845-3312.

Brazos Landing

Brazos Landing is at Northgate. Everyone is admitted. Beer and wine are served. For more information call 846-3497.

Saturday — About Nine Times. New Wave. \$3 cover.

Cow Hop Expansion

Next to the restaurant at Northgate. Those 18 and older admitted. Alcohol served to legal drinkers. Call 846-1588 for more information.

Thursday — To Be Announced.

Friday — Bad Habit. Rock. \$2 cover.

Saturday — Sgt. Berrie's All-Star Birthday Band. Classic Rock. \$2 cover.

Wednesday — Sneaky Pete singalong. \$1 cover.

Eastgate Live

On Texas Avenue across from the east entrance of campus. Those under 21 admitted. Legal drinkers can purchase wine or beer. Call 764-2095 for more information.

Thursday — Street Pizza. Hardcore. \$3 cover.

Friday — Eric Johnson. Rock. \$6 cover.

Saturday — The Rage. Dance rock. \$3 cover.

Monday — Dru Wilson. Solo acoustic. \$2 cover.

Tuesday — Sage. Rock n' roll. \$3 cover.

Wednesday — Lippman Jam. Open stage. No cover.

Hall of Fame

In Bryan on FM 2818 north of Villa Maria. Those 18 to 20 admitted on selected dates. Alcohol served to legal drinkers. Call 822-2222 for more information.

Thursday — The Debonaires. \$4 cover.

Friday — Texas High Riders. \$4 cover.

Saturday — Bubba Cox and the Easygoing. \$4 cover.

Kay's Cabaret

At Post Oak Mall. Those 18 and older are admitted. Beer, wine and liquor are served to legal drinkers. For more information, call 696-9191.

Thursday — Don Overby. Solo guitar. No cover.

Friday — Sneaky Pete. Singalong. No cover.

Saturday — John Thomas Project. Classic hits. No cover. 05508718

Morgenstern's

About one-half mile north of campus on College Main. Those 18 to 20 are admitted on Wednesdays only. Beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages are served. For more information call 846-1812.

Thursday — Shake Russell and Dana Cooper. Rock. \$5 cover.

Friday — The Texas Twisters. Rock n' roll. Cover.

Saturday — Night Island. Reggae. Cover.

WarCon '88 to provide fun, games

by Cindy Milton

MSC Nova has planned more than its annual weekend of fun and games during WarCon '88 February 5, 6, and 7 at the Memorial Student Center.

The highlight of WarCon '88 is a speech on Naval Tensions in the Persian Gulf by Larry Bond, co-author of the best-selling novel *Red Storm Rising* and designer of *Harpoon*, a new game of naval combat simulation.

Bond, who has served in the armed forces and designed several anti-warfare models and tactical action gaming systems, is the first speaker ever in WarCon history. His talk will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in 601 Rudder Tower. Admission for the talk is free.

Nova, the University's wargaming committee, has been active at A&M since the early 1970s. WarCon '88 is the organization's fourteenth WarCon, which makes it the oldest wargaming convention in the state.

Nova presents two wargaming conventions —

cons, for short — each year, WarCon and NovaCon. The committee also has open gaming every weekend so gamers can find new opponents and interests.

Paul Hart, a senior computer science major and chairman of Nova, said the convention brings together people from around the state who are interested in gaming competition with other serious gamers.

"We have games like advanced Dungeons and Dragons, Starfleet Battle . . . games that will simulate combat in the past, present, future and in fantasy time periods," he says.

Hart says the games include role-playing games, where participants take on another character, and board games, where the players compete to see who's the most skillful player.

Hart says the games that will be played at WarCon are not typically found in stores. However, he says there is a "dealer's room" at the convention where these types

of games, books and comics will be sold.

WarCon '88 will include a grenade toss, with inactive World War II grenades, and a video room with additional games.

Mark Camp, a senior history major and head of the WarCon dealer's room, says most of the games involve some kind of strategy.

"The games teach you how to think ahead," he says. "They teach you a lot of history."

Camp says games like *Harpoon* are modern and relevant, with fictitious conflict.

"Some of the modern games are very accurate," he says. "They could be played in other places in the world. You learn to be a technician."

"The whole thing is very stimulating. You learn about strategy, history, and you meet people who are interested in the same things you are."

Tickets for WarCon '88 are \$11 for the weekend. They can be purchased in 206 MSC or through Ticketron at the MSC box office.

movies

All movies and times are provided by the theaters, and are subject to change.

Cinema Three

Cinema Three is at 315 College Ave. Call 693-2796 for more information.

Sign of the Times. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:10 and 9:10. Ends Friday.

Raw Rated R. Show times are 7:05 and 9:05. Ends Friday.

Batteries not Included. Rated PG. Show time is 7. Ends Friday.

Braddock: Missing in Action III. Rated R. Show times are 7 and 9. Ends Friday.

Serpent and the Rainbow. Rated R. Show times are 7:05 and 9:05. Starts Friday.

Julia and Julia. Rated R. Show times are 7:10 and 9:10. Starts Friday.

Moonstruck. Rated PG. Show times are 7 and 9. Starts Friday.

Post Oak Three

Post Oak Three is at Post Oak Mall. Call 693-2796 for more information.

She's Having a Baby. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:20 and 9:20. Starts Friday.

Throw Momma from the Train. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:10 and 9:10.

Broadcast News Rated R. Show times are 7 and 9:30.

Empire of the Sun. Rated PG. Show times are 7 and 9:45. Ends Friday.

Schulman 6

Schulman 6 is at 2002 E. 29th. For more information, call 775-2463.

For Keeps. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:30 and 9:50.

Planes, Trains and Automobiles Rated R. Show times are 7:30 and 9:50. Ends Friday.

Baby Boom. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:10 and 9:35.

Dirty Dancing. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:15 and 9:40.

Princess Bride. Rated PG-13. Show times are 7:25 and 9:45.

Hello Again. Rated PG. Show times are 7:20 and 9:35. Starts Friday.

Couch Trip. Rated R. Showtimes are 7:20 and 9:35. Ends Friday.

Plaza Three

Plaza Three is at 226 Southwest Parkway. Call 693-2457 for more information.

Fatal Attraction. Rated R. Show times are 7:20 and 9:50.

Good Morning Vietnam. Rated R. Showtimes are 7:10 and 9:40.

Wall Street. Rated R. Showtimes are 7:15 and 9:45.

Manor East Three

Manor East Three is at Manor East Mall. Call 823-8300 for more information.

The Last Emperor. Rated PG-13. Show time is 7:45. Starts Friday.

Three Men & a Baby. Rated PG. Show times are 7:10 and 9:35.

Couch Trip. Rated R. Show times are 7:20 and 9:40.

Overboard. Rated PG. Show times are 7:25 and 9:45.