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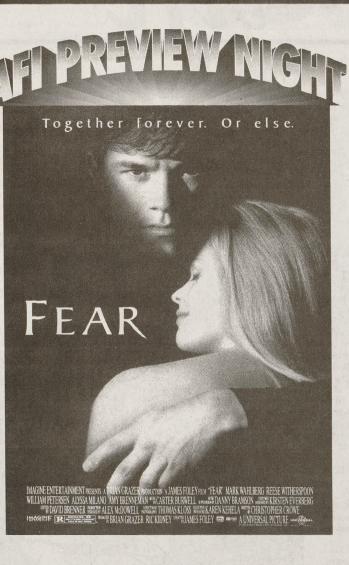
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THE BATTALION t all started when four co-

workers decided to form a band just for kicks A year-and-a-half and 30 or 40 performances later, Hotwheels Jr! is beginning to branch out from its Austin roots and explore other areas of the

state and country. Hotwheels Jr! will be exploring the Bryan-College Station area when it opens for Mudshow at the Dixie Theatre Friday night. Chip Cramer, the band's drum-

mer, said the idea of forming a band was completely whimsical

but has turned out to be fun. "When we started, it was a joke," Cramer said. "We did not have a lot of experience, but we have worked hard. The first time we got together, we just made noise, and after an hour or two, we started sounding pretty good.

Joining Cramer in Hotwheels Jr! are Adam Purina, guitarist and vocalist: Kristina Recia. bass guitarist and vocalist, and Mark Bradley, guitarist.

Hotwheels Jr! has opened for Mudshow several times. Cramer said Mudshow has a following in

Thursday

Breedlove, a rock band from Austin, is playing at the Dixie Theatre.

Haydukes, a folk band, is playing at the Brazos Brewing Company.

Peeping Tom, a rock band, is playing at The Tap.

John Reyna and Tubie Pusheé, a classic rock duo, is playing at Fitzwilly's.

Friday

Crystal Sea, a jazz band, is playing at Sweet Eugene's House of Java.

The Logan Brothers, a rock band, is playing at The Tap.

Mudshow, a rock band from Austin, is playing at

College Station and has heard that mosh pits have a tendency to form at the band's shows.

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"Here (Austin) people just sit on their butts," Cramer said. "It is nice to see some butt shaking go-ing on and people getting up. There is just too much music available here, and unless the band is really special, they won't get up."

Cramer said the band's music is similar to punk rock and is full of energy

Over spring break, Hot-wheels Jr! had an opportunity to play at South by Southwest (SXSW) in Austin.

"It was the first time our show was written up," Bradley said. "We had a lot of fun and learned a lot.' Cramer said through its per-

formances, Hotwheels Jr! has increased its knowledge base.

"It has been a giant learning curve," Cramer said. "We went from nothing to what turns us on. The success is greater than what we expected." The band released a demo al-

bum out of Austin, which features six original songs. Bradley said that in the lyrics, the band member's try to avoid clichés that are used in many other songs.

from Austin, is opening (see related story).

Gause, is playing at the 3rd Floor Cantina.

Saturday

The Maps, a jazz/blues rock band, is playing the Brazos Brewing Company.

Miss Molly and the Whips, a rhythm and blue performer from Houston, is playing at the 3rd Floor Cantina.

Mr. Friendly, a rock band, is playing at The Ta

Brian Whittaker, a classic rock performer, is playing at Fitzwilly's.

The Wicks, a blues/rock band, is playing at set Eugene's House of Java.

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to say we have a record deal Bradley said the band about 30 songs it would like use to record an album, but ey is the only barrier right

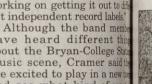
"We only have a demo CI now," Bradley said. "But w working on getting it out to di ent independent record labels.

have heard different th about the Bryan-College St music scene, Cramer said are excited to play in a new and see what kind of react they will get. "It will be different but

ing to go somewhere we hav been," Cramer said. "We alw have a familiar crowd, so will be different. Plus, i great reason for a road trip.

the Dixie Theatre. Hotwheels Jr!, a rock band

Ruthie Foster, a rhythm and blues performer



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