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CRITIC'S CORNER

By Sommer Bunce
 THE BATTALION

For Sandy and Danny fans who have only seen the 1978 film version of the Broadway hit "Grease," sitting in a theatre with the stiletto-wearing, greasy-haired cast of MSC Opas' "Grease" is more heavenly than "that malt shop in the sky."

The lights, the voices and the characters come to life on stage, with minor variations from the Olivia Newton John and John Travolta flick. But unlike the movie, this "Grease" snaps with an energy you can't find in the VCR. Picture Teen Angel (who replaces Frankie Avalon's role from the film) swooning to a beehived Frenchy

about heading back to high school as smokers pump out clouds and showgirls wearing stars for hats dance in unison. "Greased Lightnin'" pits a gyrating Kenickie against a backdrop of black leather dancers, and "Hopelessly Devoted to You" strikes a chord as Sandy, played by Estonian-born Hanna-Liina Vosa, swears out her love on the lip of the stage with only a blue background for support.

Sandy's transformation is as vivid as fans will remember, as Vosa's voice leaves the softness behind and cranks up the volume to become Danny's rock-n-roll goddess in "You're the One That I Want." Jamey Isenor is sensational as Danny, the frustrated teen in love with a woman from another clique. "Alone at the Drive-In Movie" replaces the

film version's "Stranded at the Drive-In," but Isenor's act is worth it. Filled with hair-combing, cigarettes, and 1950s classic be-bops, "Grease" is a show to see, even if you've already got the words to the songs memorized.

Doing "The Hand Jive" with a theatre full of Aggies and the cast leading is an experience that can't be missed.

"Grease" will be performed tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater. Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office or by calling (979) 845-1234.



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Questions? Call 862-2606.

CAMPUS Calendar

Tuesday

Feb. 18:
 The Hillel Foundation will be holding Country Western, Jitterbug, and Polka Dancing lessons on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Hillel building at 800 George Bush Dr. Bring a friend.

Wednesday

Feb. 19:
 The Hillel Foundation will be having a "Sweet Schmooz" at Sweet Eugene's Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m. Come and hang out.

The Battalion has resumed running Campus Calendar. Any non-profit campus organization may submit information about upcoming events in The Battalion offices in 014 Reed McDonald. The name and phone number of a contact person is required for verification.

Events for the following week will run each Wednesday, and the deadline for entries is noon each Tuesday. The Battalion reserves the right to edit for clarity and cost is free.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Pepsi to make multi-million dollar donation to hip-hop mogul

NEW YORK (AP) — Pepsi agreed to make a donation to the foundation of a rapper whose ad the company yanked, averting a boycott threatened by hip-hop mogul Russell Simmons.

The agreement calls for Pepsi to make a multi-million dollar donation over several years to the Ludicris Foundation, Simmons' Hip-Hop Summit Action Network said in a statement.

The agreement was reached Monday night, and the amount of the donation and

the length of time were still being worked out, spokeswoman Jody Miller said. She said the boycott had been called off.

"We've come to an agreement where the common ground is young people," Pepsi spokesman Larry Jabbonsky said in a statement. "We're working together on a multiyear, multi-city effort that will encourage kids to express their creativity in the visual and performing arts."

He would not comment on specifics of the agreement.

Pepsi pulled the ad featuring the rapper Ludacris in August, a day after Fox News Channel's Bill O'Reilly ran a segment criti-

cizing the company for using the rapper and criticizing some of his lyrics.

Ludacris is on the Def Jam label, which Simmons founded. His 2001 album "World of Mouf" includes the song "Move Bitch," one of his biggest hits.

Last week, Simmons threatened a boycott of Pepsi and its subsidiaries to begin Wednesday unless the company ran the ad and donated \$5 million to Ludacris' foundation.

There was no indication the ad would be placed back on the air. Neither Pepsi or the Hip-Hop Network would comment on the ad's status.



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