

Lampooning

Stage show a la magazine ties skits, songs, spoofs

That's Not Funny, That's Sick. It's not just a statement on the art form. It's also the title of the National Lampoon's newest stage comedy, scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, March 2, at the Lane County Civic Center.

The four-person show is a synthesis of skits and songs from "Lemmings" and the "National Lampoon Show," the National Lampoon Radio Hour and the Lampoon's record albums, as well as some new material.

Featured are Lampoon newcomers Roger Bumpass, Sarah Durkee, Lorraine Lazarus, and Andy Moses. Previous editions of the National Lampoon Players have introduced such people as Chevy Chase, Gilda Radner, and John Belushi.

The show includes a parody of 1950s songs, an examination of racial balance in professional sports, and a view of religious

stand-up comics.

"That's Not Funny, That's Sick" has received much acclaim from eastern critics. The Chicago Sun-Times called it "wonderfully, wickedly funny business," and the Washington Post labeled the show "a fast-moving, tightly integrated laugh-a-minute program that has something to say on nearly every subject under the sun — something funny with a touch of exquisite bad taste."

The National Lampoon is noted primarily for their magazine, founded in 1970 by a group of Harvard graduates. It is now the most widely read humor magazine in the world. In 1975, it received Columbia University's National Magazine Award, and has been the recipient of more than 1,000 art and editorial awards.

The company has earned three Grammy nominations for its five

albums. It is also, of course, responsible for the movie *Animal House*, shot partly at the University campus last fall.

Also appearing will be Michael Simmons and Slewfoot, which The New York Times called a "country band that is trying to shift its sights to rock."

Hailing from New York, their music is Nashville with jazz overtones. Simmons writes much of his own material, and several critics have called him a potential superstar. He likes to call his music "Western swing." In addition to singing, he has performed editorial duties on the National Lampoon.

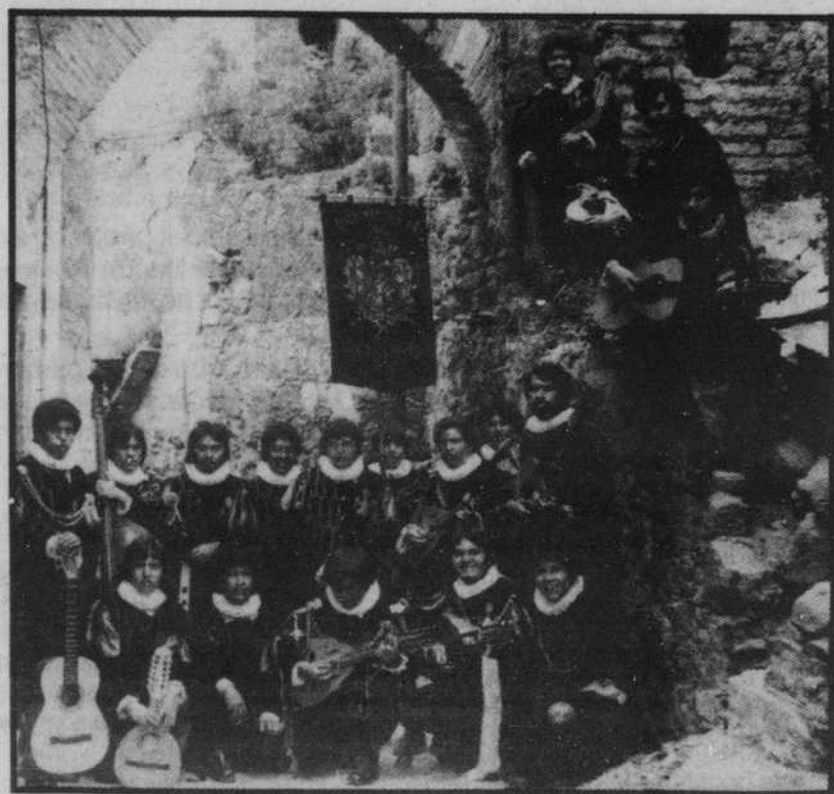
Tickets for the show are \$5.50, and are available at Everybody's Records, the Sun Shop, For What It's Worth Records, Budget Tapes and Records, and the EMU Main Desk. The show is presented by Double-Tee and KZEL radio.



The National Lampoon Players

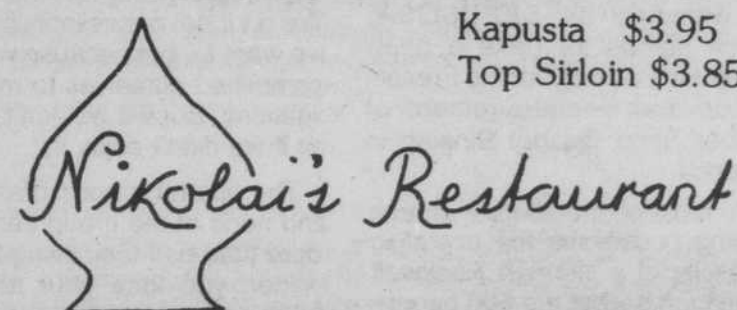


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La Estudiantina de Oro, a group of students from the University of Guanajuato in Central Mexico, will be performing music of 16th century Spain Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Central Presbyterian Church, 1475 Ferry Street. Also performing will be Los Maracames, doing traditional folkloric music from Latin America. Admission is \$2.50. The show is sponsored by the Chicano Affairs Center; tickets can be purchased through their office (687-2666) or at the Romance Languages department on campus.



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