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has been renovated and now carries a full liquor license



Still the best view in town RATT gets facelift

by Richard Watts

For those of you who haven't noticed RATT is now once again open for business.

Says Rick Bishop, manager of RATT, "I read something about the decor in RATT being tacky and the service lousy but the view was still the best in town, so I decided to make the decor pleasant, the service excellent, and still offer the best view in town."

At the cost of \$45,000 and \$8,000 lost for a week's revenue RATT has been re-vamped and now looks entirely different. In addition RATT now is licensed to serve hard liquor.

Rick also said with the sale of hard liquor he expects profits to go up a minimum of 20%.

Wooden partitions have been built which breaks up the room. New oak tables have been added along with brightly colored yellow and white chairs.

"We wanted to complete all the changes before we opened up, but to wait for the tables would have meant too much of a loss in revenue," says Rick.

RATT will go on having live music but less frequently, at most two weekends da month. The type of music will also change. There will be more Rhythm and Blues music and other middle of the road bands rather than the constant barrage of punk rock and loud rock'n roll that RATT customers have been faced with in the last few months.

This weekend RATT kicks off its new season with Dave Wright, an R and B singer who will be playing this weekend beginning Thursday night. In addition Rick will be trying to get students themselves to supply the musical entertainment.

"I'm hoping that there are some music students out there who would like a chance to play some jazz or something in their own bar," says Rick.

In addition to all the other changes RATT will have supervisors on the weekend.

"During the summer it became pretty apparent that we needed supervisors to stop trouble before it starts, but this is still a student bar and I'm hoping that students will take pride in their bar," says Rick.

Although it has already been advertised the new big screen T.V. set is still a week away from installation. Although it was originally hoped that a satellite dish could be installed the Federal Government decided to make such a move illegal.

So the best that can be hoped for is cable TV which will take months to install. So TV viewers will have to content themselves with stations that can be picked up by an antenna.

"We'll be showing all the major sporting events as well as special events such as the academy awards and 'Who shot J.R.', says Rick.

Students can also look forward to the later additions of backgammon tables and a few larger tables that will sit up to eight people.

"It's still a student bar and we're still the cheapest place in town and we're hoping that students will continue to enjoy themselves," says Rick.

