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The Bilge Pumps shows feature music and comedy.

'Pirates on the Prairie VII' at Uptown Theater

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Today, "piracy" is something you do if you're too cheap to pay for music or movies. But for most of human history, piracy was the domain of naval marauders who attacked, robbed and murdered — the original gangsters, to borrow a phrase from Ice-T. Just like modern-day G's, the sea-faring bad guys of yore make for good song lyrics, as evidenced by the Pirates on the Prairie VII, a musical show put on by Grand Prairie's Craig Lutke, leader of the band the Bilge Pumps. Lutke and his crew of waistcoat-wearing raiders promise a family-friendly show full of music, comedy and mock violence: "If Grand Prairie ever declares war on Arlington, we'll be ready to plunder," says Lutke. The Dallas-based Selkie Girls open the show with Celtic music, and the poetry crew Seadog Slam provides salty rhymes between sets in the lobby.

Doors open at 5 p.m. \$15, \$5 for children 5-12.

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