



Second runs

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WHAT'S IT WORTH?

A ratings guide to the movies

Bad	\$1
Fair	\$2
Good	\$3
Excellent	\$4

Originally 108 minutes.

Tracy, 67, and Hepburn, 58, made their last film together in 1967. Tracy died a few weeks after shooting was completed. Here they're married — poetic justice, in a sense, for Tracy, a Catholic, who refused to divorce his wife despite a long relationship with Hepburn.

The film, with its story of a black man, Sidney Pollitt, about to marry the daughter of a wealthy white couple, is even more overbearing than "Keeper of the Flame." Some call its content daring and prophetic given the year the film was made. But one wonders

how the film would have been received were the black character — a respected surgeon — less ingratiating and more like, say, Stokely Carmichael.

Rating: \$2.70.

"Wait Until Dark" (1967), 1 p.m. Saturday on Ch. 50. Originally 108 minutes.

Audrey Hepburn, then 38, made what would be her last film for nine years in 1967, and it was a good one. "Wait Until Dark" is the highly suspenseful story of a blind woman terrorized by a mental Alan Arkin, who's rarely had a meatier film role. Richard Crenna, Efrem Zimbalist Jr. and Jack Weston co-star.

Rating: \$3.

"Sabrina" (1954), 1 p.m. Sunday on Ch. 50. Originally 113 minutes.

One of Hollywood's double standards was never more evident than it is here.

Audrey Hepburn, 25, falls for William Holden, 35, and Humphrey Bogart, 55, in this Billy Wilder film. When's the last time you saw a movie in which a younger man fell in love with an older woman? This is bad casting with a bad script.

Rating: \$1.75.

"Roman Holiday" (1953), 4 p.m. Sunday on Ch. 50. Originally 119 minutes.

OK, so Gregory Peck was 37 when he fell for 24-year-old Audrey Hepburn in William Wyler's "Roman Holiday." It's still a far better film than "Sabrina." Unlike "Sabrina," which places its roots in a more realistic setting, "Roman Holiday" takes on a fairy tale flavor with its story of a princess and her handsome suitor. Eddie Albert also co-stars and imbues the film with some genuine humor. This is good casting with a suitably engaging and romantic script.

Rating: \$3.20.



LoDuca plays

The Joe LoDuca Group opened Tuesday at the Caucus Club in downtown Detroit. The group, headed by guitarist LoDuca, will perform from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays through Saturday, Aug. 13. The club's entertainment policy since April has been to feature the area's top jazz performers in one-to-three-week engagements.

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Meadow Brook Theatre begins ticket campaign

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Ten thousand Meadow Brook Theatre patrons already have renewed their subscriptions for the 1983-84 season.

Recently, 500,000 area residents

received a brochure offering an invitation to become season-ticket holders and receive a 35-percent discount for the eight-play season.

Meadow Brook's new season opens Oct. 6 with Edmond Rostand's swash-buckling romance "Cyrano de Bergerac."

Other plays on the schedule include

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" in a new adaptation by Charles Nott; "Long Day's Journey Into Night," Eugene O'Neill's autobiographical drama; "The Dining Room," a look at a vanishing breed of New England WASPs, seen through the sympathetic eyes of contemporary playwright A.R. Gurney; and "Side by Side by Sondheim," a musical

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