

# Bambi, Harry: Familiar faces make a return

RECENT RELEASES:

"Bambi" (A) (G) 70 minutes.

Short, but good story of a young fawn growing up. Good for kids and for adults on a nostalgia trip.

"The Dead Pool" (R).

Clint Eastwood is back in the fifth "Dirty Harry" film.

"A World Apart" (PG).

Barbara Hershey stars in story of South Africa in 1963 and the struggle that whites as well as blacks must make to survive apartheid.

STILL PLAYING:

"Arthur on the Rocks 2" (PG) (a).

Dudley Moore, Liza Minnelli and Sir John Gielgud do it again under Bud Yorkin's direction.

"Beetlejuice" (PG).

Michael Keaton and Geena Davis in ghost story with a twist: the ghosts are nice quiet folks and the people are noisy and preposterous.

"Big" (A) (PG) 98 minutes.

A shy 12-year-old boy's wish is granted when he wakes up one morn-



the movies

**Dan Greenberg**

ing in a man's body. Tom Hanks skillfully captures the innocent, childlike qualities and gestures of a 12-year-old trying to live in an adult world. Reviewed by Cathy Guyer.

"Big Business" (A-) (PG) 95 minutes.

Mistaken identity is comedy's strong suit and that's what Bette Midler, Bette Midler, Lily Tomlin and Lily Tomlin do so well in this story of two sets of twins mixed at birth. Technically super production although pace falters occasionally.

"Ball Durham" (A-) (R) 105 minutes.

Wonderfully wacky, but slightly overdone summer in the minor leagues. Veteran catcher Crash Davis (Kevin Costner) is brought in to steady hotshot young pitcher Nuke Lalouch (Tim Robbins). Susan Sarandon and Jenny Robertson complicate matters. Film is as explicit



Ben Jahrlvi (Fisher Stevens) is back as the former military robotics genius who takes on a new line of work selling harmless as possible while remaining an "IT".

worth the ticket price.

"Coming to America" (B-) (R) 120 minutes.

Hollywood and sexist view of Africa, but Prince Akeem (Eddie Murphy) rebels against an arranged marriage and visits New York City to find his own bride. The good news is Murphy plays a character instead of playing Eddie Murphy and has some touching scenes with his American girl, Lisa (Shari Headley). The bad news is, despite some funny stuff, there's too much adolescent humor.

"Crocodile Dundee II" (C) (PG) 110 minutes.

Dundee (Paul Hogan) is "experiencing" New York while living with journalist Sue (Linda Kozlowski). They get involved with Colombian drug dealers, but Dundee saves the day and whisks Sue off to Australia. It's cute, but not like the original. Reviewed by Jennifer Morse.

"Dad" (A) (G) 102 minutes.

The best of the warm melancholia characteristic of Irish theater. Charlie (Martin Sheen) returns to Ireland for his father's funeral and "encounters" his parents via the mind. Bernard Hughes' bravura performance as Charlie's father is well

toy robots on the city streets in "Short Circuit 2." His co-stars include Cynthia Gibb and Michael McKean.

Lansbury and Janet Leigh. Worth the trip to your local film house.

"Milagro Beanfield War" (\*\*) (R).

Robert Redford returns to the director's chair in this story of a courageous New Mexican farmer. With Ruben Blades, Richard Bradford, Sonia Braga and Daniel Stern.

"Phantasm II" (R).

Here come the lethal spheres again.

"Powaqqatsi" (G).

Further look at the contrasts of our world from Godfrey Reggio ("Koyaanisqatsi").

"The Presidio" (R) (C) 95 minutes.

Lots of froth, but no substance to this weakly plotted murder-smuggling mystery centered on the Army's San Francisco base. Trite romantic triangle doesn't help much. Sean Connery is tough MP lieutenant colonel, Meg Ryan is his daughter and Mark Harmon is a former MP and now San Francisco police inspector.

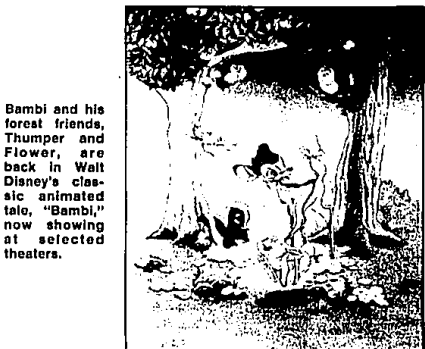
"Rambo III" (C±) (R) 100 minutes.

Who sez they don't make "B" movies anymore? They do with "A" budgets. Stallone's macho heroics,

## Grading the movies

A+	Top marks - sure to please
A	Close behind - excellent
A-	Still in running for top honors
B+	Pretty good stuff, not perfect
B	Good
B-	Good but notable deficiencies
C+	Just a cut above average
C	Mediocre
C-	Not so hot and slipping fast
D+	The very best of the poor stuff
D	Poor
D-	It doesn't get much worse
F	Truly awful
Z	Reserved for the colossally bad
*	No advanced screening

destroying Russians in Afghanistan, are mistimed for release now as Soviets pull out. But not bad for what it is.



Bambi and his forest friends, Thumper and Flower, are back in Walt Disney's classic animated tale, "Bambi," now showing at selected theaters.

# Cherry concoctions reign supreme around Traverse City

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street between the crowds, clutching bouquets of balloons. Colorful umbrellas are tipped against the sun. Youngsters sell lemonade and fresh cherries from foam coolers, pushed on the back of wagons.

By the time the first floats arrive, the scene is in place. Balloons tied to chairs and lampposts; hats of every shape and size poised above red and blue and multi-colored shirts; and the man from Pine Grove Church of God walking around, being funny and passing out free ice water.

The crowd stands for the flag, the governor and the Air Force Band, and again for the Vietnam vets, and then we settle down for the cherry queen, the salmon queen, the float hung with cherry bratwurst, the high school bands dressed in their winter wool uniforms during the summer heat.

WHEN THE parade is over, we

follow the litter to Open Space Project near the lake. Booths are set up to sell T-shirts covered with cher-

ries, cherry muffins and anything else that a creative mind can do with cherries. Cherry hot dog, anybody?

## A major in cherries

Brian Rochow of Rochester Hills may be tired of cherries by the time this summer is over.

Brian was born and grew up in Rochester, attended Rochester Adams High School and was a student at Central Michigan University, when he got a summer internship in the cherry industry.

Rochow is majoring in commercial recreation, with a minor in hospitality. He's working, through Dec. 24, at Amn Orchards on U.S. 31 north of Traverse City.

"I'm a tour guide, so I had to learn a lot about farming in a hurry," he said. "I run the

farm's market stall downtown in Traverse City, which means choosing what we sell and organizing it."

"I also run the Hotel Hospitality Program, which means that I go to hotels, motels and convention bureaus once a week to promote one of our products and encourage them to send their customers to Amn's."

Brian knows more about cherries than he ever imagined, and he may even be getting a little tired of them by now.

Don't worry Brian, after cherries there are peaches, raspberries, apples . . .

Wanna try the cherry mustard on a pretzel?

That's when I realized just how far they've gone with this cherry stuff. Dried cherry chunks. Cherry barbecue sauce. Cherry fudge sauce.

After 7,000 calories worth of cherries, I wandered over to the food tents and tried something that wasn't fruit - cheeseecake dipped in chocolate and frozen on a stick. That's when I got chocolate mixed with cherry juice on my favorite shirt.

IT WAS obviously time to get out of Traverse City, but getting away from cherries is harder than you think. We drove around the Old Mission Peninsula, lush with cherry trees, tasted the cherry wine at a local winery and did the \$4 tour of Amn Orchards on U.S. 31 north of Traverse City.

That's when I found out that nearly 5 million tart cherry trees and another million sweet cherry trees are

on 55,000 acres in Michigan, and that Michigan produces up to 2 million of the 300 million pounds of tart cherries processed every year in the United States, as well as 60 million of the 300 million pounds of sweet cherries sold nationwide.

I also learned that these orchards have been overproducing like mad for the past few years, and that farmers aren't making much money on them. Nobody could explain why I must spend up to \$2 a pound to buy cherries in my local food store.

IT WAS a long, nutritious, sugar-shocked day in the Cherry Capital of the World, and I ended it by sitting on the sand beach watching the Stroh's Milk Carton Boat Regatta, dozens of wonderful, crazy, homemade boats afloat on beds of plastic milk jugs while thousands of onlookers cheered them on.

One of the great things about cherry country is that you don't really need to come to Grand Traverse Bay during the cherry festival. You can pig out on cherries most of the summer without the crowds or the traffic jams. No parade. No milk carton boat regatta. But you can get cherry stains on your Reeboks just the same.

If you need any help, contact the Grand Traverse Convention and Visitors Bureau, Suite 100, 900 E. Front St., Traverse City 49684, or telephone toll-free (800) TRAVERS. In numbers, that's 872-8377.

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