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Look alikes: Alyssa Callaway (Ashley Olsen) and Amanda Lemmon (Mary-Kate Olsen) in Rysher Entertainment's romantic comedy, "It Takes Two," released by Warner Bros.

Olsons play matchmakers in comedy 'It Takes Two'

"It Takes Two," a romantic comedy starring Kirstie Alley, Steve Guttenberg and Ashley and Mary-Kate Olsen, opens Nov. 17 at metro Detroit movie theaters.

"It Takes Two" follows the lives of a warm-hearted and beautiful social worker and a handsome, wealthy and charming widower, each of whom is responsible for a 9-year-old girl.

For Diane Barrows (Alley), the girl is a feisty orphan named Amanda (Mary-Kate Olsen). For Roger Callaway (Guttenberg), the girl is his well-bred daughter, Alyssa (Ashley Olsen).

When the Callaways spend the summer in their mansion across the lake from Diane, Amanda and the rest of the kids at Camp Callaway, it becomes inevitable that the girls should meet. When they do, they discover that they look exactly alike — and they immediately begin plotting a switch of identities to bring the respective adults in their lives together. They believe Diane and Roger will find true love once they meet, and the girls will finally have the family they always dreamed of.

Roger thinks Alyssa needs a mother, and the ambitious (and child-hating) socialite Clarice

Kensington (Jane Sibbert) has decided ahead of time to be perfect for the job. So Roger, Alyssa and Clarice are spending the summer together.

Across the lake from the Callaway mansion, Diane, Amanda and the rest of the group from the East Side Children's Center are spending the summer at fun-filled Camp Callaway.

Hoping that a twist of nature can help bring them the parents they've longed for, the girls switch identities and begin working behind the scenes, to orchestrate a meeting between Roger and Diane — before Clarice drags Roger down the aisle and before some adoptive family separates Diane and Amanda.

When Roger and Diane do get together, the sparks immediately begin to fly, but the outraged Clarice isn't willing to give up that easily. While the love-struck couple ponder the delightful feelings that seem to be drawing them together, Clarice moves her wedding date up — to the very next day!

Can two little girls turn the plans of a group of grown-ups into comic chaos in less than 24 hours? Should Diane and Roger

even consider risking their entire lives on their secret wish for that "Real Thing" feeling?

Well, if two heads are better than one, just imagine what two identical girls can do to help true love work its magic — especially when the magic is aimed at a couple who already believe in its power.

"I guess you could say this movie reminds us that love occurs when you're not really looking for it," said producer James Orr with Jim Crukhanik co-wrote, "Three Men and a Baby" and "Sliver Act 2: Back in the Habit." They also produced "Father of the Bride."

"We wanted this story to be funny and something people could enjoy with their whole families," said Crukhanik.

Accounts Alyssa her character, "Diane is a hard-working girl from Manhattan, not highly paid, but dedicated to her job and kids. She's in a period of her life where she's sad and single and wants to adopt Amanda, but she doesn't make enough money and she isn't part of a traditional family. So she's in a bit of a predicament. But she's an honest person. That's what sparks Roger's interest."

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Santa & Sesame Street

SANTA PARADE
THURS., NOV. 16 AT 6:30 PM.

Santa's coming to Oakland Mall. March along as we escort St. Nick to his winter home in Center Court. Santa Photos available through December 24.

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SAT., NOV. 18 AT 10 A.M., 12 NOON, 2 & 4 P.M.
SUN., NOV. 19 AT 12 NOON, 2, 4 & 5 P.M.

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