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AMC Theatres
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AMC Hampton 4
Rochester Rd. 1 1/2 N. of N. M-59
652-1122
$3.00 all times.
Movie information was not submitted by deadline.
Please call your theatre for features and times.
1:30 (5:30) 8:00, 10:30
ADDITIONAL 10 AM & 1
FRIGHTENERS (R)
2:00 (5:00) 8:00, 10:30
ADDITIONAL 10 AM & 1
COURAGE UNDER FIRE (R)
1:15, (4:35) 7:20, 10:00
ADDITIONAL 10 AM & 1
JOE'S APARTMENT (PG13)
1:45, (5:40) 7:45, 9:45

AMC Northfield City 12
Grand River at 9 Mile
(810) 359-2230
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies.
Movie information was not submitted by deadline.
Please call your theatre for features and times.
FRI.-THURS. (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:10
BAZAAM (PG)
FRI.-THURS. 1:00, 3:15, (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:50
FLED (R)
FRI.-THURS. 1:00, 3:20, (5:45 @ $3.00) 8:10, 10:30
FRIGHTENERS (R)
1:10, 3:30, (5:50 @ $3.00) 8:10, 10:30
A TIME TO KILL (R)
1:45, (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:20
NO JOE'S APARTMENT (PG13)
1:35, 3:50, (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:20, 9:30
HARRIET THE SPY (PG)
2:00

AMC Ambassador 8
14 Mile at I-75 546-0441
No children under 6 after 6 pm except (G) and (PG) rated movies
Movie information was not submitted by deadline.
Please call your theatre for features and times.
MON. (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:10
BAZAAM (PG)
MON. (1:00, 3:15, (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:50
FLED (R)
MON. (1:00, 3:20, (5:45 @ $3.00) 8:10, 10:30
FRIGHTENERS (R)
1:10, 3:30, (5:50 @ $3.00) 8:10, 10:30
A TIME TO KILL (R)
1:45, (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:20
NO JOE'S APARTMENT (PG13)
1:35, 3:50, (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:20, 9:30
HARRIET THE SPY (PG)
2:00

General Cinemas
Bargain matinees daily plus $1.25 (Twilight) show daily

Eastern 6
Ford Rd., 1 Mile west of I-275
981-1900
Advanced same day tickets available
THINNER (R)
2:15, (4:45 @ $1.25) 7:25, 9:42, 11:45*
GALLIAN ON HER 37TH BIRTHDAY (PG13)
2:20 (4:25 @ $1.25) 7:45, 9:45, 11:55*
GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
1:45 (4:15 @ $1.25) 7:00, 9:32, 11:45*
ROMEO & JULIET (PG13)
2:00, (4:40 @ $1.25) 7:22, 10:00
SLEEPERS (R)
1:40 (4:50 @ $1.25) 8:00, 11:20*
DEAR GOD (PG)
1:50 (4:20 @ $1.25) 7:10, 9:40, 12:00*

West Town Center 8
New Hudson, South of I-96 344-0077
Advance same day tickets available
MICHAEL COLLINS (R)
1:35 (4:10 @ $1.25) 6:50, 9:40
BAD MOON (R)
2:30, (5:00 @ $1.25) 7:45, 9:50
THAT THING YOU DO (PG)
2:10 (4:40 @ $1.25) 7:30, 10:00
FLY AWAY HOME (PG)
2:00
SLEEPERS (R)
1:30, 2:15, (4:45 @ $1.25) 8:00, 9:30, 10:45
THINNER (R)
1:50 (4:10 @ $1.25) 7:10, 9:35, 11:55*
HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
2:30, (5:00 @ $1.25) 7:45, 9:55, 11:55*
THE ASSOCIATES (PG13)
1:40 (4:15 @ $1.25) 7:00, 9:30, 11:55*

Bergen Twin Cinema
Grand Lake Rd.
at Cass Lake Rd.
662-1900
Sat. & Sun. only All Seats $1.50 before 6 pm
TIN CUP (R)
7:00
PHENOMENON (PG)
7:15

National Amusements Showcase Cinemas

Showcase
Auburn Hills 2-14
2150 N. Opdyke Rd.
Between University & Walton Blvd
810 373-2660
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
*Late Shows Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.
SET IT OFF (R)
1:15, 1:45, 4:15, 4:45, 7:20, 7:45, 10:00, 10:25, 12:35*
LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
1:00, 3:15, 5:20, 7:15, 9:25, 11:25*
BAD MOON (R)
1:35, 3:10, 5:20, 7:45, 10:00, 11:50*
DEAR GOD (PG)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30, 11:50*
ROMEO AND JULIET (PG13)
1:20, 4:15, 7:30, 10:05, 12:35*
THE ASSOCIATE (PG13)
12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55, 12:15
THINNER (R)
7:45, 9:50, 11:50*
TO GALLIAN ON HER 37TH BIRTHDAY (PG13)
12:35, 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:20, 11:30*
HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
1:05, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35, 9:45, 11:55*
SLEEPERS (R)
12:55, 3:55, 7:00, 10:00
THE GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
1:20, 4:10, 7:20, 10:00, 12:20*
THE LONG KISS GOODNIGHT (R)
12:50, 3:45, 7:05, 9:55, 12:25*
MIGHTY DUCKS 3 (PG)
12:45, 3:00, 5:15
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40, 12:00*

Showcase Dearborn 1-4
Michigan & Telegraph
313 561-3449
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
* Late Shows Fri. & Sat. & Sun. THRU THURSDAY
SET IT OFF (R)
1:15, 1:45, 4:15, 4:45, 7:20, 7:45, 10:00, 10:25, 12:35*
BAD MOON (R)
1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:45, 9:50, 11:45*
LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:10, 9:20, 11:20*
THE ASSOCIATE (PG13)
1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50, 12:05*
HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50, 11:45*
SLEEPERS (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
THE LONG KISS GOODNIGHT (R)
1:00, 3:45, 7:10, 9:55, 12:25*
MIGHTY DUCKS 3 (PG)
1:00, 3:15
LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:10, 9:20, 11:20*
THE ASSOCIATE (PG13)
1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:20, 11:20*
SLEEPERS (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, 12:05*
THAT THING THAT YOU DO (PG)
4:50, 7:00
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
12:40, 3:00, 5:15, 7:35, 9:50, 12:00*

Star Theatres
The World's Best Theatres
Bargain Matinees Daily (1st 2 Shows Starting before 6:00 pm)
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Star Irvin 8
at 14 Mile
32733 Irvin Rd. Road
(810) 585-3070
CALL FOR SATURDAY SHOWTIMES
MONDAY - THURSDAY
NP DEAR GOD (PG)
10:50, 1:10, 4:20, 7:30, 10:10
NO VIP TICKETS
NP LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
12:30, 3:00, 5:15, 7:25, 9:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
11:45, 12:45, 1:45, 2:45, 3:45, 4:45, 5:45, 6:45, 7:45, 8:45, 9:45, 10:45
NO VIP TICKETS
SLEEPERS (R)
11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00, 11:00
BOUND (R)
7:10, 10:20
THAT THING YOU DO (PG)
11:15, 1:30, 4:10, 6:35, 9:15
D.B.: THE MIGHTY DUCKS (PG)
12:00, 2:30, 4:00, 6:30, 10:50
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
12:15, 1:15, 3:30, 5:15, 10:30
FREE KIDS' SKIZES
HOUSE ARREST (PG)
11:30, 2:15, 4:30

Star Rochester Hills
200 Factory Circle
853-2266
MONDAY THRU THURSDAY
NP ROMEO AND JULIET (PG13)
11:05, 1:20, 3:45, 6:20, 8:40, 11:00
NO VIP TICKETS
NP MICHAEL COLLINS (R)
10:40, 1:40, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00
NO VIP TICKETS
NP TO GALLIAN ON HER 37TH BIRTHDAY (PG13)
12:15, 2:40, 4:40, 6:50, 9:50
NO VIP TICKETS
NP HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
11:45, 2:00, 4:10, 6:30, 8:20, 10:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP SLEEPERS (R)
10:30, 12:20, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 6:00, 7:20, 9:00, 10:10
NO VIP TICKETS
THE GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
11:10, 1:50, 4:00, 6:10, 8:20, 10:50
THE LONG KISS GOODNIGHT
11:35, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:40
THAT THING YOU DO (PG)
10:50, 1:00, 3:15, 5:50, 7:45, 10:10
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
11:20, 2:10, 4:50, 7:00, 9:45

Star Winchester
11566 S. Rochester Rd. Winchester Mall
810 656-1160
MONDAY THRU THURSDAY
NP SET IT OFF (R)
11:45, 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
NO VIP TICKETS
NP LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15
NO VIP TICKETS
NP DEAR GOD (PG)
11:15, 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:50
NO VIP TICKETS
NP BAD MOON (R)
12:45, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45
NO VIP TICKETS
NP THE ASSOCIATE (PG)
11:35, 2:15, 4:45, 7:20, 9:45
NO VIP TICKETS
NP THINNER (R)
6:35, 9:30
NO VIP TICKETS
FLY AWAY HOME (PG)
11:45, 2:10, 5:30
FREE 4 CLASS KIDS
CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE, ADULTS ARE $1.00
HOUSE ARREST (PG)
10:50, 1:30, 4:00

United Artists Theatres
Bargain Matinees Daily (first 2 shows starting before 6:00 PM)
Senior citizen discounts available.
NV - No VIP tickets accepted

United Artists Fairlane
Fairlane Town Center
Valet Parking Available
313-593-4790
ALL TIMES HOUR FRI.-THURS.
MON. ONLY SHOWS FRI. SAT. AND SATURDAY ONLY
NV ROMEO AND JULIET (PG13)
1:05, 3:45, 7:00, 9:40
BEAUTIFUL THING (R)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:05, 9:20
NV DEAR GOD (PG)
1:35, 4:20, 7:15, 9:55
GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
1:00, 3:55, 6:55, 9:35
NV SET IT OFF (R) (NO VIP)
#1 3:25, 4:00, 6:40, 9:10
#2 7:30, 10:05
NV THINNER (R)
#1 1:10, 3:20, 5:20, 7:40, 9:45
#2 2:15, 4:30, 6:50, 9:00
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
1:55, 4:50, 7:10, 9:25
FLY AWAY HOME (PG)
1:20, 4:05

United Artists Oakland
Inside Oakland Mall
810 545-7041
ALL TIMES FRI.-THURS.
NV THE ASSOCIATE (PG13)
1:20, 4:10, 6:45, 9:20
NV TO GALLIAN ON HER 37TH (PG13)
12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:50
NV THINNER (R)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:35, 9:50
GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
1:15, 3:50, 7:45, 10:15
LONG KISS GOODNIGHT (R)
1:00, 3:45, 7:00, 9:40

United Artists
12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall
810-348-7041
ALL TIMES FRI.-THURS.
NV ROMEO AND JULIET (PG13)
1:10, 3:50, 6:30, 9:30
NV BANDUNI (R)
1:45, 3:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
NV LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30
GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
1:00, 3:25, 4:45, 7:10, 9:40
FIRST WIVES CLUB (PG)
12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10
LONG KISS GOODNIGHT (R)
9:50

United Artists West River
8 Mile
2 Blocks West of Levan Road
810 968-6943
ALL TIMES FRI.-THURS.
NV RANSOM (R)
#1 12:00, 2:45, 5:25, 8:00, 10:30
#2 1:20, 3:50, 7:00, 9:40
NV SET IT OFF (R)
1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05
NV ROMEO AND JULIET (PG13)
1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:10
NV LARGER THAN LIFE (PG)
12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 6:50
SLEEPERS (R)
12:20, 3:45, 6:35, 10:05
NV DEAR GOD (PG)
12:05, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
THE ASSOCIATE (PG13)
12:05, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
LONG KISS GOODNIGHT (R)
3:00, 7:55
THINNER (R)
12:45, 5:40, 10:25

Oxmoor's Terrace Theatre
30400 Plymouth Rd. at Merriman
(313) 261-3330
Late Shows on Friday & Saturday Only
Every Tuesday all seats $3.50
CALL THEATRE FOR FEATURES AND TIMES

Birmingham Theatre
211 S. Woodward
Downtown Birmingham
644-3456
NP Denotes No Pass Engagements
thru Thursday
NP RANSOM (R)
12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:55
NP ROMEO & JULIET (PG13)
12:05, 2:35, 5:10, 7:45, 10:20
NP TWELFTH NIGHT (PG)
1:25, 4:20, 7:15, 10:05
NP THE GRASS HARP (PG)
1:20, 3:35, 5:50
NP EVINCIBLE (R)
8:25, 8:00, 10:00
MICHAEL COLLINS (R)
1:25, 4:15, 7:00, 9:50
NP TO GALLIAN ON HER 37TH BIRTHDAY (PG13)
8:05, 10:05
SLEEPERS (R)
1:35, 4:35, 7:25, 10:45
THE GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
12:15, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
FLY AWAY HOME (PG)
1:20, 3:45

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AVERY BRADY SEQUEL (PG13)
4:50, 7:10, 9:30
PHENOMENON (PG)
4:40, 7:15, 9:45
INDEPENDENCE DAY (PG13)
4:10, 7:00, 9:40
FREE SHOWS SAT. & SUN.
MATILDA (PG)
NO CHILDREN UNDER 6 AFTER 6 PM EXCEPT ON G & PG RATED FILMS

Main Art Theatre III
Main - 11 Mile
Royal Oak
(810) 542-0188
$3.00 (TWILIGHT) SHOWS DAILY
THESE TIMES ARE FOR TODAY ONLY
LOOKING FOR RICHARD (PG13)
1:45, (4:45 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:55
SURVIVING PICASSO
1:00 (4:00 @ $3.00) 7:00, 9:35
11:12 NO 1:00 & 11:40 NO 7:00
BIG NIGHT
1:30 (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:15, 9:40
Children under 6 not admitted

Waterford Cinema 11
7500 Highland Rd.
S.E. corner M-59 & Williams Lake Rd.
24 Hour Movie Line
(810) 666-7900
$3.25 (TWILIGHT) SHOWS DAILY
RANSOM (R)
1:10, 1:50, (4:10 & 4:50 @ $3.25) 6:45, 7:20, 9:20, 10:00
HIGH SCHOOL HIGH (PG13)
1:00, (5:10 @ $3.25) 7:40, 9:40
BAD MOON (R)
3:00
THINNER (R)
2:10, (4:30 @ $3.25) 7:30, 10:10
ROMEO & JULIET (PG13)
1:45 (4:20 @ $3.25) 7:15, 9:50
DEAR GOD (PG)
1:00, (4:00 @ $3.25) 7:10, 10:00
FIRST WIVES CLUB
1:10, (4:45 @ $3.25) 7:00, 9:20
LARGER THAN LIFE (PG13)
1:40, (4:20 @ $3.25) 7:10, 9:30
MIGHTY DUCKS 3 (PG)
1:15, (4:40 @ $3.25) 6:55
THE ASSOCIATE (PG)
9:15
GHOST AND THE DARKNESS (R)
2:00, (4:50 @ $3.25) 7:35, 9:55
FREE SHOWS SAT. & SUN.
MATILDA (PG)
Visa & Mastercard Accepted

$3.50 Waterford Twin
M-59 (Highland) at Crescent Lake Rd.
ALL SEATS $1.50 ALL SHOWS
FREE Kid's Drinks & Popcorn
810-674-4050
A VERY BRADY SEQUEL (PG13)
5:00, 7:00, 9:15
PHENOMENON (PG)
4:30, 7:15, 9:45
NO CHILDREN UNDER 6 AFTER 6 PM EXCEPT ON G & PG RATED FILMS

MOVIES

KERRY HAYES/NEW LINE CINEMA

Action Thriller: *Geena Davis (Samantha Caine) and Samuel L. Jackson (Mitch Henessey) star in "The Long Kiss Goodnight."*

'Long Kiss Goodnight' lacks credibility

BY BOB THOMAS
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

(AP) _ Would you believe that the federal government contains a secret spy cadre called Chapter that acts as a death squad to eliminate its former agents? That the group conducts terrorist attacks inside the United States and blame them on foreigners in order to win more funding for Chapter?

If you can swallow such whoppers and love to watch explosions and random killings, then "The Long Kiss Goodnight" is just the movie entertainment for you.

If, however, you prefer credibility in your plots and maybe a wee bit of humanity, stay away.

"The Long Kiss Goodnight" tells you something about today's movie business. Shane Black's screenplay set a record for its time when it was bought for $4 million.

The credits list six persons as producer or executive producer. The director and star are the husband-and-wife team Ronnie Harlin and Geena Davis, whose last expensive outing, "Cutthroat Island," sank immediately.

Not that "The Long Kiss Goodnight" doesn't have a few redeeming qualities. The killers have a cavalier air as they go about their business. The dinlogue often crackles, despite occasional lines that evoke unsolicited laughter. The film's biggest asset is Samuel L. Jackson, who can view the events with a cynical humor as the only outsider.

The film begins with Samantha Caine (Davis) teaching school and keeping house with her husband and young daughter in a quiet New England town. Her only problem: She can't remember her past (amnesia is one of moviedom's oldest and most convenient cliches).

Her life is suddenly shattered when a crazed gunman breaks into the house with a monstrous gun and tries to kill her. Using skills she didn't know she had, she kills him.

Samantha can't imagine why anyone would want to kill her. But flashes from her past indicate she is in dire danger, and she leaves home to seek out the mystery. Along the way, she enlists Mitch Henessy, a former cop and felon, now working as an investigator.

The pair hit the long, dangerous road, tailed by the sophisticated killers of Chapter. They need to destroy her because of her knowledge of the agency's past misdeeds. The script indicates that the President (J.D. Spradlin) knows about the operation, and also that Chapter played a role in the World Trade Center bombing!

As Samantha and Mitch meet her pursuers and annihilate them, her past begins to return to her. She was Charlene (Charly), a trained killing machine for Chapter. Now she uses her training to destroy her former colleagues, by the dozen.Renny Harlin's movies suffer from overreach, and "The Long Kiss Goodnight" continues that tendency. The bombings get bigger, the corpses more numerous, the handguns become cannons, the Chapter's force becomes a small army. And Geena Davis makes Superman seem like a nerd.

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