

Setting makes 'Corners' interesting, entertaining

RECENT RELEASES:

"5 Corners" (B) (R) 90 minutes.
Picture the Bronx in 1964: Heinz (John Turturro) returns from prison after being convicted of the attempted rape of Linda (Jodie Foster). Set against the civil rights and political action of those days, this interesting, entertaining film is not bad.

"Bulletproof" (*) (R).
Detective stuff.

"Friday the 13th, Part VII - The New Blood" (*) (R).
Jason is back for number seven - the question is whether that is good luck for him, the audience or the producers who continue to rake it in with this series.

"Stormy Moods" (B) (R) 90 minutes.
British Import is OK action/romance of sleazy British night club operator fighting off takeover attempt by Mr. Big from Texas, U.S.A.

STILL PLAYING:

"Above the Law" (C) (R) 97 minutes.
A ragged story filled with holes. Former special forces member, good guy Nico Tasceni (Steven Seagal), is now a street-wise Chicago cop. To thwart an assassination attempt, he employs violence, martial arts and "tough guy talk." More ac-

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 colossal bad
*	No advanced screening

tion than substance. Reviewed by Jeff Limattata.

"Aria" (B) (R) 80 minutes.
Opera buffs will love these 10 different arias in individual sequences, each by a different director. A collage of top-quality, classical music in unusual settings. Reviewed by

Punctuate summer with mini vacations

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Classic at Crossroads Village near Flint June 4-5; National Asparagus Festival in Hart and Shelby June 9-11.

Bluegrass Festival, Muskegon June 10-11; Southern Michigan Dulcimer Festival, Marshall, June 17-19; Kite Festival, Mackinac City June 18; Bavarian Festival, Frankemuth June 18-20; Great Lumber-town Music Festival, Muskegon, June 25-July 4; Blue Lake Summer Arts Festival, Twin Lake, June 29-Aug. 1.

And that is just the list for June! Consider the Battle Creek International Balloon Championship July 9-16. Colorful photographs there. The Ann Arbor Street Art Fair will be on this year July 20 to 23. The Michigan International Air Show takes place July 22-24.

I could go on and on.

HOW ABOUT driving or taking the Amtrak train to Chicago for either the Chicago Blues Festival June 10-12 or the world's largest outdoor food and entertainment fair, Taste of Chicago, July 1-10. Get a Chicago Events Guide from the Chicago Tourism Council, 805 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

Cleveland? The Cuyahoga Valley Line is back in operation after a two-year shutdown, so you can make the 52-mile round trip into one of America's national urban parks. The Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area, including Hale Farm and Village, is great fun. Call (800) 468-4070. Stay at The Taverner of Richfield, in Richfield, between Cleveland and Akron. Visit Quaker Square in Akron.

Cross the border into Canada? Go to the Kettle Creek Inn, Port Stan-

ley, and explore the Niagara peninsula. Go to the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake, or the Stratford Festival in Stratford. Try the Blythe Festival in Blythe for new Canadian plays.

Closer to home: spend a day in Windsor, go to Bobo via Amherstburg, eat your way through the fruit and vegetable fields of southern Ontario along Highway 18, attend the Leamington Tomato Festival Aug. 19-21, spend a day at one of Canada's national parks in Point Pelee. You can also take a Shop 'Til You Drop tour of Windsor for \$25 each in U.S. money, including accommodations at the Red Oak Inn, by calling (800) 267-7834.

How about an overnight at Wheels Inn, Chatham, Ontario? Inexpensive. Good food, drink and entertainment. Great sports facilities. On the other hand, save that one: your husbands and kids will love it.

Q: I UNDERSTAND that there is a Mackinac Island guide for disabled travelers.

A: Disabled travelers can get "The Wheelchair Users' Guide to Mackinac Island and the Straits Area," a video created by Blanchard, who has had multiple sclerosis for more than 20 years, and her husband, Bill, a Lansing-area film maker.

It recently won an award from the Michigan Outdoor Writers Association.

The 60-minute video shows you how to take a wheelchair on the ferry, go up the hill to Fort Mackinac, join island carriage rides and Grand Hotel tours. Follow fun around white ste points out the accessible attractions.

For information, contact Hay Lake Studio, 2011 Cumberland, Lansing, Mich. 48906.

the movies



Dan Greenberg

Kathy Guyor

"Au Revoir Les Enfants" (A+) (PG) 103 minutes.
Louis Malle's Oscar-nominated film of intensely personal memories of the Holocaust. Three young Jewish boys are hidden from Gestapo in Catholic school. Quiet film emphasizes Nazi horror with masterful understatement.

"Biloxi Blues" (B+) (PG-13) 105 minutes.
Eugene Jerome (Matthew Broderick) learns about life, Army and otherwise, in this nice period piece set in Biloxi (Mississippi) boot camp, 1946. Good performance by Christopher Walken as tough, but sensitive sergeant, whipping raw recruits into shape.

"Bright Lights, Big City" (B+) (R) 110 minutes.
Jamie Conway (Michael J. Fox) shows the dark side of a young man's life. Cocaine, alcohol and New York at night are his diversions to escape the pain of life and death. Fox finally appears in a mature role and does it well.

"Colors" (F) (R) 120 minutes.
Trite, racially offensive film about veteran cop (Robert Duvall) training rookie (Sean Penn) as they confront Los Angeles street gangs. Besides insulting stereotypes, the film rambles on and Penn's acting reaches new depths of ineptitude. Even the normally excellent Duvall is wooden and uninspiring.



He's back. An axe-swinging Jason returns to the screen in Paramount Pictures' "Friday the 13th Part VII - The New Blood."

"The Fox and the Hound" (A) (G) 80 minutes.
Animated Disney film about unusual friendship between young fox and hunting hound. An array of talking forest creatures make this a typical, enjoyable Disney film. Reviewed by Kathy Guyor.

"Good Morning Vietnam" (A) (R) 120 minutes.
Non-stop Robin Williams at his very best as Armed Forces Radio D.J. in Vietnam.

"The Last Emperor" (A) (PG-13) 125 minutes.
Bernardo Bertolucci's stunning presentation of the epic tale of China's last emperor, Pu Yi. A fascinating story of survival through two world wars and Mao's Communist takeover of mainland China.

"The Manchurian Candidate" (B+) (PG-13).
They may not make movies like they used to, but they do re-release the old ones. This 1962 all-star espionage thriller features Frank Sinatra, Laurence Harvey, Angela Lansbury and Janet Leigh. Worth the trip to your local film house.

"Moonstruck" (A+) (PG) 102 minutes.
Cher as a 37-year-old Italian widow in Brooklyn about to remarry. She's terrific and Nicolas Cage, Vincent Gardenia and Danny Aiello are great in this pure distillation of the American ethnic shtick.

"A New Life" (A) (PG-13) 100 minutes.
Alan Alda's latest is a frank, intelligent romantic comedy about di-

vorce, love and remarriage and all the other problems middle-aged people face.

"Permanent Record" (B+) (PG) 85 minutes.
Powerful, thought-provoking drama of teen suicide as family and friends come to grips with pain and confusion of such a useless death. Good acting in well-done script, but bring plenty of tissues. Reviewed by Kathy Guyor.

"Return to Snowy River II" (B) (PG).
Classic, but almost trite story of rugged young adventurer (Tom Burlinson) returning home to claim his land and his love. Naturally, her father (Brian Dennehy) prefers another suitor. Magnificent scenery and more than 250 horses make this an attractive, entertaining film.

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