COMING ATTRACTIONS

Swinging into town: *Spiderman thrills comic book fans when it comes to the big screen this weekend. Check local listings for movie times and locatons.*

Scheduled to open, Friday, May 3

HOLLYWOOD ENDING
Mum's the word on the plot except the fact that Woody Allen plays a Hollywood director who is hired to direct his ex-wife (Tea Leoni) in a movie. Featured players include filmmaker Mark Rydell as Allen's agent, and Treat Williams as Leon's new boyfriend, the studio boss. Lending femme support are Debra Messing (fromTV's Will and Grace) and Tiffani-Amber Theissen. Allen directs the comedy, marking his first feature since completing *Curse of the Jade Scorpion* in 2001. (DreamWorks) Rated PG-13

THE TRIUMPH OF LOVE
Loonide (Mira Sorvino), Princess of Sparta, resorts to deception and disguise to win the man she loves, a young prince whose throne she along the way helps restore. The only problem is that her various disguises, both male and female, end up thrice engaged. (Paramount Classics). Rated PG-13

SPIDER-MAN
Orphaned at an early age, Peter Parker (Tobey Maguire) lived in Queens, New York with his beloved Aunt May and Uncle Ben. Peter led the life of a normal student, working as a photographer at the Daily Bugle under the tutelage of publisher J. Jonah Jameson, pining after the beautiful Mary Jane Watson and hanging out with buddy Harry Osborn. On a school trip, during which Peter and his classmates are given a science demonstration on spiders, Peter is bitten by a genetically altered spider. Soon after, he discovers that he has unusual powers: He is endowed with the strength and agility of a spider along with a keen, ESP-like spider sense. Featured players include Kirsten (Get over it) Dunst as Mary Jane Watson, James Franco (TV's Freaks and Geeks) and veteran actor Cliff Robertson as Peter's Uncle. (Columbia Pictures) Rated PG-13

DEUCES WILD
Set in the summer of 1958, the story tells of a Brooklyn street gang, the Deuces, as they learn that loyalty and midnight rumbles can no longer protect them from the turbulent times ahead. Gunfights and honor quickly become a thing of the past as a new breed of wiseguys threaten to take control of their neighborhood. Featured among the ensemble are Fairuza Balk, Matt Dillon, Stephen Dorff, Balthazar Getty, and Brad Renfro. Scott Kalvert directs the drama. (MGM/UA) Rated R

Scheduled to open, Friday May10

THE NEW GUY
After sealing his uncool reputation with an embarrassing ninth-grade accident, a high school student decides to switch alma maters his senior year for a final stab at popularity. All goes well until his primary nemesis follows him to the new school. Featured players include DJ Qualls as the uncool student who reinvents himself as a tough guy, Lyle Lovett, Eddie Griffin and Eliza Dushku. Edward Decter helms the comedy, marking his feature directorial debut. (Columbia Pictures / Revolution Studios) Rated PG-13

ESPN'S ULTIMATE X
This large format documentary revolves around the X Games contest, shown on ESPN and ABC, and highlights the athletes competing on screens towering six stories high and eight stories wide. (Buena Vista) Rated PG

UNFAITHFUL
A middle-aged wife and mother has an unexpected and torrid affair with a handsome younger man. After her husband discovers her deceit, he murders his wife's lover, and the husband and wife must face the consequences of their actions. Based on the 1969 film "La Femme Infidel", the film stars Richard Gere, Diane Lane, Olivier Martinez and Erik Per Sullivan. Adrian Lyne directs the drama, marking his first since completing "LOLITA" in 1997. (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated R

Scheduled to open Wednesday, May 16

STAR WARS: EPISODE II – ATTACK OF THE CLONES
Ten years after the events of the Phantom Menace, not only has the galaxy undergone significant change, but so have Obi-Wan Kenobi (Ewan McGregor), Padme Amidala and Anakin Skywalker as they are thrown together again for the first time since the Trade Federation invasion of Naboo. Anakin has grown into the accomplished Jedi apprentice of Obi-Wan, who himself has transitioned from student to teacher.

The two Jedi are assigned to protect Padme whose life is threatened by a faction of political separatists. As relationships form and powerful forces collide, these heroes face choices that will impact not only their own fates, but the destiny of the Republic. Featured in the cast are Natalie Portman as Padme, Jimmy Smits, Samuel L. Jackson, Frank Oz, Ian McDiarmid, Pernilla August, Christopher Lee, and Hayden Christensen as Anakin. Directed by George Lucas. (Twentieth Century Fox) This film is not yet rated.

Scheduled to open Friday May 24

SPIRIT: STALLION OF CIMARRON
This animated story follows the adventures of a wild and rambunctious mustang stallion as he journeys through the untamed American frontier. Encountering man for the first time, Spirit defies being broken, even as he develops a remarkable friendship with a young Lakota brave. The courageous young stallion also finds love with a beautiful paint mare named Rain on his way to becoming one of the greatest unsung heroes of the Old West. Voices include James Cromwell, Daniel studi and Bryan Adams. Directed by Kelly Asbury and Lorna Cook. (Dreamworks SKG) Rated G.

ENOUGH
Billed as a suspense drama, the story centers on a young waitress who marries the man of her dreams, a wealthy contractor, and slowly realizes that he is actually an abusive psychotic husband. When she is forced to run away from him, he pursues her, forcing her into a final showdown. Stars Noah Wyle, Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell, Juliette Lewis. Michael Apted directed the film. (Columbia Pictures) Rated PG-13.

Redford Civic Symphony welcomes spring with music

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John Gajec admits he's a little rusty when it comes to playing oboe but that won't stop him from changing chairs for the Redford Civic Symphony's spring concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5, at Thurston High School in Redford.

Gajec usually plays cello but because of the death of orchestra oboist Warren Liljegren in November he's filling in. Liljegren performed with the Redford Civic Symphony for 30-years, first under Gajec who was then conductor and later under Dr. Joseph W. Lewis Jr. of West Bloomfield and Robert Zimmerman of Redford. Dr. Lewis, Zimmerman and Benny Moon conduct the May 5 program featuring selections from Richard Rodgers' *Oklahoma* and *The Sound of Music, The Jolly Robbers Overture* by Von Suppe, and Mazurka and Czardas from *Coppelia* by Delibes, among other selections.

"I haven't played oboe for years but it's coming back to me," said Gajec. "We're doing a lot of favorites of audiences. I look forward to every program."

Admission to the concert is free. For more information about the May concert or the next program 7:30 p.m Tuesday, June 25, in Redford's Capitol Park, call Gajec at (313) 538-1652 or visit the Web site at redfordsymphony.8m.net.

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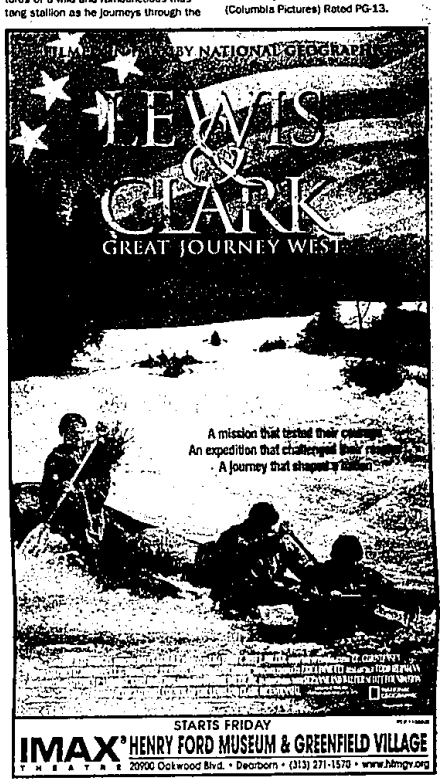
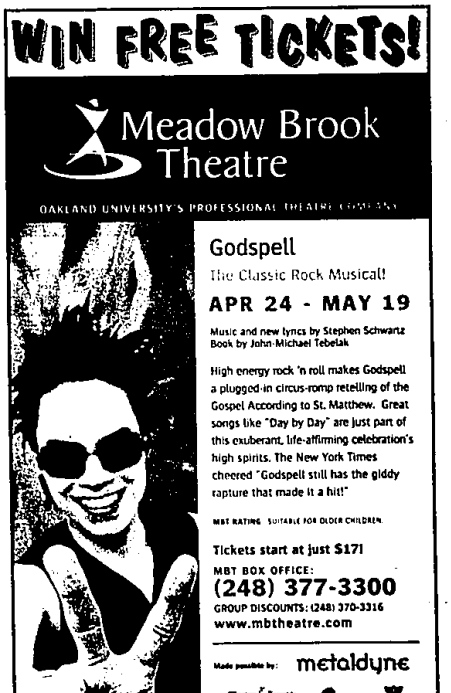
Musical chairs: *John Gajec switches from his usual position as cellist to oboe for the upcoming concert by the Redford Civic Symphony.*





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