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The humor's groovy and gross in *Goldmember*

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"Yeah, baby," Mike Myers (aka that 'sexy beast," Austin Powers) has done it again. Although, with his latest Austin adventure, Goldmember, which opens in local theaters on Friday, you may not always be sure what he's done, you'll probably just relax, give in to the madness, and enjoy a few silly laughs along the way (though some of the humor will strike some moviegoers as downright dis-gusting, especially scenes involving that infamous Scelsman).

Scotsman). In a family newspaper, it's a little difficult to accurately describe the plot of this film,

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directed by Jay Roach. For our purposes, let's just say that, at the bottom of things, we find an bad gay named Goldmember (played by Myers). Goldmember has the Midas touch (along with the disgust-ing habit of eating his own epi-dermis), and he also possesse a weapon called Preparation H. In addition, the curlicue plot also involves a kidangping committed by the notorious Dr. Evil and his marvelous mini-cone, Mini-Noc Too, there's a silly submarine in there some-where, plus a handful of sur-prises, (You've heard of surprise endings? Goldmember features a super-slick, delightfully sur-prising start.) Also included in the fun: We return to those thrilling days of yesteryear (1975) with Austin and his female friend, Foxry and his female friend, Foxoy Cleopatra (Beynne Knowles of Destiny's Child), via a festive jimpmobile. Tom Cruise, Gwyneth Paltrow (dua Dixie Ownnous), Danny DeVito, Kevin Spacey, Britney Spears, Quincey Jones, and Fred Sawage (of TV's The Wonder Vears) Join the missibile. And Michael Caine takes an impra-tive turn as A unitisk home-the-fil sive turn as Austin's know-it-all father, British spy Nigel Powers.

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father, British spy Nigel Powers. Making return appearances (Goldmember is the third Austin Powers adventure) are Michael York as the breathless Basil Exposition, Robert Wagner as the evil #2, Mindy Sterling as the flirtatious Frau Farbissina, and Verne J. Troyer

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in the role of the inimitance Mini-Me. Look for some especially rib-tickling moments in Goldmember, One involves a shadowy scene behind a doe-tor's screen. Another features some apple juice. Since the entire film is so immersed in outright silliness, such looney lines as 'If you've got an issue – here's a tissue, 'it perfectly.

AUSTIN POWERS IN GOLDMEMBER

In other circumstances, such palaver as this might evoke moans and groans— but here, the words are sure to provoke additional, spontaneous gig-

In addition to Mike Myers' and Michael McOuler's clever writing, Goldmember is highly complemented by some top-notch production qualities. Psychedelic costumes by Deena

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Appel and the swinging back-ground beat (performed by var-ious artists) definitely enhance

the picture. In fact, were you 's so inclined, you might even say they make this goofball of a film, "groovy, baby."

Haley Joel Osment as the voice of Seary, (Walt Disney Pictures) Rated G

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