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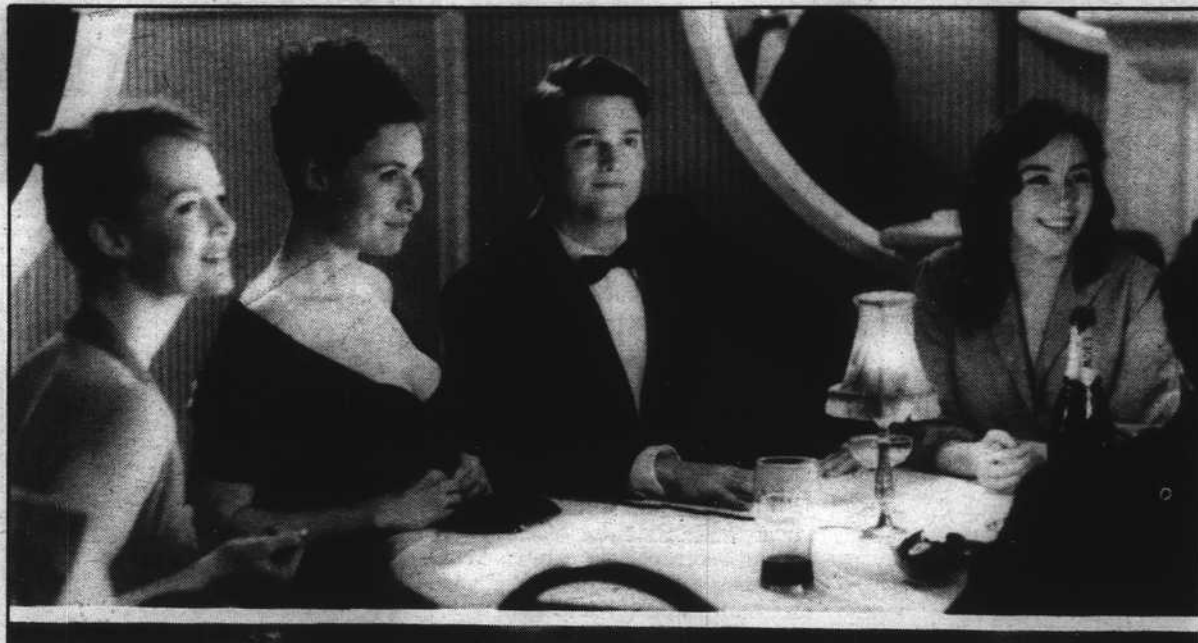


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Saffron Burrows, Minnie Driver, Chris O'Donnell and Geraldine O'Rawe star in "Circle of Friends," which was released on video this week.

Video shelf appeals to all tastes

By Gerry Beltz
Film Critic

The first week of the semester heralds an incredibly average week of new video releases. There's something for everybody: a western, a kids' flick, a romance and an adventure. The pick-of-the-week will satisfy fans of schlocky martial arts films.

"Tall Tale: The Unbelievable Adventures of Pecos Bill" (PG) — Not a bad little film, even if it is rather predictable. Noah (Nick Stahl) doesn't like work or the tall tales his father tells him.

However, it is those tall tale characters — Pecos Bill (Patrick Swayze), Paul Bunyan (Oliver Platt) and John Henry (Roger Aaron Brown) — that come to the boy's rescue when he is on the run from an evil land baron.

"Circle of Friends" (PG-13) — A multi-faceted love story starring Chris O'Donnell ("Batman Forever") and

newcomer Minnie Driver. "Circle of Friends" is a definite tearjerker.

Benny (Driver) is a college freshman who falls for the local popular boy, Jack (O'Donnell). Because she isn't as attractive as the girls he usually goes out with, she isn't noticed right away.

Great stuff here, and all performances are terrific.

"The Quick and the Dead" (R) — Yuck. "Evil Dead" director Sam Raimi takes a shot at the Old West.

Focusing on a small town with a big-time gunfighting contest, the all-star cast includes Sharon Stone (who has a nude scene ... again), Academy Award winner Gene Hackman and Academy Award nominee Leonardo DiCaprio.

The script, acting and everything else in this movie sucks canal water.

Better to watch milk curdle than to waste money on this flick.

"Tank Girl" (PG-13) — A visual treat, yes. Worth seeing, not really.

Lori Petty plays a woman whose friends are killed by the evil Water and Power people, but she escapes and commandeers a tank to exact her revenge.

Forget this one. Rent a tape on life insurance instead.

PICK-OF-THE-WEEK — It ain't Bruce Lee or Steven Seagal, but it's still cool martial arts stuff.

It's "The Big Brawl."

Director Robert Blouth ("Enter The Dragon") mixed an anything-goes fighting tournament, gangsters, roller derby and Jackie Chan (in the lead role) to make a wonderful movie with a great blend of comedy and martial arts.

The film also stars Jose Ferrer as the top gangster and Mako as Chan's trainer, but "The Big Brawl" won't be the easiest movie to find.

However, it is worth looking for, if not just for the roller derby scene.

Video Releases

University Program Council Presents



EVENTS

august

- 18 Big Red Welcome — 4pm-8pm Devaney Sports Center
- 26 PlanetPalooza — 1:30pm-10pm Plaza
- 28-31 Poster/Art Sale plaza/union lounge

september

- 10 International Film: An Unforgettable Summer - Sheldon
- 19 Barry Williams (aka Greg Brady) - 8pm East Union
- 20-22 Print Sale - plaza/union lounge
- 21 Barry Drake - history of '70s Rock-n-Roll - 8pm Centennial
- 24 International Film: Before the Rain - Sheldon
- 28 Steven Petronio Dance Company - Union Lounge
- 29 The "A" Festival

october

- 7 The Spencers Magic - East Campus Union
- 8 International Film: Germinal - Sheldon
- 11 Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer - 8pm Centennial
- 12 Denny Dent and his Two Fisted Art Attack - 8pm Centennial
- 14-15 Pow-Wow - East Campus Union
- 17 MTV's Bill Bellamy - 8pm Lied
- 18 Wacky Olympics - 12-2pm Union
- 22 International Film: I am Cuba - Sheldon
- 25 Diamond Rio @ Pershing Auditorium
- 31 Fun Flicks - Make your own music video!

november

- 9 Kathy Buckley (hearing impaired comedienne)
- 11 Night in the Orient
- 12 International Film: Latcho Drom - Sheldon
- 15 Debate - Rap Music is a Menace to Society - 8pm Centennial
- Curtis Silwa, founder of Guardian Angels - thesis
- Prof. Griff, founder of Public Enemy - antithesis

december

- 3 International Film: To Live - Sheldon



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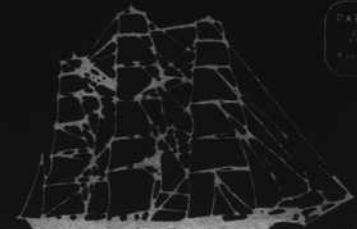
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