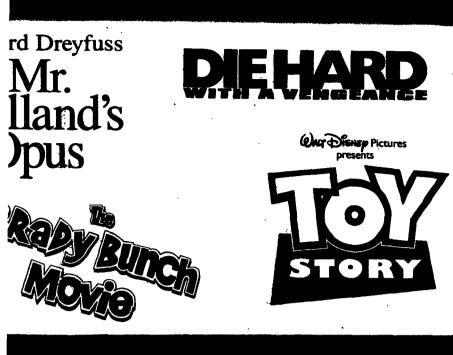
The Silver Screen





'Jumanji," "Mr. Holland's Opus" and "Toy Story" at Sony Webster Theatres as part of an

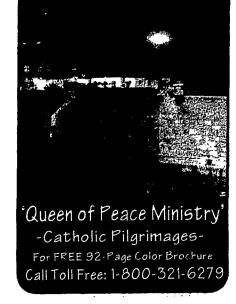
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youth ministers about the content."

Sex scenes also raise a caution flag in the home of Donnie LaFlam, 14. He and his father enjoy renting what he terms "blood and guts" movies, such as the "Die Hard" series. However, his parents draw the line when it comes to sex.

"They don't really care for that stuff," said Donnie, from the Catholic Community of St. Anne and St. Gregory in Palmyra and Marion.

As far as the violence goes, Donnie doesn't see as much of a problem. "It's just fun to watch," he said. "As long as you're not getting any (violent) habits out of the movies."

On the other hand, Michele Lowry isn't so sure that children aren't influenced by violent movies.

"In some of the movies, all they do is kill people. They show no remorse, and they don't show the families of the people who were killed," Michele commented. "My cousin is 7, and he's going to go around thinking it's okay to kill people."

Yet Michele isn't quite as fazed by the profanities that are a part of most popular movies.

"You hear it in school anyway," Michele commented.

Roll them all together, and an occasional "F" word or topless scene can quickly drive a movie rating from G to R. That's annoying to somebody such as Ryan, who may be missing out on otherwise good movies.

"Sometimes they go too far. It's not really needed," he stated.

At the same time, Molly pointed out that some questionable content can be overlooked if the movie is of high quality. She said she looks for "a good message and story, as opposed to 'Terminator 2."

David Hooper, 14, shared Molly's sentiment.

"As long as it's not stupid. There are some really bad action movies that don't really have a good story," said David, from St. Joachim's

"The ones I like are the ones that make you feel good and make you feel better about people," said Michele, who listed "Mr. Holland's Ópus" as an example.

"I like movies that have a moral to them," Bridget stated.

Bridget, who resides in the Steuben County village of Greenwood, said her first priority is to "enjoy" a movie, rather than "critique" it.

"I watch mostly because of the entertainment, because around Greenwood there's not much entertainment," she explained. "So the movies are a good way to pass the time."

Molly agrees, saying that entertainment value was her first consideration when she attended the recent Monroe County "Movie Madness."

"What I noticed was that they were all movies I wanted to see," Molly

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