

Seth Rogen: from superbad to superhero

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The famous "Green Hornet" has made a big comeback with a new movie. Originally a radio show character, the Green Hornet flies it's way into theaters with big fight scenes and comedy.

In the "Green Hornet," media mogul Harry Reid dies due to a bee sting, leaving his son, Britt Reid, the most successful newspaper company in the world, the *Daily Sentinel*. Britt realizes that all he does is party and has never done anything good for anybody. He teams with Kato, former mechanic to the late Harry Reid, to fight crime. They act like they're bad guys, in order to make the real enemies think that they're on his side.

At first, this movie seemed like the average bang-boom-bam movie with a superhero twist. Some of the movie was, but it also has a great storyline and funny dialogue. When I first heard Rogen would play a superhero, I chuckled. But he manages to pull off superhero,

more or less. But, he still seemed like the average Seth

six instruments, owns a chain of restaurants, owns a record

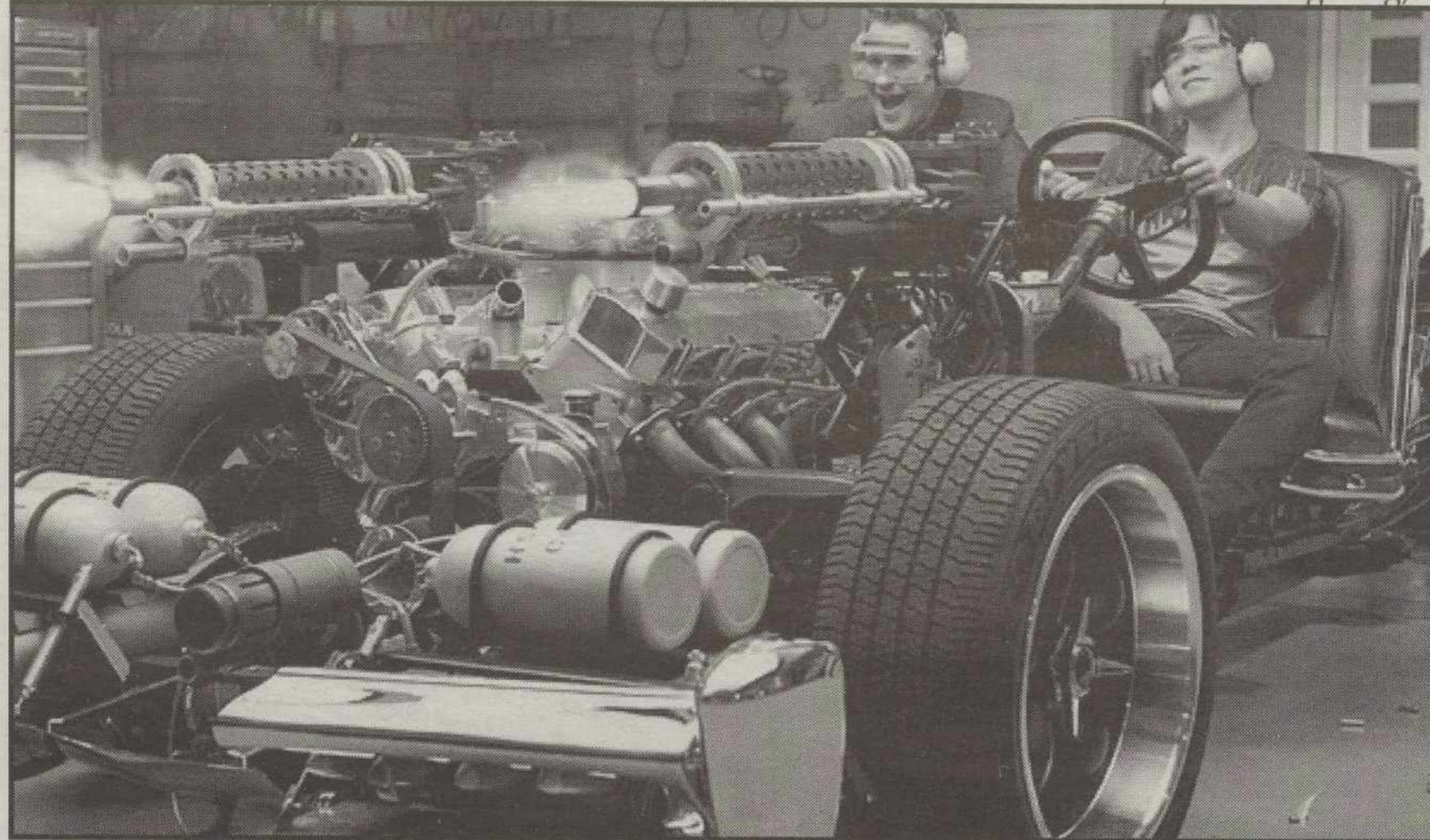
used special effects in multiple scenes to stylize his fighting,

and sets a light, fun tone for the movie.

Cameron Diaz also makes an appearance in the movie as Rogen's secretary. Her role in the movie feels as if they put her in just so they could have another big name in the movie, but they didn't hire her for the acting. She doesn't make the role extraordinary or anything breath-taking but just seems to be there for show.

More or less, the movie was light-hearted, awesome and fun. Don't expect anything that has a beautiful plotline, because it's not supposed to. It's supposed to have explosions, fighting and a lot of laughs because it's just a fun movie. I would highly recommend seeing it if you're in the mood for awesome. I'd give this movie four out of five stars because it is good, but some of the roles are a little bland

"The Green Hornet" is rated PG-13 for sequences of violent action, language, sensuality and drug content.



The Green Hornet, played by Seth Rogen, and Kato, played by Jay Chou, show off their fancy firepower. Rogen has the comedy credentials to play the Green Hornet, but may not have the superhero qualifications.

Rogen, not the Green Hornet.

Kato, played by Jay Chou, is supposed to be the "human Swiss army knife." Chou, who isn't known in the United States as well as he is in Taiwan, is almost really just that. Chou plays

company, clothing stores, and the piano brand, Secret. He also is a musician, one of the most popular in Taiwan. He does manage to display these talents in the movie, showing his martial arts skills in multiple scenes. The director

and made it seem as if he was a robot.

Rogen and Chou have chemistry, not like romantic chemistry, but, "best-friend-you're-my-buddy" chemistry in the movie. Movies with this type of chemistry are good,

San Blas restaurant provides delicious family dining

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Vibrant vegetables, savory spices, original recipes and scrumptious entrees are all a part of what makes West Linn's new San Blas Mexican restaurant all the rave. A fairly new addition to the suburban scene, the restaurant is located in the strip mall complex on Salamo Road near Safeway. For locals, it is located where the Candy Basket used to be.

The place was not terribly crowded, but there were several pleased-looking families and couples scattered around the restaurant's booths and tables. The service was quick and we were seated right away at a very comfortable booth near the kitchen.

The menu includes many traditional Mexican dishes: tacos, fajitas, enchiladas, burritos and salads.

The menu also included many items special to the restaurant. A quiet family-friendly restaurant, the kids menu has a nice range of both Mexican and American choices for around \$3.95. My brother ordered two large enchiladas and a drink for \$8.95. Much like any other authentic Mexican restaurant, they provided chips and salsa. However, they also offered Pico de Gallo and salsa — both homemade!

Grilled chicken, mushrooms, creamy cheese sauce, green onions, tomatoes, and sour cream all wrapped up into a flour tortilla is the enticing Pollo a la Crème for \$13.95.

Although expensive, this was by far the most delectable Mexican dish I have ever eaten in my entire life. The ingredients were combined and cooked to perfection. The freshly baked flour tortillas just topped it off. It was a pretty large amount of food and quite filling, but my stomach was definitely pleased.

I loved the vibe of the restaurant; it can be best described as a traditional/authentic Mexican family restaurant that meets urban bistro.

Pollo a la Crème, an original dish at San Blas Mexican Restaurant, is available for \$13.95. The dish is mouth watering with fresh ingredients including grilled chicken, mushrooms, several cheeses, sour cream and vegetables.

The high ceilings, clean and simple atmosphere, stylish ceiling fans, traditional Spanish artwork and elegant furnishings provided a wonderful and friendly feel. Modern-sounding Spanish music was playing in the

background which tied



Photo by Emily McDonald

everything together.

When the time came to pay our tab, the waitress happily—and very quickly—returned our bill, as well as two deep fried chips with whipped cream, honey, and strawberry sauce on them. This automatically had me leaving the restaurant with a smile on my face as I do admit to having a sweet tooth.

If I had to rate this restaurant, I would easily grant it a four out of five stars. A great place for family-friendly dining with tasty food and wonderful service, I would highly recommend this eatery. Thoroughly enjoying the evening, I do assume that I will be visiting San Blas Mexican Restaurant again, and soon.

Biff and Marty

GROWING UP RAISES ISSUES

Dear Biff and Marty,

Lately, my friends have been getting into bad stuff: watching PG-13 rated movies, drinking soda after midnight and hugging the opposite sex. I am uncomfortable with this transition. I don't want to leave my friends, but I don't want to fall into this out-of-control lifestyle. Help?

Missing Middle School

Dear Missing Middle School,

While we don't condone all of these activities, they are things that teenagers

start to take part in as they grow. As we see it, you don't have many options. If you truly want to keep your friends, you will have to accept the changes that your friends are undergoing. However, this doesn't mean you have to do the same things as they do. What we're saying is that you can still be friends even if you don't take part in those activities. In high school, you'll find many new friends that share the same interests as you.

Dear Biff and Marty,
I am going to a school

dance and want to look my best, otherwise everyone will make fun of me! Which would be a better outfit to wear: a long red dress with flats or a short blue dress with boots? Also, any advice on where should I buy my accessories?

Fashion Frustration

Dear Fashion Frustration,
As we see it (being guys) there really is no difference between the two options. Just wear whatever makes you feel the most comfortable and confident because your attitude will

be the determining factor. However, Marty and I asked some female friends what they thought. The general consensus was that you should go with the blue dress and boots. Also, some suggested switching out the boots for other shoes. As for accessories, you should see if you can borrow a friend's jewelry to save money. It's just one dance; there will be many more to come, so don't worry too much and just have fun.

Dear Biff and Marty,
Should I use Valentine's Day to ask out the girl I like?

Valentine Virgin

Dear VV,
This depends on how comfortable you are with being rejected. If you really won't mind if you're rejected, then go for it. Worst case scenario is that she says no, but if you are going to ask her out, make sure that she isn't already dating someone else. The other thing you could do is just wait or keep your feelings to yourself. Quite frankly, there are many different people out there, so we're sure if things don't work out, you'll find another girl that you like.