

McCool's gets a few laughs

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Some movies today are better seen as videos so you can stop your VCR and mow the lawn when you realize there are better ways to spend your time.

This was the case with *One Night at McCool's*. The only reason I was glad I spent the extra money to see it in a theater was that I wasn't alone in my suffering. There were eight other people there who, for the most part, groaned instead of laughed at the parts that were supposed to be funny.

The plot is centered on a group of guys who become sexually obsessed with Jewel, played by Liv Tyler, after a night at McCool's. It suggests — actually it hits you over the head — that the three men all have their different views of who Jewel really is. For McCool's bartender Randy (Matt Dillon), she becomes the live-in lover who thus provides what he feels he has been missing in his life. It does vaguely bother him that she kills people without remorse, but hey, the sex is awesome. Just the kind of reaction you'd expect from someone whose idea of being a great bartender is to serve college boys shots of booze from a toilet plunger.

"Who's ready to take the plunge?" he asks them.

Randy explains the changes in his life since that night at McCool's to Mr. Burmeister (Michael Douglas), a bingo-playing hit man with a graying-pompadour toupee that makes



Jewel, played by Liv Tyler, is the center of attention as she cools off by washing her car.

him resemble Jerry Lee Lewis.

Paul Reiser plays Carl, a successful lawyer, who is Randy's cousin and just happened to be at McCool's that night because his wife and kids were out of town. He sees Jewel as the dominatrix who can make him finally feel something again. He confesses his love for a good whipping to his shrink, played by Reba McEntire.

And then there is the honest detective (John Goodman) who has been in mourning over his deceased wife for years. He was at McCool's because a robber was shot in the back of the head that night. One look at Jewel derails his investigative

powers. He confesses obsession for Jewell to a priest. Father Jimmy becomes so intrigued by the story that he starts polishing off wine poured into a communion chalice.

This movie goes way over the top as far as bad taste goes. In the ending scene, all the obsessed characters are brought together in a bloody finale orchestrated by Andrew Dice Clay in a cameo appearance and set to the tune of *YMCA*. I found I was too tired to even moan. I really tried to find something to laugh about, but it just wasn't funny.

Jazz up your life

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The "In Appreciation" Vocal Jazz Night will be held Friday, May 25, in the Gregory Forum at 7:30 p.m. featuring Mainstream Jazz.

The Vocal Jazz Night is Mainstream Jazz group's final public concert for this year and is dedicated to friends and families who have supported the vocal jazz program throughout the year.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Mainstream Jazz Director Marti Mendenhall says, "This is going to be a fantastic performance; everyone should come."

The following week, The In-

strumental Jazz Night concert featuring the college's Instrumental Jazz ensemble and a special guest ensemble will perform Wednesday, May 30 at 7:30 p.m.

The guest ensemble consists of internationally recognized local and regional artists Steve Christofferson on piano, Gar Harris and Jeff human playing sax and Dick Titterington on trumpet.

Christofferson has performed with jazz artist Nancy King in Israel, Canada, France, and Holland. They have also worked on local jingles and recordings including works for the Portland Trailblazers. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors are free. Early arrival for both performances is recommended.

Correction

This photo of a student sculpture ran in the May 9 issue of the Print with credit to the wrong artist. Kristy Changsut should have been given credit for creating this piece.



by Maggie Jirasek

Aries (March 21-April 19): You have little patience for the unknown this week. Try to follow the path rarely taken and you should come up with exciting and new ideas. Your wall needs a fresh coat of paint. Your

magic drink of the week: Tomato juice.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): You might have to deal with jealousy this week until you can reach a compassionate place

within. Count on your charm and verbal skills to carry you on. Separate your clothes before washing to avoid rainbow colored socks. Your magic drink of the week: Peanut flavored cappuccino.

Gemini (May 21-June 21): You might be perceived as dogmatic and preachy this week. Try to be in sync with others and their reasoning. Take more vitamins. Your magic drink of the week: Banana-kiwi-strawberry smoothie.

Cancer (June 22-July 22): Inner turmoil may prevent you from attending social events. Face the music. Your mailbox is hungry, make sure it gets fed. Your magic drink of the week: Milk.

Leo (July 23-August 22): Others are very attracted to your expansive and fiery personality this week. You might get the sense that individuals can see right through the core of your being. Don't party too much

and get some sleep. Your magic drink of the week: Mineral water.

Virgo (August 23-September 22): Express yourself even if you are not sure how you feel. Change an old pattern. Reorganize your room or desk Thursday night. Your magic drink of the week: Root beer.

Libra (September 23-October 22): Someone may trigger a jealous or childish reaction that could lead to depression and harsh self-judgement. Hopeful spirits are with you this week. Don't watch too much TV! Your magic drink of the week: Vanilla milk shake.

Scorpio (October 23-November 21): You create a magnetic field around you that people are attracted to. You are ready to take on just about anything or anybody. Drive safe! Your magic drink of the week: Chai tea.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21): Let your imagination reign. Your good feelings multiply and you spread joy and happiness. Remember to lock your car! Your magic drink of the week: Strawberry lemonade.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19): Don't give up on a dream. Faith and hope will carry you. Your feet hurt, buy new shoes. Your magic drink of the week: Orange juice.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18): Stop comparing yourself to others. Reach outside of yourself and refocus your energy. Ants might invade your kitchen. Watch out! Your magic drink of the week: Root beer floats.

Pisces (February 19-March 20): Choose your words carefully this week. Look to friends in high places for direction and guidance. Stay out of trouble! Your magic drink of the week: Coconut milk.

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