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'Just One of the Guys' just doesn't make it

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'Just One of the Guys'

Just what we all needed ... another assembly-line youth movie that vainly tries to mix high school classroom, cafeteria, and lavatory "humor" with social commentary.

Terri Griffith (Joyce Hyser) is a senior who wants to be a journalist. When her work doesn't measure up in a writing contest, she becomes convinced that she's being discriminated against because she's a woman. She can't even find real support from those who are closest to her. While trying to explain her predicament to her college boyfriend (Leigh McCloskey of "Fraternity Vacation"), he just gets mad because he can't loosen her double-knotted bikini top.

Her sex-starved little brother (annoyingly played by Billy Jacoby) won't take her seriously either because he has only one thing on his mind.

So. through the miracle of modern makeup, Terri "becomes" a young man, intent on going out to conquer the world of journalism and outwit everybody. Some miracle. While in "drag," Hyser is only slightly more convincing than Brooke Shields was when the latter tried the same thing in her recent bomb, "Sahara." What's more, the comic dilemmas faced by Terri due to her decision to start

Pet plans

Michael Jackson is pushing a line of stuff-

ed animals bearing

the "Michael's Pets"

label. A dollar from

each purchase will be

donated to a

children's charity.

He's shown with his

pet snake. (UPI)



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living her life as both man and woman are entirely predictable and quickly become tiresome ... with viewer embarrassment to

"Just One of the Guys" draws heavily from "Tootsie," "Yentl" and "The Karate Kid," and it ends up being an insult to all three films. For the benefit of slow viewers who aren't quite sure of where they've seen vastly superior treatments of this material before, the titles "Tootsie," "Yentl" and "The Karate Kid" are actually mentioned during the course of this movie!

As a lovable weirdo nicknamed "Reptile," Stuart ("Christine") Charno provides a few funny moments. He keeps his big iguana on a leash as he showers after gym class and even takes a couple of pet creepy-crawlies to the prom! A twosome of characters patterned after the original "Saturday Night Live's" Coneheads are also quite amusing. However, it's not nearly enough to keep "Just One of the Guys" from being just another lost cause. (William Zabka's "bully" character is almost a carbon-copy of same in "The

Buckingham.

never be cast as anything else.) With music by Berlin, Johnny Lyon, The Stooges and Lindsey

Karate Kid." He'll probably

'A Little Romance'

(On cable) An excellent music score supervised by Georges Delerue, which includes some lovely classical work along with his own compositions, highlights director George Roy Hill's heartwarmer about the title "tete-atete" between a French boy (Thelonius Bernard) and an American girl (Diane Lane) living in Paris with her parents (Ar-

thur Hill and Sally Kellerman). The story takes a little while to get going, but the latter half is so good that it doesn't matter. The teen leads are never presented in "cutesy" fashion and make a bright, charming couple, while Laurence Olivier is fun to watch hamming it up as a compassionate old pickpocket who befriends the youngsters and aids them in their quest to seal their eternal love with a kiss under the Bridge of Sighs in Venice.

With monuments like "Butch Cassidy & the Sundance Kid" and "The Sting" already under his belt, Hill has added something different to his impressive repertoire. (For even better movies in this vein, watch out for "Gregory's Girl" and "Melody.")

'Misunderstood'

(On cable) The title tells it. A superior treatment of the same ground covered in the wildly overpraised "Terms of Endear-

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1965

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) - Take the

trouble to revise a plan and you'll be better

off in the long run. Be alert to subtleties in

career happenings today.

TAURUS (April 29 to May 20) — It's

time to see the other fellow's point of view

and if an apology is needed, give it gladly.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) — You'll be

so relieved when a work task is completed

that it's best to get it done now. You may

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) - An outbreak of temperament is possible with a

close tie. Say you're sorry if you've offend-

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) - A family

situation requires compassion and

understanding. A date may be changed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept.22) - A few ex-

tra expenses may crop up today. Some

work overtime on a creative project. Ex-

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct.22) — You may

get.rid of some clutter around the house. A

piece of furniture may catch your eye to-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) — Things

Pay heed to others' sensitivities.

ed anyone. Nighttime is romantic.

Evening brings a career insight.

press your feelings in romance.

day. Evening favors domesticity.

receive a financial tip.

ment," but the latter came out first and grabbed all the attention while this gem was ignored and would've been condemned to

cinematic oblivion if sor for the miracle of cable television.

Henry ("E.T.") Thomas and Huckleberry fox for "Terms!") play the young sons of a busy but very caring father Gene Hackman), all trying to cope with the untimely death of their young mother and wife (Susan Anspach, shown only in flashback). The performances are terrific. And to think that this is the one that deserved all the praise ...

'Closed Mondays'

(Watch for this during "between-feature" interludes on SHOWTIME and HBO.) You won't blink during this Oscarwinning short from "claymation" wizard Will Vinton. An old drunk wanders into a museum afterhours and thinks he sees various paintings and sculptures coming to/life before his very

Simple geometric shapes explode into motion and music, a computer with "Rocky Horror" Picture Show" lips with the ability to transmutate into anything burns itself out and melts into nothing, etc. It all ends in inspired, "Twilight Zone" fashion. The expressions that Vinton creates on the face of his wino are priceless, and there's more to his encounters than what meets the eye.

Understandably, this was one of the main attractions in 1977's "The Fantastic Animation Festival," an international compilation of some of the best animated short films ever.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) -

Low-key activities are preferable to

socializing now. It's time to tackle un-

finished tasks. Don't put chores off any

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) -

You'll stick by a friend through thick and

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) - Ambi

tions are now stimulated and you may be

spending extra time researching a work

project. Get the privacy you need tonight. PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) - A trip

doesn't turn out exactly as you an-

ticipated, but you're in the limelight socially. You're sensitive to others' needs

YOU BORN TODAY have creative

talents combined with business know-how.

You'd make a good theatrical producer or

interior designer. You may be blessed with

writing ability and are drawn to such fields

as acting, fashion, painting and music.

Your business side would enjoy a few pro-

fitable real estate ventures as well as a

career in brokerage or banking. You're

versatile, but must avoid getting involved

in too many things at once. Birthday of:

thin. Today, your loyalty is appreciated.

Try not to lecture others, though.

Entertainment



New direction

Tom Petty's first "concept" album explores the attitudes toward Southerners and those that Southerners have toward themselves. The hit song from the album is "Don't Come Around Here No More," made with help from Dave Stewart of the Eurythmics. (UPI)



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MOVIE ** > "What Price Glory?" (1952) James Cagney, Dan Dailey A hot-tempered captain and a loud sergeant clash during World War I (LIFE) SMART MONEY

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GREAT PERFORMANCES

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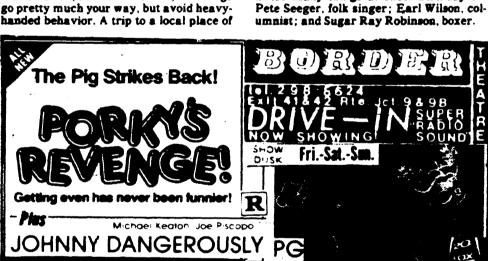
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