

Entertainment

Word Of The Week:

aeneous - adjective: brassy or golden green in color.

When we convinced Jeff that the red liquid was kool-aid, not lava, we thought it was funny at first. When his face turned aeneous, we kind of figured he might be in trouble.

Entertainment News in Brief

3/28-4/4

Robin Williams divorces wife of 19 years

Popular TV and movie actor Robin Williams is divorcing his wife, Marsha Garces Williams, after 19 years of marriage. Garces Williams filed for the divorce in a San Francisco Superior Court March 21, claiming irreconcilable differences. While Robin Williams has had no comment on the ordeal, his agent confirmed that the couple is splitting, according to CNN.

Steve-O's court date postponed

Jackass host Steve-O, whose real name is Stephen Glover, has had his court date postponed. The accusations stemmed from an incident where Glover got into an altercation with a tenant where he lived. During the investigation, Yahoo News reports, police found cocaine in the daring comedian's apartment. Glover continues to claim that he is hoping to reform his life. "I'm not ready to die," reads a message on his blog. "I'm ready to live. I'm ready to breathe (properly even). I'm ready to fall in love. I'm ready to become ready to start a family."

Idol down to nine

Chikezie, the one-name singer from Inglewood, California, was eliminated from *American Idol*. Simon Cowell criticized his Tuesday performance, saying "It wasn't original." Nine contestants now remain. Source: CNN, Yahoo.

Beacon Entertainer of the Week

Busta Rhymes



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Upcoming releases:

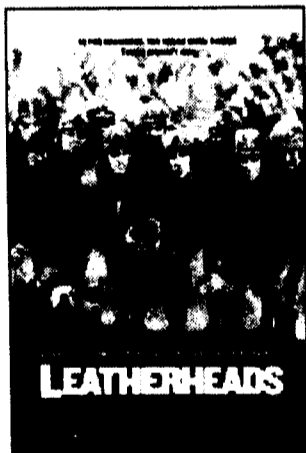
Movies

Leatherheads

~April 4~

George Clooney plays Dodge Connolly, a football player trying to draw attention to the nation's failing pro football league in 1925. He recruits a college star to try to garner national appreciation.

Rating: PG-13



Ruins

~April 4~

A group of tourists travel to a remote area to search for a missing friend. They end up unearthing an ancient, power and awakening something darker than they had ever imagined.

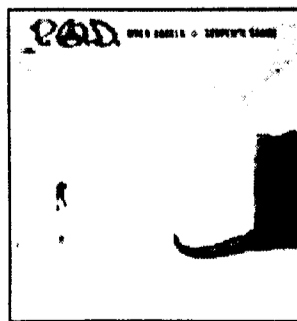
Rating: R

Music

P.O.D.

~April 8~

When Angels & Serpents Dance



Colin Meloy

~April 8~

Colin Meloy (Decembrists' singer's songs from his solo album)



Horton stampedes box office in second week

Seuss screenplay making a run to be next successful animated movie

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The newest animated movie by 20th Century Fox, *Horton Hears a Who*, ended another week sitting pretty atop the box office. The movie, featuring the voices of popular comedians Steve Carrell and Jim Carrey, has once again found the gold mine for animated movies. In its opening weekend, it raked in over \$45 million, the largest opening of the year; after ten days its total had climbed to almost \$86 million.

Jim Carrey (Horton) made his own appearance in a Dr. Seuss tale eight years ago, in *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. While that movie opened with a weekend grossing over \$55 million, *Horton* is on pace to match the movie's income if it can keep up its sales in the coming weeks.

Horton is one of several high-

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-Manhattan Box Office

grossing animated films to hit theaters since the turn of the century. Eight of the 10 top grossing animated movies of all time have been released since 1999. They

include hits such as *Shrek*, *Shrek 2*, *Finding Nemo* and *The Incredibles*.

There seems to be a trend moving towards animated movies. In an age sometimes devoted to toilet humor in movies trying to appeal to young teenagers, producers are tapping once again one of the most profitable markets: parents and small children.

"If you don't have a kid, chances are you didn't go to the movies this weekend," quips the Manhattan Box Office, which claims that in Manhattan alone, the movie made almost a quarter of a million dollars in its opening weekend.

One of many Dr. Seuss-based movies to hit theatres, *Horton* has received mostly favorable reviews. Carina Chocano of the *Los Angeles Times* comments that often the movie tries too hard to appeal to popular culture.

"The movie retains much of the gentleness and sincerity of the book, if only at intermittent intervals," she writes. "The rest of the time, it tries too hard to act cool around the other animated movies."

Hollywood Reporter's Kirk Honeycutt had a more favorable outlook on the movie. "A delight, brimming with colorful, elastic characters and bountiful wit," he raves.

Among audiences, the movie has found a large measure of success. Yahoo's "user rating" system puts the movie at a "B+" average, generous by Yahoo's standards. In comparison, Carrey's *Grinch* now sits at a "B-" average.

The movie features Horton, a lovable elephant, going through trials and tribulations to save a microscopic community on a clover. He is constantly contacting JoJo, voiced by Jesse McCartney, a resident of Whoville.

Carell (The Mayor of Whoville) and could attract fans of his movies or his hit TV show, *The Office*.

Also featured in the assembly

of voices are Jonah Hill (*Superbad*), Amy Poehler (*Saturday Night Live*, *Mean Girls*), Seth Rogan (*Knocked Up*, *Superbad*) and Carol Burnett.

Horton has a long way to go before it can claim a spot on the top 10 animated movies, however: *Shrek* holds the 10th spot on the list at \$484 million while its sequel, *Shrek 2*, is in first with \$921 million.



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Scenes from 20th Century Fox's *Horton Hears a Who*.

Jericho next show to be cut for fall

Post-apocalyptic drama fails in its second attempt

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One of CBS's young drama shows, *Jericho*, has been cancelled by the network. CNN announced last Monday. The network cited declining audiences as the reason for the cut.

This isn't the first time that *Jericho* has met difficulties. The show was cancelled last May, but faithful viewers mailed thousands of peanuts to the network's executives, a reference to a well-known defiant line, "Nuts!" uttered by one of the show's characters. The network relented, and offered seven new episodes to be aired this past February.

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This was one of the only times that viewers affected a network's decision - CBS's "Cagney & Lacey" was cancelled in 1983, but returned to run for four successful years after viewers protested.

"Without question, there are passionate viewers watching this program; we simply wish there were more," said CBS Entertainment President Nina Tassler.

Although the return of the show was a victory for viewers, the show was unable to increase its audience. In fact, it declined; last fall, it averaged over 10 million viewers, while its return in the spring averaged a little over eight million. Its return averaged around 6 million viewers per episode.

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