

Big Adventure, one laugh after another

by Ken Stiggers

Pee Wee's Big Adventure proves to be a "laugh a minute" and a "comic fantasy."

The film features comedian Pee Wee Herman and his unusual and abstract brand of humor which had viewers in the theater rolling in the aisles with laughter.

Herman portrays the nerdy prankster who cherishes his most prized possession a shiny red bicycle. In the movie a rich and envious neighbor (portraying the bad guy) wants Pee Wee's bike. So, he hires a couple of "thugs" to steal Herman's prized possession. When Pee Wee discovers that his bicycle is stolen, he experiences emotional stages of depression, desperation and determination.

The Big Adventure begins when Pee Wee searches for his bike. He pays a phony fortune teller to use her crystal ball to locate the bicycle. The fortune teller gives Herman a bad lead by telling him that his bike is somewhere in Texas. When "our hero" arrives in Texas, he realizes that the fortune teller conned him out of all his money.

As the movie progresses, Herman gets another lead, ventures to a Hollywood studio to retrieve his beloved red bicycle and races back home. But then "our hero's" homeward effort is disrupted when he rescues a variety of animals from a burning pet store and becomes a hero.

The movie's climax is when Pee Wee tells a Hollywood producer an exaggerated story of his adventures. The producer in return, makes a spy movie based on "our hero's" story.

Also, in the Big Adventure movie, one might see the wild and wacky world of Pee Wee Herman. The movie creatively incorporates elements of abstract humor and slapstick comedy. Therefore, Pee Wee's nerd-like mannerisms and unusual chuckle exemplify the element of abstract humor, and his series of pranks and practical jokes exemplify the element of slapstick comedy.

Despite its silliness, the movie somewhat reveals an underlying theme when Herman encourages a friend to follow her own dreams.

Pee Wee's Big Adventure can make a person burst with laughter, evoke a hearty chuckle or even smile.

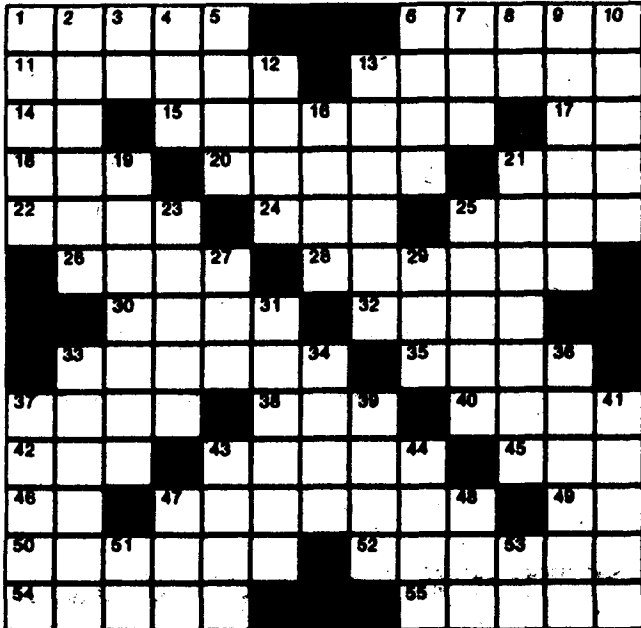
CROSS WORD PUZZLE

FROM COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

- ACROSS**
- 1 Newly married woman
 - 6 Goddess of the hunt
 - 11 Newest
 - 13 Cake mix
 - 14 Above
 - 15 Restaurant workers
 - 17 Symbol for titanium
 - 18 Wooden pin
 - 20 Join
 - 21 Devoured
 - 22 Tolls
 - 24 Obtain
 - 25 Lubricates
 - 26 Soaks, as cotton
 - 28 Colonize
 - 30 Verse
- DOWN**
- 32 Ceremony
 - 33 Writing implement
 - 35 Roman tyrant
 - 37 Attitude
 - 38 Title of respect
 - 40 Lasso
 - 42 Decay
 - 43 Beef animal
 - 45 Snare
 - 46 Negative prefix
 - 47 Squanderer
 - 49 Sun god
 - 50 Tidler
 - 52 Sailor
 - 54 Handle
 - 55 Capital of Tibet

- 4 Condensed moisture
- 5 Brother of Jacob
- 6 Challenge

- 7 Possessive pronoun
- 8 Near
- 9 Irritate
- 10 Sign of zodiac
- 12 High-pitched sound
- 13 Improve
- 16 Cravats
- 19 Most profound
- 21 Part of airplane
- 23 Rock
- 25 Aquatic mammal
- 27 Dry, as wine
- 29 Metal
- 31 Title of respect
- 33 More indigent
- 34 Hold on property
- 36 Musical dramas
- 37 Publish
- 39 Cerise and crimson
- 41 Babylonian hero
- 43 Barracuda
- 44 Walk unsteadily
- 47 Music: as written
- 48 Cheer
- 51 Diphthong
- 53 Parent: colloq.



© 1984 United Feature Syndicate

SELL, SELL, SELL

USE YOUR PAPER TO REACH OTHER STUDENTS----- RUN CLASSIFIED ADS IN THE CAPITOL TIMES

20 WORDS FOR \$1
DROP COUPON AT W-129

\$1 minimum \$0.05 for additional words

(1) _____
 (6) _____
 (11) _____
 (16) _____
 additional: _____
 NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 PHONE _____