OLDIES (BUT GOODIES!) MOVIE SERIES

Show Time: 10 a.m. Location: <u>Campus Center Room 142, Student Lounge</u>

EAST SIDE KIDS (1940)

Friday, September 4, 2009

Movie Bio: When he realizes that crime doesn't pay, a young street kid grows up and becomes a cop. One of his childhood friends is in prison for a murder he didn't commit, and the cop looks for evidence to free him. Meanwhile, the prisoner's brother gets mixed up with a gang of counterfeiters, and inadvertently discovers the evidence that can set his brother free... if he can only get someone to believe him.

(Movie Length: 62 mins)

THE CORPSE VANISHES (1942)

Friday, October 16, 2009

Movie Bio: The beautiful, 80-year-old Countess Lorenz manages to stay young thanks to her diabolical husband, Dr. Lorenz (Bela Lugosi), who, with the help of his hunchbacked henchman, Angel, kidnaps young brides and steals their glandular fluids. But clever reporter Patricia becomes suspicious of Dr. Lorenz and sets up a fake wedding to prove to authorities what is going on. Will she be next to die?

(Movie Length 64 mins)

MEET JOHN DOE (1941)

Friday, November 20, 2009

Movie Bio: As a parting shot, fired reporter Ann Mitchell prints a fake letter from unemployed "John Doe," who threatens suicide in protest of social ills. The paper is forced to rehire Ann and hires John Willoughby to impersonate "Doe." Ann and her bosses cynically milk the story for all it's worth, until the made-up "John Doe" philosophy starts a whole political movement. At last everyone, even Ann, takes her creation seriously...but publisher D.B. Norton has a secret plan.

(Movie Length 123 mins)

SO'S YOUR AUNT EMMA (1942)

Friday, September 18, 2009

Movie Bio: A meek middle-aged spinster, down-trodden by her two older sisters at home, makes a sentimental visit to the big city to see the boxer son of her long dead childhood beau. There she finds him falling victim to the fight rackets, and is herself caught in the crossfire between rival gangsters, who mistakenly believe that she is the eponymous head of the notorious Ma Parker gang. Teaming up with a sports reporter juggling his work and his love life, she employs her own unique blend of naive innocence and no-nonsense realism to see that everybody gets their just deserts, herself included.

(Movie Length: 62 mins)

DICK TRACY (1945)

Friday, October 30, 2009

Movie Bio: Dick is faced with a series of brutal murders in which the victims, all from different social and economic backgrounds, are viciously slashed to pieces. Suspects abound but Tracy, getting a clue that there will be fifteen murders in all, must find the common thread among the victims before more are killed.

(Movie Length 64 mins)

FOG ISLAND (1945)

Friday, October 2, 2009

Movie Bio: Leo, a former convict, is living in seclusion on an island with his step-daughter, the daughter of his late wife. Leo was framed by a group of former business associates, and he also suspects that one of them killed his wife. He has invited the group to his island, tempting them by hinting about a hidden fortune, and he has installed a number of traps and secret passages in his home. He is aided in his efforts by a former cell-mate who holds a grudge against the same persons. When everyone arrives, the atmosphere of mutual suspicion and the thick fog that covers the island promise a tense and hazardous weekend for everyone.

(Movie Length 72 mins)

DICK TRACY DILEMA (1945)

Friday, November 13, 2009

Movie Bio: Dick Tracy investigates the theft of a fortune of fur coats, a possible insurance swindle and several murders, all linked to a huge thug who wears a hook in place of his right hand.

(Movie Length 64 mins)

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE (1946)

Friday, December 4, 2009

Movie Bio: Frank Capra's inverted take on A Christmas Carol stars Jimmy Stewart as George Bailey, a good man who's spent a lifetime giving up on his dreams in order to keep life in his small town humming. When a guardian angel named Clarence finds a despondent George poised to jump off a bridge, he shows George what life would've been like had he never been born.

(Movie Length 132 mins)

BEYOND TOMORROW (1940)

Friday, December 11, 2009

Movie Bio: Melton, Chadwick and O'Brien, rich but lonely heads of an engineering firm, invite two young strangers to dinner on Christmas Eve. The two, James and Jean, fall in love and become friends with their three benefactors...until the latter are killed in a plane crash and come back to their old home as ghosts. In the coming months, true love encounters some rough spots; can ghostly O'Brien help the young folks?

(Movie Length 84 mins)

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