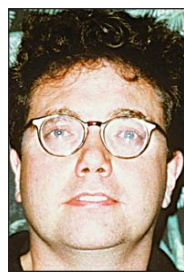


Fighting terrorists, real and imagined

"Flight 93" (9 p.m., A&E) is the second cable movie to depict the horrible events of Sept. 11 in a moment-by-moment fashion.



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FYI: Kiefer Sutherland will appear Tuesday night on "Late Show with David Letterman."

Tonight's other highlights

- Rinky-dink entertainment on "Skating with Celebrities" (8 p.m., Fox).
Opposites detract on "Wife Swap" (8 p.m., ABC, TV-14).
Comic-book fans bug out over Monica on "Las Vegas" (9 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

Cult choice

A dysfunctional fraternity feels the wrath of a despotic dean in the 1978 comedy "Animal House" (8 p.m., AMC, TV-14).

Series notes

Doug feels snubbed on "The King of Queens" (8 p.m., CBS, TV-PG, L). ... Revelations on "Surface" (8 p.m., NBC, TV-PG) ... Ungainfully employed on "One on One" (8 p.m., UPN, TV-PG, L) ... Labor pains on "7th Heaven" (8 p.m., WB, TV-G) ... The lease they could do on "How I Met Your Mother" (8:30 p.m., CBS, TV-PG).

Late night

Scarlett Johansson and Tiki Barber are on "Late Show With David Letterman" (11:35 p.m., CBS) ... Jay Leno hosts Dominic Monaghan, Dennis Rodman and music by P.O.D. on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) ... Regis Philbin, Jordana Brewster and She Wants Revenge appear on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (12:05 a.m., ABC) ... Ricky Gervais, Stephen King and Nickel Creek on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien" (12:35 a.m., NBC) ... Craig Ferguson hosts Emma Thompson and Steve Byrne on "The Late, Late Show" (12:37 a.m., CBS).

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ACCENT ON PEOPLE

The Associated Press

Kansas pays tribute to native singer

Martina McBride has racked up another award, this time honoring the country singer's roots.



McBRIDE

McBride, who was born in Medicine Lodge, Kan., and raised on a dairy farm, received the Kansas of the Year award on Friday from the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas.

After she and her husband moved to Nashville, Tenn., McBride's career in country took off. In the past 15 years, her 10 albums have sold more than 15 million copies and scored dozens of hit singles.

"We've traveled to every state in our land. Now as a 39-year-old with a much deeper and wiser attitude, I say 'Kansas is a great place to be from,'" she said.

'Geisha' star says talent, not nationality, important

Ken Watanabe, the Japanese star of "Memoirs of a Geisha," is defending the casting of Chinese actresses for the film's main roles, saying talent is the most important consideration.

The English-language movie has inflamed historical tensions between Japan and China, with critics saying a movie about Japanese culture should have a Japanese actress in the lead.

nessman in "Memoirs," likened the casting choices to using non-Italian singers in an Italian opera. "Talent is the most important thing. A beautiful soprano. A wonderful tenor. Not your nationality," Watanabe says.

The film is set in Japan and adapted from the American novel. It stars Chinese actresses Ziyi Zhang and Gong Li, and Chinese-Malaysian actress Michelle Yeoh. They join several Japanese performers.

RENO, Nev.

Kutcher gets into restaurant business

Ashton Kutcher is among a group of investors expected to launch a restaurant in a planned Reno, Nev., hotel-condominium-casino.



KUTCHER

The new Dolce restaurant would serve the same Italian cuisine as its Melrose Avenue location in Hollywood, Calif.

With its celebrity investors, who include Kutcher, best known for his show "Punk'd," his role on "That '70s Show" and as the husband of Demi Moore, the restaurant could attract a glamorous crowd, said Grand Sierra Resort Corp. President Thomas Schrade.

'Momma,' 'Nanny' rule roost at movies

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Moviewgoers embraced a super-size momma in a wig and a governess who tames an unruly brood as family-friendly films dominated the weekend box office.

"Big Momma's House 2," with \$28 million in estimated ticket sales, turned in the second-best January opening ever, trailing only the \$35.9 million scored by the 1997 release of a special edition of "Star Wars," according to Exhibitor Relations, which tracks box-office results.

As in the original "Big Momma's House," Martin Lawrence layers on the bulges and dons billowy, floral-print dresses, along with a wig.

It was followed by another new release, "Nanny McPhee" starring Emma Thompson, with \$14.1 million in ticket sales, according to studio estimates.

"Audiences are obviously in the mood for some lighthearted films," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Exhibitor Relations. A week after the vampire thriller "Underworld: Evolution" led the pack, the marketplace is proving "adaptable to all these films."

Bruce Snyder, president of domestic distribution for Twentieth Century Fox, said the popularity of its "Big Momma" films rests with Lawrence's comic appeal.

"People like the 'Big Momma'"



AP PHOTO

Martin Lawrence finds police work a drag in "Big Momma 2."

character, pure and simple. She's funny, she's sassy, but it's a guy underneath there," Snyder said. "Underworld: Evolution," starring Kate Beckinsale, tumbled to the third spot, with \$11.1 million in sales, a 59 percent decline from its strong first week.

The fourth spot was claimed by the new release "Annapolis," one of three Disney films in the top 10. The story of a quick-fisted undergraduate, shot on location

at the U.S. Naval Academy, pulled in \$7.7 million.

"Hoodwinked," an animated update of the Little Red Riding Hood story, fell to the fifth spot, down 29 percent from the previous week, with \$7.4 million in sales.

Oscar contenders proved resilient, turning in modest drops in attendance weeks after their release.

The cowboy romance "Brokeback Mountain," in its eighth week in theaters, ranked sixth with \$6.3 million in sales. The Johnny Cash biopic "Walk the Line" failed to climb into the top 10, but dropped only 5 percent from the previous week to land at No. 12, with \$2.9 million in estimated sales.

"These films are still very robust, but it's natural filmgoers like to see new films," Dergarabedian said.

Rounding out the top 10 were Disney's "Glory Road," followed by Paramount's "Last Holiday," Disney's "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," and the Weinstein Co.'s "The Matador."

Overall, the top 12 films grossed an estimated \$99 million, down slightly from the same weekend last year, which had \$104 million in sales.

CALENDAR

Today

Greenwood Rotary Club, noon, Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood

Overtakers Anonymous, 5:45 p.m., Greenwood United Methodist Church, 525 N. Madison Ave. Information: 889-0272

Divorce and grief support groups, 7 p.m., Greenwood Christian Church, 2045 Averitt Road. Child care provided. Information: 881-9336

AI-Anon, 8 p.m., Community Hospital South, first-floor conference room. Information: 357-9607

Tara Group, 8 p.m., Ann's Restaurant, 77 W. Monroe St., Franklin

Tuesday

Professional Referral Exchange of Indy South, 7 a.m., German-American Club, 8602 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Information: 902-6538

Franklin Rotary Club, noon, Franklin College Napolitan Student Center

Greenwood Kiwanis Club, 6 p.m., Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria, Main Street and Interstate 65, Greenwood

Trafalgar Weight Watchers, 6:30 to 7 p.m., Trafalgar Christian Church (next to elementary school). Information: 878-5161

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, Morgantown Fire Station, 269 N. Highland St. Information: (812) 597-1535

Shaver Tune-up advertisement for OSCO DRUG. Features a shaver image and pricing: \$9.95 plus parts. Locations in Greenwood and Franklin.

Canary Creek Cinemas 8 advertisement. Lists showtimes for Monday through Thursday for movies like "The Matador" and "Nanny McPhee."

AMC advertisement for Greenwood Park 14. Promotes movies like "Annapolis" and "The Matador" with showtimes.

ShowPlace 16 advertisement. Features "Matinee Movie Magic for Moms (and Dads)" and lists movies like "Annapolis" and "The Matador" with showtimes.