

Movie Review

Jackass moves to silver screen with laughs intact

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Jackass, the now-canceled MTV show is known for its wacky stunts. It has just pulled its craziest stunt yet, making its debut on the big screen.

Phillip John Clapp (AKA Johnny Knoxville) and company are sitting at No. 1 at the box office and are expected to reach \$22.7 million in their opening week. The question, though, is: "Is it worth seeing?" The answer to the question is yes.

Based on the MTV-produced reality

show, the film specializes in bizarre and risky behavior. The movie is basically about a group of grown men, with the maturity of 13-year-olds, inflicting pain upon one another or themselves for entertainment.

It is not for the faint of heart or stomach. There are a lot of scenes not for the squeamish. For instance, Johnny Knoxville and Steve-O, a featured performer on the television program, decide it would be funny to get paper cuts on their feet, hands, and faces.

Surprisingly, this idiocy and immature sense of humor seems to be a great equa-

tion for good comedy. Even though the movie is filled self-mutilation and immature stunts, it has some very humorous skits. Another member of the cast, Bam Magera places an real-live alligator in his parents' house just in time for his mother, April, to come home from work. When she finds the alligator, her reaction leaves everyone hurting from laughter.

All in all, the movie is very funny and worth seeing. However, be aware that the movie is full of strong content. It is rated R and for good reason. When seeing it, be prepared to laugh and to be shocked.

Sports

Wolves dominate Wildkits, face Stevenson in 8A playoffs

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Niles West's football team is headed back to the postseason for the second straight season. Unlike last year's 6-4 squad, this year's team has high optimism for the post season.

"We're playing really good football right now," head coach Mark Egofske said. "I think we're really ready to win in the postseason."

Unfortunately, despite a 7-2 record, the Wolves will open the playoffs on the road against the Stevenson Patriots, who also finished 7-2.

"They've really built up a strong program over at Stevenson," Egofske said. "In fact, their head coach was recently inducted into the Illinois Coaches' Hall of Fame."

Niles West, however, has shown it belongs on the same field with the Patriots.

On the strength of two 1,000-yard rushers, Rashard and Walter Mendenhall, and a passing game that also netted over 1,000 yards, the Wolves improved their win total for the second straight season.

In their last victory, a 49-38 victory over Evanston, every cylinder was firing for West. Sophomore Rashard ran for 126 yards and scored twice.

Meanwhile, junior Walter ran for a touchdown, caught a pass for a score and also

threw a pass for a score. While the Mendenhalls were dominant again, they weren't the only stars for West.

Senior quarterback Dan Uhle threw for 145 yards and three scores to pace the Wolves. On defense, senior safety Dan Kosiba recorded a career high two interceptions for West.

"Dan really had a terrific game on Saturday," Egofske added, "as did the entire team in general."

Even while enjoying his last win, Egofske, was still thinking about the playoff game at Stevenson.

"We're ready to go out there and beat them," Egofske said. "We're going to take it to them."