

Pee Wee

of-the-throat laugh, crazy dance, goofy toys and funny walk would be enough to entertain viewers for the length of a feature. *Pee Wee's Big Adventure* has that and more.

As silly as it all may seem, Pee Wee Herman comes off as a *real* character. He's not just a crazy cartoon figure. Reubens has created a character that is physically grown-up but is forever locked in the 10-year-old world of make-believe and magic. Pee Wee Herman is the kid in everyone taken to a ridiculous, bizarre, hilarious extreme.

Burton's direction gives the film the look of a Saturday morning cartoon in

the old Warner Brother's tradition: crazy camera angles, fast-paced action, a grandiose score and larger-than-life characters. The plot is activated when Pee Wee's prized bike is stolen, and he is forced to embark on an odyssey to recover it. On the road, he runs into an assortment of strange characters. They are all misfits, but Pee Wee manages to befriend them all, or at least to render them harmless with his oddly ingratiating personality.

The film's greatest asset is its mindless attitude toward fun. In Pee Wee Herman's world, there is as much fun as there is sadness in the real world. He gets a kick out of things the viewer

normally wouldn't, so the viewer gets a kick out of Pee Wee.

Big Adventure scores because it manages to maintain this mindless attitude and still convey somewhat of a message. It's a movie about dreams. It's about a person's ability to follow his dream to its fulfillment without ever relinquishing his character, his individuality, what makes him special and unusual. True, it sounds like shlock on paper. But it works on the big screen, where it's not what's said — but *how* it's said — that's important.

Pee Wee's Big Adventure will please anyone — that is, anyone who remembers playing with his red fire

truck or putting together his Mr. Potato Head or riding his new bike down the street (and trying to cut a wheelie). In other words, it's for anyone who believes the kid in him is still lurking somewhere deep inside, waiting to jump out with a hearty laugh and a wide-eyed smile. Just like Pee Wee.

Volunteers

rowdiness in *Bachelor Party* to arrogant snobbery here. Yet despite the differences in these three characters, he has maintained the same unruffled, boyish charm of a man whose philosophy in life is to take whatever comes and have as much fun as he can along the way.

The worst you can say about *Volunteers* is that it could have been better. The best you can say about it is that it's a flawed success. The most accurate thing you can say is that it leaves a good taste in your mouth along with a vague resentment and a sigh for what might have been.

Spongetones

manner. Watching Walters jump up and down while playing, the audience could only marvel at the group's ongoing affection for live performance despite six years on the road. Informal introductions to songs as well as friendly remarks were distributed freely, and the effort to involve the audience in the music was wholly successful.

The band played various requests, including the Beatles' "Birthday" for a girl in the audience celebrating hers. It was hard to determine who was more enthusiastic about the evening's concert — the band or the crowd listening to

them. After the regular set, the two encores were John Lennon's "Imagine" and a blistering rendition of Hendrix's "Purple Haze" which left no doubt in anyone's mind that for all their catchy harmonies and winning manner, the Spongetones are first and foremost serious musicians.

The '60s may be over but the energy of the decade is very much intact in some quarters. Anyone doubting that need only check out a Spongetones concert.

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