

retold in space

REVIEW

'Treasure Planet' ***

- Rating: PG (violent action)
- Cast: Voices of Brian Murray, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Emma Thompson, David Hyde Pierce, Martin Short, Patrick McGoohan, Roscoe Lee Browne, Laurie Metcalf, Michael Wincott
- Credits: A Walt Disney release directed by John-Musker and Ron Clements; screenplay by Clements, Musker and Rob Edwards, based on the novel "Treasure Island" by Robert Louis Stevenson; produced by Ron Conli
- Where: Showcase Cinemas East, West; Clio, Fenton, Lapeer, Owosso cinemas; Birch Run Cinema Hollywood; Imlay City Cinema III (starts today)
- Star guide: ★★★★ outstanding; ★★★½ very good; ★★★ good; ★★½ worthwhile; ★★ fair; ★½ poor; ★ worthless



■ HERE'S TO MARRIAGE: NBC caught the ratings bouquet when Grace got hitched (on "Will & Grace") but was tussling with CBS over victory in the November sweeps.

The marriage of Grace (Debra Messing) and a doctor (guest star Harry Connick Jr.) and an outtakes package from the NBC comedy were the fifth- and sixth-ranked programs last week.

For the week of Nov. 18-24, the top 10 shows, their networks and ratings: "Friends," NBC, 17.0; "ER," NBC, 16.5; "The Bachelor," ABC, 16.3; "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS, 16.2; "Will & Grace," NBC, 15.5; "Will & Grace" (special), NBC, 14.5; "Everybody Loves Raymond," CBS, 12.8; "Law & Order," NBC, 12.1; "Frasier," NBC, 11.8; "Monday Night Football: Chicago at St. Louis," ABC, 11.7.

Invite patience to family meal

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NEWHOUSE NEWS SERVICE

At age 55, Marion Baker still remembers one particular Thanksgiving dinner at her uncle's house when she was only 10. It was the year the turkey took an unexpected detour to the table.

It happened when her uncle, after having had too much to drink, began telling dirty jokes in front of the children. One of his brothers-in-law made the mistake of trying to admonish him.

That's when the all-out argument broke out and the turkey took flight.

"My uncle took it out of the oven and threw it across the room," recalls the Freehold, N.J., resident. "It went into a gazillion pieces. It was done, and it went all over the kitchen cabinets, the china closet and the dining room."

The result? "We had to have bologna sandwiches for dinner."

Yes, the holidays not only can bring out the best, but the worst in people.

In fact, if you don't have a holiday argument story to tell, you're probably one of the few. And it seems

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