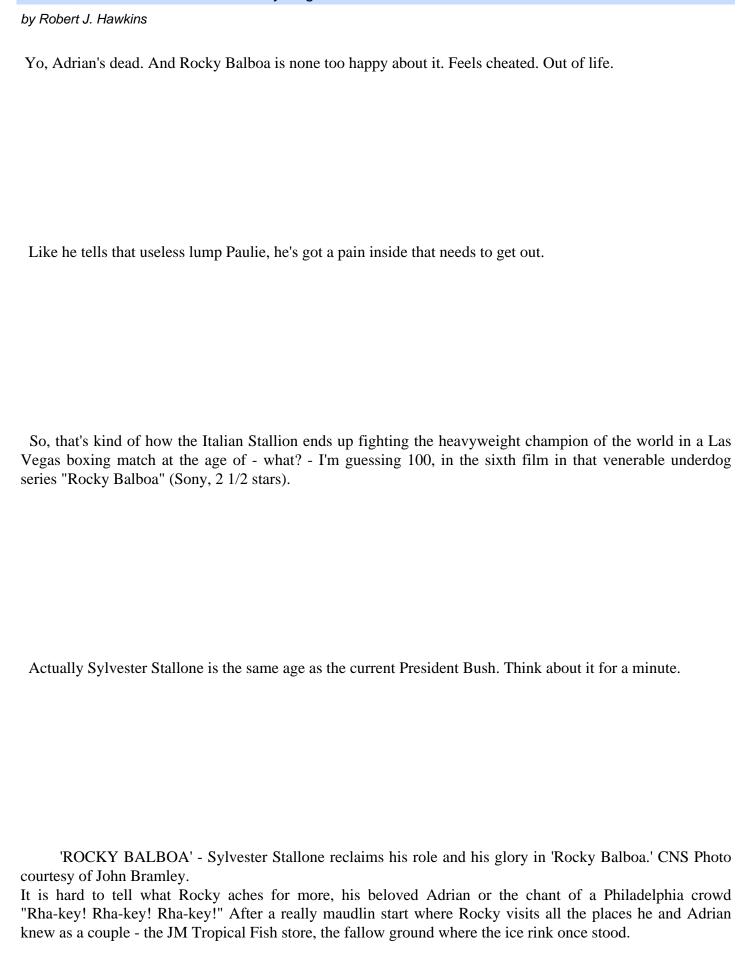
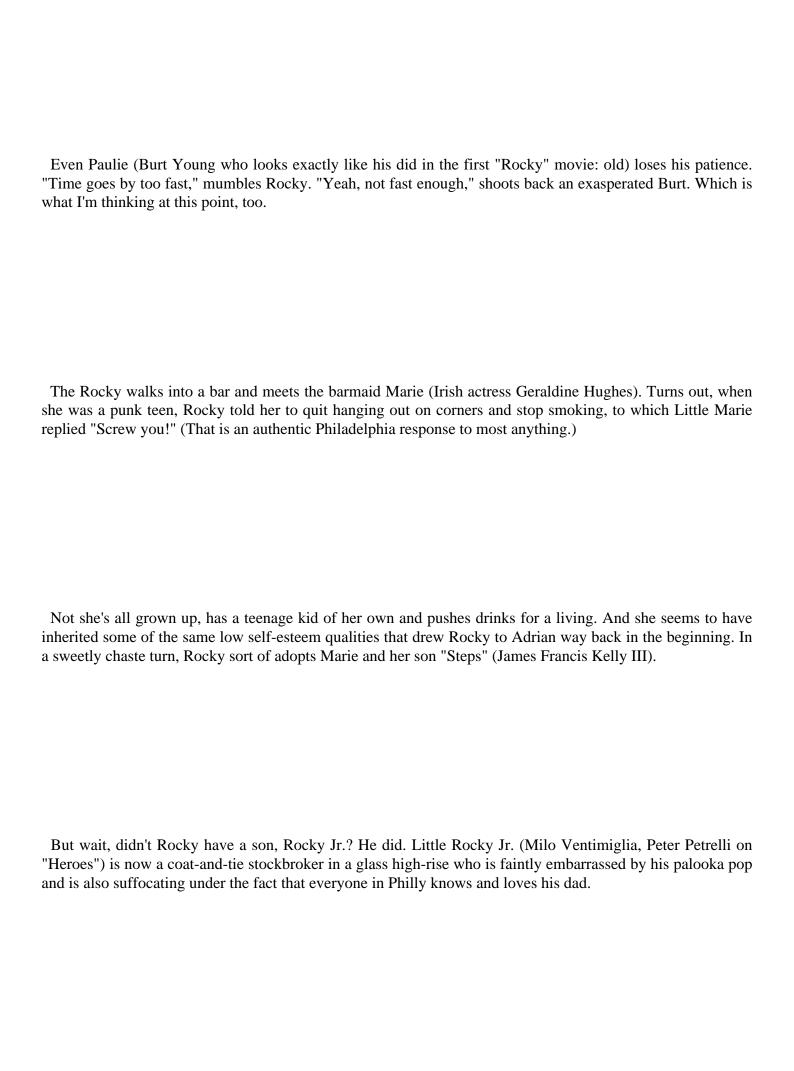
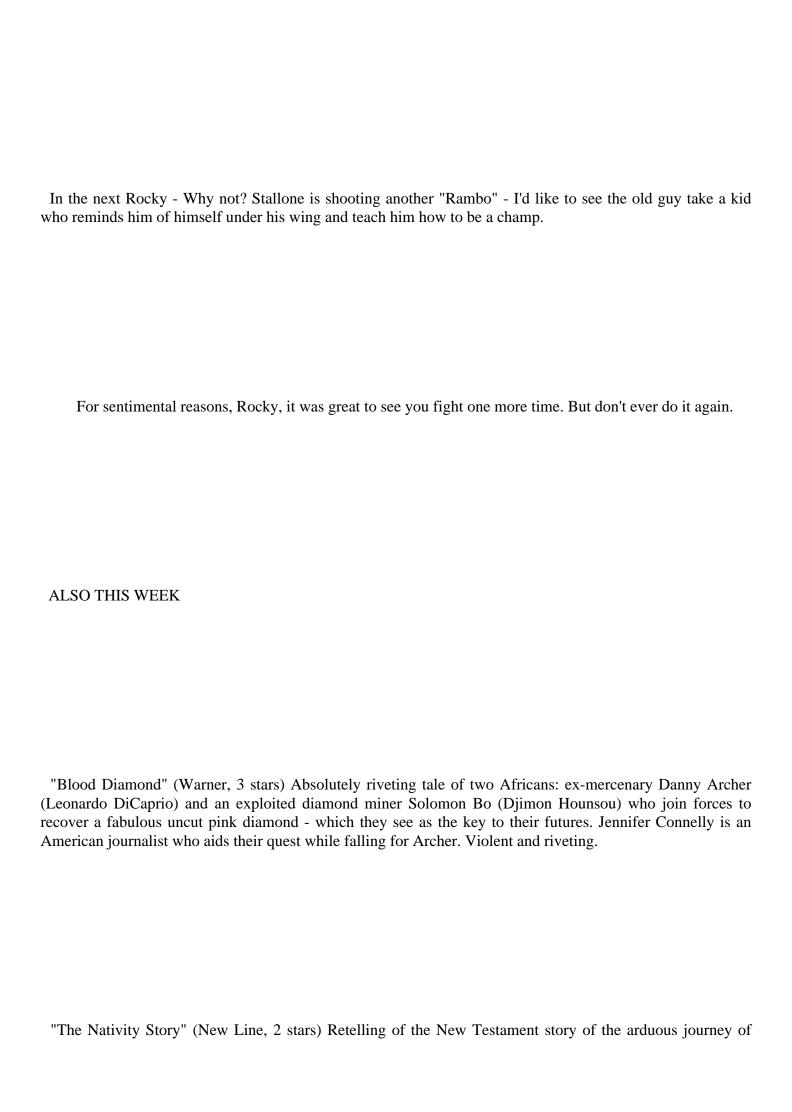
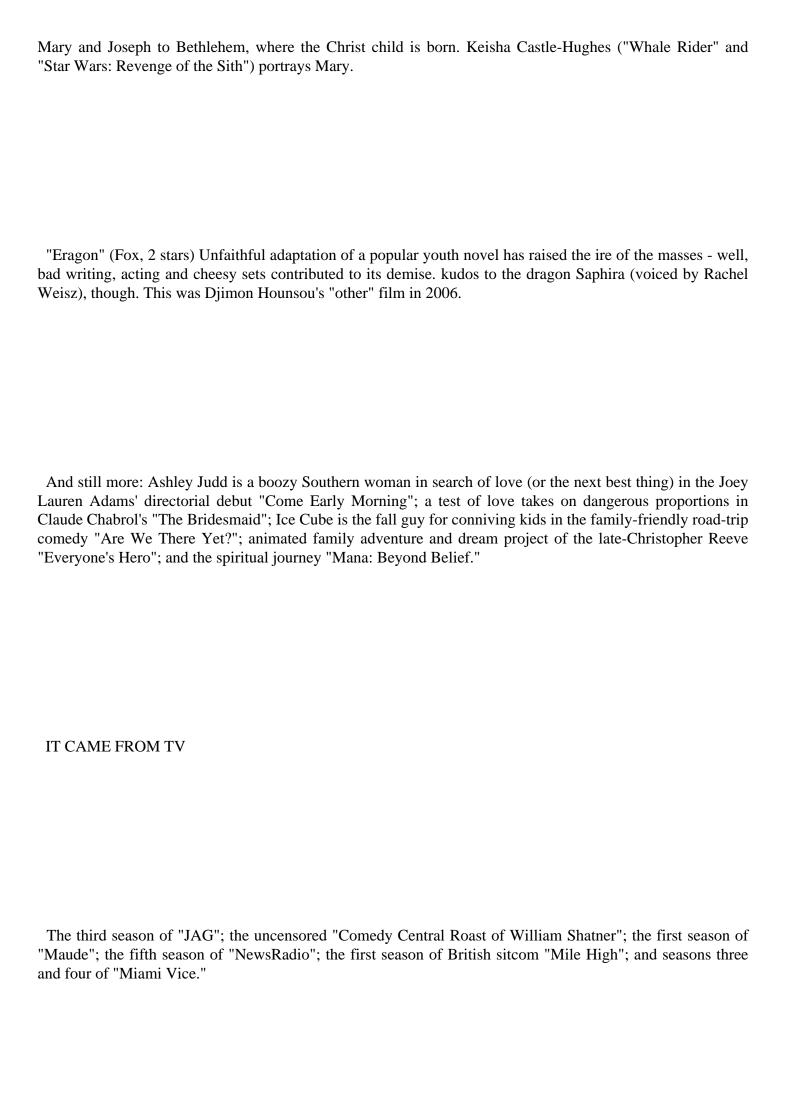
DVD Select: Stallone returns for a flyweight melodrama





Rocky spends his nights in his Italian restaurant, Adrian's, telling guests about his 57 wins, 23 defeats, 1 draw and 54 knockouts. Like every aging champ, he poses for pictures, signs any scrap of paper and makes himself available to anyone who still cares.
While he's toying with re-entering the ring, an ESPN computer simulated match between him and the current heavyweight champ, Mason "The Line" Dixon (real boxing champ Antonio Tarver), has Rocky winning with a devastating nuke to the jaw.
Dixon's handlers, marketing idiots with no feel for human beings, decide an exhibition match in Las Vegas would be good for Dixon's image and his wallet - pay-per-view on HBO, etc.
And so, Rocky says yes. And yes, during his training he runs up the stairs and punches a side of beef.
The fight is kind of tough to watch, mainly because Stallone has no place being in a boxing ring as an actor or human being. But also because Mason Dixon is a nice guy who fans hate because he's had 33 knockouts, no defeats and can't find a piece of meat that will stand up longer than two rounds. For him, this fight is a no-win. Knock out the old guy and everyone hates you (even more). Let the old guy win and everyone laughs at you. Go 10 rounds and, well, people will talk.





FROM THE VAULTS	
"The W.C. Fields Comedy Collection, Volume 2" (Universal) This anthology contains five of the venerable comic's gems, including his last as a billed actor: "Never Give a Sucker an Even Break" (1941). Others are from the 1930s: "You're Telling Me!" the classic "Man On the Flying Trapeze," "The Old Fashioned Way" and "Poppy."	
"Muriel" (Koch Lorber, 1963) Renowned French auteur director Alain Resnais' riveting drama explores the haunting consequences of memories and emotions in three people whose experiences are tied to the Algerian War.	
"The Care Bears Movie" (Fox, 1987) Ye gods, it has been 20 years! When's the last time you thought about the once ubiquitous Care Bears? Care a little. Share a little. Ow! Stop me!	

1 star: Don't bother: wait until it's in the \$1 bin

