

EVERYBODY'S ALL-AMERICAN



Filmed on location in Louisiana **Everybody's All-American** spans a 30 year period from the mid 1950's to the early 1980's and tells the epic story of three longtime friends whose lives remain intertwined through the years.

Everybody's All-American is produced and directed by Taylor Hackford (*An Officer and a Gentleman*, *White Nights*) and is based on the novel by Frank Deford which was adapted for the screen by Tom Rickman (*Coal*

Miner's Daughter).

Dennis Quaid (*Innerspace*, *The Big Easy*, *Suspect*, *D.O.A.*) portrays running back Gavin Grey — "The Gray Ghost" — an acclaimed All-American. Chasing a promising career in professional football through the 60's and 70's he is, however, brought down by bad investments and ill-advised decisions.

Jessica Lange (Academy award winner for *Tootsie*) plays Quaid's college sweetheart, Babs Rogers. Timothy Hutton as Gavin's nephew, Donnie, observes the two from the sidelines while trying to control his lifelong passion for Babs.

CROSSING DELANCEY

In **Crossing Delancey** Amy Irving plays Isabelle Grossman a single Manhattan woman in her 30's. Known as "Izzy" to everyone she appears to have everything going for her. The successful manager of a bookstore where the literary elite hang out, she has many friends and she dreams of romance particularly with a novelist she knows.

However Izzy's grandmother Bubbie (Reizl Bozyk) sees her granddaughter's life in a different light and she decides to find a

husband for Izzy. In the truest of Jewish traditions she turns to a matchmaker (Sylvia Miles) who produces the perfect candidate for her granddaughter. Sam (Peter Reigert) is a local man, a man with a future, a man with a pickle stand.

Amy Irving, Academy award nominee for *Yentl*, was director Joan Micklin Silver's first choice for Izzy. "I knew on the first reading I wanted to do it" says Irving. "I was attracted to the story, not just to my character, but to the threads that are woven all around her. What particularly fascinated me is the overall 'journey' Izzy takes; the plight of the independent, single woman of the 80's in contrast with accepted family traditions that have come down through the generations."

Crossing Delancey is a contemporary comedy with old-fashioned values focusing on the need for love, family and friends.



THE ACCIDENTAL TOURIST

The **Accidental Tourist** reunites the trio responsible for the sex and murder sensation *Body Heat*, writer/

director Lawrence Kasdan and actors William Hurt and Kathleen Turner.

Based on Anne Tyler's best selling novel this comedy/drama tells of a travel writer (Hurt) whose life is turned upside-down when his son dies. His wife (Turner) leaves him and he encounters an unusual dog trainer (played by Geena Davis) who excites a special charm over his incorrigible Welsh Corgi.

Filmed in Europe, Baltimore and Los Angeles, **The Accidental Tourist** is very much a Kasdan movie. He co-wrote the screenplay and co-produced and directed the film. Although Kasdan made his directorial debut in 1981 with *Body*

Heat he has been responsible for a diverse group of movies including *The Big Chill* and *Silverado* (as director and co-writer) as well as *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *The Empire Strikes Back* and *Return of the Jedi* which he co-wrote.

William Hurt won an Oscar for *Kiss of the Spider Woman* and received Academy award nominations for *Children of a Lesser God* and *Broadcast News*. Kathleen Turner, considered as one of the most sensual of today's movie stars received an Oscar nomination for *Peggy Sue Got Married*. She also starred in *Prizzi's Honor*, *Romancing the Stone* and its sequel, *The Jewel of the Nile*.

Although it's a very different film from *Body Heat* the re-teaming of these three for **The Accidental Tourist** should be interesting to watch.

— Peter Neil

