

FEARLESS FIGHTERS FROM MYTHICAL PASTS

June 21 (midnight), June 22 (11 am), June 29 (midnight)

THE BAREFOOT KID

A poor, unsophisticated boy with no shoes but great athletic potential searches for his father's best friend, a martial arts master, in a small village. After getting into trouble, he is helped by a steadfast young widow who owns a dye shop. She gives him shelter and a job, and her assistant, who is the man the boy is looking for, gives him lessons in kung fu and morality. But the naive boy, easily swayed by wealthy illusions, soon becomes the pawn of the widow's business rivals. Director Johnny To (*Heroic Trio*) and stellar performances by the impressive cast turn this simple kung fu story into a meaningful and memorable fable about honor and duty.

Starring: Aaron Kwok, Maggie Cheung, Ti Lung, Wu Chia-Lin

Directed: Johnny To, 1993, 100 minutes

June 28 (midnight), June 29 (11 am), July 6 (midnight)

BUTTERFLY & SWORD

This visually radiant film is characterized by colorful and imaginative art direction and fluid stop-action cinematography. A trio of swordfighters, lead by a tough swordswoman (Michelle Khan), is on a royal mission to obtain a secret letter. But dealing with nasty swordsmen is a breeze for the fearless trio, the hard part is the complicated love triangle the trio of childhood friends find themselves in. Flowing and balletic martial-arts choreography by Ching Siu Tung keep the swordsmen floating in space and highlight the grace and agility of the actors' marvelous acrobatic abilities.

Starring: Michelle Khan, Tony Leung CW, Donnie Yen, Joey Wong

Directed: Tsang Chi-Li, 1993



DIRECTIONS TO THE RIVERVIEW THEATER

The Riverview Theater is located at 3800 - 42nd Avenue South in Minneapolis, 10 blocks east of Hiawatha on the corner of 38th Street and 42nd Avenue.

