

EVENTS

‘The Force Awakens’ eyes ‘Avatar’ record

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REUTERS

LOS ANGELES — Having vanquished “Titanic” and “Jurassic World,” “Star Wars: The Force Awakens” has set its sights on “Avatar.”

The space opera sequel is moving up the all-time domestic box office charts at a record clip and now is poised to overtake those pointy eared blue aliens as the top grossing film in history. “Avatar” earned \$760.5 million during its statewide run and “Star Wars: The Force Awakens” has generated \$740.4 million domestically after picking up \$88.3 million over New Year’s weekend. It should take the crown from “Avatar” early next week.

Globally, “Star Wars: The Force Awakens” ranks as the sixth highest-grossing film in history, having earned \$1.5 billion worldwide. It should pass “Furious 7” and “Marvel’s The Avengers” to become the fourth biggest film in history in the coming days. The film will get a big shot

in the arm next week when it premieres in China, the world’s second biggest market for film. Depending on how enthusiastically it is received in the People’s Republic, “The Force Awakens” could shoot past “Avatar’s” record \$2.8 billion global haul.

Even as “The Force Awakens” commanded the bulk of box office revenues a few films managed to profit from the holiday season. Paramount’s “Daddy’s Home,” a comedy about a nerdy stepfather (Will Ferrell) who finds himself outshone by his wife’s first husband (Mark Wahlberg), picked up \$29 million in its second weekend, driving the film’s domestic total to \$93.7 million.

The Weinstein Co. did relatively well after moving up the wide release of “The Hateful Eight” by a week. The revisionist western from Quentin Tarantino racked up \$16.2 million to finish in third place. That’s a solid start, though on the lower-end for wide-release debuts from the

director. For instance, “The Hateful Eight” trails the \$30.1 million launch for “Django Unchained” or the \$38 million kickoff for “Inglourious Basterds.” It has made \$29.6 million since debuting in a limited number of 70mm theaters over Christmas.

Universal’s “Sisters,” a Tina Fey and Amy Poehler pairing, continued to show impressive endurance, snagging fourth place with \$12.6 million. The film has made \$61.7 million in three weeks of release.

Fox’s “Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip” added \$11.8 million to its \$67.4 million in receipts to round out the top five.

Despite its wonky premise, “The Big Short” appears to be an awards season breakout. The Paramount comedy about the financial crisis of 2008 earned \$9 million last weekend, bringing its total to just under \$33 million.

Sony’s “Concussion” took in an estimated \$8 million, bringing its domestic haul to \$25.4 million.



ERIC ALLEN HANSEN

BANGOR - Eric Allen Hansen died peacefully on December 31, 2015 surrounded by his family. Eric was born April 26, 1952 in Bangor, Maine to Sidney Allen Hansen and Nina Bowden Hansen.

Eric attended Bangor schools and studied business at the University of Maine. After a successful career in the retail industry, Eric began a second career as a correctional administrator for the State of Maine. Prior to his retirement he was Superintendent of Mountain View Youth Development Center and Charleston Correctional Facility. He was passionate about his work. MVYDC was a model nationally for its progressive and restorative approach to the treatment, education, and care of at risk youth.

Eric was an avid fisherman. He treasured his fishing trips with his brother and friends. He was a devoted

son, father and a beloved "Bumpa" to his grandchildren.

Eric is survived by his mother, Nina Hansen of Bangor; daughter, Erica King and husband, Roy; son, Joshua Hansen and wife, Sorrell and two grandsons, Josiah and Jonah King all of Portland, ME; sister, Cynthia Reid and husband, David of Bangor; brother and best friend, Joel Hansen and wife, Gayle of Hermon. He was fortunate to have a loving extended family, dear nieces, aunts, cousins, and treasured lifelong friends. He was preceded in death by his father Sidney Hansen

A celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2015 at 6 PM at Brookings and Smith, 133 Center St, Bangor, ME. The family invites relatives and friends to share conversation and refreshments at the Family Reception Center of Brookings-Smith, 163 Center St. Bangor, following the service.

Those wishing to remember Eric in a special way, may make donations in his memory to Maine Inside Out. The donations will be used to assist youth involved in Maine's juvenile justice system. Donations can be made via mail at MIO, PO Box 15168, Portland, ME 04112 or online at <http://erichansenmemorialfund.causevox.com/>

Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

LOUISE DANFORTH DOWNING

GORHAM - Louise Danforth Downing passed away on December 30, 2015. She was born December 12, 1928 in Rochester, NH, daughter of the late Lincoln and Helen (Kimball) Danforth.

Louise grew up in Lewiston, graduating from Lewiston High School. She spent her adult years in Machiasport and later retired to Florida with her late husband, W. Edward Downing. She returned to Maine in 2004 and lived in Brunswick, the Betsy Ross House in South Portland and recently at the Gorham House, Gorham, Maine. Louise received her college degree from the University of Maine in Machias in 1968. She was a member of the Warren Chapter of the Eastern Star, she enjoyed square dancing, travelling and, after moving to Florida she joined a local dance studio enjoying several years of ballroom dancing, and also volunteered 15 years at Treadway Elementary School, Leesburg, FL. Upon returning to Maine she volunteered at West Bath Elementary School and later at Partners for World Health, South Portland, Maine.

She is survived by her son and his wife, Bill and Jeanie Downing of Bar Harbor; her four daughters (and husbands), Susan Walker of Orrington; Mary and Billy Hammond of East Machias; Elaine and Terry Graviett of Bowdoinham; and Laurie and Dennis Perseille of Standish; eleven grandchildren and several great grandchildren; a brother, Stuart and wife, Barbara Danforth of Tolland, Connecticut; one sister-in-law, Lois Downing of Houlton, and several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. She will be laid to rest alongside her husband at the Maine Veteran's Cemetery in Augusta, Maine. Per her request, donations may be made in her memory to Partners for World Health, 2112 Broadway, South Portland, ME 04106. <http://www.partnersforworldhealth.org/>

Please visit www.jonesrichhandhutchins.com for additional information and to sign the online guest book.

Things to Do

AUGUSTA — Lithgow

Public Library workshop on how to have difficult conversations related to dementia, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, Ballard Center, 6 East Chestnut St. Free and open to the public. 626-2415 or lithgow.lib.me.us.

BANGOR — Sargent Tyler and West donation drive to benefit Manna Ministries, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Jan. 4-6, 60 Summer St., No. 1. Accepting canned and nonperishable food items, furniture, clothing, cars and more. www.facebook.com/Sargent-Tyler-West-129239793862904/?fref=ts.

BANGOR — “Limited Edition: Maine Printmakers,” 9 a.m.-7 p.m. daily, through Jan. 31, Boyd Place Gallery, 21 Boyd St. 941-2820.

BANGOR — Auditions for Penobscot Theatre Company’s production of “Rock of Ages,” noon-5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, Bangor Opera House, 131 Main St. Actors should prepare 32 bars of a rock ballad, and bring a picture, resume and sheet music to the audition. Accompanist provided. Performers may be asked to learn a short dance combination. Dress appropriately. Rehearsals begin May 10. Performances June 9-July 3, 2016. Email casting@penobscottheatre.org with “Rock of Ages” in the subject line.

BAR HARBOR — “Groundwork,” one-man play by Mike Ostroski and Derek Davidson, Maine debut, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, Jesup Memorial Library. groundworktheplay.com, 288-4245 or kchagnon@jesuplibrary.org.

BATH — Rock group The Howligans, 7:30-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, Curtis Room of Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St. Tickets \$10.

BLUE HILL — 52 Weeks of Giving program for children of all ages, 4-5:30 p.m. Fridays, starting Jan. 8, Blue Hill Public Library. Libby Edwanson, 374-5515.

BREWER — Schedule a Dog Ears appointment to read to Copper or Belle, canine tutors, 3:30-5 p.m. Jan. 6, 13, 20 and 27, Brewer Public Library, 100 South Main St. To sign up for a 15-minute segment, call the library at 989-7943.

BREWER — Work on knitting group’s community service project, in partnership with Brewer Police Department, or bring yarn projects of any sort, 9:30-11 a.m. Fridays, Jan. 8, 15, 22 and 29, Brewer Public Library, 100 South Main St. Experienced or new

knitters, crocheters or needle-workers welcome. 989-7943.

BREWER — Book Club discussion on December’s book of the month, “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green, 5:45-6:45 p.m. Monday, Jan. 4, Brewer Public Library, 100 South Main St. Pick up the January book. 989-7943.

BREWER — Next Generation Theatre Teen Troupe performing “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, and at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, and 2 p.m. Jan. 10, 39 Center St. Tickets, \$7, \$4 under age 17. 989-7100.

BRUNSWICK — World music and dance from the Balkans, Israel, Western Europe and around the globe, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, 15, 22 and 29, People Plus, 25 Union St. Many dances taught. No partner needed. Admission by \$5 donation. Open to all. 200-7577, brennan.mk@gmail.com or folk-dancebrunswick.com.

CAMDEN — Fourth and final session of Camden Conference New Africa Discussion Series, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, Camden Public Library, 55 Main St. Group will reflect on challenges confronting Sub-Saharan Africa in joining global community. 236-3440.

CAMDEN — Essential Oil Health Creations hands-on craft workshop for adults, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, Camden Public Library. \$10 materials fee. To register, 236-3440.

EASTPORT — Knights of Pythias, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8 and Jan. 22, Eastport Youth Center. All past Knights requested to attend the meeting. Rick Green at 853-3008 or 904-7663.

ELLSWORTH — Book Discussion Group, 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library. “All the Light We Cannot See” by Anthony Doerr will be discussed. 667-6363.

ELLSWORTH — Ellsworth Chess Club, 6-7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Ellsworth Public Library. 667-6363.

ELLSWORTH — Tightwad Exchange, noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library, 20 State St. Bring a lunch. 667-6363.

ELLSWORTH — Tuesday Readers book discussion group, 2-4 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Jan. 5, Riverview Room, Ellsworth Public Library. Special viewing of documentary “Pray the Devil Back to Hell.” 667-6363.

ELLSWORTH — Knit, cro-

chet or spin, 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays, beginning Jan. 2, all year, third floor Knitting Nook, Ellsworth Public Library. 667-6363.

NEWCASTLE — VoXX “Music for the New Year” concert, 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Newcastle. \$10. voiceoftwenty.com or info@voiceoftwenty.com.

ORONO — Kathy Lena of Twin Pines Photography sharing her photos of Maine’s wildlife, 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, Orono Public Library, 39 Pine St. 866-5060.

PHIPPSBURG — State Street Traditional Jazz Band concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, Phippsburg Congregational Church, 10 Church Lane. \$12, \$6 students, free to under age 8. Doors open 7 p.m. 389-1770.

PITTSFIELD — Coloring club program for adults, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, Pittsfield Public Library. Pages to color, colored pencils, markers and crayons provided, or bring your own. Soothing music and light refreshments. 487-5880.

PORTLAND — Disney on Ice presents “Treasure Trove,” 7 p.m. Jan. 6-7; 11 a.m. Jan. 9-10; 3 p.m. Jan. 9-10, Cross Insurance Arena, 1 Civic Center Square. \$15 and up. crossarenaportland.com.

ROCKPORT — Dr. Judy Kahrl talking about “Women of the New Africa,” 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, Rockport Opera House Conference Room. camdenconference.org.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR — Community Appreciation Party, 5-6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, Southwest Harbor Public Library, 338 Main St. To celebrate library’s Five Star Award for fifth year in a row. Music, refreshments. 244-7065.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR — Southwest Harbor Public Library four week short-film event: Peter Logue’s films, “Frank and Ada,” “Outrunning Parkinson’s” and “Amazing

Grace,” 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6. 244-7065.

STEUBEN — “Minions,” 6-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8, Henry D. Moore Library and Community Center. Free. Refreshments are sold by donation. moorelibrary.org.

STONINGTON — Opera House Arts’ Live in the Lobby musical event, hosted by Archipelago, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, Stonington Opera House. operahousearts.org or 367-2788.

For a complete listing of calendar items or to submit your event, visit www.bangordailynews.com.

OBITUARIES

SHEILA M. FAULKNER

ISLAND FALLS - Sheila M. Faulkner, 67, died December 30, 2015 in Bangor surrounded by Family & Friends. She was born March 21st, 1948 in Island Falls the daughter of Robert & Phyllis (Dunphy) Drew, Sr.

Sheila was a beautician for many years. She enjoyed knitting, cooking and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her son, Raymond D. & Lana Faulkner of Baring; a daughter Sherrie & Fred Lindsay of E. Millinocket; 5 grandchildren: Chris, Brittany, Chelsey, Nathan, & Taylor; 3 great grandchildren: Gavin, Gabrielle and Noah; 4 brothers and 1 sister: Dennis & Becky Drew of Island Falls,

Dianne & Cecil Given of Island Falls, Paul & Donna Drew of Clearwater, AZ, Wallace & Sharon Drew of Dyer Brook and Robert & Krista Drew of Houlton; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her parents, a twin sister, Charlotte Rae, a sister, Debbie Grant and a close Aunt, Sharon Dubois.

A private family service will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements by Bowers Funeral Home - Island Falls. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Heart Association. For online condolences please visit www.bowersfuneral.com

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Monday prime time

MOVIES

		7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM				
BROADCAST	2	NBC	207	Inside Ed.	Superstore	Telenovela	The Biggest Loser (N) (HD)			News				
	4	CBC	Murdoch Mysteries	Murdoch Mysteries		The National (N)		CBC	Coronation	Rick Mercer				
	5	CBS	Big Bang	Broke Girl	Supergirl (N) (HD)	Scorpion (N) (HD)		(9:59) NCIS: Los Angeles		News				
	52	CW	Family Guy	Family Guy	Whose Line	Whose Line	Penn & Teller: Fool Us		News	Seinfeld	Cougar			
	6	NBC	207	Inside Ed.	Superstore	Telenovela	The Biggest Loser (N) (HD)				News			
	7	ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy!	The Bachelor (N) (HD)			(:01) Bachelor Live (N)			News			
	WAGM	FOX	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	Superhuman Contestants with special abilities. (N)			News	Big Bang		Big Bang			
	8	ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy!	The Bachelor (N) (HD)			(:01) Bachelor Live (N)			News			
	MPBN	PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (HD)		Antiques Roadshow (N)			Antiques Roadshow	Independent Lens (N)		C. Rose			
	9	IND	Law & Order: SVU		Quantico		Quantico		News-Lisa	CTV News	Daily Show			
KIDS	13	CBS	Ent. Tonight	The Insider	Supergirl (N) (HD)	Scorpion (N) (HD)		(9:59) NCIS: Los Angeles		News				
	22	FOX	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Superhuman Contestants with special abilities. (N)			FOX 22 News at 10 (N)		Law-SVU				
	33	IND	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Happy Days	Laverne	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett			
	38	IND	Big Bang	Big Bang	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU	WBZ News (N) (HD)	Seinfeld				
	NICK		Make It Pop	Thunder	Henry	Nicky, Ricky	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends			
	DISN		Liv-Mad.	Austin	Zapped (2014, Comedy)			Zendaya.	Mickey	Best Fr.	Austin	Girl Meets		
	FAM		(6:00) ** The Notebook (2004)	Ryan Gosling.			** The Lucky One (2012)			Zac Efron. (PG-13)		700 Club		
	HIST		Prophecies Revealed			Prophecies Revealed			The Seven New Signs of the Apocalypse (N)				Prophecies	
	DISC		Fast N' Loud: Revved Up A	'68 Corvette build. (N)			Fast N' Loud (N)		(:02) Diesel Brothers (N)		Fast-Loud			
	TLC		48 Hours: Hard Evidence			48 Hours: Hard Evidence			48 Hours: Hard Evidence			Evidence		
SPORTS	A&E		The First 48		The First 48: Drugs Kill		The First 48: Drugs Kill		(:01) *** Cartel Land (2015) (R)					
	ANPL		Yukon Men		Yukon Men		Yukon Men		Yukon Men		Yukon Men			
	CSNE		Celtics Pre.	NBA Basketball	Boston Celtics at Brooklyn Nets. (L)				Celtics	SportsNet	Sports			
	ESPN		College Basketball North Carolina at Florida State. (N)			College Basketball Oklahoma at Kansas. (N) (L)					SportCtr			
	ESPN2		College Basketball West Virginia at Texas Christian.			College Basketball Virginia at Virginia Tech. (N) (L)					Basketball			
	NBCSP		Center of Attention			NHL Live (N) (L)					NHL Hockey Los Angeles Kings at Colorado Avalanche. (L)			
	NESN		English Premier League Soccer			Liverpool Match Extra (N)			Sports	Sports	Sports			
	CNBC		The Profit			Shark Tank					Shark Tank	The Profit		
	CNN		Erin Burnett OutFront (N)			Anderson Cooper 360					CNN Tonight	Cooper 360		
	FNC		Greta Van Susteren			The O'Reilly Factor (N)					The Kelly File (N)	Hannity (N)	O'Reilly	
NEWS	MSNBC		Hardball Chris Matthews			All In With Chris Hayes					Rachel Maddow Show	The Last Word	All In With	
	AMC		(5:30) *** Rocky		*** Rocky II (1979, Drama)	(ESP) Sylvester Stallone. (PG)			*** Rocky III (1982)					
	BRV		Vanderpump Rules		Vanderpump Rules		Vanderpump Rules (N)		(:01) Untying the Knot		Happens			
	CMT		Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	*** Stand by Me (1986)	Wil Wheaton. (R)			S. Austin			
	COM		South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Archer	Archer	South Park	South Park	Daily Show			
	E!		E! News (N)		Kardashian		Kardashian		Kardashian		E! News			
	FOOD		Chopped Junior		Kids Baking		Diners, Drive		Guilty Pleas.		Top 5	Diners		
	FX		(6:00) * After Earth			** The Purge (2013, Suspense)			Ethan Hawke. (R)	** The Purge (2013)	Ethan Hawke. (R)			
	GAC		Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska			
	HALL		Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls			
VARIETY	HGTV		Love It or List It, Too			Love It or List It			Love It or List It			Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Tiny House
	LIFE		(6:00) Made of Honor			** Eat Pray Love (2010, Drama)			Julia Roberts, James Franco. (PG-13)			Fanciers		Biography
	MTV		Teen Mom			Teen Mom			Teen Mom					Teen Mom
	OXY		(6:33) *** Forgetting Sarah Marshall (2008) (R)			(08) *** Forgetting Sarah Marshall (2008)			Jason Segel. (R)					
	SPIKE		Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
	SYFY		(6:30) *** Galaxy Quest (1999) Tim Allen. (PG)			** Blade: Trinity (2004, Horror)			Wesley Snipes, Jessica Biel. (R)					
	TBN		Rodriguez	Potters	Trinity	Harvest	Franklin	J. Duplantis	Praise the Lord					
	TBS		Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan (N)			
	TCM		(6:00) Johnny Belinda (NR)			*** For Whom the Bell Tolls (1943, Drama)			Gary Cooper. (NR)	(45) Behold a Pale Horse				
	TMC		(6:15) Tiny Furniture (NR)			*** Away From Her (2006) Julie Christie. (PG-13)			** 5 to 7 (2014) Anton Yelchin. (R)					
PREMIUM	TNT		Terminator Salvation			** Resident Evil (2002, Horror)			Milla Jovovich. (R)	** Resident Evil: Apocalypse (2004)				
	TRAVEL		Bizarre Foods America			Rev Runs	Rev Runs	Bizarre Foods		Bizarre Foods/Zimmerman	Jill- America			
	TRU		Carbonaro	Carbonaro	Carbonaro	Carbonaro	Carbonaro	Carbonaro	Super Into	Super Into	Carbonaro			
	TVL		Facts-Life	Facts-Life	(12) The Facts of Life	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King			
	USA		NCIS			WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (L)								Rundown
	VH1		Love & Hip Hop			Love & Hip Hop (N)			The Breaks (2016, Drama)	Afton Williamson. (NR)	The Breaks			
	WGN-A		*** Red Dragon (2002, Suspense)			Anthony Hopkins. (R)	*** Batman (1989)			Jack Nicholson. (PG-13)				
	ENC		(6:10) ** The Bone Collector (1999) (ESP) (R)			(10) *** Twins (1988, Comedy) (ESP) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Danny DeVito, Kelly Preston. (PG)			Spartacus: Blood and Sand (ESP)		Sparta-cus-Sand			
	HBO		(6:15) 3 1/2 Minutes, Ten Bullets (2015) (ESP) (NR)			*** Calvary (2014, Drama) (ESP) Brendan Gleeson, Chris O'Dowd. (R)			(45) *** Milk (2008, Biography) (ESP) Sean Penn. The life story of activist Harvey Milk. (R)					
	MAX		Million Ways (45) ** Jersey Boys (2014, Musical) (ESP) John Lloyd Young, Erich Bergen. The story of Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons. (R)			*** The Giver (2014) (ESP) Jeff Bridges. An old man tells a youth the truth about their world. (PG-13)			** Barbershop (2002, Comedy) (ESP) Ice Cube, Anthony Anderson. (PG-13)					
SHOW		(5:45) *** Good Will Hunting (1997) (ESP) (R)			** The Giver (2014) (ESP) Jeff Bridges. An old man tells a youth the truth about their world. (PG-13)			*** St. Vincent (2014, Comedy-Drama) (ESP) Bill Murray. (PG-13)						
STARZ		(10) *** Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (2004, Romance) (ESP) Jim Carrey, Kate Winslet. (R)			**** Schindler's List (1993, Historical Drama) (ESP) Liam Neeson. A war profiteer saves his Jewish workers from death. (R)									