

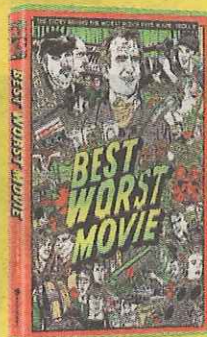
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## An appreciation of awful



"Plan 9 From Outer Space," "Battlefield Earth," "Gigli" and "Manos: The Hands of Fate" can't hold a candle of badness to "Troll 2," considered by many to be the worst film ever conceived (The rest of the people just haven't seen it yet.). But its utter awfulness — which I admit I've yet to endure — has led to the creation of the fantastic documentary "Best Worst Movie" (DVD, \$19.95). Produced and directed by Michael Stephenson, who starred in "Troll 2" as a boy, the film investigates the making of the film and the cult fame the movie has acquired years after it came out (direct to VHS, of course) in 1990, making a champion of George Hardy, a Southern-talkin' Alabama dentist who played the lead role in "Troll 2." As for the story of "Troll 2," it is a horror movie — available on DVD in a new "20th Anniversary Nilbog Edition" (\$14.98) — about a family facing off against goblins. And no, there is not a troll to be found anywhere in this production.



### 'AIR'-BLUNDER

#### 'The Last Airbender'

The other "Avatar," "The Last Airbender" is based off an incredibly popular animated



series ("Avatar: The Last Bender") and it's the last box office flop from once admired writer/director M. Night Shya-

malan. If you want to experience the immersive, dense story of a young boy and his friends out to save the world, watch the original series. (DVD, \$29.99; Blu-ray, \$39.99)

### BAH HUMBUG

#### 'A Christmas Carol'

Jim Carrey fans will savor this animated retelling of the beloved Christmas tale by director Robert Zemeckis. The rest of us will watch the Muppet version. (DVD, \$29.99; Blu-ray, \$49.99)

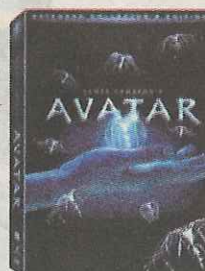


### AN INDIE GEM

#### 'The Kids Are All Right'

One of the most talked-about films of this year, "The Kids Are All Right" stars Annette Bening and Julianne Moore as two women in a long-term relationship whose relationship with their kids is tested when they discover their birth father. (DVD, \$29.98; Blu-ray, \$39.98)

### YOUR BLUE HEAVEN



#### 'Avatar'

And now for the other "Avatar." This "Extended Collector's Edition" has three different cuts of the film (that's 7,000 blue minutes of movie!) plus 45-plus minutes of new deleted scenes, a documentary and a slew of other extras that'll give you an in depth look at the blockbuster. (DVD, \$34.98; Blu-ray, \$54.98)