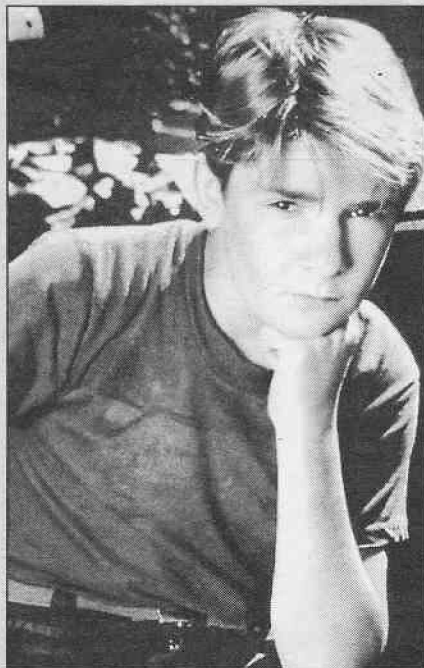


This week's DVDs

By MICHAEL GILTZ

**Stand By Me: Deluxe Edition**

★★★★½

Columbia, \$24.96

THE latest DVD gimmick? Including a bonus CD with the soundtrack. "Stand By Me" (1986) comes with a disc including "Lollipop," and the title tune by Ben E. King, which re-entered the charts, thanks to this sleeper hit. The great cast includes Kiefer Sutherland. In a twist, 2000's "Miss Congeniality: Deluxe Edition Gift Set" (Warner Bros., \$39.92) comes with the soundtrack to the sequel and a free movie pass to see it.

Laura

★★★★

Fox, \$14.98

DETECTIVE Dana Andrews falls in love with the just-murdered Laura (Gene Tierney), a bewitching woman with a lot of people who wanted her dead. That haunting score by David Raskin probably helped. Lots of extras on this classic 1944 film noir, including two commentary tracks, two A&E Biography specials (on Tierney and Vincent Price) and more. And don't forget Clifton Webb's career peak as the acerbic Waldo Lydecker. Other noirs just out: 1948's "Call Northside 777" and 1950's "Panic in the Streets" (Fox, \$14.98 each).

Easter Parade

★★★★

Warner Bros., \$26.99

IF balding Fred Astaire (nearly 50) wasn't almost twice as old as his co-star Judy Garland (just 26), this Irving Berlin romantic musical from 1948 might have been a real classic instead of hard-to-swallow. Still, they're troupers and you can't beat 17 Irving Berlin tunes. Sterling extras include an excellent American Masters documentary "Judy Garland: By Myself." Other musicals just out: 1953's "The Band Wagon: Special Edition" (Warner Bros., \$26.99) and 1954's "Brigadoon" (Warner Bros., \$19.97).

Hogan's Heroes: First Season

★★½

Paramount, \$38.99

A sitcom about life in a German prisoner of war camp during World War II? Surely "Hogan's Heroes" remains one of the unlikeliest hits in TV history — especially considering its 1965 premiere was only 20 years removed from the end of the war. Silly but harmless.

**End of the Century: The Story of The Ramones**

★★★★

Rhino, \$19.99

DEE Dee's manic count-off for every tune "Onethwothreefour!" — would have been a more fun title for this look at the legendary New York band. But "End of the Century" captures the bittersweet feel of this fine documentary about a group that influenced everyone from the Clash to Green Day.