

Dick Dyszel began his infamous career as local television host in the

early 1970's for Washington based WDCA TV 20. As was the standard practice back then, as new opportunities arose, Dick began playing more and more roles at the station, including Bozo the Clown, Captain 20 and eventually his brainchild character, horror host Count Gore De Vol. Still very active today, Dick has had a fun and interesting career as the Count, and introduced a generation or two to the cheesy world of classic horror movies.

As we watch the documentary we are introduced to a lot of other local horror hosts, including Dick's protoge "Karlos Borloff" (Jerry Moore II) who is an entertaining mixture of Count Gore and rockers Gwar on his weekly Monster Madhouse show. We also are treated to interview snippits from a host of horror artists, actors and writers, such as Steve Niles, graphic artist and author of 30 Days of Night, one of the more original vampire movies of recent years. There is a lot of vintage television footage from all of Dick Dyszel's shows, which adds a nice nostalgic feel to the documentary. In between interviews and movie clips there is a lot of horror convention footage, featuring the Count surrounded by his fans and fellow horror hosts. Count De Vol is still a big draw at many conventions and has a huge fan base.

There is a suprising amount of special features included on the disc, including the final segment of Gore De Vol's televised show. The commentary track featuring Director, Star and Protoge is lively and well paced. It adds a lot more information and behind the scenes perspective to the documentary. I liked the quirky collection of extended and deleted scenes the most, especially the Captain 20 segment with the little boy who collected beer cans. It was fun to watch Dick Dyszel in action after hearing so much about his career.

I never experienced Gore De Vol during my childhood, however I did have Sammy Terry on WTTV for his weekly Nightmares show. It's a shame that my kids will not have that campy fun experience growing up as in today's world we have instant access to so much media on demand that the need for regional characters has greatly wained. Every Other Day Is Halloween is a fun, nostalgic look back at the local horror host and his impact on countless other entertainers. If you enjoy documentaries or cheesy horror definitely pick this release up, it is a lot of fun.

Special Features:

Replica Channel 20 Club Card Commentary Track with C.W. Prather, Dick Dyszel and Jerry Moore II AFI World Premiere footage Extended and Deleted Scenes

Features:

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