

Blondie's: a small town hit *City by the Sea* a must'sea'

BY JESSICA DENNY

As I stepped through the door all the memories of summer flooded my senses. The bright colors added life to an almost empty parlor, and Betsy, the cashier, greeted me with a smile.

A single dip of raspberry sherbert is all I ordered, but it was enough. It looked like two red baseballs piled on top of each other. The first bite melted in my mouth then slid down my throat. The sweet, tangy taste perked my interest as I indulged myself with another bite.

Getting your money's worth is important to as well as myself. A single dip (two scoops) is \$1.50. The most expensive items are the double dip sundaes, the peanut crunch parfait, and the banana split only costing \$3.75.

"At first I thought it would be expensive, but you get your

money's worth," said Sabra Huff, a woman dining at the parlor with her husband.

Blondie's also sells entire cheese cakes \$29.00 and \$3.00 by the slice. Ice cream is sold by the pint and the quart. They also offer other desserts and shakes. They plan on adding coffee, cappuccinos, and chocolate covered strawberries for the cold weather.

Blondie's Ice Cream Parlor, owned by Jimmy Upton and located in Berea, next to Mario's Pizza, was named after his daughter's high school nickname.

Blondie's has a drive through window for customers on the go. They are a smoke free store, and only accept cash. So if you want dessert with excellent taste with a family friendly environment Blondie's is the place.

Hours
Sun.-Th. 12-10
Fri-Sat 12-12

BY KYLA FRENCH

On a cold, rainy night, Joey LaMarca meets with a drug dealer, Picasso, in secret. When Joey tries to hand over his money, Picasso pulls a knife. Trying to save his own life, Joey stabs Picasso and runs. On the other side of town, a police officer is about to hear the news.

Thus begins *City by the Sea*, a tragic, but excellent movie about life, love and politics. The twist is that the police officer is Vincent LaMarca, Joey's father.

Vincent (played by Robert De Niro) divorced Joey's mother not long ago, and Joey (James Franco) has definitely felt the impact. Now living in a slum with his mother, Joey has been led to a life of crime and drug dealing.

Picasso's body is found early the next morning, and the case is handed to Vincent LaMarca. Not soon after, LaMarca gets a call from his estranged son. The first words he has heard from his son in years are, "I didn't do it."

LaMarca tries to hide the fact that his son is even involved, but the police department soon has enough evidence to make Joey a suspect.

While investigating an old neighborhood where it is said Joey may stay in an abandoned building, LaMarca's partner is shot. The cops immediately put the blame on Joey, but they don't know of a man waiting in the shadows trying to ruin Joey's life.

Joey has been framed by a gangster who calls himself "Spyder" (William Forsythe). Spyder has planted a weapon in the abandoned

building. LaMarca tried to convince the police department that his son didn't do it, but they won't listen.

That night there is a knock on his door. It is a young woman who introduces herself as Gina (Elize Dusku), and also introduces LaMarca to his grandson.

This leads to a whirlwind adventure of finding what's really in your heart, and how to use it for the better.

City by the Sea is a must-see for everyone. It's a bit of a 'chick-flick', but there's enough action for the guys too. It scores a 10 on my list.



Robert DeNero and James Franco star in *City by the Sea*. De Niro plays a cop who must capture a criminal, and all the signs point to his son.



Jessica Denny

A seat waits for you at Blondie's Ice Cream Parlor, located next to Mario's Pizza in Berea.

American Film Institute's Top 10 Films

- 1.) Citizen Kane
- 2.) The Rules of the Game
- 3.) Vertigo
- 4.) Eight and a Half
- 5.) Battleship Potemkin
- 6.) Singin' in the Rain
- 7.) The Gold Rush
- 8.) City Lights
- 9.) L'Avventura
- 10.) Shindler's List

What's your favorite movie?

We want to know those movies that make you laugh and cry. Write down your nomination for best movie and send it to Journalism in room 116. It may be number one in the next issue!

Rockcastle County High School / Rockcastle Area Technology Center / 21st Century Community Learning Center and Kentucky Opera Works

Present

Don Pasquale

October 23, 2002

Rockcastle County High School Auditorium
Freshmen/Seniors--9:00 AM
Sophomores/Juniors--1:15 PM