



**BRAHMS:
THE BOY II (Blu-ray)**
Universal Pictures Home Ent.

Evil has found a new friend in *Brahms: The Boy II*, the spine-tingling and devilishly inventive follow up to *The Boy*. The film follows a mother fighting to save her family from a dangerous supernatural force and the surprising dangers that lie ahead. Unaware of the terrifying history of Heelshire Mansion, a young family moves into a greenhouse, after surviving a traumatic home invasion that left their son a near mute. On the estate, their young son soon finds in the backyard of the mansion, an eerily life-like porcelain doll he calls *Brahms*. The bone-chilling *Brahms: The Boy II* stars Katie Holmes as a mother who increasingly becomes uneasy and terrorized by her son's new supernatural "friend." The *Universal Pictures Home Entertainment* release of this terrifying sequel includes 20 additional minutes of exclusive bonus content that will take you deeper inside the frightening world of *Brahms*, including chilling, deleted and alternate scenes and a never-before-seen alternate ending. Audiences everywhere can witness the haunting story of *Brahms* slowly unfold, as it exposes a trail of death and disaster leading back to the supernatural doll.

WUTHERING HEIGHTS (DVD)
Liberation Hall

Mistreated founding Heathcliff and Catherine fall in love, but she marries a wealthy man, Edgar Linton, so Heathcliff becomes obsessed with getting revenge. Nor can he satiate his thirst for revenge, manifested through his own loveless marriage to Edgar's sister Isabella. In this television adaptation of Emily Bronte's *Wuthering Heights*, realism and gothic symbolism combine to form a romance novel that's full of social relevance. Follow the self-destructive journey of Heathcliff, as he seeks revenge for losing his soul mate, Catherine, to Edgar Linton. Themes such as good versus evil, chaos and order, selfishness, betrayal, and obsession – intertwine as the story unfolds. Bronte's *Wuthering Heights* is a symbolic and psychological study of the nature of love.

BUSH - LIVE IN TAMPA
(Blu-ray+DVD+Audio CD)
Cleopatra Ent.

Performing to a sold out crowd of 10,000 die-hard fans in Tampa, during their critically acclaimed 2019 *Ultimate Tour*, Bush rocks Tampa like never before! This concert features the band's biggest hits including, "Machinehead," "Glycerine," "Comedown," "Swallowed," "Everything Zen," and also

features their newest hit song, "Bullet Holes," from the new blockbuster *John Wick 3* movie soundtrack. Additional cuts on this awesome box set has, "The Chemicals Between Us," "This is War," "The Sound of Winter," "Body," "The Disease of Dancing Cats," and "Little Things."

EYE SEE YOU - SPECIAL EDITION (Blu-ray)
MVD Marquee Collection

A brutal serial killer is targeting cops, and alcoholic detective Jake Malloy (Sylvester Stallone) returns to the force following a stay in a remote detox clinic, and he is on the warpath. But now the killer is making it personal as Jake's friends and families are targeted, and now this dedicated agent is twisted in an emotional nightmare. Time is running out, and so are the options, as Malloy engages in an extreme game of cat-and-mouse with a killer who won't be stopped.

DYNAMO - SPECIAL EDITION (Blu-ray)
VCI Ent.

A cab driver is discovered by corrupt producers as a successor to superstar *Dynamo* (Bruce Lee); they find his rebellious and individual nature may be too much for even their massive enterprise to contain. This 2K restoration of the original 35mm English print, is a fan favorite in the sub-genre of Bruceploitation, and stars Ho Tsung-Tao (Bruce Li), Ku Feng and Chiang Tao.

GUTTERBALLS (Blu-ray)
Unearthed Films

A bowling night will turn into a bloody death match for a team of teenagers, as a deranged serial killer is taking them down one at a time. A brutally sadistic rape leads to a series of bizarre, gory murders during a midnight disco bowl-a-rama at a popular bowling alley. One by one, players of two teams meet blood-drenched gruesome deaths at the hands of a black bowling-gloved masked killer. This alley runs red with blood by sunrise.

WHAT THE WATERS LEFT BEHIND (Blu-ray)
Unearthed Films

On November 10th 1985, rising waters from a broken dam flooded the town of Epecuén; the settlement remained underwater for 30 years. When the waters receded it revealed a ghostly ruin, although the town was still intact and stayed deserted, at least they thought. One fateful day, a group of young filmmakers visited the ruins to film a documentary. Ignoring the warnings, they get stranded, only to discover that someone or something has moved back in and is not happy to see them. One by one the visitors soon find that you don't have to go to Texas for a massacre.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

ARE WE REALLY PROGRAMMED TO FOLLOW ORDERS?

I love listening to Clyde Lewis on his *Ground Zero* radio show on AM 1200 at midnight on weeknights. He is pretty much known as a conspiracy theorist talking about Big Foot, Area 51, evil demons, and spaceships. He tells it like he sees it, has some weird guests, but is so entertaining.

Recently, talking about the pandemic, he spoke of so many of us who simply like following orders from governors and mayors acting like Mussolini, telling us where to go, what to eat, what color our masks should be. Too many of us seem to like taking orders.

I think we need to get the economy opened up before there is no economy left. Keep this up; we become a very large Venezuela going down the tubes. We are killing small businesses, who like Charlie on the MBTA may never return.

More and more are fighting back, protesting in the streets, and speaking out because everyone's business is essential, as is our liberty. However, still too many seem to blindly go along with the program. I always thought that liberty was in our DNA.

WHY EVEN BOTHER TO SET CAPACITY LIMITS

With getting closer and closer to re-opening up the state economy and businesses, it will mean more and more folks jumping back on the transit system in numbers not seen over the past nine or so weeks since we started social distancing, sheltering in place, etc.

The "T" promises not to pack folks into trains, buses and streetcars like cans of sardines. However, management stated it will not strictly enforce any social distancing on their equipment.

I never heard anything so dumb in my life! A policy that won't be enforced is no policy at all and only endangers drivers and operators who could be risking their lives trying to make the MBTA safer for everyone who depends on the system getting to and from work.

Either you have a policy or you don't.

JUDGE RIPS BAKER OVER GUN SHOPS CLOSINGS

Massachusetts gun shops re-opened after being declared "nonessential" businesses thanks to a Federal Judge that criticized Gov. Charlie Baker's decision to close these shops due to the COVID-19 shutdown. U.S. District Judge Douglas Woodcock stated the move an "improper burden" on the Second Amendment and that Baker did not give a good reason for these closings. The Judge added "These plaintiffs have Constitutional rights that deserve respect and vindication and it becomes necessary for a court to do that rather than the executive when the executive declines."

Recently, I stopped by The Sportsman's Den a cool gun shop on the South Shore on Southern Artery, in Quincy. I dropped off a bundle of *Boston Broadside* newspapers that I also write commentaries for.



L-R: Brian Girard with owner Ronald Hidalgo at The Sportsman's Den located in Quincy.

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

They already heard of this paper and liked it. The *Broadside* has lots of fans down there.

EAST BOSTON NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER OPENS COVID-19 TESTING FOR ALL

On May 22nd, I called the Health Center and went over to Suffolk Downs to get tested for the coronavirus. Short lines and it took less than 10 minutes and I was driving away from the tent.

I haven't had any symptoms. In fact, I am feeling great. Exercising every day and taking off needless pounds. I have lost 22 pounds to date and my diabetes is disappearing. I also am eating good food.

HOME SMART HOT PROPERTIES

As someone whose maternal family roots are in Charlestown and as someone who called this community home for almost a dozen years, I read with more than mere interest a full-page home profile in the *Home Smart* pages of the *Boston Herald* on May 22nd. The piece of property for sale was on Main Street right outside Thompson Square. The structure at 121 Main Street is more than 200 years old, unit 3 is for sale, two-bedrooms, two bathrooms penthouse on the market for \$1,050,000.

I wonder how long this seller's market will continue because sooner than later with the mere snap of a finger, we could switch right over to a buyer's market as both this pandemic and the cratering out of our economy continues in response to it. I see housing values dropping and I see rental properties going for far less.

CAR CORNER



◀ Here's a great 1956 Ford Thunderbird I passed by at Meineke Car Care on Southern Artery in Quincy. The general manager is Chris Chetwynd and the car is owned by Skip Ryan. Lucky guy that Skip is!

▶ Here's a 1964 Ford Falcon I found back down at Royal Car Tops in West Roxbury. Classic car in its day! Among the first compacts in 1962 when it came out.



◀ While cleaning out stuff in the cellar I came upon an old *Sunday Boston Herald* dated September 18, 1983. I noticed a half-page ad from Wilmington Ford up off of Route 93 where this dealership was selling a brand new Ford F150 going for only \$6,875. Nowadays, that could be a down payment on it.

(Photos by Sal Giarratani)

WHEN I THINK OF DEDHAM, I DON'T THINK ITALIAN FOOD



Santoro's Sicilian Trattoria in Dedham

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

Since the pandemic outbreak, I have taken up daily power walks that start in Roslindale and end way up on Route 109 in Dedham. My roundtrip is about 7.2 miles, not bad for this old guy who refuses to feel old.

On my trek in Dedham, I always pass a neat restaurant Santoro's Sicilian Trattoria on Bridge Street (109 west) just down the street from the West Roxbury VA Medical Center on the VFW Parkway. When restaurants finally re-open, I'm going to check out this establishment.

WHEN THE PANDEMIC ENDS I'M HEADING FOR THE LAKE



The Inn on Newfound Lake

When my daughter was young, I remember those family trips to the Newfound Lake area. It was easy to get up to Route 93 in New Hampshire and a short ride over to Route 3 in Bridgewater, NH, just up the street from Bristol, NH, where all the little shops, diners, supermarket, and ice cream shop were.

Summertime was the best up there. Maybe when the COVID-19 stuff is over, it will be back up for some good old R&R. I loved staying at an 18th century Inn that still operates!

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