

Movie Review:

Brevard hosts a stunning documentary

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On Sept. 23, BC had the pleasure of showing the documentary “Rising From Ashes” in Ingram Auditorium for college students and anyone who wanted to join.

Hosted by the Brevard Film Society, “Rising From Ashes” drew quite a crowd on Tuesday night, as not only students, but many community members decided to come out and see the movie. The movie told the story of Rwandan cyclists who were pursuing their dreams of cycling competitively despite coming from a poor area.

Tom Anton, founder of the Brevard Film Society, had this to say about the film, “Rising From Ashes is a film that’s not just about cycling, but it’s about hope and redemption and what one person, Jock Boyer, did by going there and getting the cycling team and bringing hope to the cyclists, to the people and to the country.”

The audience seemed to agree with Tom Anton’s sentiment as they showed a big emotional

reaction to the film. The audiences laughed, sat on the edges of their seats, and it wouldn’t surprise anyone if a few tears were shed during this documentary.

The Brevard Film Society was started by Tom Anton and his wife Sandi, filmmakers who have made two feature films, including “The Pardon” which stars Academy Award nominated actor John Hawkes. According to Anton, they saw the Brevard Film Society as a “gift back to the city”. They want to bring interesting films to the community including documentaries, shorts, feature films and foreign films.

The society shows movies often and is actually plan on showing the Anton’s film, “The Pardon” Oct. 28. Although the film comes out next year, the Anton’s decided to show the film early for the Brevard Film Society.

As always there are a plethora of events on campus for students to go to. From movies, to guest speakers, there is always something for BC students to do on campus.

Vote against alcohol? Misleading signs draw attention to local politics

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“Vote against alcohol!” Most have undoubtedly seen these signs posted throughout Transylvania County. The decision to vote yes or no is not as simple as it may seem.

Transylvania County is one of the few counties in North Carolina that is still considered dry. A short drive down Rosman Hwy will lead to a convenient store, absent of alcoholic beverages. Years ago, stores were not allowed to sell alcohol at all on Sundays.

Some residents of Transylvania County want to keep it dry. One of their concerns is that they don’t want people drinking while driving. The speed limit on Rosman Hwy, a two lane and sometimes one lane road, is 55 mph.

Associate Professor of English Dr. Kristina Holland was concerned about drivers, especially on Rosman Hwy, accessing alcohol right off of a road where the speed limit is so high. She is already concerned during heavy traffic while pulling out onto Rosman Hwy as it can be difficult, if not dangerous in some cases. She believes that making alcohol available at these locations may not be best for locals and their safety.

Other locals argue that the current law restricting the county from serving or selling alcohol is taking away from business. According to the Transylvania Times, Yusuf Hasan at Harmony Korner, a convenient store off of Rosman Hwy says, “We’re really just asking for a fair business environment for everybody, that’s all.”

A bed and breakfast located outside of Brevard, Key Falls Inn, is interested in holding special events on occasion, such as weddings, but currently are not allowed to sell alcohol at all. Bryan Grosvenor, the owner, feels that it’s not fair that he is restricted from serving alcohol while businesses close to him but just within the city limits are allowed alcohol.

The movement to remove the restrictions on alcohol in the county is only for the county as both Brevard and Rosman are already allowed to sell alcohol. Despite the somewhat misleading nature of the “vote against alcohol” signs, there is no proposal to make the entire area of Transylvania, including, Brevard and Rosman dry.

Savings opportunities for BC Students

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One thing that most college students have in common is the need to try and save money.

Whatever your situation, whether it’s saving money to pay off your student loans or trying to save up to purchase a car, every penny goes a long way. That’s why it’s important to know the opportunities to save money around Brevard.

Multiple restaurants around Brevard offer discounts to BC students. If you’re in the mood for fast food, make your way down to either **Arbys** or **Burger King** to receive a 10 percent discount on all food and drink purchases. If transportation off campus is something out of reach, then **Pescados** and the **Sunrise Café** are just a walk across the street, with 10 percent discounts available at both of these restaurants. And **Zaxby’s** has designated Tuesdays as “college night,” when you can get a 25 percent discount off your entire order.

However, there are discounts on more than just food available throughout Brevard. If you are trying to get some sports equipment or exercise, then head down to the **Sports Spot** to get your 10 percent discount, or make your way down to **The Perfect Balance** (Physical Therapy) to exercise or recover with free student gym membership. If you’re trying to find some new music, you can go down to **Rockin’ Robin Records** with another 10 percent discount. A great idea for a date night would be going to the **Coed Cinema**, where you can get matinee price for all shows. After the movie, take a stroll down Main Street to **Kiwi Gelato**, where they have discount cards available for students to end the night.

Many more discounts are available for students, and they are all listed on the BC website (www.brevard.edu) on the Town of Brevard’s “spend locally” tab in the “Life at Brevard” category. Simply present your student ID to each business establishment to receive the chance to save money. It is definitely a great way to save on the little things and enjoy all of what Brevard has to offer.