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Reporter

Horror gets old

Year after year new horror movies are released into theaters for enjoyment and a quick thrill ride. Some are good and some are bad and others are like IT which completely break box office records. But not all horror movies are scary.

I have seen many horror movies and most of them disappoint with poor storylines and rushed jumpscare. Occasionally, I'll run across a really good horror movies such as The Conjuring or IT, that have a fantastic, moving story, and have no boring moments in them. Those two examples are not just horror movies though. They differ than other movies because of the way they were created. The Conjuring was based on a real life story from Ed and Lorraine Warren, and it brought in a religious sense because of the demonic possessions that take place. IT was a story with an alien-like being with the powers to control everything in a small town in Maine.

These movies still have all the other characteristics of other horror movies with jumpscare, but the overall feeling of paranoia that people get from realizing some of the unknown powers of these movie antagonists is what really scares people. People do not go home and get nightmares or get frightened over a jumpscare; they get frightened by the main antagonist in the horror movie that they just watched.

Almost all horror movies are gory and full of unneeded jumpscare that make them almost a comedy with the effects rather than the intended intense feel that they are supposed to do. A few decades back, Nightmare on Elm Street was released and everyone was scared with the story it provided. Now, we watch those movies and see how dated they are and laugh at how poor the effects and mood are compared to now.

So no, horror movies are not scary to me because most of the movies do not have the feel or anticipation that makes horror movies good. Good horror movies make people nervous when watching them and paranoid after. If people do not get those feelings watching them, then the horror movie is not a good one. This is why movies such as The Conjuring and IT were so successful. They made people scared and had people wanting to see more. This is why more and more movies like this are going to be made and the horror genre will continue to grow and adapt. These movies have set the standard for good horror movies, and other movies will go off some of the effects and style that movies IT and the The Conjuring have given.



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Horror keeps up the frights

I think scary movies are the worst things ever created.

They are super scary to me. They are the only movie type I do not like watching because they make me feel so uncomfortable.

The worst part is when a horror film is based on a true story. That is when I know that what I am about to watch will be the scariest thing I have ever seen. The actors' goal is to make it seem very realistic, and because the storyline is true, they normally succeed.

For example, when Ryan Reynolds gets possessed by a demon living in the house, he is forced to try to kill his family members who live in the house with him. Reynolds does not succeed, but he came too close several times. Luckily, his wife loves him and drives him away from the demon so he is no longer possessed. I do not know whether I believe in demon possession, but that movie certainly made me think about it...too much.

Movies like IT, the Amityville Horror and The Conjuring are super scary movies that the actors are so good in; images from just the commercials haunt me. IT has to be the scariest movie of all time with solo shots of the clown talking or dancing or singing. The scariest part is when Pennywise opens his mouth really wide, and the music starts to play like an old school chorus group. Then, all that is seen is the dead lights at the bottom of his throat with a boy-like screech for help.

One odd movie that terrifies me is Finding Nemo. I have a phobia of fish. Fish are scary because they can kill easily with all their diseases and their sharp fins. They can cut fingers, and there is a possibility that someone can bleed out. Finding Nemo is supposed to be family-friendly, but to me, those fish are just little devils swimming around.

While my friends might enjoy scary movies during Halloween season, I am going to stick with movies that do not cause nightmares or keep me awake worrying that something might be under my bed or in my closet.



Jack Titzer
Guest Writer

Student attempts spicy challenge

I put my taste buds in a life or death situation when I decided to try the Blazin' Challenge at Buffalo Wild Wings.

On a Saturday, some friends and I decided to go to Buffalo Wild Wings for a bite to eat and to celebrate the first football win against Indian Creek; the score was 26-0.

After we got our food and chowed down, we decided to try the Blazin' Challenge and eat the hottest wings the establishment had to offer. When the super hot wings came, all of us were contemplating whose taste buds would be the first to burn a fiery death.

My friend Langdon was the first to try the wings of death. He grabbed one and took a large bite. His eyes started to water, his face became red, and he broke out in tears. No going back now.

I was up next. I was having second thoughts once I got a whiff of the fiery smell, but alas I had to do it, so I did my duty as an American and took a bite of the hottest wing on the southside of Indianapolis. The scouring fiery heat on my taste buds came instantly, and I lost my words. I could not breathe.

It was terrible. I felt as if I could breathe fire. I got a large glass of milk from our waitress and drank it in seconds. It took two more glasses of milk to get the heat out of my mouth. Finally, I felt better.

The experience was a once-in-a-lifetime for me. I would never do it again. On my way home, the burning sensation lingered.

My friends invited me back to Bdubs later that week. I obviously said yes because who does not love wings. I would never do the Blazin' Challenge again even if all my friends did it. They can kill their taste buds. I prefer to keep mine.

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