

Logan Taylor's debut film conveys message of hope

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The Park Theater audience gave "Until the End" a standing ovation following its premiere Saturday night.

The 35-minute film was written and directed by McMinnville resident Logan Taylor and shot in Warren County. WCMS was a central filming location as the movie revolves around high school student Lila Baker, played by Lacy Hartselle.

"The one thing I hope this film conveys is you should never lose hope," said Hartselle while doing interviews from the red carpet. "My character goes through so many hardships. It's great to see she can persevere."

Oscar Mansky plays the part of Judah Rigsby, the popular kid in school from a well-respected, wealthy family. Judah is dating Lila, but his nasty demeanor makes it a relationship where Lila is miserable.

"I learned how to be bad from my brother," joked Oscar, who attended the red carpet ceremony with his brother Walter. "I think the overall message from this is you have to stick up for yourself."

Lila is engulfed in despair because of her unhappy relationship with Judah and because of her ruthless mother, Lorraine Baker, played by Robin Dyke.

Her mother wants nothing more than for Lila to marry into the esteemed Rigsby family, at one point telling Lila to "get on that Christmas card." Her mother is completely overbearing, forcing Lila to weigh herself every day and making snide comments when she gains a pound.

"Fat girls don't get the rich men Lila," her mother says. "That boy is your ticket to the good life."

Judah's rude behavior becomes criminal when he rapes Lila in the woods at a party. Lila is

still huddled on the ground after the rape when she's approached by Kyle McCoy, a loner who has been building a connection with her. Kyle is played by local resident Luke Nafrada.

As Lila and Kyle spend more time together, the relationship does not sit well with Lila's mother. She wants Lila to dump Kyle and find a way to get back together with Judah. She even has Kyle arrested.

Then comes the bombshell about Lila's pregnancy.

To find out how the movie twists and turns, "Until the End" can be purchased through Amazon on DVD.

The film includes appearances from several local residents. Cassidy Shae Prater plays Lila's best friend Sam. Nolan Ming plays Kyle's abusive father. Tyler Glenn and Kelly Carter both make appearances as deputies, and Dr. Doug Haynes plays a doctor.

UNTIL THE END



Lacy Hartselle walks the red carpet Saturday night at the Park Theater during the premiere of "Until the End" a 35-minute movie written and directed by McMinnville resident Logan Taylor. Hartselle plays main character Lila Baker.



Oscar Mansky, right, plays Judah Rigsby in "Until the End." He was joined on the red carpet at Park Theater by brother Walter.

Miller seeks to retain 10th District seat

Carolyn Miller has announced she is seeking re-election as 10th District Commissioner.

Miller was injured in an automobile accident April 30 and was life-flighted to Vanderbilt trauma unit. She was returned to rehab at Saint Thomas River Park and is now home with a broken foot, broken elbow and neck injury. These injuries will prevent her from seeing many of the 10th District voters.

She wants voters to know it is an honor for her to serve as one of their

commissioners and to ask for their vote to re-elect her. She strives to represent the county in a fair and common-sense manner.

"I always wants to hear from the voters before making any decision on voting on any legislation that affects Warren County," said Miller.

She currently serves on the Building and Grounds Committee and the Correction Partnership Committee. Miller would appreciate your vote in the Aug. 2 general election.



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AMERICAN LEGION POST 173

Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are held the first Thursday of each month at Billy's Restaurant (2822 Nashville Highway in McMinnville). Members will meet at 5:00 pm for dinner with the meeting to follow at 6:00 pm. All members are encouraged to attend. Prospective members are also welcome to attend.

Everyone is invited to visit our Facebook page @post173 to stay up to date on all American Legion activities.

New Post address is: American Legion Post 173, P.O. Box 173, McMinnville, TN 37111. The Ladies Auxiliary meets at the same time.

THE BOBBY RAY DETACHMENT OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are held the first Thursday of each month at the Warren County Administrative Building (201 Locust Street) in the Magnolia Room. Doors open at 1800 and the meeting starts at 1830. All honorable discharged Marines, Navy FMF Corpsmen and Navy Chaplains who served with the marines are invited to attend. For more information call 931-934-5619.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER (POST 173)

Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are held the third Saturday each month at Gondola Restaurant (305 Mullican St. in McMinnville). Members will meet at 9:00am for breakfast and the meeting will follow at 10:00am. We will ride after the meeting. We are looking for new members. Everyone is invited to visit our Facebook page @ American Legion Riders Chapter Post 173 McMinnville. For information please contact Director John A. Davis at American Legion Rider Chapter Post 173, PO Box 173, McMinnville, TN 37111.

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, ROYCE DAVENPORT CHAPTER 1112

Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at Billy's restaurant (2822 Nashville Hwy. in McMinnville). Members will meet at 5:00 p.m. for dinner, with meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. Perspective members will need to bring copy of DD Form 214 to verify service and join. Everyone is invited to visit our Facebook page @ VVA1112 to stay up to date on all VVA and AVVA activities.

Associate Vietnam Veterans of America, Royce Davenport Chapter 1112

Meeting is the same time and place as the VVA (see above). Anyone can be a member. There is no requirement to be related to a Veteran in anyway, however Veterans can also join. Please come and join our organization. Royce Davenport Chapter 1112 will again be collecting non-perishable items for the Warren County Emergency Food Bank during the Main Street Live Concert Series on Friday nights starting June 9, 2017 and continuing through the series. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 5064

Our MONTHLY MEETINGS are typically held on the third Thursday of each month at the VFW Post Home (3340 Sparta Highway) at 7:00 pm. Prospective members are encouraged to attend. Call 931-668-8392 for more information. The VFW Auxiliary meets at the same time.

Trump supporters say family separation issue 'blown out of proportion'

DULUTH, MINNESOTA (AP) — Big Lake, Minn., resident Pam Tolve believes President Trump was just doing his job when he decided to separate children from parents who crossed the border illegally.

Billy Inman of Woodstock, Ga., said he felt sorry for the children but their parents were responsible.

Diehard Trump supporters remained steadfast, even as heart-rending photos of children held in pens and audio of terrified children crying out for their parents stoked outrage among Democrats and Republicans alike. They believed Trump and Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen when they falsely claimed they had no choice but to enforce an existing law.

After Trump signed an executive order Wednesday to end forced separations — acknowledging he could act without Congress after all — they shrank.

The end, they suggested, justified the means, and the separations were the fault of Congress and those crossing the border illegally.

"It's been blown out of proportion by

the Democrats and the left," said Tolve, who attended a Trump rally Wednesday in Duluth, Minn. "I think it's being handled appropriately and they are just seeing a different way to put a bad light on the president."

She and Inman, like many Trump supporters, blamed the separations on the border-crossers rather than the president.

"The mamas and daddies are responsible for that," said Inman, a 55-year-old truck driver. "I feel sorry for the kids ... but why can't we protect our borders the way other countries protect theirs?"

John Trandem, 42, who owns an automotive services company near Fargo, N.D., said he has supported all of Trump's decisions during the border controversy.

"Nobody wants to see parents and children separated, but ... the blame should be put squarely back on the shoulders of the people who broke the law in the first place," said Trandem, who was a delegate at the 2016 Republican convention where Trump clinched the nomination for president.

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Officers asked for consent to search a truck in the driveway believed to belong to Elkins. He denied consent.

Officers then found Elkins' cellphone and asked for permission to go through it. Elkins denied consent and told

officers to turn off his phone.

"Officer Bobby Anderson was trying to turn the phone off when a message popped up pertaining to drug sales," said the warrant for Elkins' arrest.

Search warrants were obtained for Elkins' truck and cellphone. A bag was

found in the bed of the pickup that contained a large amount of what is believed to be marijuana. A safe was found inside the truck with approximately \$2,200 in cash.

Elkins was transported to Warren County Jail. He made \$50,000 bond Wednesday and was released.

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