School Ties
This is an amazing film dealing with anti-Semitism in the 1950's. Brendan Fraser delivers a powerful performance as David Greene, who is recruited from a poor town to play football for an elite preparatory school. David at first hides the fact that he is Jewish and fits in well with his new group of friends. When they find out that he is Jewish, each reacts differently. The movie examines different forms of prejudice in the actions of David's friends after their discovery. Overall, the acting is convincing, the story is feasible, and the moral well presented. The film properly balances a humorous and serious side, yielding a final product that is as meaningful as it is enjoyable to watch. Loews Copley Place

Under Siege
Under Siege is poorly written film that relies on violence rather than substance to be entertaining. Steven Segal is Casey Ryback, an ex-Navy SEAL who is masquerading as a cook on the USS Missouri when a gang of hijackers (led by Tommy Lee Jones and Gary Busey) take over the ship. Ryback must single-handedly eliminate all the bad guys and save the day, which turns into Ryback saving the ship and coming up with new and creative ways to eliminate the enemy. The martial arts sequences are impressive and Tommy Lee Jones delivers a powerful performance as the mastermind terrorist, but the bad writing, evidenced in the incredibly weak female role and the lack of any interesting plot twist ruins everything. Loews Fresh Pond

Dracula
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