

# Grammer: From "Cheers" to "Frasier" to "Periscope"

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Every once in awhile filmmakers produce a movie that touches the very hearts of its viewers, leaving them emotionally transformed. "Down Periscope" is not one of these films.

Starring Kelsey Grammer as Captian Tom Dodge, this hilarious hit alludes to no such emotional meaning - it simply provides the audience with two hours' worth of non-stop laughs.

Captian Dodge represents everything a high-ranking officer should not. He has little respect for his superiors, his command strategies are anything but "by the book," and to top things off, he has a tattoo that reads "Welcome aboard" on a certain part of his male anatomy.

Despite Dodge's questionable conduct, he is chosen to command a submarine. He believes he has reached the

pinnacle of his naval career. That is until he sees his ship and its "specialized" crew.

His sub, the U. S. S. Stingray, is a rusty, diesel-powered, World War II relic better suited for a museum than for active duty. Its crew is a mixed batch of untrained, unskilled, "problem" sailors - an embarrassment to the navy.

Rendered incompetent by their superiors, Dodge and his crew are to serve as guinea pigs in an experiemental war game.

Their mission: to "attack" two designated eastern seaports, Charleston and Norfolk, before being "sunk" by the U. S. S. Orlando, a high tech nuclear sub equipped with the latest weapons and surveillance technology.

Dodge is expected to fail. His ship is no match for its nuclear opponent and his crew is anything but prepared.

Instead of giving up, though, Captain Dodge and his silly subordinates attempt to outwit



Periscope: Grammer as Tom Dodge and Lauren Holly as Emily Lake in "Down Periscope."

the Orlando's crew and reach both ports unscathed.

Dodge's extreme methods and questionable decisions prove successful. Through a series of

hilarious mishaps he wins the high-risk game of "cat and mouse" and convinces the Admiral to give him command of a real ship - a nuclear beauty -

provided he gets the same crew. His life long dream finally does come true.

# Aromas is "good for you"

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The coffeehouse, Aromas, at 2174 West 8th Street, is not a large building, so when you first walk in the door you are immediatley treated to the rich smells of the coffees they sell there. Also because of its size, from just about any table within, you get a delicious view of the goodies displayed in the main counter.

If you're not sure what type of coffee you'd like, there are "shots" available for you to sample. If you know what you want, place your order immediately to the barista, and

for a more personal touch, check the small chalkboard behind the counter for a name. While I was there, it stated that running the show were Ike and Tina, but the guys hadn't decided who was who yet. Seriously though, in between questions, listening to cassettes or CD's and my hot chocolate I had a great time talking to Ace and Vince, the baristas for the night. Arriving later was one of the four owners, Marie Driscoll Mead. The other owners are Kearne Mead, Chris Mead, and Harry Miller, who also owns La Bella Bistro.

The house drink is white mocha heat, which is espresso, steamed milk, and Ghiradelli's

white chocolate. There's also the Raja's Cup coffee substitute, which Ace describes as "everything but coffee," the cafe au lait, which is half a cup of steamed milk and half a cup of coffee, and chai, which is an herbal drink of spices and herbs rather than tea. Of course there's the standard selection of espressos, teas, hot chocolate, cappuccino, caffe mocha, juices, fruit drinks, and sodas. Also available are Italian sodas - club soda and flavored syrup, over ice, or with half-and-half for a cream soda. Each of these items range in price from \$.80 (Raja's Cup) to \$3.75 for a large French press-pot (these prices do not include tax). Half or full pound bags of whole bean coffee can also be purchased for enjoyment at home.

If coffee isn't your thing, you might want to consider them for lunch. The menu includes salads, soup, quiches, and sandwiches - either ready made or build-your-own. The soups and salads are also available later in the day. Breakfast is a possibility too, with muffins, bagels, scones, danishes, crossants, or toast ready to order. Or satisfy your sweet tooth with cheesecake, pie, biscotti, a variety of cookies, and, of course, wafer rolls. Another treat of their's includes Coffee Caps, which are caramel wafers put on top of coffee tha melt into a "sweet treat."

To share Aromas' coffee with others, make a customized gift basket, or to enjoy the atmosphere at home, check out the pieces by local artist Don Joint which are available for purchase.

All of the items on the menu are available for carry-out, but trust me and stick around for an experience that is truly "good for you."

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