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Seth Rogen voices the character Frank who has a crush on a Glamour Bun, voiced by Kristen Wiig.

do question their blind faith and make a break for it, including Brenda, Sammy Bagel, Jr. (Edward Norton), Teresa the Taco (Salma Hayek), Lavash the Pita bread (David Krumholtz), Grits (Craig Robinson), Twinkies (Scott Underwood) and fellow sausages Barry (Michael Cera), Carl (Jonah Hill) and Troy (Anders Holm). What ensues is a rollicking, raunchy exploration of religion, sex and political issues from the perspective of these anthropomorphized, foul-mouthed grocery items.

For example, Middle East concerns are reflected in the bitter badinage over aisle space between the bagel and the pita bread, a thinly-veiled reference to Jewish and Palestinian tensions. Race in America is touched upon when Grits complains about "Crackers" in a tirade during which he bellows "They call me Mr. Grits!"

Still, most of this expletive-laced adventure is dedicated to the sort of

sexual innuendo designed to titillate testosterone-sodden males. Frank's explicit flirtations with Brenda are actually matched by lesbian Teresa's equally-tawdry appeals ("I have crotch feeling for you!").

Co-directed by Greg Tiernan and Conrad Vernon, "Sausage Party" is a hard to pigeonhole, adult-oriented cartoon. It's certainly a coarse and crude teensploitation flick which relentlessly earns its R-rating. Most reminiscent of a couple of other equally-outrageous animated adventures, namely "Team America" (2004) and "South Park" (1997), this is a take no prisoners comedy which will undoubtedly resonate with fans of such politically-incorrect shock-fare.

Very Good ★★★

Rated R for ethnic and off-color humor, graphic sexuality, drug abuse and pervasive profanity
Running time: 89 minutes

FILM REVIEW: 'The Fight Within'
a Touching Tale of Redemption

By Kam Williams
For The Skanner News

Logan (John Major Davis) and Mason (Mike H. Taylor) have been doing their best to move on with their lives since the death of their father (Dan Severn) a couple years ago from a heart attack. But that has proved easier said than done, since their dad, Rich "The Destroyer," had been the Mixed Martial Arts Heavyweight Champion. Upon his retirement, Rich had opened a gym which he left in his will to both his sons. However, while Mason had been willing to assume the reins of the business, Logan found himself looking for something more meaningful in life, despite the fact that he'd exhibited promise as an MMA cage fighter.

In fact, he's the only person who'd ever beaten Hayden Dressler (Matt LeDdo), the otherwise undefeated Middleweight Champ. And with Hayden aching to avenge



Mike H. Taylor and John Major Davis play brothers raised in the world of Mixed Martial Arts in 'The Fight Within'

that loss, a decent payday might be in the offing.

Nevertheless, Logan has turned a new leaf, between studying Ethics in college where he's made the acquaintance of Emma (Lelia Symington), a cute, Christian classmate from the other side of the tracks. She proudly wears her faith on her sleeve and talks freely about her calling to mission to orphans in Mozambique.

Between Emma's beguiling beauty and his

curiosity about God, Logan finds himself falling for her hook, line and sinker. Soon, he's ready to leave the rough fight game, the only world he's ever known, behind.

Trouble is there's a big promoter willing to sponsor a rematch with Hayden who has been teasing him about being afraid to enter the ring with him again. Furthermore, Mason has hinted that he sure could use

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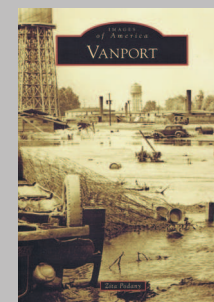
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