Alternative Spring Break makes community service a priority

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

Each year thousands of college students head to Cancun, Florida, and many other places for some sand and sun during their spring breaks. However, every year a select group of Bryant students take it upon themselves to give their time during spring break to help the less fortunate through the Alternative Spring Break program. The students are travelling to Washington D.C. where they will volunteer at three different organizations for the week while staying at the Washington Retreat House.

After going through the application process back in November, fourteen students were selected to attend the trip. The students were asked to describe why they should be chosen and were picked based on who was the most deserving of the opportunity to experience a program like Alternative Spring Break.

After narrowing down the selection to the students that were picked are Elena Barkalova, Kristin Castellano, Tiffany Crapps, Stephanie Del Mistro, Matthew Gallagher, Thomas Lapinski, Ryan Maloney, Mikala Mann, Jenna Morris, Hana Nguyen, Prakti Parikh, Kelly Partridge, Alyssa Ribidous, and Liz Stanley. They will be advised during the trip by Monique Austin, Vincent Campanello, Richard Hurley, and Rob Mannone.

The trip lasts from Sunday to Friday during spring break; three days volunteering, two days for driving, and one day designated for touring D.C. Each year the group volunteers at Food and Friends, Little Sisters of the Poor, and St. Anthony’s Elementary School. At Food and Friends students will prepare and package, and deliver meals and groceries to various organizations for the week.

Students attended the LEARN weekend experience (pictured above) as well as the CHANGE weekend experience to develop their leadership skills in a peer-run setting. (Krystal Ristaino)

Weekend experiences offer ‘life changing’ lessons for 67 students

By Brigit Clarr
Variety Editor

After a week of classes and meetings, over sixty students travelled to the YMCA Camp Woodstock in Woodstock, Conn. to participate in the Linked through Leadership Program weekend retreats on Friday, February 19.

Students took part in two retreats that are included in the Linked through Leadership Program weekend retreats on Friday, February 19. These two retreats are the LEARN Weekend Experience and the CHANGE Weekend Experience.

The LEARN Weekend Experience had 38 student participants. This experience is focused on community service while on the retreat. Students are chosen to participate in this retreat because they are driven, kind, compassionate, and energetic. They were absolutely fantastic,” commented Hurley. “They were chosen based on their experience in the LEARN program. This was an opportunity to experience a program like Alternative Spring Break.

The CHANGE Weekend Experience had thirteen student participants attend. This experience is focused on community and societal goals related to making positive and productive change in your community and societal goals related to making positive and productive change in your personal motivation; and what your strengths and weaknesses are as a leader.”

Marchio commented, “[The LEARN Weekend Experience] is for up and coming leaders in the Bryant community, generally underclassmen. It is a weekend to learn about yourself and what your strengths and weaknesses are as a leader.”

Marchio commented, “There is a lot of reflection at the individual level. It is about learning about your own strengths and challenges, your leadership style, what makes you diverse, what your communication style is, and so forth. It is also about overcoming obstacles.”

The students on LEARN were absolutely fantastic,” commented Hurley. “They were driven, kind, compassionate and energetic. They were dedicated to learning more about what makes them a leader and who they are individually – this was an amazing group of students.”

The CHANGE Weekend Experience had thirteen student participants attend. This experience is focused on community and societal goals related to making positive and productive change in your community and societal goals related to making positive and productive change in your community and society. Students on this retreat discussed topics such as stereotypes, prejudices, inequities, income level issues and discrimination associated with each of these various topics. Students also worked on case studies relating to both their Bryant experience as well as national issues.

Each student also completed four hours of community service while on the experience. [The CHANGE Weekend Experience] is for students with a high level of leadership experience and have made a difference in the Bryant community,” said Marzic. “The retreat focuses on servant leadership and the impact of service in your community.”

The CHANGE retreat was advised by Hurley and run by five members from the 2009 and 2010 Leadership Council. These students are Nicole Arsembault, ‘10, Meghan Aloisio, ‘10, Mikala Mann, ‘11, Bridget McNulty, ‘11, and Anthony Mam, ‘11.

Students that participated in this retreat were invited based on their experience in our program and their completion of the previous two weekend experiences, LEARN and LEAD. These two experiences are also parts of the Linked through Leadership Program.

Hurley commented, “The students on CHANGE absolutely blew me away. Their interest and devotion to openly and respectfully discussing the issues was moving. It was amazing to see Bryant students discussing and becoming passionate about issues that our own

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**Bryant’s first public speaking colloquium coming in March**

By Sara Larabee  
Staff Writer

Calling all undergraduate students! Calling all majors! Have you always wanted the opportunity to showcase your public speaking ability in front of an audience? Do you want to win $100 in cash prizes? Well then you should participate in Bryant University’s First Annual Public Speaking Colloquium! The main event will be held on Monday, March 22nd from 7-9 pm in the Bello Grand Hall and the event is open to the public and the entire Bryant community. So come on down to support the finalists! Light refreshments will be served.

In order to participate, students must fill out a simple application form outlining the type of speech they plan to deliver as well as the topic of that speech if selected for the finals. Application forms can be picked up in the Office of Student Affairs, from any Communication Department faculty, or downloaded from the Communication Department website at http://web.bryant.edu/~comm. Please do not hesitate to email Wendy Samter at wsamter@bryant.edu or Susan Baran (Suite F) or Susan Baran, the program coordinator and advisor to the Toastmasters, at susan.baran@bryant.edu for updates, raffles, and free stuff!

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Bryant Pride is a growing organization on campus. Last year, if you weren’t from off campus and offered membership, with the added benefits of raising awareness to issues affecting the GLBT community, you would be able to attend a traditional music that the group will carry on in years to come. The group welcomes students and supporters alike to its events.

The Rally for Marriage Equality will be held at Rhode Island State House Rotunda in Providence at 4 pm on Wednesday, March 3rd, 2010. Interested in attending the rally but not a member of Bryant Pride? No problem - Bryant Pride welcomes non-members to join them at this fun event! Contact Mackenzie Schooth at mschooth@bryant.edu if you’d like to attend. If you are interested in joining Bryant Pride, the organization welcomes all students, regardless of sexual orientation, to its meetings held on Mondays at 5 pm in Bryant Center Senate Room for more information on MERI, visit http://www.marriageequalityri.org/

Teacher Workshop to feature the music of West Africa

By Ariana Ricci  
Staff writer

For the second year in a row, Bryant University will be hosting a K-12 Teacher Workshop focusing on the integration of arts and culture into the curriculum. It will take place on Saturday, February 27, in 2C of the Bryant Center from 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. A registration fee of $30 covers lunch as well as materials. This year, the workshop will highlight the music of West Africa, which is a popular theme in many music, social studies, and global studies classes. For this reason, the workshop will be open to all educators in Rhode Island, as well as any other state, regardless of what subject they teach. "This is a great way to learn about a particular musical tradition and its connection to the subjects that teachers teach in the class each year," said Joan Zaretti, who teaches introduction to World Music here at Bryant and who will be running the event. The workshop will be both informative and interactive. It will begin with a discussion of the various cultures and musical principles from particular musical styles from these areas. The workshop will also offer various materials and strategies on how to bring music into the classroom.

Bryant Pride to support Rally for Marriage Equality

By Zafira Zainal  
Staff writer

To celebrate the national ‘Freedom to Marry Month’, the Marriage Equality USA chapter in Rhode Island is sponsoring its annual Rally for Marriage Equality at Rhode Island State House Rotunda in Providence, Rhode Island. It also does not stop Bryant Pride from offering their support at the rally as they did in years past. Executive Director of House to be the place to be at on Wednesday, March 3rd, 2010.

“We went last year, and it was really fun and exciting” says Bryant Pride President, Mackenzie Schooth ’12. “There were a lot of good, important speakers, including some Bryant alumni. It was a very positive atmosphere. We did a lot of good and offered our support by bringing banners and wearing our ‘Canes For Pride’ shirts; not to mention that it put out a good name for Bryant and Bryant Pride, but it helped show that people in Rhode Island care about the issue of marriage equality as well. We also filled out short letters to state representatives showing our support.”

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**Reason for going**
I studied abroad because one of my biggest passions is traveling and experiencing different cultures. I used to live in Switzerland and traveled much of Europe, and I went on the Sophomore International Experience to China. The idea of going to a new country, traveling, and living in another culture was something I seemed to good to be true. Australia was a perfect fit for me because it’s an English speaking country, and it’s a part of the world that I may never get the opportunity to travel to again.

**Best experience/memory**
Every day was a memory and an experience, but if I had to pick one, I went on a 5 day trip to the Outback, the most amazing trip I’ve ever been on. We would drive for hours and not see any signs of life. No cell phone or internet reception and all of the luxuries that we’re used to were taken away from us (we didn’t even have a shower for 3 days). We learned to deal without the comforts that we take for granted, making it an amazing and life-changing experience. The scenery was breathtaking, we saw all kinds of wild animals (kangaroos, camels, scorpions, emus), and the night skies and sunsets were indescribable.

**Funny cultural experience**
Again, everyday was a culture experience, but a recurring one was my Nintendo 64.

I brought N64 to Australia, I knew it would be a smash hit, and it turned out to be. I broke it on my first day; forgot that the voltages are different in Australia. I ordered a new one, and everyone got addicted to it. Our apartment became the international hangout place. We had multiple Mario Kart and Super Smash Brothers tournaments between Americans, Canadians, Australians, Europeans, and New Zealanders. I ended up breaking it again and went on an hour train ride just to buy the broken part. That’s how crucial it was to have it, and it was such a great decision.

-How was the school different from Bryant University?
I went to Griffith University in the Gold Coast, the complete opposite of the Bryant workload. So laid back, (as is the Australian culture) I did some work for midterms and finals, but for the most part, school was absolutely no worries mate! It was also a much bigger school, I had Mondays and Fridays off (great for travelling), and they had a bar on campus, which was the best idea ever.

-How did this experience change you?
In more ways that I could have ever thought it would. Among many, I’ve come to appreciate things a lot more, grown and matured as a person, and become more independent. Also, one of the best parts about studying abroad is that now I have friends all over the world. Meeting and being friends with people from everywhere is amazing, you learn so much about other cultures and you have a place to crash in case you need it.

While studying abroad in Australia, Mike Cronin had the opportunity to go on an underwater adventure. While traveling to his or her neck of the woods. If you study abroad, I really encourage you to make friends with people from different parts of the world; it greatly enhances your experience. My friends and I still keep in touch regularly, and a bunch of us are having a reunion this winter break in Colorado for a skiing trip in the Rockies, which is where one of them lives.

-Would you study abroad again?
If it was free, I’d be abroad right now!
IAA and Interfaith Center host inspirational film

By David Nelligan

Bryant’s Interfaith Center along with the Italian American Association is inviting the Bryant community to a viewing of the movie Alla Luce Del Sole, translated Come Into the Light. “The film is based on the true story of Father Giuseppe ‘Pino’ Puglisi, a Roman Catholic priest in the Brancaccio District of Palermo, who was murdered on his birthday September 15, 1993 for his effort to keep children of his district out of the clutches of the ruling Mafia. Father Puglisi rallied his parish by asking, ‘And what if somebody did something?’”

The movie is about standing up to evil. The story is very inspiring, encouraging and gives hope.” The viewing of Alla Luce Del Sole is in connection with the Interfaith Center’s new film series which started this past fall. Previous showings include Wall Street, Defiance, and It’s a Wonderful Life. The movies are shown in an effort by the Interfaith Center to stimulate discussion around religious or ethical themes. The center also offers a speaker series, “Five Faith Perspectives on Building a Peaceable World.” The series involves Bryant faculty, students, and outside speakers to allow people on campus to better learn and understand different religions around the world. Mr. Nesbitt thinks this is especially important for a business school like Bryant as so many students will be dealing with different world cultures and religions during their careers.

Alla Luce Del Sole will be shown on Sunday, February 28th in the Interfaith Center. The movie runs about an hour and half, presented in Italian with English subtitles, followed by a discussion of the political, religious, and socio-cultural issues raised by the incident. Discussion will be led by Lecturer in Italian Elisabetta Mousacca, Father Joseph Pescatello, Gaetana Albanese, and Cinthia Fruci.

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The Student Entrepreneur: Asking for help

When I was launching Eddie’s Energy Bars in high school, I had no idea what I was doing. I had an energy bar that was literally hand-wrapped in saran wrap with an address label on the front of it—talk about homemade. We met with local natural foods retailers to see what they thought about our product. They loved it and were quick to talk numbers about how much they would sell my product to them for and what profits they would make on each unit. Yep, no idea, so I asked for some help. I asked my Dad to help me calculate product cost and my high school business teacher to work out the margins. Little did I know that I was completely ignoring my direct labor cost (thank you, ACG 204). Anyway, this got me thinking. I was completely ignoring my direct labor cost. I had no idea what I was doing, just ask for help—it’s that simple. Here are three reasons why you should ask for help as a college entrepreneur:

1. Other entrepreneurs have tons of knowledge. This is crucial to know. You might think that just because they are the owner and founder of their own thriving enterprise that they have no time sit down with you or reply to an e-mail looking for assistance however, they were once in your shoes, struggling to keep their own businesses afloat. What more would they want than to pass on their triumphs, failures and tid-bits of advice to you?

2. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. I’m sure you’ve heard this if you have been pushed to start your own company. After all, it rings true for anything else, especially asking for help. It’s kind of like how men can never guess, and it only makes sense to pass my knowledge on to other aspiring entrepreneurs.

3. You should never stop learning. From professors at Bryant to random customers in one of our retail locations, I am always learning about new products, new strategies and other ways to pursue success. It’s similar to reading a book. You learn, reflect on the experience, and then take action to readjust your life. I had that occur with me in a number of recent reads. Talking to people and getting to know their background and who they know is a great way to build larger networking circles that increases your chances of finding the right person who can help you through the hurdles of running a business.

I have also found that, after running three companies, I have a lot of real-world, down in the trenches experience, so small business owners and entrepreneurs have been approaching me for assistance in launching a food product, boosting their brand identity and learning how they can better market their company on the internet. It’s quite flattering, but I was there at one time asking everyone if they knew anything about growing a food business, and I found the right people to help me grow my business—acting somewhat as a virtual advisory board. It’s good karma, I guess, and it only makes sense to pass my knowledge on to other aspiring entrepreneurs.

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Want to talk business? Comment at BryantArchway.com
Alaska Selects... Gogo

By Keith Murray

Faculty Columnist

With a lot of whoop-la, Unlever’s Dove division recently launched a line of skin care products for men, called Dove For Men. Let’s get one thing straight right from the start: I have no predisposition that Dove’s new line of skin care products for men necessarily fail—but I have a feeling deep down that it will fail short of marketplace success. I’ve been paying attention to the media, and the men around me—and I’ve been talking to myself about this— and I have a strong sense that it’s a noble, well-intentioned effort, but they continue to hold that Row 44 provides a better service, and they will be able to control the branding of the service, unlike Gogo customers. We’ll just have to see who ends up being right here.

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Dove’s ready for men. Are men ready for Dove?

By Keith Murray

Faculty Columnist

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business

Personal Budgeting? There are lots of apps for that...

By Luke Bornheimer

Contributing Writer

Earlier today, I received an email from a friend trying to find an app that would allow us to keep track of our personal expenses and budget. She’s not alone either... with over 50,000 apps in the App Store, many people are left wondering what apps are available and which ones are actually useful. In this article, I will try to answer some of these questions and help you figure out which apps are worth the money.

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Clutch free throws give Bryant first win

Raphael Jordan hit game winning free throws for the Bulldogs first win this season.

(Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

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Finally, in the men's 4x400 meter relay, the outstanding team of Dilbele, Joe Pugliarino (West Springfield, Mass.), O'Connor and Engel crossed the line in 3:23.62 to finish an excellent third overall and just a shade behind overall winner LIU which won the event in 3:21.72. The placing gave the Bulldogs six points.

Men's track places ninth at NEC's

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LIU's Amire Solomon was the overall winner in the triple jump at 46-8. With the individual events complete, the Bulldog relay squads took to the track and brought home some big points.

New Hartford, Conn.; John Mitton (North Reading, Mass.), and Ryan Bushy (Derry, N.H.) took home sixth-place overall in a time of 10:31.43 to give the Bulldogs three more points.

Finally, in the men's 4x400 meter relay, the outstanding team of Dilbele, Joe Pugliarino (West Springfield, Mass.), O'Connor and Engel crossed the line in 3:23.62 to finish an excellent third overall and just a shade behind overall winner LIU which won the event in 3:21.72. The placing gave the Bulldogs six points.
Bryant gets first win in home opener

Sophomore Max Weisenberg (5) cradles the ball down field as Junior, Matt Larson looks on. (Bryant Athletics)

Sophomore Max Weisenberg (Long Beach, N.Y.) scored a trio of goals, including a score just 12 seconds in, and added an assist to lead the Bryant University men’s lacrosse team to a 7-4 win over Vermont in the 2010 home opener Saturday afternoon at the Bryant Turf Complex.

The Bulldogs (1-1) led the whole way through the contest and opened up a 5-0 lead on the visiting Catamounts (0-1) five minutes into the third quarter. But Vermont wasn’t going to leave empty-handed, staging a two-goal spurt in a span of just over five minutes to enter the final frame trailing the home side, 5-2.

With their momentum swinging toward the visiting bench, the Bulldogs got aggressive midway through the fourth, notching back-to-back goals in less than a minute, the first coming from the combination of Travis Harrington (Vestal, N.Y.) and rookie Ben Sternberg (North Kingstown, R.I.), who earned the assist. It marked the third tally of the young season for which the duos has connected.

“It was a routine play by the two of them,” said fourth-year head coach Mike Pressler. “Ben made a smart play, gave him a good pass.”

Weisenberg scored his third and final - as well as the team’s final - goal seconds later in unassisted fashion to put the Bulldogs up, 7-2, in Bryant’s favor with 6:48 left to play.

“There’s no secret here that Max Weisenberg is one of our lead midfielders and has been since he got here,” said Pressler. “His three goals were a huge boost for us. Especially that first one, getting us on the board in the first 15 seconds.”

And while the Catamounts would put up two more scores - both coming with under two minutes to play and the second coming with just seconds remaining - it would be too little too late for Vermont, as the Bulldogs took their first win of the young season, 7-4.

“Overall, it was a very, very impressive day defensively for us, once again,” Pressler said. “Led by Matt Murnane with 11 ground balls, our team defense made it easy for nosso Love to make some saves, and Jameson came up big on some others that he needed to. It was a nice win for us overall, to get our first win in 2010 over a good team at home.”

Bryant’s hot start was inspired by the quick play of Weisenberg, who got the home side on the board just 12 seconds into Saturday’s contest, picking up a ground ball after an Andrew Hennessy (Wading River, N.Y.) pass and taking it straight to goal, putting the ball past Vermont goalie Alex Flavner. Hennessy, impressive again from the face-off circle, would go 10-for-12 on the day.

Junior Matt Larson (Cheshire, Conn.) would double the Bulldogs’ lead with 8:34 to go in the first session, picking up a ground ball on a great feed from Weisenberg and a man-in-motion face-off win from Gary Crowley (Schuylerville, N.Y.) - the only tally of the second period - before Larson fed a 3-0 cushion heading into the halftime break.

Out of the intermission, Bryant got the scoring going once more, with junior John Truscillo (Holbrook, N.Y.) taking a two-meter shot past Peter McMahon (Wilton, Conn.) and Matt Love to put the Bulldogs’ advantage to 4-0. McMahon picked up his third assist of the game.

Weisenberg followed with the second of his three unassisted tallies to get the home team out front, 5-0, with 10:27 to go in the session.

“Very disappointed we couldn’t put that game away,” said Pressler. “We let them hang around a little bit, but we’ll take it. A win’s a win. But the one thing we have to improve on is our scoring.”

Just 11 goals in two games isn’t where we want to be offensively and that has to change.”

On the day, the Bulldogs outshot the Catamounts, 36-27, including 10-3 in the first quarter, and picked up 35 ground balls to Vermont’s 27.

Senior defender Matt Murnane (Rockville Centre, N.Y.) paced the count with 12. Larson added 11 ground balls to Vermont’s 27. Larson took a game-high nine ground balls and game-best six caused turnovers on the day.

Sophomore, Max Weisenberg (#5) cradles the ball down field as Junior, Matt Larson looks on. (Bryant Athletics)
By Brendan Heller

Staff Writer

Until last Thursday, the Bryant University Men’s Basketball Team was the last NCAA Division I program without a win. If you’re not first you’re last, the expression goes. That makes them the worst team in the country, at least. The team is made up of a bunch of guys that no one is going to listen to, and doing what they do. No, not losing is not the only thing they do -- some of the Bryant basketball players are the best at what they do in unique statistical categories.

For example, senior Chris Birrell is the red head from Rhode Island in all of Division I. He may not have the future in the NBA as the next Brian Scalabrine or the current Scotty McKnight, but he is one of the best redheads to walk the courts on Douglas Pike. Now that is something.

Papa Lo, the fan-favorite 23-year-old red-shirt sophmore from Senegal, is the fourth leading shot-blocker in the East Conference. He is also the best player in the country. He is the best player in the country. He is the best player in the country.

And because of that he is the best Jordan in the history of basketball. The three Jordans seem to be the best player in the country each season.

NCAA Division I. He may not do in unique statistical categories.

The best worst team in the country

Bryant: The best worst team in the country

By Brendan Heller

Staff Writer

Keeping the style alive.

Adam Parzych is the best, and quite possibly the only, player in the country to play at two schools under four coaches in the last two seasons. The slasher from Long Island has had quite the ride, and while he might be the most-coached player in the country, unfortunately for him none of his coaches has won coach of the year.

Raphael Jordan is the best Jordan in college basketball, at least compared to the two sons of Michael Jordan. Raphael, the freshman point guard from Maryland, is averaging close to 7 points a game, while Michael Jordan’s sons Jeff and Marcus, who play at Illinois and Central Florida respectively, are only averaging 2 and 6 points respectively. Although none of the three Jordans seem to be following in the footsteps of MJ, Raphael is the closest. And because of that he is the best Jordan in college basketball.

Sophomore Sam Leclerc, the Maine high school player of the year in 2008, is the best player in the country to get to play a full season. While Leclerc played in 27 of the 29 games last year as a freshman, this year he has only checked in 14 of the 27 games. Maybe there is a correlation; you want to win, put Sam in.

Michael Chroney is the best walk-on in the nation, at least the best walk-on I have ever seen. He leads the team in rebounds, and recorded a double double in the first game he ever started. Can someone get this kid a scholarship?

Don Smith is the most in- viting player (during warm-ups) in the country. What other schools have a 235-pound two-time all-New England Team defensive line- man that is forced to chest-bump the starters during introductions? While he has yet to see major time on the court, the senior is the best at what he does, throwing mean looks at the opponents from the bench all game long.

Who do you think is the best kid in the country? The best at what he does? And I don’t think they are the worst. And I don’t think they are the worst?

This is just a situation with a group of people giving all their everything, not having enough to give. This will all be over next year, when Bryant’s leading scorer Cecil Gresham returns from an injury for his final season, and heralded Frankie Dobie makes his debut as a Bulldog.

You can quote me on this in the 2007-2008 season, personally I don’t think they are the worst. And I don’t think they are the worst.

As for losing, personally I don’t think they are the worst. And I don’t think they are the worst.

And I don’t think they are the worst.

But for this year, it doesn’t matter; if you are not first you are last.

Coach’s Corner

The Archway

Coach Tim’s Weekly Workout:

Day #1

Stability Ball Wall Squats: 3 Sets of 10

Stability Ball Lying Dumbbell Press: 3 sets of 8

Stability Ball Seated Dumbbell Press: 3 Sets of 8

Body Master Chest: 4 Sets of 6

Lat- Pull down: 3 Sets of 8

Body Master Triceps Extensions: 3 Sets of 8

Body Master Bicep Curls: 3 Sets of 8

Stability Ball Seated Crunches: 2 Sets of 30

Day #2

Body Weight Lunges/Slide Lunges: 3 sets of 10

Bag Squats: 3 Sets of 10

Body Weight Leg Press Machine: 4 sets of 8 (Increase weight with each set)

Bench Press: 5 Sets of 6

(Incress weight)

Stability Ball Leg Extensions/Leg Curls: 4 Sets of 8 (Increase weight)

Stability Ball Calf Blaster: 4

Sets of 10

Stability Ball Leg Extensions: 4 sets of 10

Medicine Ball Twists: 4 Sets of 8

Sets of 10

Chin-up or pull-ups: 2 sets of as many as possible

Lifting barbell press: 3 Sets of 7

Body Master Shoulder Press: 4 Sets of 6

Body Weight Dips: 3 sets of as many as possible

Sets of 10

Lat:Pull下来的3Sets

Alternating Arms Triceps Extensions: 4 Sets of 10

Abdominals: Stability Ball Leg Extensions: 4 sets of 10

Stability Ball: j-Tucks: 3 sets of 8

inches

Smaller fists

Thanks to Tim Brien for his help in completing this workout.

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Bryant On Tap

Saturday, February 27th

Men’s and Women’s Tennis, HOME vs. Sacred Heart, TBA

Men’s and Women’s Lacrosse, at Fairfield, 12:00 pm

Women’s Basketball, HOME vs. Long Island, 1:00 pm

Baseball, vs. Houston Baptist (at Nicholls State), 2:00 pm

Men’s Basketball, HOME vs. Long Island, 3:30 pm

Sunday, February 28th:

Baseball, at Nicholls State, 11:00 am

Wednesday, March 3rd:

Women’s Lacrosse, at Siena, 3:00 pm

Sports

Top 10 Reasons...

• Not a fair weather fan

With all the new additions to the team, improvements are bound to follow at some point. Nobody likes a fair weather fan so why not hop on the bandwagon now?

9. Best team in the tri-state area

The New Jersey Nets are 5-5 this season. The Knicks are 19- 35. At least we’ve got that going for us.

8. NBA Championship

The Knicks have been to the NBA finals eight times in their history - only three other teams have been to the finals more times. In 1999, the Knicks became the first 8th playoff seed to ever reach the finals. History is bound to repeat itself sometime.

7. Stephon Marbury and Isiah Thomas are gone

During 2008, the Knicks finally saw an end to the spectacle that was the Stephon Marbury and Isiah Thomas era. In 2003-2004, the pair’s first year with the team, the Knicks qualified for the playoffs but were swept in the first round.

Right now, the Knicks are only eight games out of the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

5. David Lee

Playing in the 2010 NBA All-Star Game, Lee was the first Knick to do so since 2001. On the season, Lee is averaging 20.3 points and 11.4 rebounds per game.

4. Sergio Rodriguez

With Coach Mike D’Antoni publically voicing concerns over point guard, Chris Duhon’s play recently, Rodriguez joins the team looking to earn the starting role. Rodriguez came off the bench, in his first game as a Knick, and scored 5 points to go along with 6 assists, 3 rebounds, and a steal.

3. Eddie House

Another new member of the team, many think his Knick ca- reer will be short lived. Regardless, House came off the bench in his Knick debut and knocked down 4 three’s on his way to 24 points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists, and one steal. Even if it's just for the remainder of the season, if House can stay consistent he will give the Knicks fans something to cheer about.

2. Tracy McGrady

Just last week, the Knicks acquired the seventh time All-Star. In his Knick debut, T-Mac played thirty-two minutes and scored 28 points, had four rebounds, five assists, and one steal. Yes he is returning from knee surgery but he's only 30 years old and he was in the classic 2002 movie, Like Mike.

1. July 1, 2010

The date a certain #23s contract expires and he enters into free agency. Meet the newest Knick, LeBron James!
The crazy professor

By Drew Green

Opinion Editor

The Conservative Political Action Conference – CPAC – was last week, so like last year, this is my return to their keynote speaker. Last year it was Mount Rushmore (Bush LImbaugh) and this year it is the one I refer to as the Crazy Professor – I am of course referring to Glenn Beck.

I call him the Crazy Professor solely because he walks around lecturing his views and writing on a chalkboard with what I assume to be a belief that it identifies him as someone of knowledge. Not an intellectual. Oh no! I doubt he is a liberal connotation. Though either may be a stretch.

Through all of his speech Mr. Beck made some valid points about both parties and about some generalities of our country and its deficiencies in government. I commend him for some of his work on capitalism and on some social issues regarding how we deal with competition. However, through some of his truths, he is still exposing ideas which, for all intents and purposes, are the definition of insanity.

It is said, famously, that in sanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result. In that vein there is a lot of insanity in our country. From our banking system to attempts at bipartisanship, insanity seems to reign. For Mr. Beck, insanity befalls him in his apocalyptic view of the country as a whole. As he himself states, he has “for four years now been ringing the bell. Economic holocaust, an economic day of reckoning is coming.” I have a question of how much longer he will portray this notion. We are obviously in a time where our economy is not as strong as it was once, that is for sure. But is it sane to have been claiming this potential economic disaster for four years and to continue to claim this? I doubt so.

If there is one thing that inspires more than anything, in any country, in any time in history, it is fear. No driver is scared because he drives; no driver makes individuals realize their vulnerability then the potential for something negative to befall them. Granted, this is just my own opinion on that matter and is subject to as much scrutiny as Mr. Beck’s economic views.

However, Mr. Beck’s economic views do create fear. Everyone is fearful of not having money and being broke. That is one reason I believe fear drives actions. People say money is the great motivator, but in the end it is not the fear of not having enough money that motivates you? Maybe it is, maybe it is not. Regardless, you can only stay fearful so many times before people stop believing you.

Generally you would think that four years peddling economic fear is enough to have people stop listening. Then again he has only been on Fox News for about a year and a half now, so his primary audience is still getting to know him and believe him. So how long will it be before Mr. Beck starts to change his narrative on the economy? More importantly, if he does not change his narrative, then how long will people believe him if things start to get better?

It is the people that listen and believe this and other narratives. Mr. Beck is the leader. Sorry Palmites, and Gingriches, but Mr. Beck is more in line with this movement than anyone else.

Mr. Beck is the leader because in a time where people want something different than business as usual, he provides that fear. The Olympic games are celebration of the human spirit and promote a diverse planet on display, newly free countries represents the manmade dangers to mankind, has spires people more than anything.

They are a great reminder that despite the problems of the day, we could be, and often were during the past century, much worse off.

The Vancouver Winter Olympics, offering a brief but important reprieve to the tension of the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles. Many diverse games in China show a far more unified globe. Even the Doomsday Clock, which symbolically represents the mammal dangers to mankind, has moved backward this year.

Mr. Beck will continue his progressive attempts to change society. And I know he hates progressivism and thinks it’s awful and the bane of society. However, the thing Mr. Beck always forgets is that any movement of change is progressive. So for future reference I would like to send a memo to all conservatives and Mr. Beck in particular:

If you wish to espouse change from the way our society is today, either through the change of government, social values, morality, economic practices, or any other issue pertaining to life in this country, realize that change in all its forms is progressive.

Even under the guise of the name conservatism, change is progressive. And like everything in life, progressivism is relative in terms of what the goals may be, but in the end the definition of progressivism is the advocacy of change.

So either feed your own advice and do not be progressive and do not espouse change, or identify yourself as being hypocritical to the values to which you claim to hold as a “conservative.”

The crazy professor

February 26, 2010

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By Kaleigh Durkin
PR Manager

Never in my life have I started a relationship from a friendship. All throughout high school I had dated guys that I had recently met or had been introduced to through another friend. It was like that for me for as long as I can remember, even into college. As I mentioned in our first article, though, I have started a new relationship. This relationship started with us being friends and only dating out of convenience. At first, I was hesitant to begin a relationship with my boyfriend, because like him, I wasn’t sure that I could separate our relationship in order to begin a relationship. I have to admit, that in the beginning of my relationship, it was a bit odd, and I kept laughing and joking with him, asking him if he thought it odd that we were actually dating. As hard as it may be for you to see, sometimes relationships that are built off of friendships are the best kind. My boyfriend and I started dating three years ago as we were both starting and finishing college, we now have changed (I won’t go into detail about what those are, but I’m sure you can use your imagination). We have a very open and loving relationship, because we know everything there is to know about each other, which stems from being friends. We know our secrets, there are no skeletons in our closets, and we’ve both helped each other through some pretty rough times. Another perk to dating one of my friends, is that there is no awkward tension when I bring him around my group of friends. Now we obviously do have our own group of friends, but we have some of the best times when our two social circles come together. It’s great to not have to worry about who we’re going to be spending our Saturday night with, or who is upset that we’re not spending enough time with them, because we’re all together all the time. There is no awkward first meet, there is no getting to know someone, or difficulty fitting into an already established group. Though I can’t speak for everyone, I can honestly say that dating one of my best friends has been one of the best decisions I’ve ever made, and I can’t imagine making a hasty judgment because I was nervous to separate the two relationships.

I can easily see how a relationship might not work out for people, but make sure you have that conversation before-hand. Be open with each other and make it known that you’re going to try to make it work, but that if it doesn’t, you won’t hold it against each other or hold on to your friendship. My boyfriend is one of my best friends, and there’s nothing that brings us closer than our ability to lean on each other and help each other when we need it the most. Obviously all Dave and I want is for you guys to do what you feel comfortable doing, but some of the best advice I’ve ever been given, is to take a chance, because you never know how perfect something might turn out to be!

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

As Kaleigh and I try to help students here on campus with their dating issues I would like to set this disclaimer: I am not a relationship expert, but I do have my opinions and as people who know me well will tell you, I am going to say my opinion whether you want to hear it or not so take what I say how you will and hopefully you might be able to learn something away from what I have to say. Now do you want to know why this week’s issue: to start a relationship with. Should it be someone you have hooked up with before? Someone completely new? Or someone you are friends with and then let it develop into something more? So many choices, but it is hard to tell which one is going to yield the best relationship. Through a couple of Seinfeld references, which is where I receive all of my life lessons, I am going to go tell you which one NOT to choose. I believe that dating your friends can only cause problems, and it is much better to date outside your immediate social circle. The first Seinfeld reference refers to the classic case of world colliding. The basic concept is that you keep your girlfriend/boyfriend separate from your friends. This allows you two different “worlds” in which to live. The first world is your friends, or the independent self. Now it sounds awful to say you need an escape from your significant other, but let’s face it, everyone does. This world is where you can do whatever you want without being judged, looked down upon, and completely free. The second “world” is your relationship here. Where is the world is your friends, or the independent self. The point is worlds collide because you can’t have two intersect-worlds, or if you will, they will essentially blow up in your face. Or as George Costanza put it, “A George divided against itself cannot stand.” Meaning that when the two worlds come together your friends will be judgment you for the way you act in front of your gf/bf and your other self will be judging you for the way you act in front of your friends. You must keep the two worlds apart in order to live in peace. The second world and the first world deals with the situation between Jerry and Elaine when they attempted to bring their friends to dating. As Seinfeld fans know this was very wrong and almost ripped the group apart. This brings up so many questions and starts to get very complicated. You have to set rules and guidelines, it changes the whole dynamic of the group of friends in which you belong, and then if the two of you break-up it will ultimately ruin the friendship that had existed between each other.

Many people claim they have gone from friends to dating and then back to friends, but let’s be honest, is the friendship the same as it was before you started dating? I highly doubt it. So please, learn from the great people of Seinfeld, Jerry, George, Elaine, and Kramer, and leave friends as friends, without, whatsoever beingändetoutside of our “independent worlds”.

Do you have a question about relationships, sex, or dating in general? We want to hear from you! Send The Archway your questions and check back each week to see Dave and Kaleigh battle it out over your question! E-mail Archway@bryant.edu

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Opinion

Proft & Loss

Former Obserations. Equally as Funny.
Compiled by Bryant Students

Clever Signs

The sign at the entrance to the gym that is pushing getting in shape for spring break usually makes everyone feel flow out of shape. They may have been cleverly been changed from saying “Break” to “Break”. A nice little homage to our future spring weekend band, Third Eye Blind (3EB)

Not So Clever Signs

The signs at South have a few corny sayings for each category of food. Some of them are really dated too. Did I see a Kelly Kapoor reference? No. But that Sassy the Bell was not a great show, but it is a little out of date.

The Seas Are Rising

After the onslaught of rain this week it became pretty apparent that the people who originally laid the bricks on this campus did if without the help of a. Now we need to wash through water hazards past our ankles at times.

E-mail Profit and Losses to agreen1@bryant.edu.

Bryant Said What?

“‘That’s me! I was a grunter!”’

“I don’t want my junk packaged for resale.”

“... and then I started drinking.”

Person 1: “Shutter Island was such a confusing movie. It made you think that you thought that what you were thinking was what he thought was happening.”

Person 2: “I think I want to hit you.”

“I thought he was a great speaker, but if he was sweating he was uncomfortable. If he wasn’t sweating I was uncomfortable.”

“There was a time over winter break when I was debating dumping her for her brother.”

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Good Friday

The Archway will not be printed on Good Friday.
A former professor of mine said that sex is perfectly natural but not perfectly natural. That’s a bit of a funny question to swallow but it may be the most difficult for you as college students. Your sexual expectations are shaped by a variety of factors that previous generations never faced. The media and the internet typically depict sex as spectacular—a daunting standard. Yet sex is dangerous, too, with risks ranging from rape to AIDS. And, of course, all of the pressure for success, it was your parent’s generation that launched the sexual revolution. Yes we were the generation that was so awesome? Is it your couch jumping on sex a much less taboo subject. Whatever sex is perfectly natural or not, many college students have made choices to engage in sexual activity of some sort. Other students have made decisions to abstain from sex until they are either married or in committed relationships. The data on college students’ sexual practices reports that over 90% of college students have engaged in some form of sexual activity by the time of graduation.

For me, this statistic reinforces the notion that on a college campus, there needs to be many opportunities for students to talk openly about sexual decision making, what it means to be in love, how to recognize healthy relationships, and how to keep one self safe from HIV/AIDS and unplanned pregnancies.

Many of you have arrived at Bryant having had sexual experiences ranging from abstinence to intercourse and a variety of activities in-between. Although many adults may think that the sexual revolution is over, it is not so clear to you or your friends. In talking with my FFL students last year, they told me that people here are definitely engaging in sex and that often they’ve observed their friends and participated themselves in some risky sexual behaviors—including sex under the influence of alcohol and forcing or coercing a partner.

Research actually shows that today’s college students are engaging in the same sexual behaviors that students engaged in during the 1970s. The most frequently asked questions that I receive are still about virgins, pregnancy, disease, non-consensual sexual encounters, sexual orientation, and sexual functioning. Sex is still the number one issue students enjoy talking about. And the bottom line is that, should you choose to be sexually active, you must protect yourself and love carefully.

Estimates are that from 1 to 300 in 1 to 500 college students in the US is HIV positive. Over 20% of college students have had a sexually transmitted infection (STI). And these can be prevented. Research also shows that one quarter of college students will graduate with an STI. I’m sure you’d prefer to NOT be an STI statistic.

If you are deciding to be sexually active, protect your self and your partner. Use condoms. They do work. Plan ahead for the possibility that sex may happen and carry condoms with you. And that goes for women as well as men. If you aren’t sexually active, don’t be afraid to share your views about abstinence with others. We must respect each person’s right to decide if and when they are ready to be sexually active.

The importance of sexual communication cannot be stressed enough. The biggest sex organ is the brain, so it needs to be used when being intimate with someone. Talking about sex with a partner doesn’t have to be a clinical discussion nor does it require a legal document of informed consent. It just needs to happen, somehow, somehow in the words that work for you. Healthy sexual attitudes are declining toward traditional male/female sex roles, and working towards a “sex positive” society will hopefully all contribute to responsible sexual behavior on and off campus.

Speaking of being sex-positive: Come support your fellow students in Eve Ensler’s The Vagina Monologues which will be presented on Thursday night at 9 pm in South, on March 4th. This is a major Bryant happening!

You know what really grinds my gears...

I struggled to find something that really pissed me off the night before this little blip was due which is actually pretty surprising, but my immediate yell about celebrities and then it hit me. I hate celebrity gossip, and I could go so far to say that I hate celebrities.

What kind of society are we in where normal human beings can be portrayed as holier than thou? I mean, Tom Cruise, what makes you so awesome? Is it your couch jumping on Oprah, your crazy religion, or your dashing good looks that land you multi-million dollar movie roles? And Suri Cruise? Really? What kind of name is that? At least it’s bexgidzfifler than good looks that land you multi-million dollar you so awesome? Is it your couch jumping on sex a much less taboo subject. Whatever sex is perfectly natural or not, many college students have made choices to engage in sexual activity of some sort. Other students have made decisions to abstain from sex until they are either married or in committed relationships. The data on college students’ sexual practices reports that over 90% of college students have engaged in some form of sexual activity by the time of graduation.

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Many of you have arrived at Bryant having had sexual experiences ranging from abstinence to intercourse and a variety of activities in-between. Although many adults may think that the sexual revolution is over, it is not so clear to you or your friends. In talking with my FFL students last year, they told me that people here are definitely engaging in sex and that often they’ve observed their friends and participated themselves in some risky sexual behaviors—including sex under the influence of alcohol and forcing or coercing a partner.

Research actually shows that today’s college students are engaging in the same sexual behaviors that students engaged in during the 1970s. The most frequently asked questions that I receive are still about virgins, pregnancy, disease, non-consensual sexual encounters, sexual orientation, and sexual functioning. Sex is still the number one issue students enjoy talking about. And the bottom line is that, should you choose to be sexually active, you must protect yourself and love carefully.

Estimates are that from 1 to 300 in 1 to 500 college students in the US is HIV positive. Over 20% of college students have had a sexually transmitted infection (STI). And these can be prevented. Research also shows that one quarter of college students will graduate with an STI. I’m sure you’d prefer to NOT be an STI statistic.

If you are deciding to be sexually active, protect your self and your partner. Use condoms. They do work. Plan ahead for the possibility that sex may happen and carry condoms with you. And that goes for women as well as men. If you aren’t sexually active, don’t be afraid to share your views about abstinence with others. We must respect each person’s right to decide if and when they are ready to be sexually active.

The importance of sexual communication cannot be stressed enough. The biggest sex organ is the brain, so it needs to be used when being intimate with someone. Talking about sex with a partner doesn’t have to be a clinical discussion nor does it require a legal document of informed consent. It just needs to happen, somehow, somehow in the words that work for you. Healthy sexual attitudes are declining toward traditional male/female sex roles, and working towards a “sex positive” society will hopefully all contribute to responsible sexual behavior on and off campus.

Speaking of being sex-positive: Come support your fellow students in Eve Ensler’s The Vagina Monologues which will be presented on Thursday night at 9 pm in South, on March 4th. This is a major Bryant happening!

By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

Valentine’s Day 2010 is behind us. For some that’s good news. And now Bryant has just finished participating in National Condom Awareness week.

The members of the Al- liance for Women’s Awareness did a great job last week raising awareness about the importance of protecting yourself if you choose to be sexually active.

I always think it’s good to use this particular event as a chance to talk about the need to “love” carefully. Obviously this is different for all of us but for the purposes of this column, I want to talk about when “love” includes sex.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing to inform the readers about a recent experience I had with the RIPTA. As a senior at Bryant, I have found that I stay on campus or simply go to one of the typical off campus establishments like the majority of the Bryant population. This past Friday a couple friends and I wanted to try out RIPTA, as we were excited about this new service that we are paying for. We got dressed and promptly arrived at 8:05 PM for a departure at 8:30 as we thought. As we walked out of the wellness center the bus started moving, so we all yelled and cursed at it, before the bus had even hit the first speed bump, we were literally in front of it. The driver looked at us, shook his head and continued to drive. We continued to run up until the beginning of the Bella Center parking lot, where we gave up. Although for any onlookers this sounds like a very funny story, we were very close to losing both of our lives. We were very close to having a legal document of informed consent. It just needs to happen, somehow, somehow in the words that work for you. Healthy sexual attitudes are declining toward traditional male/female sex roles, and working towards a “sex positive” society will hopefully all contribute to responsible sexual behavior on and off campus.

Sincerely,
Matt St. Peter

The Archway Top Ten: Things Tiger Woods wanted to say

10. Insert hole in one joke here...
9. I only regret being caught...
8. No one has ever had a problem with me working on my game before...
7. Every other time I went out of bounds I was able to save par...
6. Tiger is now looking for cougars...
5. I was the closest woman could get to playing the Masters
4. I wanted to be on Dr. Drew’s reality T.V. show for celebrity rehab...
3. I was working on my follow through...
2. I was trying to beat Jack Nicklaus’ record. Wait, that was majors? I thought it was women...
1. Before I go. Does anyone know the spread on tonight’s women’s basketball game?

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

Tiger Woods (MCT Campus)
1955, he formed a group called the Five Chimes with four of his friends. The group later added more members and renamed itself the Matadors. The Matadors soon began to play venues around Detroit with Robinson as the lead singer. Robinson finished high school and made plans to attend college. A month before he was to leave for school, he met songwriter Berry Gordy. Robinson subsequently left college to dedicate himself to his music career with the guidance of Gordy.

His repertoire spans almost five decades and he is never at a loss for material. While some performers struggle to rekindle their past successes, Robinson has no such challenge. Robinson’s long and distinguished career is a continuation of melodic entertainment few artists can claim.

His almost two-hour show, with no opening act, was flawless. He did not have any gaps in the polished show. He sang from his heart and danced with joyful exuberance. Robinson gracefully knelt down at the edge of the stage and greeted the throngs of fans who reached to shake his hand at the end of the show. He took time to meet his many fans which is very unusual for a live concert, especially a performer as famous as Robinson.

His music appeals to multiple generations of music lovers. Whether a person is young or old, they will no doubt enjoy Robinson’s timeless music. He is a talented singer, songwriter, and entertainer. His unique voice will captivate audiences from the beginning of his show until the very last note is played.

The epitome of a smooth and soulful singer, Robinson is an amazing talent. His repertoire spans almost five decades and he is never at a loss for material.
‘Cop Out’ joins the line-up of buddy cop movies

By John Anderson
MCT Campus

Distilled to its manly essence, the cop-buddy movie is a la “Cop Out,” which opens Friday is about opposites not attracting: Two characters, most always male, approach each other warily from different racial, ethnic, political, temperamental, psychological and criminal backgrounds. They don’t get along. They can’t get along. And then, of course, they fall in love.

No? Didn’t Danny Glover and Mel Gibson have mancurses in “Lethal Weapon”? Didn’t Dan Aykroyd secretly pine for Tom Hanks in “Dragnet”? Didn’t Taingo Love Cash? Same-sex marriage may not do well at the ballot box, but it’s dynamite at the box office. The latest suspect in the police lineup, “Cop Out,” is a big movie. Everything about it is Big. Or used to be: Just last week, its director, the countercultural Kevin Smith (“Clerks,” “Zack and Miri Make a Porno”) was booted off a Southwest Airlines flight for behavior allegedly resembling that of his movie stars Bruce Willis and Tracy Morgan, the latter known for “Saturday Night Live” and “30 Rock”; the former for having done “The Last Boy Scout.” Willis is actually coming back for seconds. But so do many Hollywood pictures to the point that the cop-buddy formula might be considered representative only of what makes mainstream movies work at all: Conflict.

Where the cop-buddy movie does push things forward is in matters of race. Few genres have been so regularly, insistently diverse about pairing black and white—Glover-Gibson; Murphy-Nolte (“48 Hrs.”); Willis-Damon Wayans (“The Last Boy Scout”); Smith-Tommy Lee Jones (“Men in Black” I and II); Jamie Foxx-Colin Farrell (“Miami Vice”); Wesley Snipes-Woody Harrelson (“Money Train”); Smith-Kevin Kline (“Wild Wild West”) and even Gregory Hines and Billy Crystal (“Running Scared”). White-on-white has been done, of course, from the seminal 1974 “Freebie and the Bean” (with James Caan and Alan Arkin) through the 2007 British comedy “Hot Fuzz” (with Simon Pegg and Nick Frost). But the examples of Caucasian cop comedies—Harrison Ford and Josh Hartnett in “Hollywood Homicide,” Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson in “Starsky and Hutch”—sort of, uh, pale in comparison, to either the black-on-black pairings (“Bad Boys” I and II) or, given the resilience of the “Rush Hour” franchise, the Chinese/African-American combo platter. Mixed-race cop teams are a safe way of pursuing diversity (and a larger audience) because race is seldom the core issue of dispute between the principals. Their friction is usually more about lifestyle Glover’s grounded family man vs. Gibson’s suicidal lunatic; Murphy’s street-wise Axel Foley vs. Judge Reinhold and John Ashton’s by-the-books cop; Smith-Kline (“Wild Wild West”)—sometimes the partners seem like different species. Sometimes they are (Hanks and the dog in “Turner & Hooch”).

“Malcolm & Marie” isn’t just about love. For all the vulgarity, violence and imminent disaster of the cop-buddy movie, it’s not dangerous that it’s being peddled. Quite the contrary: Formulas get repeated because they work, and anyone who’s chomping at the bit to see “Cop Out” will be expecting— and wanting— tried and true.

Besides, the cop-buddy movie is such an entrenched part of our moviegrowing culture that any tampering with its tropes and conventions would probably be considered a Class A movie felony.

The sentence: back-to-back showings of “National Security” (Martin Lawrence and Steve Zahn), “Double Team” (van Damme and Wesley Snipes) and the 1970s-era NLA star Dennis Hopper’s “Theodore Rex” (Whoopi Goldberg and a talking dinosaur)
Students Speak Out

“What’s the most embarrassing that’s ever happened to you?”

“I passed out watching a horror movie while I was on a date and got taken away on a stretcher.”
- Aaron Fortin ’11

“One time in fourth grade my dress got stuck in my tights and no one told me my underwear was showing.”
- Britney Slater ’10

“When I was little I was pushing friends on a tire swing after it rained when someone pushed me in a puddle, covering my hair in muddy leafy water.”
- Jessica McGee ’10

“Ok so I was in fifth grade and I tried to say the octopus had tentacles but accidentally said testicles and couldn’t figure out what everyone was laughing about.”
- Tyler Allan ’11

“Well we almost drowned in the ocean once in front of hundreds of people in Cancun.”
- Laura Deblock ’12

- Jamie Manisealco ’12