

The Crave - "Don't just stuff your turkey this Thanksgiving"

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Experimenting in the bedroom may either be extremely exciting and adventurous or completely disastrous and horrifying. Using obscure objects such as whipped toppings or a blindfold seem to be the most common experimentations. There's just something about covering yourself in a sweet treat for your partner to lick off that gets people going. (side note: I've heard whipped cream bikinis are a little bit more difficult to apply than Hollywood makes it seem. Try lay-

ing down to put it on and take advantage of gravity). More than likely, a person will give into a new experience with someone they trust and know better than just the small talk they engaged in over a couple of victorious games of beer pong.

But what happens when your partner brings out the gag balls, whips and vibrators? Now you're on a whole new playing field. Personally, the thought of gag balls completely turns me off, but there are some people into that kind of shit. I did a little digging on adamandeve.com and I found a variety of fun

new play toys, although, to be honest, some of them looked pretty damn intimidating. For example, this particular site offers vibrators ranging from .5" to 12" in length and <1" to 4"+ in width. Functions varied as well, selling anything from anal stimulators to wireless remote. The fun isn't over yet, though. Consumers even have the opportunity to pick the material of the toy. A few options are latex, nylon, realistic and glass. Yes, that's right, I said glass. You know, that stuff that shatters into tons of little pointy pieces when broken. Why you would stick a glass object into any opening in your body is beyond me.

Adamandeve.com products reach much farther on the crazy scale than vibrators, though. The Ultra Fantasy

Duffle Bag is an all-inclusive bag for a sex-filled night. Its contents include a vibrating sex ball, a paddle, nipple clamps, bondage tape, hot wax candles, wrist and ankle cuffs and so much more. All this can be yours for the low price of \$199.99. Ladies, if you're looking for some action but don't want human interaction, Adam and Eve have you covered. The Virtual Sex Cock and Ass is just a tabletop mold of a man's waist to thigh area. I hope money isn't an object, because this little sucker sells at \$299.95. For you gentlemen, the Bree Olson Doggie-Style Pussy and Ass can be yours for \$345.95. After throwing down that much cash, I hope you two spend many heart-felt nights together.

So when is it okay to drag

out the box of toys from the back of the closet? If you're in a relationship, I say bring it out whenever you need a little spice in your sex life. There's nothing wrong with spontaneous play, as toys and the like are one way to keep things unpredictable and to renew the romance. If you're not in a relationship, however, take caution before throwing something like a sex sling at your partner. For those of you riding solo, I'd suggest only one thing: DO NOT play with yourself with your roommate in the room. There is nothing more disturbing than listening to someone else go to their happy place. Other than that, have at it.

So, fellow students, I'll leave you with a few parting words of wisdom. If you're going to experiment with

objects in the bedroom, do it with someone you trust. If the situation ends up in disaster, it could lead to a pretty awkward moment of eye contact on campus. With new partners, keep your pocket pussies/penises concealed. And most importantly, always be sure to clean your sex toys after playing with them. After all, no one wants to play with used toys.

- Torie



Torie's favorite Text from Last Night:

(814): In the middle of fucking me, she said: "Hold on, I need my Hulk Hands."

Get involved

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"24 on our feet, we won't sit 'til cancer's beat!" If any one was wondering, we just passed the 100 day hurdle, and the countdown is on for Penn State's THON.

With 24 for a Cure occurring just recently, it was slightly disappointing to see the number of people who participated and stopped by to support all the dancers. This was my first opportunity to partake in the event and every single moment of it was worthwhile. I was able to give back to the community, raise money for a really important cause, and make some new friends in the process. So why weren't there more people involved?

For those who don't know, THON is Penn State's baby. It is the largest student run philanthropy project in the world, and was started by Penn State students in 1973. THON is a 16-hour dance marathon at University Park, and all the proceeds benefit The Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Children's Hospital in Hershey, PA to aid in the fight against pediatric

cancer.

Every Penn State campus does a little something to contribute to THON. Behrend has 24 for a Cure. Out of 1,300 students who attend Penn State Behrend, only about 10 participated. As students of Penn State, it is our job to support this campus wide event, our fellow students, and of course, all the children who benefit from this amazing charity. THON is such a rewarding event and more students should definitely be more active in its efforts.

In the U.S., cancer is the number one disease that results in death based on age. However, 1/3 of the cancers can be cured. This philanthropy proves the dedication of our school to make a difference in the world and change this statistic, one dance step at a time. We are Penn State, and we can make a difference.

Since the days until THON at University Park are slowly waning, I challenge the Behrend community to stay on their feet 'til pediatric cancer is beat.

Be thankful

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As Thanksgiving approaches, we can use the holiday as an opportunity to be thankful for many things, food, family, shelter, and the other items that make our lives meaningful.

One thing we seem to take for granted is our health. When we're healthy, we never seem to be thankful for health. When we have a cold or flu, we take a "woe

is me" attitude when people, such as those we help during THON, are going through much worse.

This Thanksgiving, I'll be thankful for my health and be thankful for the opportunity to improve the health of others through THON. Because of THON, we are able to truly make a difference in the lives of many cancer patients. Though not perfect, THON helps raise money while students have a fun time. You certainly can't beat that



Validating THON

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As a writer, I appreciate the articulation of thoughts and ideas through all forms of written expression, and as an opinion columnist, I especially appreciate the writing of those willing to publicly share their feelings and opinions with society.

However, I recently became aware of a November 3rd letter to the editor in the Erie Times News that really disappointed me. "Good Intentions, Dangerous Idea," written by a resident of McKean, explained the "hazard" that Penn State Behrend THON students create "not only for themselves but the drivers as well" during our canning weekend fundraisers.

While the writer briefly touches on our "good intentions," she doesn't seem to truly understand or appreciate what we do. She failed to mention that THON, the largest student-run philanthropy in the world, has raised over \$69 million for children and families fighting the battle of pediatric cancer. She also didn't mention that our large group of college students gave up their entire weekend to benefit these struggling families in need of our financial and emotional support, while many others opted to spend their weekend sleeping in and binge drinking.

What I found to be most frustrating about this letter to the editor is that the Penn State students whom she apparently witnessed "weaving in and out of traffic" were not even our own Behrend students, but were University Park students.

The writer did not think to enquire with our program here at Behrend first to express her concerns, instead,

she publicly called out Penn State Behrend without the facts, stating that she finds it hard to believe that our college has "such little regard for the safety of its students that it would encourage this type of fundraiser."

This is my fourth year involved in the Penn State Dance MarATHON, and I find it incredible that thousands of college students across Penn State completely dedicate themselves to this cause each year. The generosity and kindness that I have seen through my involvement with this organization has truly inspired me to become a better person.

I spent the first weekend in November with the Behrend THON committee at our local dance marathon, 24 for a Cure, which benefits our overall Penn State wide cause. For 24 hours, we did not sit or sleep in honor of the struggle of these children, and it proved to be one of the most physically and mentally difficult things I have ever done; however, I couldn't think of a better way to spend my weekend. The dedication and love of the students that participated in this marathon with me made me really proud to be a Penn State student.

While I appreciate the concern that the writer of "Good Intentions, Dangerous Idea" expressed in her letter, I do not appreciate that such little regard was given to the great things that each student involved in this philanthropy accomplishes throughout the year. Complaining about an act of volunteerism by college students in the local newspaper seems a bit ridiculous when there are more important things going on in society.

Behrend vs. University Park: To stay or to go?

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The decision so many Behrend students are contemplating at this point in the school year is an imminent one: should I stay or should I go?

This question is as cut and dry as a cold piece of beef jerky for some people, while for others, it is a long and complicated question that can only be answered through intense research and guidance from advisors and parents.

Here I am to offer you some compelling advice from someone who has seen

both sides of the argument; someone who has seriously thought about transferring to both University Park and other colleges, and who has talked to a variety of students who both love and hate the Penn State University Park appeal.

The first bit of advice for anyone on the fence between University Park and Behrend would be to stay at Behrend. Many students, especially Behrend students for some odd, particular reason, get lost in the giant fish tank of main campus. The one-on-one, small classroom appeal of a smaller college is very

real. Classes (again, from what I have heard from transfer students) become more difficult at University Park, simply because of the multitude of people attending the university.

It also depends on your major. Any business major contemplating transferring should immediately stop thinking and keep their belongings in their apartment.

According to the U.S. News & World Report, the Smeal College of Business in State College is ranked second in the state, and Penn State Behrend's Black School of Business is ranked third in

the state. It can be assumed that a business student from Behrend is just as equipped, if not better equipped for the business world, because of the more interactive, personal aspect of Behrend, especially compared to that of a Penn State's Smeal College of Business.

The true numbers from the Bursar Office change slightly on a year to year basis, but the general ratio as to who stays and who transfers turns out to be around 80:20. From what I have found out by visiting University Park on a number of occasions, most students regret transferring.

There are always a few stories of people transferring back to Behrend every year from University Park for various reasons, and there always will be. Those who were forced to transfer often said they wish they could have finished their collegiate years at Behrend.

One last interesting trend I have noticed from my travels to State College is that a lot of students originally from Behrend continue to hang out and stick together with each other after transferring. The reasoning behind this is somewhat expected, but rumors spark up from time to time about students from Univer-

sity Park not being welcoming to transfer students. This would certainly explain why Behrend students tend to stay clumped together post-transfer.

In the end, this is the decision of each individual student. If it is your dream to attend Penn State University, then by all means transfer and don't look back. But for those of you under constant worry about the situation, take into consideration some of the arguments brought up in this article and make sure your decision is made with 100 percent confidence before it is too late to turn back.