

# Get up and move yo' tailfeather!

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As a transfer student in my first semester at Brevard, I almost feel as though I am lacking the credentials to write an opinion piece relating to the institution. However, in the short time that I have been here, I have noticed a serious lack of involvement amongst the student body.

Coming from a school where it seemed as if everyone were involved with everything, I have been quite disgruntled with the attitudes of some across campus. Rarely a day goes by that I do not hear about how small the Brevard community is or how there is nothing to do around here. By the same token, rarely a day goes by that I do not receive an email about some club or organization meeting later that day.

Brevard offers tons of diverse clubs and organizations that are sure to appeal to anyone. Athletic organizations from intramurals to Fencing Club, academic organizations from Geology to Psychology, religious organizations like FCA and the Wesley Foundation, and outdoor organizations like the Outing Club and Paddling Club.

options are endless, but if you feel your schedule may not allow for full-time participation in a club or organization, might I suggest you take a few moments to just step outside, breathe in the fresh mountain air, and appreciate your beautiful surroundings.

## Got an opinion?

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Dear Editor,

The motto of our institution, *Cognosce Ut Prosis*, "Learn in order to serve" came to my mind when I saw the first edition of the Clarion this semester.

This motto promotes higher ideals. It promotes giving of yourself to make the world a better place when we leave this institution. It promotes looking at the world around you in a fashion in which the needs of others come before oneself. With the war, famine, poverty, and other forms of strife infecting our world, we are supposed to be learning to take a higher route and to strive to aid others and thus so endeavor to heal our world.

On this higher route we must not let personal gain, selfishness, bigotry, or any numbers of other human weaknesses topple us from this path. We must not let them drive us from the ideals which are supposed to be instilled within us through this institution and through this motto.

That, along with the theme of our Institution, Global Citizenship, tries to get us to look at the world outside of ourselves. To become better Global Citizens we must look upon others with respect both at home and abroad. We must find tolerance for other races, creeds and cultures.

With this as the goal for this institution, do you truly believe that the inclusion of a "Freshman Hottie of the Week" column tries to live up to those standards? Does this column aid us in striving to better humans, better citizens, and better members of the global community? Does this column belong in our campus paper? Do we need to take two steps forward and many steps back with regards to becoming better global citizens and fulfilling our Colleges motto? I think not.

With the more important issues that we

as a campus can focus on together, this sort of chauvinistic degeneration is completely uncalled for. We must work to bring our community together, for together we can accomplish much more then we can when separated, which is what this column does. Brevard College does not need such a column for either sex.

This does not belong in our paper or on our campus. Let us follow our College's motto and the current theme of our institution. Let us learn to be better Global Citizens and learn to serve others, instead of degrading others and lessening ourselves.

Sincerely,

Jason Martin

## Eye of the Beholder

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Days after the incident, broadcast news is covering Britney Spears' opening ceremony from the MTV whatever awards. Supposedly this was to be her grand entrance back into the limelight after the paparazzi jounaled every detail of her divorce, pregnancy and rehab.

Someone must have been excited about this return to stardom, otherwise she would not have opened the ceremony.

What the news was covering had nothing to do with her performance, but rather her appearance. As a pop star in todays music scene, it's not so much about the music anymore. Looks are everything and sex sells.

I'm sure someone at MTV lost their job this week after they decided that a young woman that recently had two kids would look sexy. I'm also sure no one could even name what song she played.

There is no way to please everyone. Todays market consists of expectations and everyone's expectations vary. If a girl is proud enough to flaunt herself to the public, then she's better off than most. The best we can do is admire that fact, or at least take it all in with a sense of humor.

