

'Kung Pow: Enter the Fist' bad cow, udder ow!

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"Kung Pow: Enter the Fist," Fox's next big flop, hit theaters Jan. 25. Its 105 minutes combine high doses of silliness with the classic paper-thin plot that has grown to define the kung fu genre.

In a recent deluge of spoofs and spin-offs, comedy has hit a brick wall of unoriginality. After the days of Mel Brooks, the Wayans brothers have recently dominated the spoof scene with a string of "Scary Movies" whose repetitive jokes have spawned a legion of tastelessly crude humor fanatics. Even spoofs are being spoofed, e.g. "Not Another Teen Movie."

"Kung Pow" however is a spoof of a different caliber. The concept is apparently a take on a '70s film called "Savage Killers," which to my dismay was unavailable at all movie rental joints. (If you know where to find it, contact The Print for a handsome reward. Mwa ha ha!) Without having seen it though, all I have to go on is the vast amount of cheesy kung fu

flicks that have somehow found their way into my psyche. The creators of the film have basically taken out the main character from an actual kung fu film and added their own "Chosen One." They have also taken the liberty to dub (hilariously poorly) their own dialogue over the voices of the original actors.

We find our hero at the beginning of his life in a simple cottage somewhere in what we can assume is China. The evil Master Pain, aka Betty, catches wind of his birth and goes to investigate. After the disposal of his family at the hands of Betty, the Chosen One takes to the wild, where he is raised by various jungle rodents.

Upon his maturity, the Chosen One sets out to fulfill his destiny by destroying the evil Master Betty. He is, however, assailed at every step, and I do mean every step, by minions of Betty.

Tiring of his life on the road, he seeks refuge in an abbey devoted to odd behaviors loosely associated with martial arts. The abbot, a chronically ill man, allows him to



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enter the abbey, where the Chosen One is to continue his training in order to confront the evil Master.

Insert romantic subplot here.

After discovering Betty's weak point, the Chosen One confronts him in a final showdown. The end.

"Kung Pow" is a silly silly silly film. Although usually I hold myself to a higher standard of film-viewing, I must admit that I quite literally could not stop the laughter from bubbling out of my mouth from the opening credits 'til they hauled my maniacally

laughing carcass out of the movie theater on a stretcher.

I did get in for free though, a fact I'm still laughing about, but I would not recommend spending the \$5 on this or any movie, excluding "The Lord of the Rings."

Horoscopes

by Maggie Jirasek

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): You are having a hard time sitting still. Something is on your mind. Let it out and tell your co-workers how you really feel. Make sure that your heater is not turned up to 95 degrees or you will be very hot at night. Your magic spot of the week: the hallway.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20): You will get the great chance to expand your horizon if you let things unfold as they may. Trust in your inner voice although it might lead you to strange places. Be careful not to fall asleep on the couch or you will find your back hurting very much. Your magic spot of the week: the jacuzzi.

Aries (March 21 - April 19): You are acting very childish this week. If you must go gaga over a situation, then at least try to be polite. A strange encounter will bring you a lot of money. Your plants need to be watered more often. Your magic spot of the week: the greenhouse.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): You need to express your feelings. If you don't tell others what's bothering you, then they will continue bugging you. Practice your communication skills. Your forks might disappear in a mysterious manner. Your magic spot of the week: the gas station.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21): In order to be more productive and be a team player, you need to be more like a piece of tofu. You need to learn to absorb the colors, flavors, shapes and attitudes of those around you. Don't put ice cream in the fridge. It belongs in the freezer. Your magic spot of the week: The health food section.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): You know you need to make an important decision. Ask your inner self what it is that you really want. There is a little monkey inside you and there is a King Kong and they are more than willing to work together. Your magic spot of the week: the zoo.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22): Miracles don't happen around here. If you want something to get done, then you must take care of it. Don't forget that nobody is perfect. A friend will give you a nice gift. Don't perm your hair too many times, it might fall out. Your magic spot of the week: the little corner in your living room.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Someone is trying to steal your ideas. Don't let that happen. Your ideas belong to you unless you sell them for a lot of money. An ugly creature might crawl in your bed and scare you. Have insect spray with you all the time. Your magic spot of the week: the sauna.

Libra (Sept. 21 - Oct. 23): You can't smile on the outside and frown on the inside at the same time. You need to make up your mind. A friend wants to spend more time with you. Your couch is getting old, and people don't find it comfortable anymore. Your magic spot of the week: the organic food store.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21): Life just doesn't get any easier but do not despair. You can do it. Ignore your roommates if they are

the source of annoyance. They don't mean evil. Do not leave your iron plugged in while you are gone or the carpet might burn and turn all green. In that case, do not paint it with a brush. Your magic spot of the week: home sweet home.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You are looking for answers. But maybe you just keep on searching in the wrong spots. The answers are there, you just need to

look closer. Not everything can be flushed down the toilet. Remember that for the future. Your magic spot of the week: the bed.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You are trying to rid yourself of an old habit. It will be worth it. Do not forget to call your mom once in a while. It is impossible to be at five different places at the same time. Very important: do not procrastinate. Your magic spot of the week: the closet.

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