Larcenies of Many Vehicles on
Campus have Students Concerned

**by Russ Doubleday ’11**

**NEWS WRITER**

Last week, Campus Safety responded to three thefts from cars parked on various lots on the south side of campus. These events occurred on Wednesday, October 22 and Thursday, October 23. The first two larcenies took place in the Root Extension parking lot, and the third incident took place in the upper Milbank lot.

Francis Manfredo, director of campus safety, noted that the thieves were only stealing from certain cars. “The perpetrator(s) have been targeting GPS navigation systems and other electronic equipment,” explained Manfredo. “[They] seem to be keying in on vehicles that have the suction cup mounts left in place on the windshield hoping to find the electronic equipment somewhere in the vehicle.”

Campus Safety could not reveal any leads on the case to The Spectator for confidentiality reasons. However, Campus Safety is not pursuing these incidents on its own. The office is working with the Kirkland Police Department to help find the thief (or thieves, potentially). Officials do not know if the perpetrator(s) are students or community residents.

It is not uncommon to find GPS navigation systems in students’ cars, especially considering the majority of students did not grow up near the college. These devices need to be placed in a secure location or the windows need to be large enough to block the signal. The GPS signal is made through a satellite system and is unbreakable. Background checks for these employees will be done to try to prevent this from happening again.

**Break-ins and thefts of GPS systems from cars have worried students.**

Weather Holds for Fall Fest in Downtown Clinton Last Weekend

**by Meredith Kennedy ’09**

**NEWS WRITER**

Last Sunday’s crisp fall weather made for another successful Fall Fest on the Clinton Village Green. Both Hamilton students and Clinton residents took advantage of the beautiful weather and enjoyed a variety of activities and entertainment before the first snowfall later in the week.

The seventh annual Fall Fest, organized by the Social Traditions Committee, included engaging activities like pumpkin carving, beanbag toss and face painting, which were sponsored by various Greek societies and campus groups. Entertainment included a live performance in the gazebo by the Hamilton College Buffers, who serenaded the crowd with popular favorites like “Signed, Sealed, Delivered” and “Cecilia.” The Hamilton Juggling Club and Capoerica also performed.

Amid all the excitement and fun games was also a heated tent filled with fall favorites like apple cider, chili and chowder, catered by Bon Appetit. The Clinton Cider Mill also generously provided an ample supply of their infamous donuts for visitors to munch on.

“We had another very successful Fall Fest,” Social Traditions Committee Chair Allison Gaston-Enholm ’09 said. “All of the details fell into place so smoothly this year and I couldn’t have been more pleased.”

Not only did Fall Fest provide an afternoon of fun for families and a way for students to avoid homework for the upcoming week, it also continued to build the communication and involvement between the college and the community. Without the cooperation of community members, especially Ferris Buetts, vice president of Clinton Chamber of Commerce, the event would not have been possible.

Gaston-Enholm is grateful for the dedication and involvement of so many people. “I was thrilled with the involvement of most societies in running booths for kids. People kept their commitments and arrived on time to set up,” she commented. In addition, two new societies set up booths for the kids, providing additional support for the event.

As far as leadership for next year, Gaston-Enholm is confident that her co-chairs, Amy Goldstein ’11 and Caitlyn Gaston-Enholm ’11, will carry on the tradition in her absence. Hopefully, the weather will continue to cooperate too!

**Fall Fest, established in order to foster better town-gown relations.**

Election Debate Raises Awareness

**by Daniel Steinman ’12**

**NEWS WRITER**

The College Democrats and College Republicans held a debate on some of the critical national issues voters are considering this election in the Chapel Wednesday evening. Over the course of an hour, the conversation moved from national security to economic policy, and finally Supreme Court judicial policy, spending about 20 minutes on each subject. Each side was given about two minutes to respond to each question, with one minute dedicated to followup from the opposing side.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Government Morgan Marietta moderated the debate, using previously agreed upon topic questions to start the conversation and mostly unscripted questions for followup, as well as taking questions from the audience of about 25. “I thought it was exceptionally well argued all around,” Marietta commented. “Both sides presented the arguments more clearly than the Presidential candidates [have in the televised debates]. Probably because they answered the questions.”

Representing the Democrats was Rachel Horowitz ’09, Will Leubsdorf ’10, Liz Farrington ’10, Tim Minella ’09, and Thomas Cheeseman ’12 argued on the Republican side. Generally, neither side strayed too far from the party line in their responses.

Prominent in the discussion was how to address the mortgage crisis, which Democrats blamed on the Bush administration’s lack of economic regulation. Republican Tim Minella claimed, “the economy has emerged as the most salient issue in this campaign.” He clarified the Republican position: “We oppose large tax increases in the middle of economic troubles. Hiking taxes right now would retard the economy from recovering from this recession.”

Both sides presented why the Presidential candidate for their respective party had the strongest anti-terror strategy as well as the strongest platform for foreign policy, focusing predominantly on Iraq, Afghanistan, and Iran.

Horowitz, the president of the College Democrats, said, “For me, the most important issue discussed was Iran and the US policy in terms of Iran. The approach that is taken toward Iran is indicative of not only what is going to happen in Iran but...”

*Note: The quote above is not provided in the document.*
Hamilton Families Flock to the Hill

by Rebekah Minter '09

Each year Family Weekend comes to the Hill, bringing with it many enthusiastic parents curious about what exactly their tuition is paying for, and kids dying to get taken out to dinner in place of the usual Commons fare. However, this is only a small part of the Family Weekend experience. This year, Family Weekend will run from October 30 to November 2.

“[Family weekend] provides an opportunity for parents, siblings, grandparents, etc. to get a taste of the rich life at Hamilton,” said Pauline Caputi, coordinator of Alumni Relations. Caputi is also the primary coordinator of Family Weekend activities. “The creative work of the faculty and students themselves speak to this most effectively. This year there will be numerous performing arts, team sports, summer student research reports and social occasions.”

The many time-honored traditions being run this year include Family Colleges (a series of academic presentations by Hamilton students and faculty), beer and wine tasting in the pub, the Adirondack Adventure 2008 slideshow, concerts by the College Choir and College Hill Pub, the Adirondack Adventure, the Hamilton Student Association elections. These sessions, entitled “The Senior Job Search” and “The Competitive Edge,” are intended to teach students and parents how to find and make the best of post-Hamilton opportunities.

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by Kara Labs ’09

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either on the dashboard or on the inside windshield so the driver or a passenger can easily access it when on the road. As a consequence, anyone can look through the windshield and see the exposed navigation system. Even if students put the device away after each drive, a suction cup on the windshield or a mounting device on the dashboard would give away their presence inside the car.

For students with cars and GPS navigation systems, Manfredo offered this advice to avoid being potentially targeted: “Students should make every attempt to keep their electronic equipment out of sight within their vehicles with no evidence that such equipment exist within the vehicle,” said Manfredo. “I suggest students keep their electronic equipment secured inside their locked residence or office at (315) 859-4141.

The coveted trophy for the winner of the Chicken Wing Eating Contest. However, the brothers soon realized that this “joke” was both a fitting and feasible way to memorialize him and enlisted the help of HAVOC to make it a charity event. “He loved wings and he loved soccer. Combining both into a charitable event just made sense,” says Stuart Lombardi ’09, friend of Andrew and fellow TKE brother. “It’s a good way for us, as his friends, to remember him and also contribute to a legacy he would believe in.”

There was some question about whether or not organizers would decide to incorporate Kat Eckman ’09, who passed away two weeks ago, into the event.

While there was discussion about attaching her name to the contest, event organizers decided that it would be much more respectful to her memory to avoid adding her name to an event that began as a way to carry on a legacy specific to Sheridan and his interests. Dean of Students Nancy Thompson agreed, saying, “I’m sure that in the coming weeks and months Kat’s friends and this community will find ways to honor her memory, in addition to the scholarship fund that her family has already established.”

Last year, about sixty people competed in the contest and many more attended to watch and cheer on friends. Brian Mizoguchi ’11, HAVOC director and TKE brother, predicts another successful event on November 5. He says, “I think plenty of people, especially the members of the class of 2009, are looking forward to this event and to the chance to remember [Andrew] in a manner befitting his life and the example he provided by having a great time and doing some good for those in our community who truly need it.”

Clinton Arts and Crafts Festival

Saturday, November 1, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday, November 2, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
At Clinton Senior High School

The Second Annual Andrew Sheridan Memorial Wing Eating Contest Takes Place on Wednesday

by Julia Mulcrone ’11

On November 5, members of the Hamilton Community will have a chance to prove their competitive-eating skills in the second annual Andrew Sheridan Chicken Wing Eating Contest. The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) and HAVOC will host the contest in memory of Andrew Sheridan, a member of the class of 2009 and TKE brother who passed away two years ago.

At the event, to be held in the Tollas Pavilion, people who pay five dollars can compete in a two-round chicken wing eating contest. In the first round, participants have seven minutes to eat 20 chicken wings. Those who successfully complete this first round will go onto the second round in which they will have five minutes to eat as many chicken wings as possible. The person who eats the most wings in this time period is declared winner and receives a trophy commemorating his or her victory.

Last year, Marco Allodi ’08 won the trophy. He ate over 40 wings in the 13 minutes that comprised the two rounds. The event will also feature a raffle with gift baskets and gift certificates from local businesses. Last year, the proceeds from both the raffle and the participation fees generated around $1,200, which was donated to the Utica branch of the American Youth Soccer Organization, an organization with which Andrew was involved as a first-year and sophomore.

This year, the proceeds will be donated to help expand operations in the Underground Café, a youth center in Utica which attracts many Hamilton student volunteers. The idea to hold a chicken wing eating contest in memory of Sheridan began as a half-hearted joke by a TKE brother.

jon stewart update

Students can pick up guest passes at the Bristol Center front desk Monday, 11/3 through Friday, 11/7 from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

The Hill Card will admit the holder only and must be shown at the entrance to the event.

Doors for the Hamilton Community will open at 4:30 p.m., and all students, employees and guests will be seated by 6:30 p.m.

Students, faculty and staff will be ushered from the Emerson Lobby, through the Sage Rink and into the Field House.
Bottom of the Bag - Trick or Trash?

by Lauren Magaziner '12

Even Halloween-themed pencils like these bring disappointment to many eager trick-or-treaters.

A Fresh Perspective on the Amethyst Initiative

by Max Carrier '10

In July 2008 President Stew art signed the Amethyst Initiative (AI). Of course, the AI does not ex- plicitly endorse changing the legal drinking age but, rather, calls for a debate. As perhaps the Initiative’s first manifestation on campus, the Spectator’s recent column on the AI raised numerous questions for students and opponents. The debate over the proposed debate suggests we are not capable of productively handling this discussion. Moving for- ward, we must recognize that one fundamental failure of the public discourse is an inability or unwillingness to challenge assumptions; another is a lack of honesty.

Al signatory David Joyce at Ripton College argues, “It is hridic- ously that we can send young men and women to war, but they can’t legally drink a beer.” Maybe. But if Mr. Joyce is so concerned about age continuity, perhaps the appropriate measure is not to lower the drinking age to 18 but increase the military enlistment age to 21. Besides, the discipline and attitude of a soldier is fundamentally the opposite of a drunken college student; indeed, one basic rule of basic training is the strict prohibition of alcohol. The non-military demographic age 18-21 is demonstrably not sufficiently mature for alcohol. Nevertheless, many repeat the statement as a rail- ing slogan for their cause, not be- cause it actually makes any sense.

If, granted, the age 21 limit is “not working,” per- haps the solution is not to decrease the age to 18 but increase the age to, say, 25, so that all college students are prohibited from drinking. If the age were lowered, the alcohol culture the AI seeks to curb would be legalized and thereby exacerbated. So, if the Initiative is named for the Amethyst stone that the Greeks and Romans believed prevented intoxica- tion, perhaps prohibition should be an acceptable op- tion. After all, studies show that national prohibition of the 1920s failed because it was fundamentally flawed policy because of inade- quate enforcement and a fundamental failure to revolutionize a culture away from alcohol. Indeed, I firmly believe the primary problem, by far, is failed enforcement. Students who staff sign-in tables at parties do not verify ID—check the sign-in sheet at any party to find Harry Potter, Britney Spears, and Batman have all signed in—and students authorized to serve alcohol at those parties routinely serve to anybody, with or without ID. At least anecdotally, Campus Safety officers spend much more time writing parking tickets than enforcing state law on alcohol. And, RXs, an exceptional staff to be sure, routinely turn a blind eye to dorm parties other than to encourage re- ducing the stereo volume. Perhaps proper enforcement would prove the current age limit is actually tenable.

On enforcement, it seems, President Stewart’s signature sug- gests she has given up. It seems nei- ther she, nor most other College ad- ministrators, want to be responsible for enforcing an unpopular policy. This suggests to me that, because the situation is difficult, we might as well give up and allow everybody do whatever they please, so long as it’s not any of the College’s responsibil- ity anymore. We all seem to have forgotten that JFK demanded in 1962 that we send a man to the moon and do other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard.” We alive to- day are apparently the ones who choose to give up and allow intoxication, deregula- tion, and general entropy. In a recent Spectator col- umn, one student apparently wants to give up, “If we have blantly ignored the legal drinking age, who is to say we will not ignore whatever laws come from [AJIT]?” I per- ceive the statement to suggest that if some students do not comply with the current law, perhaps no student should comply with any law. To be sure, many do believe that whole volumes of criminal law books are offensive restrictions on personal liberties. And that is true; in fact, that is the point. Your right to free speech does not permit you to yell fire in a crowded theater or disseminate clas- sified information; your right to self- defense does not permit you to carry an assault weapon; your freedom to drive a vehicle does not permit you to exceed the speed limit; and your freedom of expression does not permit you to hire a man to break through your front door. We are a consumer culture that markets and buys everything, even drink- ing water, and has consumed itself into an obesity epidemic, massive debt, and intoxication. (Regarding Europe, though, the legislature in Great Britain is now actually de- bating increasing their drinking age from 18 to 21, suggesting the Euro- pean model is not even working for Europe.) Appreciate Class of 2011 Representative Jeff Escalante’s hon- ory in telling The Spectator that at American schools, “It is true that the culture around drinking is that you drink to get trashed, not just have a good time wrapping the granola flakes” was thinking? 1. Condoms All I can say is: what the hell? Was the crazy person giving out con- doms on Halloween only giving them to teenagers or to everyone? What would a 7-year-old do with a condom? As for giving condoms to teenagers, I am not quite sure wheth- er this is a trick or a treat…

INSIGHTS & IDEAS
An Open Letter to Ann Coulter

Dear Ann,

As a small liberal arts school that has recently stayed relatively out of the national spotlight, we were very surprised to see that the College had been referenced on uexpress.com by none other than yourself! Clearly, we thought, our Google Alert is broken. What other explanation would there be for an (in)famous author, commentator, and agitator remarking on our little school on a Hill? There’s a critical general election only two weeks away, which must be receiving her undivided attention and interest.

Right in the center of your article “Ayers: Radical Loon When Obama was Only 47,” we found a hackneyed attempt to repeat the falsehood that American college campuses are havens for “violent radicals” and “domestic terrorists.” The only violent radicalism we’ve noticed lately on the Hill has been in the debate over re-packaging standards, but maybe we haven’t been looking hard enough.

In addition to your focus on William Ayers, a University of Chicago professor who once played Stratego with Obama’s cousin’s lawyer’s college roommate or some nonsense, you took care to mention Susan Rosenberg, if not care to actually get the details of her biography right.

Rosenberg was a former member of the Weather Underground who was convicted over two decades ago for possession of false identification and explosives. According to your article, Rosenberg was put at “the fast track for a teaching position” by the College. A quick Googling also yielded another article you wrote in 2004, “It’s our Dr. Rice, not Dr. Dre,” which stated, “Susan Rosenberg, a participant with which the Weather Underground is associated, the U.S. attorney Rosenberg was also never convicted of engaging in terrorism, teaches at Hamilton College.”

Yeah, the college weekly is criticizing your fact-checking skills.

Rosenberg was also never convicted of engaging in terrorism, domestic or otherwise. Though indicted for a myriad of other crimes with which the Weather Underground is associated, the U.S. attorney assigned to the case, His Future Honor Rudolph Giuliani, eventually dropped her indictment due to lack of evidence. President Bill Clinton commuted Rosenberg’s sentence in 2001.

The College understands that the issue of professors secretly indoctrinating students (and presidential candidates) with “terrorist” ideas is hot right now. You’re clearly so desperate for a resonating message that you’ll throw any tired talking point at the wall and pray it will stick. Still, your argument to cease and desist libeling our College as an institution that hires domestic terrorists and that is part of the Academic Axis of Evil is most appreciated. A retraction of your 2004 statement that Rosenberg is a professor at the College would also be welcome, not that we are holding our breath.

Feel free to write back, and have fun next Tuesday!

The Spectator
Deportations Lead to Gang Formation Abroad
by Brendan Carroll ’10

In reality, however, the American public has long been ignorant of the fact that the gang violence seen in Bra-
zil and other Latin American countries is likely to have its roots in the west-coast cities of the United States. The situation of refugees mandates that U.S. deportations are responsible for Latin activity in Latin America, most notably in Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras. Although the method has long been used to combat crime in the United States, de-
portation rates soared in 1996 with the ratification of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA). The statute ef-
fectively legalizes the deportation of immigrants to their home countries for any crime in their native countries.

The deportees’ difficulties with the acculturation process are only exacerbated by the relative impossibility of finding stable employment in the United States. There are thousands of unemployed deportees, and many find themselves in increasingly precarious situations. The deportees’ experiences demonstrate that the deportees find stability in their home countries, where they have not set foot since infancy.

Apart from the obvious difficulties associated with the deportees’ diaspora, the vast majority of these in-
dividuals find themselves isolated in their communities. Growing up in the United States, the deportees develop-
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Ghost Hunting with the People Who Like To Do Funny Things: I hear the middle of the freeway is a good place to look for ghosts!

Family Weekend: Although you’re overweight, balding, 54 years old and impotent, you can still be the hero this weekend by buying your son and his friends $200 worth of beer and then drinking them under the table.

Halloween: An annual celebration when girls flip a coin to decide whether to go to Bundy dressed as a slutty animal or a slutty fairy.

New Pub lunch setup: The sandwiches and salads are already made so I don’t have to watch you use the tongs to hurdle many tomatoes for 45 minutes.

Interpreting the Trustees’ cryptic response to SJI protest
by Corinne Bancroft ’10

For years and shall the students of the Social Justice Initiative have been ‘making noise’ via proposals, meetings, and letters. One issue of diversity at Hamilton and recently stepped carefully outside the lines by demonstrating at the October 7, 2008 Board of Trustees Meeting.

At the October 10, 2008 faculty meeting, the president stated that the 40 SJI members were “well served by their civility” and in an all camp-
eus e-mail she added that “Board members commented on the polite-
ness and demeanor of the students.” Since this high but vague praise, and a few comments from the Dean, are the only responses the students have received and since Hamilton prizes its oral and written communication we should analyze the implications of these remarks.

Implication #1: The administration did not expect decent behavior? Sub-implication #1: Perhaps the administration associates the par-
ticular ‘type’ of student involved in SJI with the “gang mentality” stereotype and was therefore grateful the students did not act like that.

Implication #2: On the other hand, may have realized that the history of this diversity dialogue and lack of concrete action on their part might actually justify a little anger from the students and were relieved when students did not take that course of action.

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Thumbs up

Harlem String Quartet: Proving that being from Harlem does not necessarily make you a badass.

Snowflakes: Each unique and beautiful shape unites to become... the Sh*% I have to scrape off my car every morning.

Commons’ Apple Pie Contest: There’s no way I’m letting you monsters get your hands on my grandmother’s secret pie recipe that she lovingly clipped off a Betty Crocker box in 1961.

Family Weekend: Being taken out for dinners all weekend can’t match the humiliation of having your little sister getting taken down at a Bandy party.

McDonald’s Monopoly: I have the winning piece. If this was un-
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Ghost Hunting with the People Who Like To Do Funny Things: I hear the middle of the freeway is a good place to look for ghosts!

Family Weekend: Although you’re overweight, balding, 54 years old and impotent, you can still be the hero this weekend by buying your son and his friends $200 worth of beer and then drinking them under the table.

Halloween: An annual celebration when girls flip a coin to decide whether to go to Bundy dressed as a slutty animal or a slutty fairy.

New Pub lunch setup: The sandwiches and salads are already made so I don’t have to watch you use the tongs to hurdle many tomatoes for 45 minutes.

Thumbs down

Ladybug infestation: I understand that it’s lucky to see a ladybug, but if they don’t move out of my room, it’s going to start being very unlucky to be a ladybug.

Gianna Xi: Say what you will about them, at least you know they’re going to make it through the winter.

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much on its own. Students will require better parenting in early
years at home, more and better so
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improve one’s self. But if we are
truly committed to enhancing our
community by relinquishing an
adulterating and disgusting culture of
college alcohol consumption then
I strongly believe we must remove
every tempting bottle and taunting
can while we seek to change the
underlying, fundamental symptoms.
Otherwise the cycle continues.

A call to action:

Something very exciting is
happening in our community, some-
thing in which each citizen - each
stakeholder - will want to partici-
pate. For the first time in our 200
year-plus history, all parts of the
Kirkland community (The Town of
Kirkland, the Village of Clinton,
the Clinton Central School District,
Hamilton College, and the Clinton
Chamber of Commerce) have come
together to plan our shared future.

This united effort puts much faith
in the idea that the strength and ef-
ficacy of cooperation will benefit
all.

On September 3 a citizens’
group called Kirkland Ventures
turned over its work to a steer-
ing committee of seven: the
town supervisor, the village mayor,
the superintendent of schools, the
college president, the executive
vice president of the chamber, an
official with Mohawk Valley EDGE,
and a representative from the original citi-
zens’ group. Although the steering
committee consists of seven indi-
viduals, Kirkland Ventures actually
is made up of all who hold a stake in
the future of our community.

The purpose of Kirkland Ven-
tures is to facilitate the creation,
implementation and updating of a
Community Development Plan (the
Plan) for the Kirkland Com-
munity, which includes the Town
of Kirkland, the Village of Clinton,
the Clinton Central School District,
Hamilton College, and the hamlets
of Utica and Kirkland. The town of
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A letter to the Editor and Campus Community:

November 12, at the Kirkland Art
Center. Log on to www.kirklandcom-
munity.com to get updates on the
work and find out what your neigh-
bors are saying at committee meet-
ings and community forums.

Be part of the Plan. Join your
neighbors at the November 12
forum at the KAC. Be part of our
shared future.

George M. Kuckel
Kirkland Ventures

To the editor:

I read “Volunteers in Service to
America @ Hamilton” with great
interest last week, but I was
surprised and disappointed that less
than half of the story was told.
Hamilton has had AmeriCorps
VISTA workers on campus since 2004!

Judy Owens-Manley, associ-
atedirector for community research
for the Levitt Center, initiated the
first contract with New York Cam-
pus Compact for Community Out-
reach Coordinators in the Levitt
Center. The first VISTA workers
on campus led Project SHINE, initiated
by Owens-Manley, and a Cornell
Community Project that was focused
on the neighborhood surrounding
Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School in
Utica.

Over the next five years, eight
VISTA workers took on leadership
roles in coordinating community-
based learning projects in the Lev-
itt Center under Owens-Manley’s
direction. Newer projects now
include the VITA (Voluntary Income
Tax Assistance) Project, the Com-
unity Garden in East Utica and
the West Side Project, an outreach
effort now focused on an elemen-
tary and middle school in West
Utica. The majority of Hamilton’s
VISTA workers have been Hamil-
ton graduates, providing them with
leadership opportunities. Several
of them have stayed in the area
and have established strong community
relationships in the Greater Utica
area.

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Director of Media Relations

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Los Dias de los Muertos

By Joe Hudson ’10

This coming weekend is Los Dias de los Muertos, or the Days of the Dead. Celebrated throughout Latin America, the holiday brings families together to pray and remember former family members and loved ones. It is also a time to remember Latin American history, and the current and former abuses that have taken place. By reflecting upon the ongoing social injustices that exist throughout the region, we can assist children and their struggle for civil rights.

At their annual meeting last December, the United Nations International Children’s Emergencey Fund (UNICEF) reflected on the present state of Latin American children and the terrible civil rights abuses to which they are currently subjected. The relief organization recognized the incredibly dire conditions of Latin America, estimating that 80,000 children will die as a result of domestic violence. UNICEF additionally projects that another two million youth will be subjected to commercial sexual exploitation, and another six million will experience severe abuse. The staggering statistics have rightfully motivated UNICEF and similar organizations to promote child rights throughout Latin America.

In 1989, Latin America collectively ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child, thus forming a bold new law. Legislation, the region officially and publicly recognized the dire condition of children throughout Latin America. The legislation signaled a significant reaction to the crimes being committed. It is estimated that “invisible” children are denied basic liberties such as education and healthcare. Those children, who are often in the most need of public support, therefore, are effectively denied access to social programs and other benefits granted to their legal peers.

We at Hamilton should recognize that economic globalization and regional policies have the ability to exacerbate poor social conditions in other countries. We as Americans have the ability to influence governments to make greater social investments, such as child documentation, for continued U.S. economic investment. We should all recognize the plight of Latin America’s children, and help to work for justice.

By Annabelle Moore ’12

In one episode of The Office, Dwight asks Toby, “Where is the clitoris?” When Toby doesn’t answer, Dwight continues, “On a website it said at the crest of the labia. What does that mean?” Later, to the camera crew, Toby says earnestly, “Um, I’m just sad the public school system failed him so badly.” Many girls and women have questions about female anatomy and orgasm, questions that were never answered in their Health Education classes because they wanted to know about pleasure instead of health safety. Many Hamilton students have these types of orgasms.

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Logic Puzzle Competition

Brought to you by Russell Marcus - Dept. of Philosophy

Puzzle

Family Weekend is upon us, and Dean Urgo is preparing a champagne brunch at which 240 bottles of champagne will be served. Unfortunately, some pranksters have tampered with one of the bottles, injecting a magic potion that, though otherwise harmless, will turn the teeth of anyone who drinks even the tiniest drop of it. Continental Blue. The person’s teeth will remain dyed for a full week. (The effects of the potion are systemic, and not due to contact between the wine and the teeth.)

The dye is triggered between 8 and 11 hours after drinking, and the time this effect takes is always the same. The person with the long fingernails. The test is administered to one six-year-old chimpanzee that has been contaminated. He is willing to open all 240 bottles of champagne for testing. Since testing only requires the smallest drop, removing any number of drops of champagne will not reduce the quantity in the bottle significantly. The pranksters have also sabotaged the chemistry labs, so the only way to determine if a bottle has been contaminated is by drinking a sip.

Dean Urgo insists on using students to test the champagne. There are over 240 students of drinking age available, so the only way a university student could be added to the test pool is to observe. There are 16 students whose parents are not coming to Family Weekend. Provide a solution.

Questions

1. Can Dean Urgo determine which is the single, contaminated bottle using only the 16 students whose parents are not coming to Family Weekend? Provide a solution.

2. Eight of the 16 students whose parents are not coming to Family Weekend have been caught with open containers this term. Can Dean Urgo determine the single, contaminated bottle using only these eight students? If so, provide a solution.

3. Can Dean Urgo reduce further the number of students that must drink from the bottles to be sure to find the contaminated bottle before the brunch begins? If so, provide a solution.

Rules

Solutions may be sent to puzzle@hamilton.edu or via campus mail to Russell Marcus, Philosophy Department. Make sure to include your contact information with your solution. The Puzzler will choose a best solution.

In the event of several best solutions, the winner will be chosen at random from among them. Anyone may play the puzzle, but only current Hamilton College students may win prizes. If the winner of the puzzle is not a Hamilton College student, a secondary winner may be chosen.

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The clitoris is a small organ that is located on the front of the vulva. The clitoris is responsible for producing female orgasm. The clitoris can be stimulated manually, orally, with a sex toy, or with the man’s pubic bone. The clitoris is a very sensitive area of the body, and can be stimulated in a variety of ways. The clitoris can be stimulated with open containers this term. Can Dean Urgo determine the single, contaminated bottle using only the 16 students whose parents are not coming to Family Weekend? Provide a solution.

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Køllegelife™ Sets Up to be Complete Failure

by Olivia B. Waxman '11
Arts & Entertainment Writer

While Kollegelife.com, the newest social networking site, is still in its infancy, it has a long way to go before it becomes an alluring, online oasis for college students. The problem starts on page one. I see red when I log onto the site, not just because its name is printed in glaring, red block letters, but because the word “college” is spelled with a “k.” Perhaps the creators intentionally misspelled the word to promote the site as a playful forum for college students, a place to kid around uninhibited. But the misspelled word sets a juvenile tone that is instant turnoff to any intelligent student.

To its credit, Kollegelife.com has a tempting hook. “Almost 40 percent of Facebook users are now over 35 years old,” its title page boasts. “Over 70 percent are out of college. Join Kollegelife. Meet college students!” These numbers are startling, since only four years ago Facebook was what Kollegelife.com strives to be. But now that Facebook has opened its doors to anyone over 13 years old, and articles about its doors to anyone over 13 years old, have hit newsstands, a market that do try to foster cyber communities just accentuate the unsavory aura. Apparently I am not the only one who is uninterested in picture-sharing or browsing pictures of people I do not know, and women showing off to fellow members, and women showing off to fellow members, that do not pose much of a challenge. And if the “K-Library” is supposed to keep members well-informed with a database of 100 computer games that do not pose much of a challenge, and if the “K-Library” is supposed to keep members well-informed with a database of 100 computer games, then it better start collecting articles from reputable news sources, rather than self-help commentaries from NewsUSA, a little-known news placement service.

Kollegelife.com’s logo, just like its content, is nothing its users haven’t already seen. Moreover, there are many features on Kollegelife.com that I could find elsewhere. Many of the uploaded images have been taken from search engines, and many of the uploaded images are boggling array of frivolous extra features. Besides, even if 40 percent of Facebook users are adults, college students do not have to be “friends” with them; they can easily maintain a college-only networking experience. So if Kollegelife.com reaches out to Hamilton students as part of its nationwide promotional campaign, just say, “Kan it.”

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Contact

jyan@hamilton.edu with ideas or suggestions.

HAMITON HOROSCOPES

by Steve Allinger '09

Aries: Your friends will be an incredible source of strength in the next few days. When you eat them, you will absorb their powers.

Taurus: Don’t tell so many cannibalism jokes; they make people feel uncomfortable.

Geminis: Don’t let the cold dark of winter get you down. Try picking up some fun winter hobbies like skiing, snowshoeing, heavy drinking, and seasonal depression.

Cancer: This weekend will give you a good chance to reconnect with your family, and remember why you got the F*ck away from them as soon as you could.

Leo: All of the other astrological signs hate you. Don’t get mad at me, I’m just telling you what I heard.

Virgo: You were conceived around Thanksgiving; the large amounts of turkey your parents ate before having sex may explain your alcoholism.

Libra: Halloween is a good time to show everyone your creativity, because right now everyone finds you about as interesting as dormant herps.

Scorpio: You will be the next horoscopes writer! ... please?

Sagittarius: Rhymes with Vigilantarius!

Capricorn: Never judge a book by its cover; in fact, just avoid books in general, nothing good can come from them.

Aquarius: Try to adopt a better outlook on life... or don’t, I don’t give a sh*t.

Pisces: Does anybody actually read these? Can I stop writing now?
Upcoming Campus Entertainment

**Family Weekend Music & Dance**

The Hamilton College Department of Music and Dance offer a full schedule of free performances in Wellin Hall during the College’s Family Weekend today and tomorrow.

Directed by G. Roberts Kolb, the Hamilton College Choir and the Hill Singers will perform several songs, ranging from French Renaissance to spirituals, tonight at 8 p.m. and tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.

The second part of tonight’s and tomorrow’s performances is dedicated to the Department of Dance. Leslie Norton will present the ballet Chants d’Auvergne to a suite of French folks songs composed by Joseph Canteloube. The work features guest artist Paris Wilcox, a 1995 graduate of Hamilton College who danced with the Kansas City Ballet at the top rank of principal dancer from 1998-2007.

Elaine Heekin is collaborating with Sam Pellman in a trio titled Perijove (titled after the composition). This score was originally part of a larger installation seen on campus last year titled The Planets with video by Lauren Koss ’00. Dancers Erin Brown, Nicole Goldberg and Ashley Jackson will perform the work. The intertwining of water and sun images, sound, and movement offers the viewer a feeling of fluidity and calm.

Bruce Walczyk choreographs The Cycle of Branches, a revised version of it’s like the moon through winter branches (1984). Presented in the atmosphere of Halloween, the sound score includes music by David Byrne/Brian Eno, Laurie Anderson, and live sounds provided by the performers. The piece incorporates Filipino/Malayan/Chinese martial arts, contact/structured improvisation, and task activity.

Tomorrow at 8 p.m., the Hamilton College Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble will take to the stage. Conducted by Heather Buchman, the Orchestra will present Rossini’s Overture to La Gazza and several movements from Dvorak’s Symphony No. 8 in G Major.

In the second half of tomorrow evening’s performances, the Hamilton College Jazz Ensemble will perform under the direction of Mike “Doc” Woods. The Jazz Ensemble will play standards as well as new compositions from Woods and members of the Jazz Combo.

Family Weekend events are free and open to the public. Seating is general admission. For more information call the box office at 859-4331.

**Harlem String Quartet, November 7th**

The Hamilton College Performing Arts Classical Connections series continues with the Harlem String Quartet for Friday, November 7 at 8:00 p.m. in Wellin Hall.

The program will feature mixed classical and contemporary repertoire. Ranging from Johannes Brahms and Walter Piston to Winton Marsalis and Billy Strayhorn, each piece on the program offers something beyond the music of the usual string quartet. The Harlem Quartet is a part of the Sphinx Organization, whose mission is to increase the participation of black and Latino players and audiences in classical music. This is fresh music from dynamic young performers.

Highlights of the program include four of the seven movements from “At the Octoroon Balls,” Winton Marsalis’ first string quartet and Walter Piston’s String Quartet No. 5, which received a New York Critics’ Circle award. “At the Octoroon Balls” musically explores the American Creole contradictions and compromises—cultural, social, and political—by exemplified by life in New Orleans. The piece’s movements evoke people, places, and events from the Crescent City. Harlem String Quartet will perform “Mating Calls & Delta Rhythms,” “Creole Contradanzas,” “Rampant St. Row House Rag,” and “Hellbound Highball.”

The Harlem String Quartet is made up of violinists Ilmar Gavilan, violinist Melissa White, violist Juan-Miguel Hernandez, and cellist Desmond Neysmith. The Harlem String Quartet has a unique and challenging mission: to advance diversity in classical music while engaging young and new audiences through the discovery and presentation of varied repertoire, highlighting works by minority composers.

Tickets are $15 for students, $10 for seniors citizens and $5 for students. All seating is general admission. For tickets or more information regarding this or future events, call the box office at 859-4331 or visit www.hamiltonpa.org.

**Weekly Charts**

**MUSIC**

(From billboard.com)

1. AC/DC-Black Ice
2. High School 3: Soundtrack
4. Lucky Old Sun-Kenny Chesney
5. Death Magnetic-Metallica

**TOP SONGS**

1. Whatever You Like-T.I.
2. Life Your Life-T.I. feat. Rihanna
3. I’ll never find a Boy-Beyonce
4. So What-Justin
5. Womanizer-Brutney Spears

**MOVIES**

(YouTube Movies)

1. High School Musical 3
2. Senior Year
3. Saw V
4. Beverly Hills Chihauhau
5. Pride and Glory

**BOOKS**

(From The New York Times Best Seller List)

**PAPERBACK FICTION**

1. The Shackle, by William P. Young
2. The SECRET LIFE OF BEES, by Sue Monk Kidd
3. WORLD WITHOUT END, by Ken Follett
4. THE BRIEF WONDROUS LIFE OF OSCAR WAO, by Junot Diaz
5. NIGHTS IN RODANTHE, by Nicholas Sparks

**PAPERBACK NON-FICTION**

1. THREE CUPS OF TEA, by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin
2. EAT, PRAY, LOVE, by Elizabeth Gilbert
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**Toy Story**

Have you ever thought about what it would be like if toys were a living things? Have you ever thought about what it would be like if toys were alive? This is indeed an all time favorite for everyone whose ever loved growing up. It’s like the spectator is instantly cast as a classic horror. This is the gripping story of an instant classic that has the early makings for a promising cheesy “gangsta” film. Oh the 1930’s.

**Silence of the Lambs**

When it first came out in 1991, this psychological thriller was instantly cast as a classic horror. It’s the gripping story of an FBI cadet asked by her department to speak with the infamous Hannibal “the Cannibal” in order to gain insight on the personality of a serial killer on the loose. With gore, action, and suspense, all presented in a great story, this is the perfect Halloween movie for those who are tired of mindless slasher flicks.

The compelling story along with Anthony Hopkins’s arguably most hynotic performance ever earns this movie 4.9 lettuce heads.

**Hannibal**

Reiser-Memmer by Jennifer Vano ’09 Arts & Entertainment Editor

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**Top Albums**

1. AC/DC-Black Ice
2. High School 3: Soundtrack
4. Lucky Old Sun-Kenny Chesney
5. Death Magnetic-Metallica

**Top Songs**

1. Whatever You Like-T.I.
2. Life Your Life-T.I. feat. Rihanna
3. I’ll never find a Boy-Beyonce
4. So What-Justin
5. Womanizer-Brutney Spears

**Movies**

1. High School Musical 3
2. Senior Year
3. Saw V
4. Beverly Hills Chihauhau
5. Pride and Glory

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2. The SECRET LIFE OF BEES, by Sue Monk Kidd
3. WORLD WITHOUT END, by Ken Follett
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Herbal Remedies: Why Grandma Was Right

by Jessica Carroll ’12
Science & Technology Editor

Did you ever wake up feeling just awful - not bad enough to need real medication, but you’re still miserable? You knew it’s not serious enough for an emergency health center appointment or an EMT call, but you still just want to stay in bed all day and not move. Below are some remedies you might not have thought of, what they do, how they work, and where you can find them on campus.

Problem: Headache
Solution: Two glasses of Gatorade or a similar drink.
Where To Get It: Basically any drink machine on campus.

How This Works: Gatorade (or any other sports drink, really) contains two major and one minor component that help to relieve headaches. The first head is very simple: water. The average human being needs approximately 64 ounces of water without any exertion at all – the equivalent of two full-size nalgene bottles. Your headache could just be a dehydration headache, a way that your body is using to signal you to hydrate it. The second component is sugar. I am sure many, if not all, of Hamilton students have skipped a meal at some point or another, which causes their blood sugar to drop and gives them another possible source of headache. The sugar in sports drinks helps to counteract that and also to give you a small boost. The third, and minor, component is the vitamins often present. These may not have a direct effect on your headache, but they can only help.

Problem: Staffy nose/sinus
Solution: Hot sauce, wasabi or Altoids
Where To Get It: By the burger in Commons; by the wasabi bar in Commons; wherever you can find some Altoids.

How This Works: The capsaicin in the hot sauce causes an increase in fluid output from your eyes which can flow into the nose and help to flush it of any clogs and at the same time stimulate your metabolism. The wasabi initiates a burning effect all throughout the mouth and up through the nose. Warning: This method is not for the faint of heart! The third method - munching on a bunch of Altoids - releases mint into your respiratory tract, invigorating it and helping it to clear.

Problem: A broken blister
Solution: A few drops of Listerine
Where To Get It: Campus store and stops on the Jitney

How This Works: Listerine is a powerful antibiotic, so it effectively sterilizes the blister without leaving it all gummed up due to an antibiotic cream. It is also able to get into the cracks and crannies where bacteria might be hiding, since it is such a low-viscosity liquid. The leftover Listerine can also help your toe fungus if you soak your toes in it.

Problem: Stuffy nose/sinuses
Solution: Peanut butter, a chocolate bar, or ice
Where To Get It: By the toaster in both dining halls

How This Works: By massaging the peanut butter into the gums and the hair around it, the capsaicin is dissolved into the relatively non-stick food. All that remains to do is wash the peanut butter out of your hair - gross, but better than having to cut out the gum. Another option is using a chocolate bar, but who wants to wash chocolate like that? If using peanut butter is just too odd, then place an ice cube on the gum lodged in the hair. After a short time, the gum will become brittle and much easier to remove.

Problem: Dreariness
Solution: Cinnamon
Where To Get It: In the cinnamon-sugar shakers by the toast- ers in both dining halls

How This Works: The Wheeling Jesuit University in West Virginia found that cinnamon increases blood flow, which is crucial for the brain to be alert and functioning at its highest level. Once consumed, the cin- namon also helps to even out blood sugar levels, reducing the severity of an upcoming sugar crash. New York Times writer McEwen has a higher cinnamon level. Once consumed, the cin-
mamon also helps to even out your tea taste good. Just be sure to only keep it in place, but will help to keep it clean. A band-aid placed over the honey will not help to waste chocolate like that? If using peanut butter is just too odd, then place an ice cube on the gum lodged in the hair. After a short time, the gum will become brittle and much easier to remove.

Problem: Sore throat
Solution: Warm tea with honey and lemon
Where To Get It: Everything you need for this is in the tea-making stations in Commons and McEwen.

How This Works: The heat of the tea soothes your throat while increasing the good flow to the area, allowing more blood cells to arrive and also allowing waste to be carried out of the area. Also, the water itself helps to hydrate you, giving your body more space for excretion of toxins in the urine. The honey cre- ates a slight covering over the back of the throat to help protect it as well as acting as a weak an- tibiotic. The lemon stimulates the salivary glands, making sure that your throat does not dry out more than it already has. Note: the type of the tea is not impor- tant here. Drink whatever flavor or type you prefer.

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HEAG is sponsoring an energy challenge. In each matchup, the dorm with the lowest energy usage between November 1 - 15 will win a pizza party. Energy usage will be tracked using Hamilton’s Energy Dashboard. The matchups were determined based on similar size and past energy use. The goal of the competition is for the Hamilton Community to be aware of its energy usage.

For results and more information, visit www.geocities.com/energybattle.com

by Saad Chaudhry ’12
Science & Technology Editor

In previous issues of The Spectator, I’ve covered the newest, hottest, and most expensive physi- cists toy around, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), which is located near Geneva, Switzerland. We have described its current status (broken down and under suit), and its promi- nence in the scientific community, most notably due to its potential for experimentally validating what the mainstream media and physicists alike characterize as the “theory of everything” or the “ultimate theory of unification”: string theory. So what is this dam theory? Essentially, string theory is the bridge between relativistic quantum field theory and Albert Einstein’s classical theory of general relativity. Relativistic quantum field theory does a good job explaining the observed behavior and properties of elementary particles, such as electrons and protons; but, this theory works well only when gravity is defined as so weak that it can be neglected. Einstein’s general relativity on the other hand does a good job explain- ing the behavior of the universe on a much more grandiose scale; it ex- plains phenomena such as the Big Bang, orbits of planets, the evolu- tion of stars and galaxies, and the recently observed black holes and gravitational lenses, the most latter of which is the focus of the famed physician Stephen Hawking. How- ever, general relativity works well to define the grand universe only when gravity is given a principle and central value.

So the problem between these two theories is the change between the negligence and use of gravity. This one force lead to an inflammatory Einstein saying, “God does not play dice with the universe,” in response to competing quantum theorists, such as Werner Heisenberg, who felt general relativity must be in- accurate due to gravity’s lack of prominence in quantum theory; for instance, the Heisenberg un- certainty principle, which states that the location of an electron cannot be determined, is one of the principles that define quantum theory, and one of the theories that made the aging Einstein’s blood pressure skyrocket.

Decades of stalemate between the quantum theorists and general relativists preceded the formal for- mulation of string theory. String the- ory emerged from a more humble attempt by physicists for explaining the relationship of mass and spin amongst particles such as protons and neutrons. In mid of this re- search, physicists realized that par- ticles that have zero mass and two units of spin can actually account for the loss of gravity in quantum theory because these particles have sufficient attraction of gravity; thus, these miraculous particles are called gravitons. The complete discov- ery of the theoretical graviton lead to great excitement, for, physicists finally thought there was a way to incorporate the classical principles of gravity into quantum theory.

But when gravitons were ap- proximately discovered, physicists discov- ered they made no mathematical sense, since gravitons theoretically interact with other particles at zero distance but cannot be mathemati- cally written. Nonetheless, strings do have small yet finite distances of interaction, and thus do make mathematical sense.
800 Miles to Go. One Gallon of Fuel

by Nicholas Berry '09
Sci & Tech Lead Writer

Imagine a three-day contest in which you must race against four other teams from Berkeley, California to Las Vegas, Nevada, an 800-mile journey taking you through the Mojave Desert, to see who will claim a $5,000 grand prize. Every year you can run out of it during the trip (i.e., you must be able to scavenge what is available from material found along the route). Sound impossible? Well, that is exactly the challenge faced by the five teams participating in the “Escape from Berkeley” race held from October 10 – 13.

The winning vehicle was a topless, two-foot-tall green and yellow roadster that ran entirely on vegetable oil. Built by Jack McCormack, the owner of an alternative car company in Oregon, the vehicle made the 800-mile trip in a total of 1,418 minutes. To stay fueled, McCormack relied on a variety of materials he found along the route to keep his truck going, including switchback, kudzu, corn stalk, cotton stalk, newspaper, corn cobs, and phone books. He says his fuel costs are equivalent to about one penny a mile, and claims his emissions are completely carbon neutral.

Jim Mason, the event’s organizer and founder of Shipyards Labs in Berkeley, was shocked that any of the competitors made it to Las Vegas at all. Indeed, the drive was difficult not only due to the terrain and fuel limitations, but also due to the non-stop driving. Both competitors ate little during the trip so as not to waste time, a feat that was made all the more difficult by the odors emitted by their fuels: McCormack’s vegetable oil smelled like French fries, and Keith’s burning biomass evoked the scent of barbeque. Among the vehicles that didn’t make it were a Mercedes-Benz that ran on vegetable oil, a two-man bicycle augmented by a motor running on ethanol, and a 15 mph steam-powered three-wheeler.

The race’s website - www.escapefromberkeley.com - described the event as participants going “head-to-head in a no holds barred battle of engineering prowess and creative excess” with “bragging rights for saving the world” hanging “somewhat in the balance.”

McCormack, with his winning vehicle, headed to Vegas.
**Is String Theory Scientific or Philosophical?**

from *String Theory*, page 18

Strings are particles which take the shape of strands, which can either be looped into a circular shape or be open-ended. Astounding is the manifestation of all fundamental particles in the universe into a single strand, and if so, we could conceptualize an electron as a point lacking internal structure. A point cannot do anything but move. But, if string theory is correct, then under an exceptionally powerful microscope we would realize that the electron is not simply just that, but also, possibly some other way, well, then we call it a photon, or a quark, or a proton, etc.

Strings of string theory relate directly to strings of a violin, a guitar, or a piano; strings on all these instruments are resonant frequencies, which frequencies are at which they prefer to vibrate. And by vibrating at these resonant frequencies, the strings create certain sounds of different pitches, and when these sounds are combined through multiple vibrations, beautiful music can be created. Just as when the strings of string theory vibrate, they create the particles that we see, and when a lot of these strings vibrate perpetually, the universe as we know it is created.

String theory also demands multiple dimensions, most of which we cannot see; for instance, if string theory is correct, there can be up to 27 space-time dimensions, though most of the more common theories suggest ten space-time dimensions. There are multiple string theories, which is one of the most embarrassing features of this mathematical theory for the countless physicists that have spent thousands of hours working on it.

I asked Hamilton College's Professor of Physics Seth Major to comment on the dilemma of multiple string theories, and he replied, "The thing is, there are many ways to compact theories, and so it is a bit embarrassing that we still have not discovered the appropriate ways of compactification." However, an American theoretical physicist and professor at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey, Edward Witten, saved string theory from total embarrassment when during a major physics conference in 1995 he unveiled his M-theory, a theory that attempted to unify all the other major string theories. Currently, it asks for 11 space-time dimensions, and it has earned Witten the honor of being called the successor of Einstein by many physicists including Columbia University's Professor Brian Greene, author and producer of The Elegant Universe, a *New York Times* bestselling book and a PBS NOVA documentary. When I asked Prof. Major to comment on Edward Witten's work, he simplified it by the bit string theory still has no problem with multiple theories, and he suggested the multiple theories could converge into a single theory.

Still, a dilemma with string theory is the difficulty there is in proving the theory experimentally, and as the scientific community knows, you cannot maintain a good theory with just the theoretical work. For this reason, many physicists claim string theory to be more a philosophical theory rather than a scientific theory. I asked Prof. Major whether he felt string theory is scientific or philosophical, and he responded, "Yes, it certainly is a scientific theory. But, a physical theory includes experimental plus theoretical work, and in that sense string theory is criticized. The problem with string theory is that it took a huge amount of work and has resulted in very little experimental data, and no one wonders whether it is worthwhile to continue working on the theory."

Now, more than the fate of string theory is dependent on the success of the LHC because it provides hope for string theory's experimental support. For instance, the LHC may help identify particles such as gravitons, that demonstrate the room for convergence between general relativity and quantum theory.

I asked Prof. Major to comment on the outlook of string theory, and he replied, "What I definitely think will happen is we are going to see some sort of brand new physics some time very soon."

And now for all physicists, all there is to play is the waiting game.

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**Solutioneering: How to Visualize a Hundred Million**

by David Riordan '09

Sex & Tech Steem Warren

Bar graphs suck.

So do pie charts.

Frankly, most common ways that we use to visualize data fundamentally fail at communicating the underlying meaning of the data sets they’re supposed to represent.

Ultimately, these visual displays of quantitative information are designed to make numbers understandable; the kind of things we can relate to. Thinking of the relationship between seeing the big picture and understanding it.

The fact is, numbers are hard - an abstraction. But by visualizing numbers, statistics, evidence, it changes the form of the underlying information so that people can (theoretically) understand it. Unfortunately, most of the time, visualized data is too chaotic, cluttered or unstructured to give meaning to the data. Luckily, there’s a growing movement of statisticians and designers that we can turn to, to purposely create “the appropriate” ways to display complex data, not just numbers

At the head of this movement is Edward Tufte, a Yale political economist who has become, as deemed by the New York Times, “The Di Vinci of Data.” Tufte’s books have achieved a cult following among designers following the 1983 publication of his first major statistics book, *The Visual Display of Quantitative Information*. A gorgeous tome which beautifully conveys the state of election media reports, where sites like *Everymomentnow.com* take to comprehend the state of a major news story. In about as much time as it takes to read one word, instantly displays the mentions of both presidential candidates for day, the past three months, an instant snapshot of who’s controlling the media cycle. Drilling down day by day or topic by topic brings along even more data, breaking down the coverage of various topics throughout the day with simple sparklines.

It’s a dashboard for analyzing campaign media.

Meanwhile, complex data visualization isn’t ‘regulated to statisticians and designers. Photographers Chris Jordan has made the focus of his "Running the Numbers" collection works for people to relate to massive, usually incomprehensibly large statistics. Over 1 million plastic cups are used every six hours on flights over the United States. What does that look like? At first his work Plastic Cups seems like a collection of tightly packed pipes, but upon closer inspection it turns out to be one million individual stacked plastic cups. By seeing the actual scope of one million cups in relation to only a few, people are able to begin to relate to the massive scope of the full statistic. When presenting at the 2008 TED Conference last February, Jordan was clear that his work is intended to move people and inspire them to take action, intended to overcome the notion that one death is a tragedy but one million is merely a statistic. So how do we move beyond the visual clutter of powerpoint charts and make graphics that really represent the underlying numbers? One possibility is to incorporate visualizations from *Sivivel.com*, which has been called Youtube for data, or from IBM’s Many Eyes (http://services.alphaworks.ibm.com/manyeyes/home/project), which powers the new *New York Times* Visualization lab (http://vizlab.nytimes.com/). These sites take complex tools for data visualization and make them easy to use. Sound familiar? It’s all a part of the trend of making information and tools usable and understandable. You can thank Edward Tufte.
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Equestrian Team Participates in Five Shows
by Meredith FitzPatrick ’11
SPORTS CONTRIBUTOR

Do you have horseback riding experience? Have you always been interested in riding but have never been given the opportunity? Well, you’re in luck! The Hamilton College Equestrian Team welcomes riders of any experience or ability. Founded in the fall of 2003, the club was formed by a group of avid student equestrian riders who sought to see the sport become part of the Hamilton community.

Despite being a young team, the club has sent several members to the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Regionals and Nationals. This year, the team is led by captains Hathaway Burden ’10 and Cora Katz-Samuels ’10. Morristown.

Led by Hathaway Burden ’10 and Cora Katz-Samuels ’10, the equestrian team will compete eight times this year.

Burden believes that the club is a “great way for kids who have ridden outside of school to stay involved in the sport and meet new people in a pretty laid back environment.” Katz-Samuels and Burden encourage experienced riders as well as those interested in riding to contact them for further information regarding the Equestrian Team here at Hamilton. For more information check out the Hamilton College Equestrian Team website http://students.hamilton.edu/equestrian, or feel free to e-mail the captains directly: cksam@hamilton.edu and hburden@hamilton.edu.
Volleyball Continues Two-Game Streak On Senior Night

Selden converts 17 kills while O’Connor smashes school season dig record

by Brandon Leibsohn ’10
Swarts Writer

A two game winning streak has propelled the volleyball team back into form at just the right time, as the squad currently is three wins away from making the NESCAC postseason tournament. With three games remaining against conference foes, the Continentals control their own destiny. It will be important this weekend in Maine to capitalize on the momentum gained within the last week.

An impressive come from behind victory on Tuesday against Hartwick College provided the seniors on the team with a chance to celebrate the final home game of their careers. In the first set, Hamilton managed to scrape together key points in the stretch run to win 25-23. The second set was a grueling match in which the teams traded the lead multiple times. The Continentals held a two point advantage and were two points away from winning the match in regulation, but could not stop Hartwick and eventually lost 29-27. Hartwick turned the tide around in the third set and overcame a six point deficit to complete a 25-23 victory. This set taught Hamilton a lesson in not getting too far ahead of themselves and they made sure their next set ended with a win. A Fabulous 17-8 start gave the squad a smooth ride into the fifth and final set of the match. They would not be denied and it showed in their match win against Hartwick.

The senior leadership of Kristen Selden ’09 and Amber O’Connor ’09 proved too much for Hartwick. Selden converted 17 kills out of 34 attempts giving the team a powerful offensive weapon, while O’Connor held the defense together with 28 digs.

Despite having three games left in the year, O’Connor has demolished the school’s season dig record she set last year and is on pace to break it by over 80. Kelsey Lawler ’11 came through with 51 assists and Rachel Irizarry ’12 took advantage of the great passes to convert the most kill shots she has made this year (15).

Last weekend, the Continentals travelled to Marcy, New York for a non-conference match against SUNY Cobleskill. It turned into a thrashing as Hamilton easily defeated their opponent in three straight sets (25-18, 25-11, 25-14).

Alex Singh ’11 took control offensively with 10 kill shots and received some help from Jo Fier ’11 who chipped in seven kills of her own. Ten aces gave the squad a comfortable lead and made it difficult for SUNY to compete. Despite limited playing time so far this year, Liz Reid ’11 entered the match on a mission. She came through with 18 digs and blocked four shots in helping preserve the victory for the Continentals.

Tonight, the team will face Bates College in a must-win game. Bates is also coming into the match with two straight wins, but has only one win during conference play. If Hamilton is able to convert on its serves and continues to play well on the offensive attack, then there is no reason why this shouldn’t be a another victory for the team. Tomorrow, the team will face another one-win conference foe in Colby College in the final match of the weekend.

With three games remaining, if the Continentals can win out, then they will qualify for the NESCAC tournament and have a chance at securing an automatic bid into the NCAA Division III Championship Tournament. They have already put together their greatest season in nine years with ten victories so far and it will be a tremendous accomplishment if they can get into the postseason.

Continents Host Middlebury for the Old Rocking Chair Classic

by Andrew Perkowski ’10
Swarts Writer

Coming off a disappointing defeat at the hands of Williams College, the Hamilton College Football Team will look to rebound with a win over visiting Middlebury College this weekend and draw closer to the .500 mark. In last Saturday’s low scoring affair at Steuben Field, Hamilton’s defense was unable to stop the Ephs’ late attack, allowing a touchdown in the final three minutes of regulation en route to a 7-14 defeat. Facing fierce winds and heavy rains, the Continentals managed only 75 yards of total offense, relying on a 69 yard interception return for a touchdown by John Lawrence ’10 for their only score. The loss was the second straight defeat for Hamilton, who currently sit at 2-4 and seventh place in the NESCAC standings.

The Continentals have been impressive in wins over both Wesleyan and Bowdoin, thanks to solid defense and a balanced attack. Quarterback Jordan Eck ’12 has been impressive so far in his rookie year, and running back Mark Snickenberger ’11 has quietly racked up 420 yards on the ground, good for fourth best in the league. Together with the receiver tandem of Max Foster ’10 and Scott Kleinklaus ’11, the group has been instrumental in the team’s success up to this point. On the other side of the ball, the defense has continued its stingy play, and Continental captains Trevor Pedrick ’09 and Lawrence have certainly lived up to lofty expectations. Lawrence leads the NESCAC with five interceptions and Pedrick’s 39 solo tackles are the second best in the league. As a unit, the continental defense leads the NESCAC in turnovers with 18 and ranks third in the league in total defense, giving up just under 300 yards per game. Losing their last two games by a combined 10 points, it is clear that Hamilton has the talent to win four games for the first time since 1996, and the team will take one step closer to that goal this weekend.

Tomorrow at 1 p.m., the 3-3 Middlebury Panthers visit the Hill for the fiftieth annual Old Rocking Chair Classic. Middlebury has prevented Hamilton from scoring in each of the teams’ last two meetings, intercepting Hamilton quarterback Dan Hood five times in a 28-0 victory in 2007. If Hamilton hopes to defeat Middlebury, Eck must continue to be mobile and reestablish the passing attack that gave the Continentals success earlier in the season. Of course, with Saturday’s forecast calling for rain and snow already having fallen, Snickenberger’s success on the ground will be key to maintaining possession. Regardless of the weather, students and their parents will certainly pack “The Stoob” this weekend for what promises to be an entertaining matchup between two NESCAC foes.

Trevor Pedrick ’09 lines up for his thirty-ninth solo tackle.

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Scott Kleinklaus ’11 leads the Continentals with 30 receptions for 303 yards for the year.