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SECURITY FEARS GRIP STUDENT BODY

Campus terrified of thieves, townies, microwavable popcorn

By Mr. Leubsdorf '10

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR BUT... DEPT. (HAMILTON COLLEGE) Concern with security on campus has increased after several recent incidents, with sales of mace and pepper spray increasing 200%, while reports of bed-wetting have increased 4888%.

“This crime wave is outrageous!” Jon Kuhn '11 roared. “I specifically chose this campus because it’s totally isolated from the outside world.”

“Stealing is out of control!” Julie Wayne '11 exclaimed. “Someone stole my best friend’s bike, my roommate’s laptop disappeared in the library, and I’m pretty sure someone at an Annex party stole my virginity.”

Some were confused about the reason for the crime wave.

Clueless theft victim Ben Griffin '08 said, “I don’t understand. All I did was leave my laptop, iPod, and car keys in a bag filled with money outside for three hours. Why would anyone steal that?”

“I don’t understand how townies could think we’re entitled,” Sarah Davenport '09 said while holding a copy of *the continental*. “This is a total mystery to me.”

Others offered suggestions.

Susan Phillips '10 said, “They should re See “Pawn shop profits,” page X

CLASS OF 2011 CHALLENGES OPTIMUS PRIME TO DUEL

After Party to be hosted by TKE, EMTs

By Ms. Ryder '11

HEY FRESHMEN, HEARD OF BURR? DEPT. (HAMILTON COLLEGE) The Class of 2011 challenged the famed Autobot to a fight to the death this week, in a desperate attempt to live up to their billing.

“The freshmen are disappointing, especially considering all the hype we gave them,” administration spokesman John Nitterman said. “This is their last chance to show that they are in fact the new hotness.”

Freshmen eagerly awaited the challenge

“Dude, I’m stoked,” Jeff Bryant '11 said. “All those skills I learned bribing my college advisor to get a 4.0 GPA will help me kick his mechanized ass.”

Julie Wayne '11 petulantly squealed, “My daddy didn’t pay for Princeton Review courses to pump up my SAT scores so I could beat by some robot. He’s going down.”

“If we beat him, maybe the *Daily Bull* will stop making fun of us,” Jeb Escalator '11 said. “Aww hell, even I’m not *that* delusional.”

When asked about the upcoming match, Prime seemed unconcerned.

He said, “I’ve seen these freshmen doing the Babbitt crawl. Frankly, I’m not feeling particularly threatened.”

He added, “I haven’t seen people with a weaker tolerance since Shia LaBeouf went to Walgreens.” See “No sacrifice, no victory,” page X

DUEL CLASSIFIEDS

Wanted: Young couple to have sex on me.
—(Bumblebee: x4023)

Wanted: Students who will pretend that the food is
always this good. —(Bon Appétit: x4975)

LOCAL MAN EXPERIENCES MOST AWKWARD FAMILY WEEKEND EVER

Mid-life crisis rears its ugly head

By Ms. Stagner '09

WORSE THEN STEVEN KARP'S DAD IN
UNDECLARED DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) Family Weekend started off horrifyingly for Ted Lighthall '11 Thursday night, as he was forced to be his recently divorced father's wing-man.

A bitter Lighthall spat out, "I had to watch him try to mack on every remotely attractive girl. The entire thing was so humiliating. He struck out more times than a certain Delta Phi brother."

He continued, "Hollow shell of a marriage my ass—if my mom truly loved me she would have stayed married to him so I wouldn't have to deal with this embarrassment."

His father, John Lighthall '82, on the other hand, claimed he had a "rad" time.

He boasted, "We went to the pub and I showed Teddy I still have it. The ladies definitely wanted a piece of the J-miester."

Sarah Davenport '09, the main recipient of Lighthall's attention, disagreed.

Davenport exclaimed, "OMG, his lines were SO weird! "He kept saying I was mad hot like Renée Zellweger, and I was like please, my face doesn't look like a horde of bees stung it."

However, after a spirited effort, the father ended up with Davenport. His son wasn't pleased.

"Being sexiled by my dad was a million times worse than getting sexiled by my room-

mate with a club foot and his girlfriend who looks like Fred Thompson," he squealed. "How could he do that to me?"

Many also questioned Davenport's conduct.

Davenport explained, "Okay, so it's sketchy hooking up with that old guy, but, hello, *he's rich*. I'm just doing what the Career Center told me to do: networking."

She added, "Also, he bought me unlimited free drinks. Cha-ching."

HAMILTON HIT WITH FIRST SNOW OF THE YEAR

Students glad that they can finally blame
boozing on Seasonal Affective Disorder

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GENERATION Y DEMANDS BETTER NAME

Baby Boomers respond with *Across the Universe*

Mr. Leubsdorf '10

GENERATIONAL ANGST DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) Members of Generation Y held a press conference today, castigating the Baby Boomers and Generation X for giving them “a super crappy name.”

Aaron Page '10 said, “Seriously, was that the best they could come up with? First they got us into Iraq, and now this. Way to go.”

Sara Lee '09 added, “It’s so insulting to suggest we’re anything like those sissy crybabies of Generation X. If I ever start wearing flannel and whining about youthful *ennui* just shoot me. Take me out of my misery.”

They also objected to other proposed names.

Ben Griffin '08 yelled, “Generation Next? What does that mean? TELL ME WHAT DOES THAT MEAN I DON’T UNDERSTAND!”

“Second Baby Boomers? That’s SO creative!” Julie Wayne '11 said sarcastically. “And the Millenials? We’re not a cult!”

Baby Boomers responded harshly.

Professor Harold Phillips said, “I think we’ve made it abundantly clear since the 60s that we don’t care about anyone besides ourselves.”

He added, “All for me! ME ME ME ME!”

Generation X had a more gloomy response.

Spokesman Johnny Mullins said, “Who cares about a name? Life is pain! Excuse me, I’m going to listen to Nirvana and try to feel again.”

Generation Y suggested ideas for a new name.

Wayne said without irony, “We deserve a really awesome name.... like Generation Awesome! OMG I am SO creative!”

Page pondered, “I would just like something that is actually representational of our generation. Or a fixed Social Security system, but I’m not holding my breath about that.”

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place campus security with massive killer robots, *a la Transformers*. Then townies will know better then to mess with us.”

“This calls for extreme and unnecessary measures!” campus conservative Henry Bold squealed. “We should build a big wall, wire-tap everyone’s calls, and waterboard leftists. That won’t make us safer, but dammit it’ll help create a false sense of security.”

Some students looked at the situation in perspective.

Aaron Page '10 said “All these incidents are terrible, but the unfortunate reality is that most people suck. The world is full of assholes, and we just need to aware of that and deal.”

He added, “Although to be fair, that attitude towards others is probably the reason why I can’t get laid.”

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The campus expressed support for the match.

“It’s a great idea!” Ryan Edwards '09 said. “If the freshmen win, good for them. If they lose, then we can replace them with smarter, prettier freshmen next year. It’s win-win.”

President Joan Hinde Stewart also enthusiastically endorsed the idea

“Hamilton hasn’t gotten this much press coverage since I botched the Ward Churchill situation,” she gleefully exclaimed. “There’s nothing like a duel to wash out the taste of Hamilton’s administrative incompetence.”

THE DUEL OBSERVER PRESENTS: TIPS FOR PARENTS WEEKEND

This weekend is family weekend, and that means a lot of things. For some, it may mean free alcohol, but for most of us, it means tremendous amounts of lying so our parents don't find out how we actually live. Here are some tips!

1. Hide EVERYTHING

It's best that certain "habits" you've picked up here aren't exactly made obvious. You might have to take some risks and leave some things out in the open. With some creative decorating even the most obvious bong can become a beautiful vase, set atop a lushly-draped Beirut table (remember: oranges and blues are IN this autumn).

2. Party Like A Gentleman

Alcohol consumption should be kept to a minimum during Parent's Weekend. One recommended method of reducing alcohol dependency for the weekend is shotgunning non-alcoholic beverages, such as soft drinks or

Becks N.A. to keep in good form. Additionally, pre-gamers are encouraged to take shots of thrice-distilled water and chug sparkling cider before engaging female students in stimulating conversations about the rapidly increasing population of elephants in Africa or the often cumbersome nature of the fugue.

3. Take Care With Your Music Taste

Sometimes, music can give off signals that can be misconstrued. Do not play the song "Stacy's Mom" this weekend. It's bad enough if some mom gets offended, its worse if one takes it as a proposition.

4. If the Mom is Hot, Ignore Tip #3

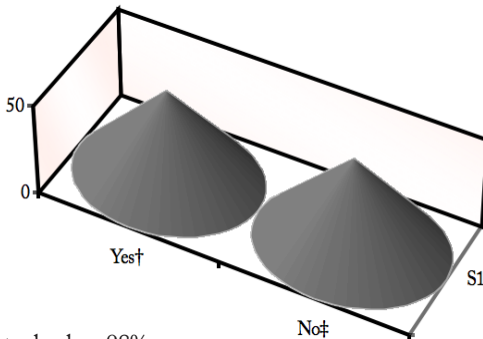
It's pretty self-explanatory.

5. Avoid The Truth At All Costs.

Just because they pay 50,000 dollars a year for you to attend here doesn't mean you have to be honest with them. Ah, the privileges of being an adult.

Compiled by Mr. Haluza '11

HAMILTON STATSHOT: Do you read the Duel Observer?



† actual value: 98%

We skewed the graphed results so the graph would look like boobies. (mechanized boobies?)

‡ actual value: 2%

All respondents who answered NO disclosed that they're functionally illiterate and therefore only read *the continental*.

HAMILTON SNAPSHOT: Young Socialists Celebrate Anniversary of Russian Revolution



Slumming kids of the bourgeoisie honor most oppressive and murderous regime in human history.