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NAÏVE FRESHMEN THINK THEY CAN GET GOOD HOUSING

Lottery on Sunday expected to “crush their faith in humanity”

By Ms. Ryder '11

PSI U= SOCIAL DEATH DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) With the general housing lottery starting on Sunday, freshmen everywhere are scrambling for a “sick” residential hookup, or at the very least, to avoid living in a pup-tent on Minor Field.

“My number may be mediocre, but I can still get the Darkside single I want,” hipster Ryan Johns '11 said. “It matches my personality; a pretentious attempt towards appearing modern that ends up being unpleasant and fundamentally devoid of originality.”

Others are already engaged in the usual friendship destruction that accompanies the lottery.

“My ex-best friend got 36 and refuses to pull me into a Bundy,” Julie Wayne '11 lamented. “I may or may not have emptied a bag of peanut M&M's into her gas tank.... and destroyed her computer... and slept with her boyfriend.”

Upperclassmen warned freshmen about being over-optimistic.

“If you keep thinking you have it made, you'll end up at the bottom of the hill in 100 College Hill like I did,” Bill Frodsbuel '10 said. “I lost three toes and my roommate trying to get to the science center in January.”

“I don't know why they're so hopeful,” Ben Griffin '08 said. “My freshman year, I had to sell
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UPCOMING BEER SHORTAGE SENDS CAMPUS INTO PANIC

Frats begin stockpiling Keystone, freshmen girls for beer-apocalypse

By Mr. Leubsdorf '10

SPEC, THIS IS GETTING RIDICULOUS DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) A hysterical panic erupted after the *Spec* revealed that global warming would dramatically reduce the beer supply, as desperate students descended on liquor stores throughout the region to horde the remaining supply of beer.

“What will we do in a world without beer?” a panicked Jack Matthews '08 screamed. “Beer holds together this college's social fabric, from fostering friendships and hook-ups to making winter barely tolerable.”

“This is a disaster!” a devastated Sarah Davenport '09 sobbed, as she clenched an empty six-pack of Keystone. “Without beer, we'll become funless, unsexed losers; so basically prettier and smarter versions of Colgate students.”

Rumors sped throughout campus of beer-fights in Carnegie, Millbank, South, and Dunham, with a Bloods-Crips style turf war over a keg erupting in Bundy between AD and TDX.

The panic did have positive side-effects, as students traded in their gas-guzzlers for hybrids, and attendance at HEAG meetings soared 388%.

“I didn't think global warming affected me, because my house has air conditioning,” new member John Mara '11 said. “But now I know better. I don't want my children grow up in a world without beer, where they'll have to drink wine all
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SENIORS REALIZE THEIR IMPENDING DOOM

4 weeks till graduation and the 'real world'

By Ms. Stagner '09

THERE'S NO FILLIGAR SOUNDTRACK IN THE ACTUAL REAL WORLD DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) With the sudden rise in temperature and bombardment of thesis deadlines, seniors are finally realizing that their time at Hamilton is coming to a close.

"I wasn't thinking about graduation until last week," Sarah Cheng '08 admitted. "I realized that in a month, I'm going to need a job, apartment, health insurance, etc. Then I thought to myself: holy shit, I am so screwed."

Some students accepted their fate.

"It's time," Sean Lewis '08 admitted. "I need to leave and do new things. And by new things, I mean twenty-something girls desperate to find a spouse and avoid ending up middle-aged and alone. Hello grad school."

Some are still in denial.

"Personally, I have no idea what you're talking about. Graduation isn't for a while," Laura Carheart '08 said. "It's only the end of March. Right?...Right?!?"

Others are avoiding leaving.

"It's called the six year plan," Tim Beckwith '08 stated. "I've been working on this since sophomore year. Thanks to a finely honed combination of slacking off and changing majors six times, I can now proudly call myself a super-senior."

He added, "I'm looking forward to meeting the ladies of the class of 2012."

The Administration is actively pushing seniors out.

"By the time students make it to senior year, they're old and not pretty enough by our stan-

dards," spokesman John Nitterman observed. "We're having large tours of attractive prospies pass through the campus every five minutes, so seniors will get the hint that they're no longer up to par."

There's some hope for seniors.

"It is possible to live happily away from Hamilton," Lee Rhodes '07 commented. "I live in Brooklyn, the Bundy of New York City, and I'm fine. We alums tend to end up in places where we'll be comfortable: sleazy dens of sin, mostly."

DUEL OBSERVER TO SELL WITTY SHIRTS NEXT WEEK FOR \$10 IN BEINECKE
Shameless self-promotion not lost on student body

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HIPSTERS APPALLED BY EVE 6 MAY DAY CONCERT

Local pretensia cry “this isn’t even post-ironic!”

By Mr. Leubsdorf ’10

COMPROMISE ISN’T A DIRTY WORD DEPT. (HAMILTON COLLEGE) Hamilton’s hipsters were outraged by CAB’s selection of Eve 6 for the May Day concert, with IMF leading the attack on CAB for the nefarious act of listening to students’ opinions.

“Students need to understand that we’re their intellectual superiors,” Alex Lewis ’08 said. “With our vastly superior taste, we are more fit to choose what students want than they are themselves.”

“Why doesn’t CAB understand that musicians are only good if they’re immensely unpopular?” Lori Brin ’11 squealed. “Seriously, who cares if no one goes? It’s not like May Day is for the entire student body.”

Others attacked CAB’s budget-consciousness.

“Why is spending over-budget such a big deal?” Andy Wilson ’10 queried. “If I’m willing to spend extra money for my specially-made extra-tight pants in the name of intellectual expression, CAB should be willing to do the same.”

Several hipsters declared a hunger fast in protest, refusing their usual McEwen organic food, chaining themselves to Opus couches, reciting esoteric poetry, drinking opus magnums, and raining intellectual disdain on passing students.

Students ridiculed the hipsters’ whining.

“Well, IMF put one band on that poll that people knew and about six they didn’t, and they were shocked that people chose the band they knew?” Jane Li ’09 said. “If they’d deigned to provide students with viable alternatives that could actually be recognized, things would’ve turned out differently.”

“This is ironic,” Ben Griffin ’08 snorted. “These hipsters portray themselves as these deep mature intellectuals, but when things didn’t go their way they pulled out of May Day like immature babies. I guess Marcel Proust didn’t write a lot about taking defeat like a man.”

“Their whining reflects their true attitude towards the student body,” Aaron Page ’10 said. “Elitism on this campus doesn’t always wear Uggs and live in South. Sometimes, it wears chucks and loiters outside Keehn.”

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the time like a bunch of snooty Frenchmen.”

The Administration urged calm.

“Don’t worry,” spokesman John Nitterman said. “There’s no beer shortage right now, and by the time there’s one you’ll all be dead, either in Iraq after being drafted to fight John McCain’s 100 year war there, or by cheetah mauling.”

“Everyone should settle down. Students may continue being frighteningly apathetic towards the world around them, as the effects of their inaction won’t affect them for at least two decades.”

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my liver on the black market just to get a single in Root, which makes my Sunday mornings really bad. And yet, it was still better than getting stuck in a Bundy double.”

The administration was not surprised.

“Every year, it’s the same thing,” ResLife official Wayne Miles explained. “Some freshman with a top ten number comes in and asks if he could pull in Ferguson, and I try, and usually fail, not to laugh until they leave my office.”

“Freshmen have to realize: the Housing Lottery for them is just like Russian roulette, except there’s bullets in all the chambers.”

OUTSIDE-THE-BUBBLE NEWS

Because you're still baked from 4/20

THE UNITED STATES

Colgate

Chinese students protested the Dalai Lama speech at the college on Tuesday because of his support for Tibetans' rights to self-determination and to not get slaughtered. Seriously, how dare the Dalai Lama support fundamental human rights? What a fucker.

Pennsylvania

Hillary Clinton won a decisive ten-point victory over Barack Obama in Tuesday's primary, mostly because everyone is still afraid to tell Hillary the race is over, and she lost.

New York

A wall-mounted gadget is being introduced in the U.S. that drives away loiterers with a shrill, piercing noise that only teens and young adults can hear, solidifying an entire generation's intention to send their parents to those unsafe old folks homes they show on *60 Minutes*.

Hollywood

Amy Winehouse was selected to do the theme song for the new James Bond film, *Quantum of Solace*. The song will hopefully be titled something that isn't nearly as stupid as *Quantum of Solace*.

THE WORLD

Paraguay

Do you care about Paraguay? Good, neither do we.

Nigeria

A group of Nigerian rebels wrote a letter to George Clooney asking the actor to help resolve their civil war. Clooney responded by sending the rebels a signed photo and a promise to help after he negotiates a truce in the Darfur conflict.

Indonesia

Chinese students counter-protested the pro-Tibetan groups protesting along the Olympic torch route. Yeah, those pro-Tibetan bastards; how dare they speak up against oppression and murder? What a bunch of douche-packers, just like STAND and Amnesty International.

Note: Our comments about anti-Tibetan protestors are not meant to suggest they don't have the right to protest. They do; that's part of a free society. Chinese students should recognize that while they are allowed to peacefully protest here, the Tibetan people are denied that right back in China. Just something to think about on that plane ride home.

A MACHIAVELLIAN'S GUIDE TO THE HOUSING LOTTERY

By Mr. Yarnell '10

The Duel recently discovered a revealing document from the 16th century. Written in a similar style to Niccoló Machiavelli treatise The Prince, this text provides shocking insight into the Hamilton Housing Lottery. An original copy of The Lottery will be on display this summer at the Emerson Gallery.

Concerning the Polite Refusal of Undesirable Offers:

Princes may encounter propositions from acquaintances with whom they have absolutely no desire to live. The offer to be sweet roomies may come from a perfectly nice person, but a prince must protect himself from painfully awkward situations. If the prince and this person only share common ground in terms of their economics homework, then the prince must **make sure to have a list of ready-made excuses as to why he cannot live with him or her.** The most sure-fire form of self-defense in this regard? The prince only need say "Darkside single."

How Flatterers Should Be Avoided:

A prince with a great number should think long and hard (like the lady doth said!) about the subjects that wish to keep his company in the future. **A prospective castlemate should be evaluated further than what material goods they could bring to the new abode.** While a large HDTV would certainly constitute a welcome addition, a wise prince will also seek certain skills, particularly in areas such as Beruit and communication with womenfolk.

Concerning the Geography of One's Abode:

The prince must understand every aspect of the nature of his surrounding localities. Among many other factors, these include the bitch-of-a-walk down the hill to Bundy, the lack of weekend provisions in McEwen, and the inherent superiority complex of many a Darkside villager.

Concerning the Summer Waitlist:

The prince may **consider sexual favors**, but only after all other forms of bribery have been exhausted.