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THE UNITED STATES

St. Paul, MN
 •John McCain selected Sarah Palin to be his Vice Presidential nominee this week. McCain attributed his selection to Palin's record of reform during her service as Alaska's Governor, and her possession of ovaries.
 •Palin also revealed her 17 year old daughter is pregnant but marrying the father, in a move that sealed her popularity among the Christian Right and *Juno* fans.

New Orleans, LA
 The much-feared Hurricane Gustav caused relatively little damage to the Gulf Coast, making it the second most overhyped event of the year, after the Verne Troyer sex tape.

Baltimore, MD
 Michael Phelps is definitely getting some serious booty right now.

New York, NY
 The NFL season opener between the NY Giants and the Washington Redskins was disrupted when Brett Favre demanded to play quarterback for both teams.

THE WORLD

Iran
 The Iranian government arrested seven squirrels last week, accusing them of being trained as spies for the U.S. And no, that wasn't a joke. They actually arrested seven squirrels. Iran is that crazy.

Japan
 Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda resigned on Tuesday, citing his political ineffectiveness. The top potential replacement candidates include former foreign minister Taro Aso and Charizard.

Thailand
 The government declared a state of emergency in Bangkok on Wednesday... a sexy emergency.

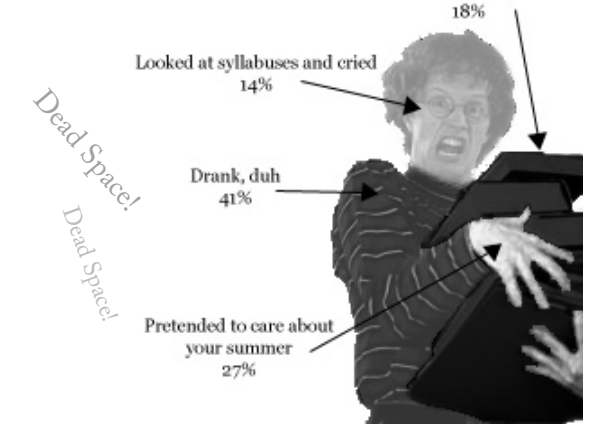
Africa
 Something depressing is probably happening here now.

FRIDAY FIVE: THINGS EVERY PROFESSOR SAYS DURING THE FIRST CLASS

By Mr. Yarnell '10

5. "Does everyone have the book? Wait, the bookstore didn't have it? Okay, well hold off on the reading until I go down there and shove my foot so far up somebody's ass they'll be flossing with my shoe laces."
4. "The office hours on your syllabus are nowhere close to when I'll actually be around. I'm available Friday and Saturday nights from 9 to 11 PM, and by appointment."
3. "In case you haven't learned this from attending schools the past 18 years of your life, the instructor decides your final grade. This means that I can fail you, and don't think for a second that I won't. I once gave a student an FFF-."
2. "No need to go over the Honor Code again, right?" [Proceeds to go over Honor Code.]
1. "My biggest pet peeve is students leaving class to use the bathroom. Listen, I don't care if you take Flomax, or even laxatives, for that matter. I would rather you soil yourself than soil this learning environment."

HamStat: What did you do during the first two weeks of classes?



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FRESHMEN BOYS REPORT HIGH LEVELS OF FRUSTRATION
Wave of disappointment sweeps Hamilton's new male population

By Mr. Weisenthal '12

'I'M ON FIRE' DEPT.
 (HAMILTON COLLEGE) Men from the Class of 2012 reported dangerous levels of sexual frustration, flooding the counseling center with hoardes of traumatized freshmen boys and raising sales of *Maxim* at the bookstore 289%.

"I was turned down by three girls who all hooked up with upperclassmen," Kyle Bedder '12 reported. "This is a serious blow to my confidence, man. Now my nerves are so shot I need, like, 5 drinks and 4 wingmen before approaching a girl."

"I guess I was really just looking for a relationship...anywhere, even with myself." Dale Collins '12 justified as Campus Safety hauled him out of the Diner. "I guess things just got out of hand... literally."

Others reported similar frustration.

"It's not fair!" Jack FitzSimmons '12 whined. "I've tried everything! I started out poking people on Facebook. I even posted on Craigslist, but that ended badly when my '18 Yo Hot Horny Chick' turned out to be a fat 40-year-old named Jim."

"None of my usual pick-up lines worked this weekend," Connor Hines '12 moped. "Like, 'Is that a mirror in your pocket, 'cause I can see myself in your pants.' Even my standby 'I lost my key, can I sleep in your bed' didn't work."

The Administration reassured concerned students. See "Microwaved Bananas," pg. 3

DARKSIDE REPORTS SURGE IN BRO POPULATION

Overall campus diversity? Not doing so hot

By Mr. Leubsdorf '10

J-CREW FAN CLUB DEPT.
 (HAMILTON COLLEGE) In what has become a clear trend, the population of bros living in the Darkside has skyrocketed, leading to a rise in bro-outs, as well as flooding Darkside RAs with bro-rape cases.

Historically, bros on the Darkside were isolated in the fac-apps and Millbank/Babbitt suites, but this year ResLife vowed to change those demographics.

"We took the debate last year over diversity very seriously," spokesman John Nitterman explained. "So instead of placing freshmen based on which stereotype they best fit, we put bros on the Darkside to eliminate the divide between it and the Lightside."

When asked whether they planned something similar for the Lightside, Nitterman said, "Hell no! South will always remain a preppy shitshow."

McIntosh in particular has become a central hub of the new Darkside bro culture.

"My neighbors watch sports 24-7," Sarah Wong '10 griped. "I didn't realize that there were sports games on at 3 AM until last week when their cheering for a soccer game in Belarus woke me up."

"There's loud dance parties and people puking in the bathrooms every night," Ethan Mars '11 complained. "We're one pulled fire alarm and 'We are DU' chant from having Millbank living conditions."

Some traditional Darksiders vowed defiance. See "BroIntosh," pg. 3

HIPSTERS HOST TRYOUTS FOR POTENTIAL PRETENTIOUS FRESHMEN

Requirements include honed sense of irony, superiority

By Ms. Borowitz '11

CONFORMITY DEPT

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) Although a variety of clubs desire the illustrious Class of 2012, many freshmen are flocking to the glamorous Hamilton hipsters in hopes of joining the post-ironic crew.

Lead hipster James Freidman '09 announced, "We're looking for a specific kind of person. They must have a permanent bookmark to Pitchfork, a closet full of vintage clothing, and a general disdain for all things normal."

Freshmen hopefuls are excited for a chance to be part of this exclusive group.

Gillian Mathers '12 said, "I hope they like me, but I think I lost my chance when one of them caught me enjoying Keystone Light and rap music at an Annex party."

Although exclusive and judgmental by nature, the hipsters are excited to bring new members into their group.

Marcia Davis '10 explained, "We're looking for people to join us, but we're also looking for new people to ruefully make fun of. So in that sense, *everybody* has a chance of being included in some way or another."

Some don't consider the hipsters worth it.

Fred Jacobs '12 said, "That would be a real waste of my time. Right now I'm interested in more realistic and meaningful pursuits, like trying to lose my virginity to a senior girl so everyone will think I'm cool."

Many think it's worth all the effort.

"Joining the hipsters is a privilege," Jeff Schwartz '12 pronounced. "Today I decided to randomly lop off a good portion of my hair to look authentic, and later I started taking up smoking flavored cigarettes. I'm asthmatic, so I got bronchitis, but I think it worked, because they seem to think I'm *really* cool."

"They told me that I reminded them of a freshman they liked last year: Jeb Escalator."

STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR TO BE HELD TODAY

Most popular student activity without a table: Boinking

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CLUBS RACE TO WOO FRESH MEAT ON CAMPUS

Student organizations' approaches mix skillful persuasion, bribery

By Mr. Zappala '12

SWAG DEPT.

(HAMILTON COLLEGE) Upperclassmen are working hard to attract Hamilton's Class of 2012 to join their organizations, trying to boost their membership to respectable levels, or at least have more members than the College Republicans.

"Last night, I was trying to see if my mom sent me an e-mail telling me how much she missed me, but couldn't find it among the four hundred e-mails from the Buffers," Jack Villerman '12 commented. "I wish she loved me as much as they do."

"There should be a one e-mail limit for all these stupid clubs trying to get us to join," Sarah Li '11 complained. "For example, Mock Trial. If I wanted to hear fake arguments all day, I would just watch *The Hills*. They have no right to flood my inbox with their junk."

Clubs tried a variety of approaches. Some tried wooing froshs with free bottle-openers, ponies, booze, embroidered polos and back massages. Other organizations resorted to more drastic measures.

Katie Rici '12 was hospitalized after being kidnapped to play on Women's Rugby. People Who Like To Do Fun Things also tried similar uses of force, making "indoctrinating freshmen" the first "Fun Thing" of the semester.

The club with the most success, as usual, was the Varsity Streaking Team.

"We don't have formal tryouts, so our recruiting method is very casual," team captain Carl LeRoc '09 explained. "We ask freshmen to show what they have as often as possible and tell

them that we'll contact them. We only choose the best, so no one should get hung up if they don't get picked."

Potential recruits were enthusiastic.

"I don't wear clothes anywhere now in the hopes I'll get picked," Frank Little '12 said. "Also, it's a great way not to have to waste four bucks every week on the freggin' laundry."

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"This happens every year," spokesman John Nitterman explained. "Freshmen boys always get more frustrated because, unlike freshmen girls, they are not desired commodities. They won't get laid until next year's freshmen arrive, and thus the cycle of life at Hamilton goes on."

Upperclassmen also urged patience.

"They need to take a long term view of the situation," Ryan Powers '09 confirmed. "Right now, we may be higher on the ladder, but eventually their turn will come. Freshmen boys, like the meek, shall inherit the earth."

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"We'll never allow the Darkside to become a bro-haven," Root resident Alexa Lewis '11 vowed. "We'll fight for our land, protecting ourselves from their Keystone cans and big black dildos by wearing our medieval armor."

"These bros don't get what the Darkside is about," John Ryder '09 huffed. "You can tell that from their music. Instead of Dave Matthews, they should be playing creepy indie music which they lack the emotional depth to understand."

Others were less concerned.

"People shouldn't worry," Aaron Page '10 said. "The spirit of the Darkside will always be a part of Hamilton, living on in the kids dressed like edgier versions of the Jonas Brothers or in that apple in the mural in McEwen which looks like a vagina."