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"Knowe Thyself, Not Be Thyself."

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PROFESSOR WINS MIDTERM ELECTION BY LANDSIDE

By Mr. Keane '03

Voter News Service reported Tuesday evening that Professor of History, Ted Gavin was the clear winner of History 137's vote on whether or not to have a midterm exam. With 99% of precincts reporting, it was apparent that the class would indeed be taking the test next week. Freshman, Julia Derting echoed the disenfranchised voices of her classmates as she said, "It's totally not fair! We voted not to have a midterm. I feel like I live in Broward County, Florida." Supporters of Professor Gavin (none of whom are enrolled in the class) seemed happy with the results. The professor's victory speech mentioned plans to take advantage of this new mandate.

Gap Wool Peacoat Upgraded to "Essential" Status

By Mr. Brown '03

(PARAMUS PARK) In hopes of boosting this season's outerwear sales, Gap clothing stores have added its wool peacoat to the list of life's essentials. The advertising brains behind this switch toyed with various adjectival upgrades such as: "recommended peacoat," "better-than-Buffalo-Bills-Starter-Jacket peacoat," and "freeze-to-death-while-still-looking-fashionable peacoat." The brainstorm ended when, reportedly, one advertiser was reminded of the necessity of oxygen while taking a breath, and thus he decided to add the wool peacoat to life's list of human essentials. A Gap spokesman adds, "our coat is not quite as essential as air and water, but it certainly is more essential than sex and rational thought." If you wish to continue being a human, visit www.gap.com for more information.

Greece Names Region After Utica, NY

Mr. Martin '03

(ATHENS, GREECE) In honor of the cultural and economic Mecca of Utica, New York, the Hellenic Republic of Greece announced their recent decision to name a region of their own nation after the legendary CNY city. President Konstandinos Stephanopoulos was quoted as saying "From its advances in theatre and literature to its groundbreaking discoveries in the field of philosophy, Western civilization owes a great debt to Utica, NY. Greece is honored to eternally bestow upon its lands a small piece of the Greater Herkimer Valley." Plans include replacing the ancient Temple of Hera with an exact replica of the Stanley Performing Arts Center and the installation of traffic lights every 13 meters. Other European nations have followed Greece's example, the most notable being Italy, which renamed its capital after Rome, NY, and Germany, which recently bestowed the title "Rotterdam" upon one of its largest cities, again in honor of the CNY landmark.

Hamilton Whaling Club Announces First Outing

By Mr. Keane '03

The Whaling Club will hold its first meeting next week in New Bedford, MA. Founder, Captain John Smithstern expressed hopes that the club will meet some of the current campus demand for blubber and scrimshaw. Plans for the meeting include slaying a blue whale, wearing funny rain hats, a discussion on being a man, and a workshop on harpoon forging. Herman Melville declined an invitation to be the club's faculty advisor. [Ed. Note: A blow-hole joke in this article would have been too easy.]

Wet Weather Leads to Butt-Stripe Epidemic

By Mr. Brown '03

The Health Center is considering postponing seasonal flu shots in order to tackle recent outbreaks of heinous butt-stripes. The rain and snow mixtures plaguing our campus have resulted in this ailment which so far affects only bicycle riders. Symptoms include, but are not limited to, a wet and/or muddy stripe on the seat of pants, swamp ass, genital itching, that not-so-fresh feeling, snide remarks, and herpes. Health Center employees remain totally baffled as to how the cruddy weather results in these disturbing conditions. Even more distressing are isolated complaints of wet and muddy lower-pant legs among campus pedestrians. The Health Center urges all students exhibiting these symptoms to make appointments before the crappy weather invades their nether regions. So far a concoction of salt and, ironically, water is the only medication offered by the Health Center.

Area Cross-Dresser Completely Misunderstands Utica "Drag Race Night."

By Mr. Martin '03

(UTICA-ROME SPEEDWAY) Travis McLouis, a cross-dresser and resident of Utica, NY, reportedly "completely missed the point" of Friday night's Drag Race Night at the Utica Speedway. McLouis told the *Duel Observer* late Friday that "I thought it was one of those things where the guys dress up real pretty and we have a friendly race for cute prizes." Most participants, including Winston Richards, also of Utica, arrived with supercharged automobiles, combined with nitrous systems and 19 inch racing rims. On the other hand, McLouis arrived with a super-soft leopard skin jacket, combined with a black velvet miniskirt and 5 inch heels. The difference in preparation was quickly noted. McLouis tried to be a good sport and entered his '92 Plymouth Minivan into the competition, but never got to race, since he was too busy trying to keep his ass from getting kicked.

Parent/Alumnus Peeved At Lack of Border-Line Illegal Extra-Curricular Activities

By Mr. Philbrick '04

Parent/Alumnus Joe "The Back Again Barnstormer" Houser '65, as he was known in his heyday, has been feverishly writing one sentence letters to the college promising to barnstorm this campus. During his Parents' Weekend visit, Houser was disgusted with the state of social life on this campus. In a recent interview with Houser and his daughter Lauren '04, Houser disclosed that he is primarily going to push for more "border-line illegal activities" on campus. He suggested cock-

fighting, drunken indoor bowling with sleds and local elementary school kids, and head-butting.

Houser also expressed disgust towards the current extra-curriculars:

"Kids today do drugs or sports, and they convince themselves they are having fun. They're shallow. Lord knows you can't have fun without gambling and naive elementary children, or maybe prostitutes." Houser promises to have videos, demonstrations, and a "hoe-down Hell's Angels style, if you get me?" next Parents' Weekend.

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Utica Mayor: We Did *Not* Build This City on Rock 'n Roll.

By Mr. Keane '03

CAN'T WAIT FOR STARSHIP'S NEXT ALBUM DEPT.

Mayor Julien tried to dispel a long-standing rumor about his fair city this morning in a press conference outside of The Utica Aud. Said the mayor, "We did not build this city, we did not build this city on rock an' roll. Did not build this city, we did not build this city on rock an' roll." The press and public alike were shocked to hear this revelation. Many in the crowd demanded further explanation, insisting that a city as hip and vibrant as Utica would have to have its roots in rock 'n roll. The mayor gave the podium to city engineer, Paul Kantner, who confirmed there was no evidence of either rock or roll within Utica's borders. Kantner did, however suggest that Utica could have been built on smooth jazz or Muzak.

Election 2002: Band of Drunken Government Professors Thrown from Pub

By Mr. Butler '06

(THE LITTLE PUB) Several Hamilton Government professors had to be removed from the Little Pub this past Tuesday for attempting to start a bar fight. According to witnesses, the professors spent the early part of the evening "pounding beers like nobody's business." When the election results came in, the group apparently became upset, and a popular professor that will remain nameless yelled "Lets tear this place apart!", and proceeded to throw his stool across the room. A pair of equally inebriated professors tried to jump the bar, but slipped and fell off in the process. The scene got completely out of control when a dispute arose over whether Chris Mathews or Trent Lott had a sweeter ass. The group was eventually escorted out by Campus Safety. Joe Crane, a bartender at the Pub, commented "I knew those guys were trouble as soon as they walked in."

Sophomore Now Looks to Junior Year as "Year He'll Get Ass"

By Mr. Cairns

SADLY AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL DEPT.

Sophomore Phil McHendrick now looks to Junior year as the year that he'll "get ass" at Hamilton. Phil came to his realization after less than a semester of college last Monday night, but he is certain that his boon coitus year will make up for his tragic loneliness. Friends say that Phil had been complaining about his single status. Hutch Samson said that his friend was "such a whiny bitch about it, you think you are so unusual, I'm single too, just shut the hell up you fricking martyr." Hutch also expressed displeasure regarding Phil's constant clichéd romantic themed ruminations on the fact that it's "just not right to wake up cozily not sheltered in another's being". Yes, its not just about sex for Phil, it's about a beautiful wholesome relationship too! I just used my headline to sucker you in, and yea, yea, its exaggerated for affect so don't get all pissy and judgmental against me, I'm just reporting the facts, alright Media Board? Phil thought sophomore year would be the year he'd get ass, and now he thinks its going to be Junior year; its funny because he's never going to get ass, so laugh it up. Alright fine, you pushy bastards, it's all about me, there is no Phil McHendrick! You broke me down! You feel big now, Hamilton? Why don't you go back to... getting snowed on or something, yeah... score one for the A-Man.

ASK THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Frank,

I'm a senior, and I'm having a rough time getting a job. I heard that you might have some mob connections. Could you help me out?
-Brian

Dear Brian,

Shut your pie hole. The only connection I know about is the connection between your forehead and this baseball bat. I don't have a mob friends, and if I hear about this again, my people will break your legs. Aw rats, you made me spill my drink.

- Ol' Blue Eyes