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UNITED NATIONS PUTS MIDDLE EASTERN DELEGATES IN TIMEOUT

By Mr. Erb '05

CREATIVE DIPLOMACY DEPT.

(NEW YORK, NY) In a stroke of diplomatic genius, the U.N. General Council made great strides in the struggle for peace in the Middle East when the Secretary General decided to implement traditional elementary school sanctions against "naughty" U.N. ambassadors.



Kofi Annan, who was reportedly "disappointed with" UN delegates from the Middle East

U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan decided to resort to this change in tactics after a conversation with his mother. According to Annan's personal assistant, the conversation had turned to the subject of U.N. Delegates from the Middle East and how it was becoming impossible to control their zealous antics. "His mother laughed at him and bluntly told him to put the Ambassadors in timeout because it worked on him when he was a child. I remember sitting in timeout during grade school and it totally sucked! The idea of using this on ambassadors was brilliant. Although, I did recommend that the Secretary General refrain from using dunce caps."

When squabbles began to erupt between

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STREAKING TEAM HOLDS AWAY GAME AT FIRST PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

By Mr. Clark '06

NUDE SPORTS DEPT.

(CORAL GABLES, FL) In what team captain Anthony Russo '05 called "the biggest away game of the year", Hamilton's varsity streaking team ran through the Convocation Center at the University of Miami last Thursday, interrupting the first debate between Democratic Senator John Kerry and Republican incumbent George W. Bush.

The crowd, which had been strictly instructed to remain silent throughout the debate, could not restrain themselves. There was a chorus of cheering, clapping, shrieking, and a few thuds as a visiting delegation from a local convent went unconscious. One audience member exclaimed "It's true what they say about white people!". President Bush himself was pointing and wildly giggling as the parade of flailing man-parts passed by the podiums.

Upon seeing the crowd's generally positive response to the streaking team's appearance, Senator Kerry claimed that he had led his Swift Boat crew in the nude. He then added that he had three Purple Hearts.

In his rebuttal, President Bush claimed that "[Kerry] is sending mixed messages. Our men and women liberatin' over in Iraq are wearing clothes, but you claim you fought naked. What kind of message is that for a Commander-in-chief to send to his troops?"

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Israel and Palestine, the Secretary General hastily unveiled the new “United Nations Detention Center” in the corner of the General Council meeting chamber, decked out with classic kindergarten chairs and a brightly colored rug. All of the ambassadors representing Middle Eastern countries were ordered to sit in this center, face the wall, and think about what they’d done. The Secretary General also put Dirk Jan van den Berg, the Delegate from the Netherlands, in timeout because, “Dutch people are weird.” Despite the exchange of ugly looks, “raspberries” and stuck out tongues during the timeout session, when the ambassadors returned to the meeting they were much more willing to listen to each other and negotiate.

Through the use of timeout, the Secretary General has done what years of war, violence, terrorism and foreign intervention have failed to accomplish: rational and peaceful dialogue. The Secretary General said, “I am very glad that using timeout worked as well as it did. I was afraid that the Undersecretary would have to start a search for an Official United Nations Spank Technician.”

VISITING STUDENT HAS BEST NIGHT HE CAN’T REMEMBER

By Mr. Lee ‘07

WHOOOOO! DEPT.

(CLINTON, NY) Visiting student Pedro Park ‘06 claims he has the best night he can never remember. “Well first it started, oh how did it start? Oh, God. I don’t know, but it was fun,” Park reported.

On, September 25th, Park was first spotted at Commons at 11:45 AM. He was later reported passed out on the golf course at 3:15 AM on September 26th by Campus Safety. When he was aroused by inquiring officers, Park quickly said, “Yo man, I swear to my G up in the sky. I didn’t have anything to do wit dat!

2 Yo, that cop, he planted that [expletive], I swear!”

When the officers told Park he wasn’t being charged with anything and that they were only concerned he would catch a cold, he sheepishly gazed in silence.

Park admitted later that even though he doesn’t remember much of that Saturday night, he had a great time. “I must say, it was very fun, although my memory from 12-8PM was a little hazy and from then on it was nothing but well.. Nothingness. Anyways, I must say Hamilton has some good parties, even if you guys don’t have frat houses. I mean the way you guys cram people into quads and suites is admirable. On top of that, I even heard from someone that I actually was at Bundy at some point in the night. That’s amazing! Ha! To imagine, I walked down that god-forsaken hill and actually partied in a DINING hall. Oh, you Hammies are too much! I shall miss you all. Go Ham-Tech!”

Shortly after the interview, Park was taken away by mysterious people dressed in trench coats with patches reading JHS on them. A missing persons notification has yet to be filed.

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After the debate, a spokesman from the Bush camp called the streaking team, consisting mostly of white males, “an encouraging sign of diversity in our higher education system. Plus,” he added, “it takes resolve and courage to streak. Balls, you could say. The same kind of courage and resolve our president provides in the war against terror.”

Because of the high profile of the streaking team’s victory, The NCAA and Miami Police are conducting a joint investigation into the conduct of Hamilton’s student-athletes. The streakers outran NCAA enforcement agents so drug tests were not administered.

MIDDLE AMERICA: HOTBED FOR THE CONSERVATIVE ARTS

By Mr. Auerbach ‘05

ACADEMIC ELITISM DEPT.

(CLINTON, NY) While New England has long laid claim to the Liberal Arts, in a startling new trend Middle American universities have become a hotbed for the Conservative Arts.

In contrast to the Liberal Arts education of trying to get a broad prospective on contemporary issues, the Conservative Arts focus on minutiae of events in the past. Students do not waste their time with junk theories such as Evolution or the Greenhouse Effect. Students may choose to focus their studies on the nearly 5,000 years of Earth history, Trickle Down Economics, or the Liberal Media.

Before the increase in Conservative Arts programs, higher education typically involved a core curriculum that forced students to take a broad spectrum of courses that had little bearing on reality, like Quantum Physics, Sociology, Psychology, or Mathematics. Now, they have a choice.

A LETTER TO THE READER:

They say “the classics never die.” They also say never to start a piece of prose with a quote, but the truth remains that some institutions have a timeless aura that makes them continuously salient and relevant. This is all well and good, but what does it have to do with a rag like “The Duel Observer” and what does it mean to you, The Reader?

The truth is... we don’t exactly know. After we founded “The Duel,” it gained a momentum of its own and proved to be a mild crowd-pleaser. It always had its critics, but they generally fell into one of two campus constituencies: the “cool” kids or the PhD’s - and frankly, we never trusted either camp. We only hoped our late nights wouldn’t go completely unnoticed.

So it was gone, but now it’s back. Think of “The Duel” as an old friend who studied abroad. The difference here is that “The Duel” is in no danger of graduating behind schedule and it won’t start every story with, “Oh my God – this one time when I was in Paris...” It does, however, have a new perspective, which we hope you will find refreshing.

Don’t let this sentimental passing-of-the-torch cause you to forget your role in all this. You, The Reader, are half the equation. Without you, the current Duel staff would have one less item on their résumés and the faculty would have a little less faith in the student body’s passion for “writing” (if you will.) Essentially, we’re saying that if this grand blue publication doesn’t meet your expectations, you’re partly to blame.

Here’s To A New Classic,

Mr. Martin ‘03

Mr. Schwartz ‘02

Mr. Keane ‘03

HAMILTON PERSONALS

- SWM seeks SWF with big heart, chest. Must like vandalism, Rufie Coladas, kittens. x8888. **AIK 4EVA!**
- Hey alumni, looking for a good time? Wanna be my sugar daddy? Call x4105

BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT DISCOVERS “BEER PLANT”

Mr. Orlando '08

LINNAEAN DEPT.

(CLINTON, NY) Researchers from the Hamilton College Biology Department have discovered a new species of perennial flora that lives on a peculiar schedule.

These plants, dubbed by student researchers as the “Beast Bush” or the “U.C. Tree,” blooms weekly for two days (generally Friday and Saturday). In addition to this, the plant seems to bloom only at night. By the following Tuesday, all residual buds have died and fallen off.

The plant flowers into a brilliant array of blue and silver aluminum cans, and already researchers are seeing that there are many different varieties of the plant’s flower. The most popular with focus groups have been the “Bud” or the “Stone”, but scientists promise more varieties are on the way. The plant has been seen blooming outside the Martin’s Way Bridge, under bushes near KJ, and also in the hedges near CJ. Pollen from the plant has a tendency to make surrounding plants less inhibited and more likely to release their pollen in order to mate.

While a practical use for this new discovery has yet to be determined, a bidding war has already begun between representatives from Amsterdam and Ireland for the few live samples that have been found.

ATKINS DIETER FINALLY LOSES WEIGHT

By Mr. Millhauser '08

OBESITY WATCH DEPT.

(UTICA, NY) Atkins Nutritionals, Inc. celebrated its first successful subscriber yesterday when Bradley Holton, a Utica, NY resident, announced that he lost thirty pounds over the course of a year by sticking rigorously to the Atkins diet.

Holton’s miraculous accomplishment was lauded by Atkins advocates across the country, and he received a key to the city for outstanding citizenship. A representative from Atkins Nutritionals said that the company wants to use Holton as a spokesperson like Jared from the Subway ads, “only real”.

Many can attest to Holton’s achievement. Tops employee and Holton’s close friend Joe Rosenberg remarked, “Brad comes in every Tuesday and buys only Atkins-labeled products on his way back from the gym where he works out for three hours a day. Why, just last week he bought six sticks of butter and a jar of mayonnaise. That man is as healthy as they come.”

We managed to reach Holton for comment during one of his daily twelve-mile jogs. “I really love the Atkins diet,” remarked Holton. “All I’ve eaten for the past eight weeks is dairy products and ground beef. Hi Mom!” We were unable to reach Holton for further comment because he runs faster than us.

LIFE ON THE HILL: Recent Trends

- **Debilitating alcoholism**
- **Stealing alligators from the Science Building**
- **X-TREME Kayaking**
- **Spin The Bottle**
- **Syphilis**
- **Acknowledging the existence of freshmen, Dark siders**
- **Cravats**
- **Breaking Shit**