

# THE DUEL OBSERVER

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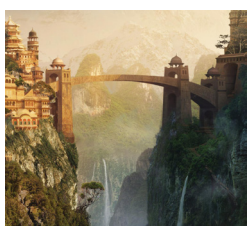
“Knowe Thyself, Love Thyself.”

YOUR BIRTHDAY!, 2011

### PERFECTION FORECAST

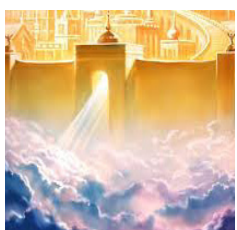
#### SHANGRI-LA

“WE CAME ALL THE WAY TO SHANGRI-LA AND YOU FORGOT THE XBOX?”



#### HEAVEN

LOW PROBABILITY YOUR HILLCARD WILL SWIPE YOU IN AFTER 11 PM.



#### PARADISE

98% CHANCE IT’S FOUND BY THE DASHBOARD LIGHT AND THE REARVIEW MIRROR



### DUELFUCIUS CORNER

Duelfucius say: “Life isn’t positive, but I’m positive I’m getting hard.”

IN THIS ISSUE: DOUG’S FRIEND SKEETER

## Campus Shocked to Realize Most People Agree on Things

### Violent anger brings peace, harmony to campus

By Mr. Kennedy ’14

#### Inclusive holiday miracle Dept.

(KIRKLAND) After a night of widespread ranting and camaraderie on Facebook and Twitter, students realized last Friday that there are many topics on which everyone agrees. Refreshed by this change of pace, the student body concluded that maybe they really don’t hate each other after all.

Constance Rose ’15 noted the considerable effect the night had on her relationship with her roommate, saying, “Who cares if she’s a total bimbo meth-head? It turns out that we have a lot in common.” Rose explained that they bonded over their interests in basic decency and the belief that “the Holocaust really was a bad thing!”

Many across campus shared her sentiment. Studies released the next day reinforced the general amiability and showed 100% of Hamilton students disagreed with the statement, “It’s usually okay to murder people.” This consensus further demonstrated that Hamilton students will stand together against something, provided it is horrifyingly offensive or tries to change Class & Charter Day.

However, only 8-12% of students (many of whom were shocked to learn that this does not represent a decisive majority) thought that more cocaine was needed on campus. Still, they were reunited when they learned that 97% of students “want” better food on campus, with the remaining 3% pledging a sorority.

School spirit was also at an all-time high as 99% of students suggested they would rather see our hockey team win than lose, and 95% agreed that, “Yes, Colgate does suck.”

Even sub-free housing residents (who are just disagreeable by nature) took solace in the loving atmosphere. “I thought I’d never find common ground with those guys in the Farmhouse,” Greg O’Leary ’13 of 100 College Hill Rd. explained. “Who would have guessed that they all like music, things that are funny, and ‘Shark Week?’ It’s like we’re all related!”

Learning from the campus trends, the Days-Massolo Center sought to increase sensitivity by hiring an overt racist.

School officials were mostly unapologetic for this tactic. “We know it’s an ethically gray area to advance school agenda by making the entire student body hate something,” College Spokesperson (and hired racist) John Nitterman Jr. admitted. “At least they’re happy to be hating something together.”



But vigilante serial killers are totally okay

### PERFECT PARTY PUTS PRIDE IN PARTICIPANTS

#### Post-party phucking particularly pleasurable

By Mr. Boudreau ’14

#### Unicorns & rainbows Dept.

(WASCLY BABBITT) As the shining sun spread its radiant grin over campus this morning, Greg Monroe ’14 woke up grinning too. The night before, Monroe had hosted a party in his suite; this party, however, was different from the typical Keystone-fueled grope-fests that frequently plague the campus.

“I don’t think a single freshman got EMT’d,” Monroe enthused. “Everyone drank responsibly.”

And drink they did. “I picked up a keg of Sneaky Pete’s Mad Dog Winter Seasonal Amber Lager for, like, five bucks—it’s typically twenty bucks for a six pack. It tastes like a teddy bear’s hug!” he gushed.

Although only four people responded “yes” on the Facebook event, all of the thirty “maybe”s actually showed up. Several “no”s called Monroe to apologize that they couldn’t make it.

Among the party goers was Grace Piper ’12. “I just kind of wandered in,” she admitted. “People were really cool—when I told them I don’t drink, they said that they ‘really respected my decision.’ Only this time, it was actually true!”

Around 12:30 AM, Campus Safety Officer Nat Burley kicked in the door to Monroe’s suite. When asked about the party, he said, “That was the best. Goddamn. Party. I’ve seen in thirteen years. I love them kids!”

His partner, Office Cynthia Ruston, accomplished a remarkable 745-second kegstand while Burley “ran train” at the ’ruit table.

By 1:30 AM, the alcohol was gone, but people remained to chat and help pick everything up. Piper drove a car full of empty cans to Hannaford, where she recycled them and donated the proceeds to charity.

The best part about the night? “Although it was a Thursday,” Monroe reported, “I’ve had all my homework done for weeks!”



## Disillusioned Religious Studies Major Realizes that Death is Actually Not That Scary

### Writes thesis proving that most belief systems based on people being “total pussies”

By Mr. Sinton ’13

#### [Dust thou] Art Dept.

(THE EMBRACE OF INFINITE PEACE) Placid and happy senior Ernest Madeon ’12 angered almost all of campus yesterday by not only simultaneously dismissing the overwhelming dread incumbent on a finite existence, but also by handing the final draft of his thesis in early.

“Originally, I was writing an exploratory thesis that interpreted *All Dogs Go To Heaven* as a Crypto-Zoroastrian text,” Madeon explained. “But after an all-nighter of writing ten pages on Carface-as-Ahriman, the Persian fire demon, Marge hugged me in Commons and, in that embrace, I realized that our fear of death is but an irrational shackle to which humanity elects to enslave itself. This life is all we have, and that is wonderful, no matter the length.”

“Bullshit!” Chaplain Roberts responded. “Death is scary. Ask anyone. There is a lot of pain, you lose everyone you love, and then you’re gone. If you’re good, you get good things, and if you’re bad, Satan chews you in one of his three mouths! If there wasn’t an afterlife, what would we live for? Ourselves? Abstract conceptions of passion or self-actualization? Sit on my dick, hippie.”

Fun-hating pre-med student Edwin Fource ’13 was also incredulous. “We are surrounded by suffering, and if you suffer the longest, you win. It’s like staying until the end of a Bundy party. The beer is gone and you’ve heard that Ke\$ha song three times, but goddamn it, you outlasted everyone else.”

Many, though, found themselves moved by Madeon’s new thesis.

“He’s so right—before was eternity, after is eternity, so really, this too is eternity,” Lynn West ’14 gushed. “The time we have is infinite because our mind has no perception of a Previous or a Subsequent. Now, I’m way more chill about the Diner B line.”

Others, like his former roommates, thought Madeon late to the game.

“Dude, the rest of our South quad realized this freshman year after finishing a handle of rum and thirty games of *Super Smash Bros*. If you remember to be happy when you can be and look around, this really is Good Enough. Ernest must’ve missed it while he was in the bathroom ‘watching *The Office* on Hulu’ while occasional moaning our hot RA’s name. You know, he went to all her capella shows. It’s almost sad.”

“I regret nothing,” Madeon clarified. “Like Being itself, her breasts were magnificent.”



## MR. '13

By Mr. Grebey '12



### FRIDAY FIVE:

#### REASONS THAT HAMILTON IS ABSOLUTELY PERFECT

By Mr. Johnson '14

5. **The Duel Observer:** I mean, we almost weren't going to say it, but let's be real: we would all be thinking it either way. According to our very reliable research,\* *The Duel* is 50% of the reason the average prospective student applies to Hamilton.
4. **Korfball:** Any other school would think it strange to have a small group of kids spending college money to learn a game no other college in the country plays, but luckily, Hamilton saw the immense potential... for comedy.
3. **Joanie:** At what other college is the president an expert in French literature? Wait, what? At Cornell? Really? Well, I'm sure there's no other college with a female president who specializes in French literature—what? Really? Brooklyn College too? Oh, whatever, Joanie, you could drink them both under the table. That's why we love you.
2. **The Daily Bull:** You know what our friends at other colleges tell us? How in the middle of the day, they crave bizarre and nonsensical art combined with a Lost and Found list that could easily be made available online. We want to thank *The Daily Bull* for flawlessly melding the mundanely unnecessary with the fantastically unnecessary.
1. **The People:** Really, we don't want to be corny, but what makes Hamilton the perfect college is the enthusiastic students who enroll here, the inspiring professors who teach them, and the dedicated staff that make it all possible. We love each and every one of you (except you—you know who you are, you dick), and we hope your finals week goes well. Have a great winter break everybody—except for you, dickwad.

\*Asking four prospies we bought liquor for counts as research, right?

\*\*Brooklyn College President actually specializes in French-Canadian Literature, which makes her much more qualified to lead a college.

### At the Movies with Phineas P. Wutterbottom III

Hello again, plebeians! It is I, Phineas P. Wutterbottom, here to celebrate the miraculous return of the movie channel by rating this month's selection.

Many people say the December movies are a waste because it's a short month and people are too busy to watch movies. To them I say, "tough titties," because we're getting the popcorn and starting the films!

**Rush Hour** – A decent movie, which only furthers my belief that all Asians are natural kung fu masters. On another note—what is Chris Tucker up to these days? I imagine he's dead from a coke overdose. *One thumb up.*

**How the Grinch Stole Christmas** – This is fantastic! Thank God it's not the live action remake. Did you know that the little girl who plays Cindy Lou Who now looks like this? *Two thumbs up/\$500 for the whole night.*

**Super 8** – An homage to the Spielberg alien movies of the '80s that's pretty good until it gets way too up-its-own-ass with symbolism (Oh, he needs to let go of his dead mom's locket? IT'S



A METAPHOR FOR LETTING GO! DURRR!). Another thing this movie has going against it is that I cannot tell if I'm supposed to be attracted to the girl. *One thumb up/visit from Chris Hansen.*

**Catch Me if You Can** – Tom Hanks just seems like the nicest guy in Hollywood. I give him two thumbs up, and I want to hang out with him. Call me.

**P.S. I Love You** – This movie is the bomb—Bill Murray and Dan Aykroyd at their finest, a killer soundtrack, and pretty good special effects! I ain't afraid of no ghost! Three thumbs up! Wait, sorry, I was thinking of *Ghostbusters*. This movie fucking blows. *Two thumbs down.*

Well, it looks like that's all the space we have. I know we missed some movies, but I guess *The Duel* cut me off so they could print yet another dick joke.

*Mr. Wutterbottom has a Ph.D. and a Masters of Third Degree Burns from the University of Fireworks Accidents. He will return to write for The Duel once/if the skin grafts take.*

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