

THE DUEL OBSERVER

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LOOK WHAT WE DID! ...With all the time we didn't spend pledging

FLASK INDUSTRY LOBBIES FOR HARSHER ALCOHOL POLICIES Looks to make a killing off people getting EMT'ed

By Mr. Kennedy '14
CONSULTING DEPT.
(OFF CAMPUS) Last Tuesday, students were surprised to find the slew of old dudes seen hitting on Dean of Students Nancy Thompson wasn't actually townies, but lobbyists. They were from the special interest group Flasks United (FU), who have begun to pressure Hamilton administrators towards stricter enforcement of drinking laws in an effort to increase flask sales.

Their new lobbying technique, which thrives on terrible alcohol policies, looks to drive drinking underground so that students will buy flasks. Industry lobbyist Jaff Abramock commented, “Look, the best thing to bolster sales is pressuring students away from open and paced drinking. Hidden bingeing on high-proof alcohol is much more profitable. Hamilton's irresponsibility is my 401(k) and a bungalow in Boca!”

This promise of success prompted a shift in Flask United's tactics to affect policymaking at the college level rather than in Washington. “Trying to get an ear with a congressman can take months,” one senior lobbyist commented. “Lobbying Hamilton was so much easier—somebody actually paid me to go to President Stewart's Open Hours.”

New NESAC policies have been a godsend for flailing flask producers, who haven't seen these sorts of profits since Prohibition.

Flasks United is also capitalizing on student enthusiasm for the resurgence of now-trendy flasks which have “really added that edgy, dangerous creep-factor to the stale drinking scene.” Campus alcoholics, according to one market research firm, are equally excited for their habits to be viewed as “necessary” rather than “a serious problem.”

The interest group's unprecedented success has even attracted a proverbial gold rush of other interest groups. One school administrator commented, “It's so nice to have someone tell us how good our ideas are for once! Those guys from Big Rehab were so nice and the Coalition for Drunk Driving really knows how to treat a girl.”



GOV MAJOR'S ENTIRE THESIS BASED ON A TYPO

Makes salient points about America's hug deficit
By Mr. Sinton '13
CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS? DEPT.
(LETS BE HONEST, PROBABLY THE LIGHT-SIDE) It's thesis time on the Hill again, leaving most seniors scrambling to vomit out large swathes of text while crying silently into an Opus Magnum. While some are struggling to make the best of their situation, others don't have enough money for that much Adderall. Typos and grammatical errors abound, but Chris Smoltz '12 simply takes the cake.

“I thought I'd seen the worst in 2006 when Sally Penn '06 got ten pages into her thesis, *Who Let the Dogs and the Hogs Out? Hoo, Hoo, Hoo, Hoo: Applying Cur Theory to Charlotte's Web*,” Prof. Maggie Tamm reported. “That one was a simple accent mix-up. But this one seems to be a complete lack of basic comprehension.”

After almost a full semester of work, his peers couldn't stifle their various teehees and giggles anymore and told the Government Department that Smoltz was seventy-five pages into a thesis on America's hug deficit.

Amanda Drimmle '12 had little sympathy. “I'm

SURPRISE GREAT NAMES SPEAKERS ARRIVE ON CAMPUS OVER WINTER BREAK

Steal all the towels in the Bristol Center and leave

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CLERICAL ERRORS DEPT.
(FRIGGEN' AIRPLANE HANGAR-SIZED FIELD HOUSE) The rumors that there would be no Sacerdote Great Names Speaker this semester were proven untrue when it was announced that not only would there be a speaker, but several celebrities and thinkers of note would be arriving on the Hill simultaneously to give Hamilton the best entertainment and speeches to grace it in decades.

Unfortunately, due to a scheduling error, they all arrived the second week of winter break and were gone by the third.

Political satirist Stephen Colbert, brilliant feminist Gloria Steinem, talk show host and actress Ellen DeGeneres, actor Neil Patrick Harris, McGruff the Crime Dog, and philanthropist Santa Claus were but

thirteen books deep into an analysis of some bullshit Supreme Court case about some bullshit bullshit so I can maybe bullshit my way into bullshit law school and accrue more bullshit student debt. This kid doesn't know what debt is because Daddy pays his credit card and probably has a hug deficit of his own because he chose to get locked in a basement for weeks in order to buy friends. It's fucking bullshit.”

“We should have known when I told him that China holds a lot of our debt,” bewildered world politics Professor Nguyen R. Nguyen-Archikundinar admitted. “He proceeded to ask me ‘but who holds China? Especially late at night, when it gets scary and Paramount Leader Hu Jintao is drunk again and yelling at Mom?’”

Smoltz allegedly followed up that question with, “Is it the pandas?”

Faced with his mistake, Smoltz is still sticking to his topic. “We are faced with an enormous hug deficit, and yet America is the world's largest arms dealer. I propose we turn those arms on our children, especially the poor children and children of color who need to be targeted by those arms the most.”



a few of the talented and brilliant individuals disappointed to find that the only students who remained were a couple of bros whose car had broken down, leaving them stuck camping under the bridge.

Dismayed but determined to do the job they were paid for, the guests of honor spent days putting on the best performance they could for the two DIK brothers, singing their hits, presenting their most well-worded arguments, and in the case of guest Simon Cowell, yelling more painfully honest critiques than Nancy Thompson at the alcohol discussion (with less focus on feces).

Billionaire Bill Gates conveyed some previously repressed self-esteem issues onto the disappointing audience, believing he was at fault. “They would have come for Jobs, I know they would have,” he wept. “But I'm not such a bad guy! I give billions to charity! AND I ROCKED THE TURTLENECK WAY BEFORE HE DID!”

Bridge-dwelling bro Bill Brimingham '14 had mixed feelings about receiving world class entertainment, education by some of the world's finest, and a VP ticket offer from President Obama.

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In this issue: It's Hannaford. Trust us.

COUNSELING CENTER BURDENED AFTER *LADY IN THE DARK*



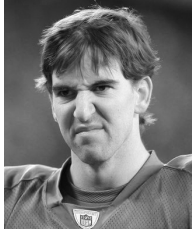


See, “Not Even Dave Walden Can Fix Some Problems,” pg. but seriously, we love him.

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Duelfucius say: “Nothing causes social death like dating the head RA. Or slavery.”

SUPER BOWL FORECAST	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	Milbank 44	Sorority Mixer	KJ Bathroom
			
	High probability your two-tiered seating plan kills somebody	78% chance your girlfriend thinks Tim Tebow is playing	“Who would you rather do in a KJ bathroom: Madonna or Eli?”



Continued from “Great Names Speakers” on front page.

Trolls Not Only Thing Under Bridge

“It was okay, I guess, but with all of these famous people performing for just me and my man Joey, I felt pressured to actually be sober for part of my winter

break, which was a downer. I wish they’d have just let us hang loose the whole week, you know what I mean, Steve?”

“Your very words ooze with truthiness, my friend,” Colbert agreed as he handed back the flask.

LOOKING FOR SUMMER WORK EXPERIENCE? HOPING TO PUT THEM LEARNIN’ SKILLS TO GOOD USE? INTERNS WANTED AT HANNAFORD OF CLINTON, NY!

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This could be you!

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- **Second assistant manager** of floor cleanliness for aisles 3 and 5, Jack Mooney ’06
- **Third assistant manager** of floor cleanliness for aisles 3, 5, and 7, Patricia Motts ’09 (one of our standout stars!!!)
- **Occupy Clinton participant** Vinny Russell ’92

Seeking capable students with a GAP (grade average point) of 1.0 or higher*, but nothing’s more important than dedication, enthusiasm, and a full set of bodily appendages!!!

*Negotiable—hockey players welcome

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PROFESSORS EMBRACE TEACH-BY-TWEET PROGRAM

By Mr. Hostetter ’13

The Hamilton Administration is always prepared to fling itself shamelessly onto the bandwagon for the latest social media trend. The latest horrifying innovation in this area is the Teach-By-Tweet program, announced by Joan Hinde Stewart this Wednesday. Departments all across the campus have announced various initiatives to educate students over Twitter.

Programs include:

- **Chemistry:** If you thought Orgo was fun in person, just wait until you try to learn it in bursts of 140 characters littered with fun hashtags like #BestReactionEver and #SorryImNotSulfur.
- **Political Theory:** Discuss Karl Marx’s condemnation of consumerism in between retweets from @kanyewest.
- **English:** Read sonnets in tweet form, complete with hash tags to make them more understandable to a modern audience:
 - o Thou: more lovely, more temperate.
#YouVsSummersDay
 - o The sun, coral, snow, roses.
#ThingsNotLikeMyMistress
 - o What the fuck is with all this yellow fog?
#ItsProbablyAMetaphor
- **Classics:** In a desperate attempt to remind the campus that they still exist, Classics professors will end all their tweets in “PLEASE RT.”
- **Sociology:** For your final, get as many people as possible to retweet you, proving once and for all that it’s not what you know, it’s who you know.

OUTSIDE THE BUBBLE NEWS

All the news with half the calories

Indianapolis, IN

Important White Guy Mitch Daniels passes ‘Right to Work’ law, THE CLASS WAR DOES NOT EXIST THE CLASS WAR DOES NOT EXIST YOU ARE DISTRACTED BY THE SUPER BOWL!

San Francisco, CA

Proposals emerging from “scientists” following *another* United Nations report, or something, urges the regulation of sugar, much like tobacco. Trade lobbyists do not reply “sweet!”; Darksiders begin freebasing Sweet’N Low packets outside Milbank.

The Villages, FL

Mitt Romney won the Florida primary in a landslide on Tuesday. Exit polling indicates that 75% of his voters’ second choice was Millard Fillmore and that they found him more electable than Grover Cleveland.

Cairo, Egypt

Over 70 Egyptian citizens were killed on Wednesday in riots following a soccer match. Egyptian Security Forces claim that this was not the GOOOAAALLLLLLLLLL!!!

Aqua, Italia

Costa Concordia cruise ship capsizes off of Italian coast. Experts call off the search.



T-Pain happy he wasn’t on *this* boat

WHERE ARE THEY Now?

THE MAJOR POOPER

By Mr. Lavelle ’13

The recent resident hall pooping scandal echoes shittier times that students thought they had wiped from their memory. Specifically, the Major Pooper (MP), who during fall semester 2009 periodically pooped in Major Hall, comes to mind. Could this isolated incident have been the work of this big name in the Bowel Movement movement? This recent incident certainly seems to be congruent with his M.O. But, where is he now?

After Hamilton: After his semester at Hamilton, MP enrolled in Hampshire College to get his BA in *Stuff*, but was subsequently expelled for using the Five College Consortium to mail human excrement to Amherst and Mount Holyoke, like they deserve.

Last Known Location: The Pooper was last seen two weeks ago at Cameron’s Restaurant in Clinton, New York, where, after finishing his balsamic and herb marinated chicken, he proceeded to defecate in the bathroom sink before slipping out without paying his bill.

Known Enemies: The Minor Pooper, The Lil’ Tex Mexican

Known Alias: Marcus Stooley

The Major Pooper is rumored to be at large again on Hamilton Campus. If you have any information about the whereabouts of the Major Pooper, please contact the owners of Cameron’s Restaurant. He owes them \$14.

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