

Mike Birbiglia Skips Own Show for Taj and Jars

Please notice us, Mike.

HAMILTON INSTITUTES ABSTINENCE-ONLY GENERAL EDUCATION

The only safe learning is no learning

By Mr. Letai '19

MORALITY DEPT.

(THE VACANT REGISTRAR) The Hamilton administration announced on Wednesday that the college would be transitioning away from their standard model of education and toward a model emphasizing abstinence from education of any sort.

“It’s just not worth the risk,” Louise Tavera, the college’s newly appointed Dean of Decency, said. “When I examined Hamilton’s curriculum, I discovered a shocking potential for indecency and corruption. Only by teaching them to abstain from all intellectual stimulation can we ensure a safe, wholesome environment for our students. After all, who knows what’s best for our students better than me? I just talked to one last month!”

At first Tavera’s program only targeted specific departments. Computer Science was the first to be shut down after administrators discovered there was pornography available on the Internet. Soon after, Tavera eliminated the Biology department after seeing an “unconscionably graphic” diagram of the endocrine system through a window. The experience prompted Tavera to scrutinize every department at Hamilton.

CAREER CENTER OUT OF VISION BOARDS

Entire campus prepares for unemployment

By Mr. Fergusson '20

DISCOVERY TEAM DEPT.

(BRISTOL HUB) Disaster has struck Hamilton College’s Career Center. As staff entered their offices this morning, they found the rooms completely devoid of vision board materials. “Who could do such an awful thing?” sobbed Christina Jenkins, Career Center director. “How else can we evaluate students’ abilities to become functional adults after graduation?”

“These vision boards are really the only way we can ensure the success of our students,” continued Ms. Jenkins’ assistant after the director curled into the fetal position and began moaning. “No *Fortune 500* is coming in here to offer a job to some student who does not have a very clear visual representation of future plans.” The assistant did not comment on whether or not that means Daddy can still get you that internship at his private equity firm.

The Alumni Office has already prepared for an upcoming decrease in donations as a result of this travesty and has officially warned the Trustees to cut their bud-

“I thought the arts and humanities would be safe from the taint of vulgarity,” Tavera explained, “but then I did some research. Do you realize that they let students look at nude sculptures in class? And as soon as I heard that Classics professor going on about the comic phallus, I knew I had to take drastic measures. Students will be safer and happier in the absence of all stimulus whatsoever.”

The new “Abstinence From Education” program replaces Hamilton’s open curriculum with a non-existent one, freeing students to focus on upholding wholesome traditional values like baking casseroles, institutional racism, and untreated STDs.

Tavera responded to criticisms of the measure by saying that it is for the good of the community. “I care deeply about every student on this campus, and that’s why I want to make sure they are only exposed to things that adhere to my own specific, restrictive personal taste. Just yesterday I had to tackle a student to stop them from seeing Dick Van Dyke’s name in their Cinema Studies class. And don’t even get me started on this ‘Shakespeare’ hooligan. I will not have my children reading anything with so many tawdry, filthy excuses for jokes.”

When informed that the vast majority of Hamilton students were in fact over eighteen years of age, Tavera scoffed. “If they’re so mature,” she asked, “why did that freshman start crying when I set fire to her books? I very clearly explained that Jane Austen is nothing but horrid smut. She should have thanked me!”

get in half by 2025. “There is simply no chance we can continue to fund things like the Tasty Treats Club for two thousand dollars a semester,” Assistant Associate Dean of Funding for Student Life Caroline Paulding announced. “Not when all our students will end up in jobs at McDonald’s, Bonomo’s, or other places that don’t require a vision board scan in the application.”

This news hits the Career Center at a difficult time, as the trade war President Wippman started with Marshall’s has limited the supplies of raw materials needed for vision board construction. “What are we going to do without all our construction paper?” shrieked Harrison Smith '21, a Career Center employee, as they frantically scanned their employee manual for a backup plan for their Know Thyself 420W workshop.

The usual suspects are already under investigation for the recent theft. “We checked with the boys of DIK to see if they were up to some old school pledging hijinks, but it proved a dead end,” Frank Coots reported in a press conference. “Next we’ll try infiltrating the Counseling Center Group Therapy session for paper-eating addicts. If that doesn’t pan out, we’ll probably just give up and hope someone narcs on their friend.”

DEAN OF STUDENTS FOUND GUILTY OF SELLING STUDENTS TO IRAN

Launch of new study abroad program in Nicaragua “entirely unrelated”

By Mr. Case '21

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPT.

(A CAGE FULL OF FIRST-YEARS) In a turn of events that is likely to rock Hamilton College to its core, Dean of Students Olivia North was found guilty of selling students to Iran in the hopes of destabilizing the administration of La Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua. In a hearing held this Thursday adjudicated by Student Assembly and some random pre-law dickhead, North was found guilty of funneling funds from the Iran deal into a Nicaraguan higher education resistance group, which aimed to unseat the leftist administration of Nicaragua’s premier national university in a move reminiscent of Reagan Era diplomacy.

Authorities first became aware of the scandal when Hamilton’s acceptance rate dropped fifteen percent in one year, due to a U.S News and World Report article that documented a significant drop in the size of the student body. After the vast majority of the freshman class suspiciously went missing, the federal government began to suspect that something might be wrong. An independent investigation led by the New York State Police determined that North had been luring students into her basement with the promise of job recommendations, only to lock them in an oversized dog crate that she had bought before realizing Clifford wasn’t real.

David Wippman, President and Chief Pitbull Impersonator of Hamilton, insisted that he had no knowledge of the deal, stating that “I am a lot of things to a lot of people: a role model to my illegitimate son, a religious icon to my cult, a mirror to whoever stands behind me. But one thing I am not is a liar, and as I stand before you today, I assert my innocence in this matter. Dean North acted independently of the administration and outside the community standards that we expect here at Hamilton. I most certainly did not, nor would I ever, load Hamilton students into the cargo hold of a 747 bound for Tehran.”

Sentencing is likely to occur next week and will be attended by the administration of La Universidad. North was not available for comment, and has been placed under house arrest in her nest in the Commons rafters. Experts estimate that North will likely get at least fifteen years in federal prison and will be held responsible for finding the students she sold and who are currently still scattered throughout Iran.

In this issue: “Scary axe murderer hot”

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Suddenly your parents feel like visiting
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BOOKSTORE DEAL

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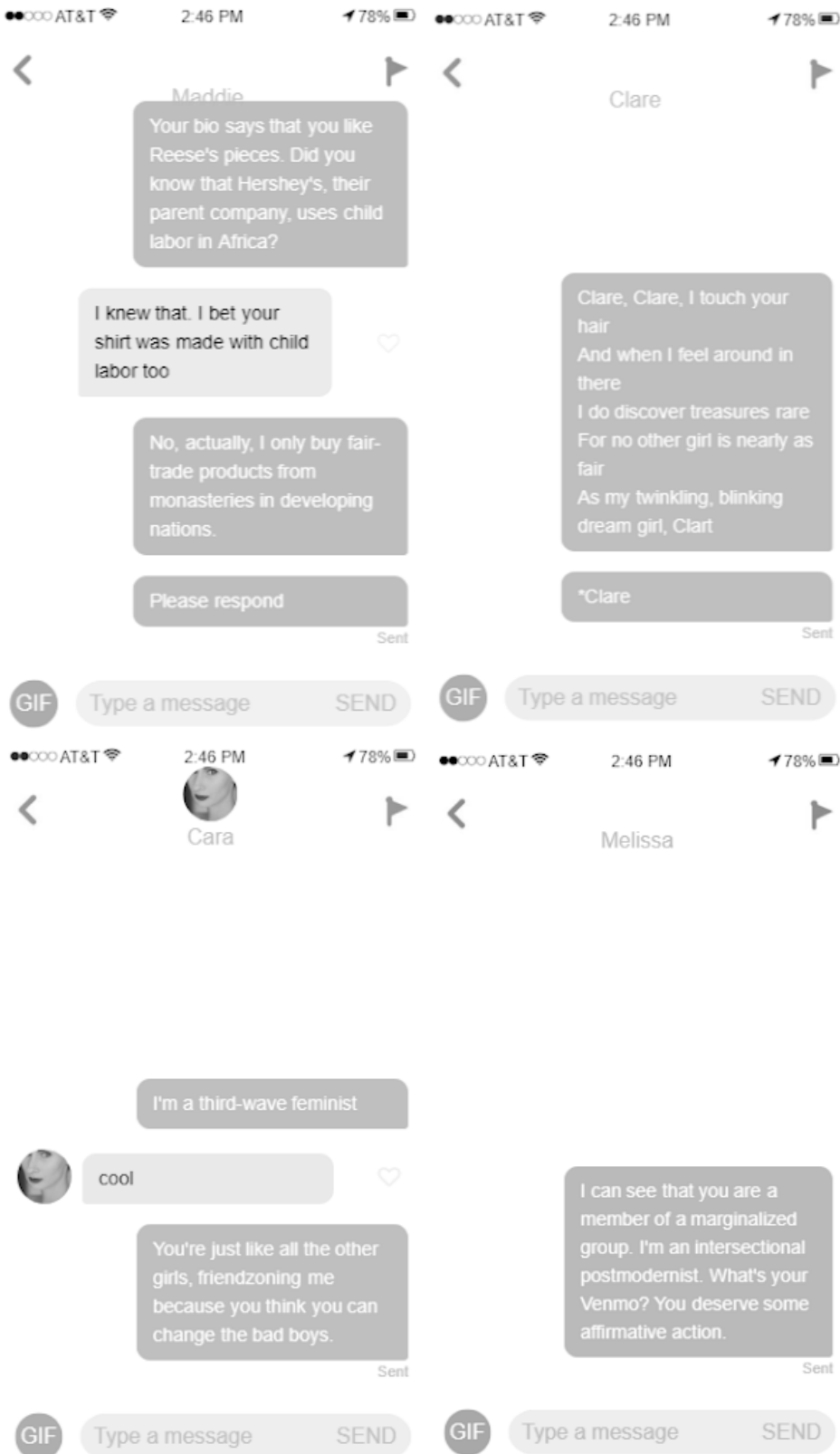
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SOFTBOY SAM TAKES TINDER

This week, I made a Tinder. I was hoping to find someone to sit with me in the Levitt Center on Friday night and comment on the thoughtless masses as they flock to see “comedian” Mike Birbiglia. Fools. I haven’t laughed at anything since I was four years old, except ironically.

Unfortunately, none of the available women in central New York can comprehend my intricacies. I’ve tried everything: displays of moral superiority, discussion of modern and historical feminism, even rhyme.

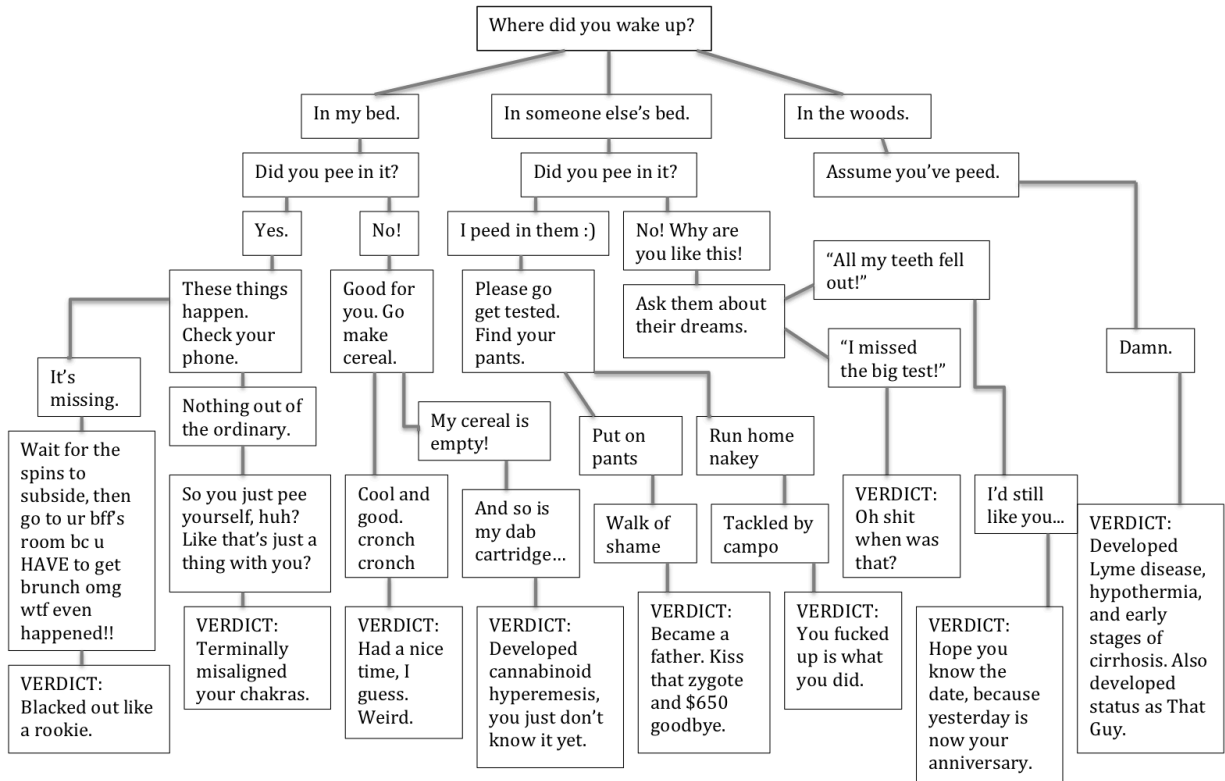
Although many students, even at supposedly selective institutions, have forsaken the written word for violent video games and frivolous reality TV, I know I can rely on the readership of this publication for effective, intelligent advice. Can any of you understand why these women can’t handle my complexity? You can contact me at softboysam@hamilton.edu



AirDropped to the iPhone of Mr. Kallus ’21

WHAT DID YOU DO LAST NIGHT?

An Interactive Adventure



Painstakingly researched by Ms. Stevenson ’19

Friday Five: The *Duel Observer's* Community Standards

By Mr. Paull ’20

We here at the Duel Observer recently learned that there are community standards that we are supposed to follow. Nobody ever told us what these standards are or who holds the mighty responsibility of enforcing them, so how were we to know? We believe that the students are in charge of creating the community they want to live in, and as The Duel Observer is the best barometer of student opinion, we took it upon ourselves to come up with a few community standards that will now be stringently enforced.

5. Mr. Brightside has to be played at every party. It seems as if no party on campus can quite make it the entire night without playing The Killers’ 2004 anthem, “Mr. Brightside.” Nothing gets a tightly-packed room full of white people as riled up as this song does, so it shall henceforth be played at every party.

4. Romans drink first. It is crucial to remember if a Roman legion is travelling with a party of slaves from Macedonia, Thrace, or Judea, the Romans always have the imperative to take the first drinks from the well.

3. All comedy outlets must explain their jokes. We realize that sometimes we may make a little oopsie whoopsie by making a joke that is in bad taste. We are bewy sowwy. Luckily, every single joke made on this campus now has to be explained to the administration in a six-step process.

2. Please just chill, Campo. Campo is no longer allowed to break up small parties and get-togethers just because there is nothing else to do. Instead of disrupting innocuous parties, maybe they could come and join. Or better yet, they could interrupt the actual campus institutions that promote widespread toxic behavior instead of Jenna’s sip and paint party in Milbank.

1. The phallus is funny. I think we can all agree that wangs are a pretty silly concept. Since the invention of comedy, the phallus has been there, providing the multitudes with a cheap chuckle. Who didn’t laugh when Jeff held a water bottle in front of his crotch and said, “Look at me, I’m Mr. Nalgene Dick.” Hilarious. I think we can all agree to keep the phallic comedic tradition alive and well here at Hamilton.

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