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"Knowe Thyself, Not Be Thyself."

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## "Haha, 4/20 Blaze It," Says Hamilton Administration As Housing Lottery Goes Up In Flames

### WIPPMAN DECLARES "PROB-LEM SOLVED" As CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULTS CEASE

Solution expected to last only until teleportation is invented

By Ms. Rinehart-Jones '20

STATISTICS DEPT.

(SAFE AT HOME) On Tuesday, President Wippman announced that due to the absence of students, the number of sexual assaults on campus has dropped to zero. Popping a bottle of champagne, he made the announcement via Zoom in front of a banner proclaiming "Mission Accomplished," then closed by declaring the sexual assault epidemic on campus "donezo" and walked out of frame as "We Are The Champions" played in the background.

Following Wippman's announcement, the Dean of Students Office sent out an all-campus email announcing the closing of the Title IX Office, since the program would no longer be needed. Campus organizations like SMART and the Womxn's Center subsequently spoke out against the removal of the Title IX Office, calling it "idiotic," "shortsighted," and "almost otherworldly in its ability to miss the point."

The athletic community also spoke out against the office's removal. Hannah Ringer '21, a member of the Women's Hockey team, said, "Title IX encompasses so much more than sexual assault; it also has to do with equity in sports. As a female athlete, I can tolerate a lot of disrespect of my gender, but I draw the line at any disrespect of women's hockey."

Other Hamilton community members found the announcement encouraging. "Let's GOOOOO," Harlan Whitesboro '20, a member of DIK, posted on his Instagram story. He later stated, "As a former member of MOHASA and DIK's Chair of Anti-Uncool Behavior, I'm really proud of our community. We finally managed to merk sexual assault. It's awesome. I'm so glad we figured out a solution that only involves changing everything about our lives, but not actually requiring any introspection on our part."

"Though I'm now out of a job, I'm very proud of our community," Title IX Coordinator Brock Lenton said. "Maybe this is why other schools allow frats to have off-campus housing."

cided to go out on a run Saturday afternoon. I was jogging along Green Apple Way, and was beset by a kraken from the KTSA Pond and almost trampled by a herd of moose by Babbitt,' Stephanie Hernandez '22 said. "At the bridge, a troll stopped me demanding payment. Where

is the Boffer Club when you need them?" The remaining staff at Hamilton have also had encounters with creatures returning to campus. "There I was, pulling into the parking lot by Bundy, and suddenly my car hit a giant python. The poor bugger got hurt, but I'm nursing it back to health," Andrew Jillings said. "I guess snakes really do belong in Bundy after all."

"I think this is a great excuse to have Hamilton College Conspiracy Theorists meetings,' HCCT E-Board member Kevin Tanner '21 said. "With all the strange sights on campus, I guess we haven't been wasting our time after all!" Club members have expressed concerns that larger and larger threats to human existence might come to campus. These attendees proved to be right, as Godzilla was seen on Thursday night destroying Commons, to everyone's delight.

### Overbearing Professor Has Tragic Backstory

Excuses that one time he made you cry By Ms. Terhune '21

SYMPATHY FOR THE DEVIL DEPT.

(ZOOM OFFICE HOURS) While most of campus has taken a cautious approach to online classes, History Professor Harrison Lurchman has doubled the amount of readings required for his classes since the end of spring break. Citing all the "free time" students must now have at home, Lurchman decided that he would add new books to his syllabi, ask that his students watch asynchronous lectures in addition to live lectures, and make students watch his one-person Zoom reenactment of WWII. When asked why he would increase the number of responsibilities during a pandemic, inevitably causing unnecessary stress, he said, "Well, it's simple. Not only am I tenured, but I had a bad childhood, and so now I can do whatever I want."

"Because of Professor Lurchman, I've had to skip other classes and stop helping look after my younger sister," Alex Angier '22, a student in Lurchman's History of Tennis course, said. "But that's okay because I know that he has some deepseated personal issues that excuse his contribution to my total mental deterioration."

"It all started when I was born," Lurchman explained. "The doctor told my mother that I had a small head, almost like a young Pee-wee Herman, and ever since then, I've known that I could neither trust nor love."

"I had to miss class last Monday because I was volunteering with my local food bank, and Professor Lurchman made me have a two-hour conversation with him about how I might avoid missing class in the future," Julia Borden '20, another one of Lurchman's students, said. "I was frustrated at first, but then I remembered that he has a more complex character arc than most. Apparently he was chosen last for his third grade dodgeball tournament because his classmates thought he had 'stubby, uninspiring legs.' I sure know that would scar me for life and justify exploiting all future power dynamics."

Lurchman considered that his strict policies and increased workload might be cruel and cause actual damage to his students, but ultimately decided that he was too hardened by his past and bitter from always getting dumped and not being the dumper. "The world is rough, and to get anywhere in life, you have to make it a little bit rougher. While my students may have lives outside of Hamilton, I sure don't, and we're all just going to have to be okay with that."

### Hamilton Campus RECLAIMED BY NATURAL Environment

"We are the disease!"

By Mr. Chivily '23

CRYPTOZOOLOGY DEPT.

(BABBITT 17) Since students departed Hamilton over a month ago, the campus has been taken over by wildlife. Flora and fauna unseen for many years have taken up residence in every corner of campus, from Major Residence Hall to 1 Anderson Road. What began with a single Babbitt Deer has now become a mass migration.

A notable exception is Bundy Residence Hall and Bundy Café, where a small group of students and staff remain on campus. "Things are getting just a bit weird here," Justin Wu '21 said. "Vegan raccoons have taken over Woolcott House, fish have returned to the KJ water feature, and Dunham has become infested with exotic fungi and lichens, which is actually an improvement to be honest."

Other students living in Bundy have had more direct experiences with creatures. "I de-

#### In this issue: It's bad because I know he's NOT wearing any pants.

### CLASS REGISTRATION FORECAST 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 3:00 PM KidzLabs 'Should I register mom approves of for this lab, or is it senior seminar on Homoerotic Subtext in Winnie-the-Pooh up in time to get Intro Photo all still going to be online?"

# Mmm... Dinner!

When I said I could eat Mac & Cheese for every meal, I didn't mean like this! See, "I miss Diner Mac," pg. 1923

### THE DUEL ZODIAC

October 1-October 31, Spooky Drew Carey: This zodiac will spook your socks off! Spooky Drew Careys are not good at falling in love, but they are great at pratfalls. SDCs will always look out for your pets' welfare, but watch out for their pointy teeth and fragile



### Shit Went Down at Kyle's Virtual Birthday Rager

Zoom Group Chat

\*10:01 PM: Host Starts meeting\*

\*10:01 PM: Daniel Baker joins call\*

\*10:02 PM: Tommy Melller joins call\*

\*10:03 PM: Rachel David joins call\*

\*10:05 PM: Justin Tate joins call\*

\*10:06 PM: Camille Brooke joins call\*

\*10:08 PM: Jared Hastings joins call\*

\*10:10 PM: Christina Albertson joins call\*

10:11: Kyle Huffman (host): hey guys so welcome to my birthday party. ik we planned on having a bigger rager but yk but lets get the best celly of rona szn goin

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\*10:33 PM: Tommy Melller has left the call\*

10:34 PM: Camille Brooke: oh shit did he just spill kraken on his laptop lol thats fucced

10:35 PM: Daniel Baker: F 10:35 PM: Rachel David: F 10:35 PM: Justin Tate: F

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\*10:55 PM: Kyle Huffman (host) has created breakout rooms\*

\*10:55 PM: Kyle Huffman (host) has left to Breakout Room One\*

\*10:55 PM: Camille Brooke has left to Breakout Room One\*

10:56 PM: Jared Hastings: oh shit lol they fucking?

10:57 PM: Rachel David: Imao Zoom sex. Zex.

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11:22 PM: Christina Albertson: is... is Justin okay? did he just fall out of his window?

11:22 PM: Christina Albertson: are we supposed to call EMTs or something?

11:22 PM: Christina Albertson: 911 maybe? does anyone know where Justin lives?? guys??

11:23 PM: Rachel David: Imao ZMTs

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\*11:30 PM: Tommy Melller joins call\*

11:30 PM: Tommy Melller: lol fixed it. we back

11:31 PM: Jared Hastings: u look a lil pale there buddy u okay?

\*11:32 PM: Tommy Melller has left the call\*

11:32 PM: Jared Hastings: o shit nvm guess not

11:33 PM: Daniel Baker: did he just straight yak all over his macbook? brooooooooo

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11:48 PM: Kyle Huffman (host): hey everyone who just joined can u mute ur audio. Christina and

Danny are fuckin neck n neck in beer pong on coolmathgames.com rn

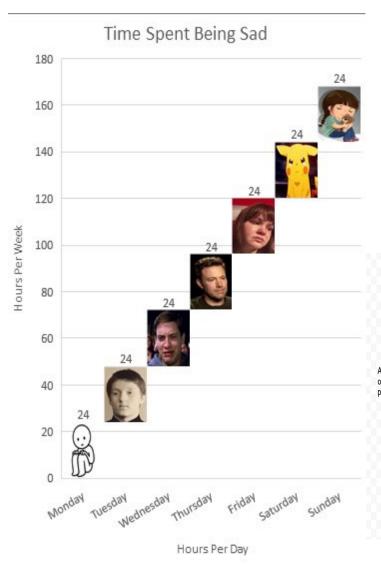
11:55 PM: Kyle Huffman (host): alright shirts are bogus guys lets goOO

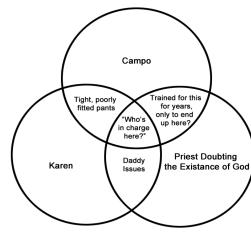
\*11:57 PM: Frank Coots joins call\* 11:57 PM: Kyle Huffman (host): o fuck

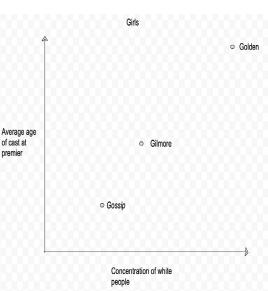
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Downloaded from the Zoom chat log by Mr. Hane '22

### Wellin Museum's SUM Artists Present: GRAPHS

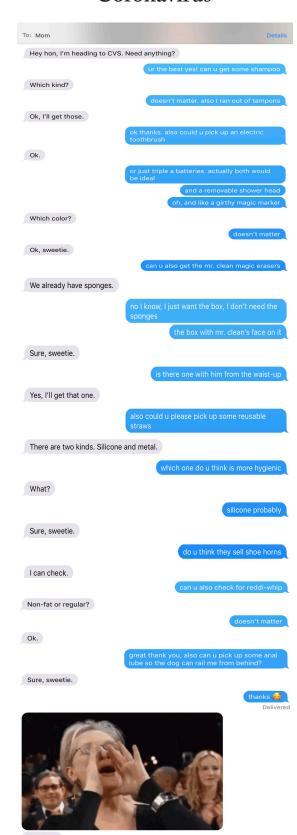






Dutifully considered in order to impress the hot Wellin docent by Mr. Boudreau '20, Mr. Golden '20, Mr. Wilson '23

### Motherly Love in the Time of Coronavirus



Screenshots sent to *The Duel* by Ms. Davidson '23 and Her Mom

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