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“Knowe Thyself, Not Be Thyself.”

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LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE SUBMITTING THESES I’m not one of them

HAMILTON LANDS CARDBOARD CUTOUT OF MICK JAGGER FOR Q+A

Still radiates virility

By Mr. Paull '20

YOU CAN'T ALWAYS GET WHAT YOU WANT DEPT. (YOUR HOUSE, WHERE ELSE?) While students remain in quarantine, Hamilton has been working hard to provide virtual programming. After the success of the SHAED live stream and the bachelor dude with the cum gutters who got all sweaty, the administration has booked a cardboard cutout of Mick Jagger for a Q+A for the low price of \$20,000.

“We have a lot of money to burn,” David Wippman said. “Why shouldn’t we flash a little cash to get the likeness of one of the most prolific progenitors in rock ‘n’ roll history?”

Speculation is that the college was able to book him after the successful Class and Charter Day performance by his daughter, Charli XCX. Regardless, students have reacted positively to the news.

“I was born in the wrong generation,

BOFFER CLUB ENDORSES PRO-FEUDAL CANDIDATE

Average life expectancy of serfs rises to 44 years old

By Mr. Chivily '23

MEDIEVABOOS DEPT.

(SACHEL OF A ROYAL COURIER) On Monday evening, the Boffer Club announced their endorsement of pro-feudal candidate Maximilian Frederick Augustus von Habsburg '22 for Student Assembly President. “We believe that Maximilian will restore order to this chaotic campus where slubberdegullions rule and the peasantry run amok,” Boffer President Dwight Green '20 said while dressed in knight’s armor and angrily waving a wizard’s staff.

Habsburg’s candidacy is universally supported amongst members of the Boffer Club. “Our support for Maximilian boils down to this: we have a reputation on campus for being socially inept dorks who can’t get laid. We’re mocked all across campus, from private conversations to *Duel Observer* articles. Maximilian is a member of the Boffers, but he’s also a total chad, so if he wins it will show we’re not just a bag of nerdy stereotypes,” Boffer Club’s Halberd-Master Ian Bevins '23 said.

Despite its initially low viewership, the en-

mainly because I’ve contracted COVID and there isn’t a cure for it yet, but also in the sense that I’m a real classic rock head,” Nautical Studies major Keith Toboggan '20 said.

Five brave students have been selected to ask softball questions to the Rolling Stones frontman. There is no indication of whether Jagger is contractually obligated to leave stock recordings for the cutout to say.

“Mick’s cutout is an absolute professional,” Jagger’s unofficial fanpage’s manager Brian Pizookie said. “He doesn’t quite have the electric dance moves of the real Mick, but if you want to get a sixty-year-old dude with a ponytail to say ‘Hey, that’s almost like the real thing,’ this cutout is absolutely the way to go.”

However, not every member of the community is thrilled at the news Hamilton is spending so much on a facsimile of the aging British rock star.

“Is there really nothing better we can spend our money on?” Jana Mooney '21 said. “I looked it up and we could get a wax statue of David Byrne for only \$5,000. Jagger’s famously a great money person and I bet even he wouldn’t advise at these expenditures during a crisis.”

dorsement video soon accrued dozens of views as other Boffer members shared it and curious Hamilton students watched it. “Maximilian totally has a shot at winning now,” Justina Jackson '21 said. “I mean, a lot of stuff on his platform is fantastic! He’s calling for the Biology Department to be completely shut down and for its funds to go towards the study of Chaucer. He also wants to replace fossil fuels on campus with renewable animal dung. As a humanities major and Sunrise Movement activist, I’m overjoyed!”

Habsburg’s rise in popularity has also attracted detractors, who are complaining that his land redistribution system to create lords would heavily favor Boffer Club members and notable Dark Siders. In response to these comments Habsburg said, “I am no nepotist. I’m merely choosing those whom I believe are the most qualified persons to run my domain. I know I have the habits of a quirky and odd Dark Sider; but I have the alcohol tolerance of a Light Sider, and I am the rightful King of Hamilton.” Following this royal proclamation, Habsburg challenged the other presidential candidates to duels. Habsburg slew them all, and declared that by right of conquest Hamilton College is his. The coronation ceremony of King Maximilian I will take place at noon on Sunday and will be streamed over Zoom.

SENIORS LAMENT LOST C&C DAY

Absence makes the heart grow fonder (of Tent Food)

By Mr. Boudreau '20, Mr. Golden '20, & Ms. Naston '20

FOMO DEPT.

(MY PARENTS’ BASEMENT) With Class and Charter Day approaching, members of the Class of 2020 are feeling the profound loss of what was sure to be a stellar end to their college careers. Stuck at home, many doubt that the excitement of C&C Day can be recreated by shotgunning a Keystone from the isolation of their dad’s La-Z-Boy recliner. They are even beginning to regret missing the less anticipated events like receiving a stern email from Campus Safety about “disrespecting the environment” by littering the glen with White Claws or attending the actual ceremony.

“I was excited for one last chance to invest my personality in a band I only heard about a week ago. My friend in CAB let slip that it was gonna be the Naked Brothers Band and all my suitemates were super excited, but I was more of a Lemonade Mouth kid myself,” Nathaniel Wolff '20 said. “Now I can’t even be upset when it inevitably gets rained out, or when I’m too crossed to actually hear music.”

Other seniors complained that they would not be able to cross certain C&C Day traditions off their bucket lists, such as streaking on Minor Field, presenting their final projects while on shrooms, and getting their annual taqueria diarrhea from the free food trucks.

“That taqueria diarrhea hits different, and I was gonna wipe my ass with copies of the *Enquiry*. Only takes that stale could chip the crusty mess off my asshole,” an anonymous member of the *Monitor’s* e-board stated.

In response to the students’ disappointment, Hamilton sent an email encouraging students to celebrate C&C Day from afar with DIY methods. Dean of Students Terry Martinez suggested, “Play hoop and stick in the isolation of your own backyard; throw a Solo cup into the gutter; eat so many poppy seed bagels that you get an opium high; post your nudes on Instagram; get blackout and send a thirsty text to your suitemate that you’ve wanted to bang all year! Anything is possible with the support of our amazing Hamily.”

At this time, the *Duel* staff plans to spend the day ripping bong and eating a delightful tear-and-share loaf while watching *The Great British Bake Off* from the safety of their own homes. Screw gluten intolerance, let’s get fucked up!

In this issue: Waterboarding in Maddie’s large sink

FINALS WEEK



Dumbledore canceled final exams for far less than this
See, “I cracked the Honor Code,”
pg. Credit/No Credit

THE DUEL ZODIAC

The Winter Solstice—December 31, Ms. Rona: This zodiac is nice on the outside but a shitty dump on the inside. All Ms. Ronas are very easy to steal from. Is there a Mr. Rona? Just ask and maybe you’ll be one some day!



VIRTUAL HAMTREK FORECAST	SWIM	BIKE	RUN
	High probability taking a bubble bath is more enjoyable than a 500yd swim	3% chance you got that Peloton for Christmas	“When do I stop running? Will they send me an email?”

The Central Council of Student Assembly, Hamilton College STUDENT ASSEMBLY SOAP OPERA COUNCIL

MAY 1ST, 2020

1. Old Business:

a. (TIME: WHEN MOST PEOPLE ARE AT WORK) Brad Michaelson addressed the room, bringing attention to his long battle with cancer. He stressed how he wouldn't live to see the birth of his illegitimate daughter Makayleigh, the mother of whom was teased at the end of last season. He proceeded to glance longingly at the wife of his longtime friend Scott Powers, not wanting to betray him, but downright obsessed with the curvaceous and sultry Carlotta Rosa. Also, he mentioned possibly approaching the admin. about restitution for deadnaming. No response followed, save requests for the removal of his shirt.

2. New Business:

a. (TIME: AFTER AN INFOMERCIAL FOR A VACUUM) In a different room, lovers Devon McKnight and Joey Chan plotted to usurp the current seat of power. The pair flirted in unflattering lighting for upwards of five minutes before ultimately deciding to bring up Scott Powers' problems in the bedroom to start a fight between him and Carlotta Rosa, creating unrest in the hierarchy of student government. Not to like stir the pot or anything but everytime he cums he throws up!

b. (TIME: BEFORE JUDGE JUDY) With another long, poignant gaze, Brad Michaelson made clear to the audience that his upcoming baby was definitely Carlotta Rosa's, which had already been obvious for 3 episodes. Devon McKnight interjected into this look with a plea for more transparency in Student Assembly, but was cut off by a dramatic cut to commercial.

3. Future Business:

a. (TIME: AFTER JUMPING OF SHARK) Joey Chan's twin sister, Mary Chan, bursts into the room, looking an awful lot like Joey Chan in a wig. All members breathed a sigh of relief because this was just the distraction they needed to avoid actually doing something. She stated that it was she who was having Brad Michaelson's baby, not Carlotta Rosa. This caused more than a few gasps, as all in attendance tried to keep their astonished looks on their faces as the camera held on them just a little too long.

b. (TIME: JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER THAN YOU'D THINK) SA meeting comes to an end, with everybody waiting to find out: What will happen with Brad Michaelson and Carlotta Rose? Will Devon McKnight and Mary Chan oh wait I mean uhh... and Joey Chan succeed in their coup? Will SA ever actually do anything which requires all this drama? Tune in next week for another unsatisfying conclusion!

Transcribed by Mr. Wilson '23

my furst diary entrie

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

Its carzy that Zoom has this diary feature right in the zoomm class andnd I habvebt even maken my frist entry yett. Heyy guys. Lmao by Guys i just mean Serena which is me. Todayy I have my sociology class and it is reallky funn. Usually i find this class boring as fuck but i think its fun now that its online. I only \think its fun now because i play an game where evreytim my professor looks hot I take a shot of Telkila.

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

I am cureenly ten shots deepe becasse Professir Fexston is loiking like a mother f-ing snackk today. I want to be his wife and not the one he has niw, Karen. Karen isa fat dumbb lut who just teaches ANtrhopolgoy and Im getting a doiuble major in musci theory and sociology.

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

Soo i can sing 2 professor Fesxton too., I dont know wwhat his favuorite song is but i bet he likes the Weeknd bc I like the weekend. Btoh the concept and the singer ahaha I spelled favorite like the british way before. Ewwo guvenor. Haha i wonder who my govenror is?

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

I think it is Barack o\bama but i dont think it is anymore becuae i think I live in Maryland. I think iss so funny how MARYland's symbol is the Crab because i've had crabs but they wernet ftom maryland becuae i got them in west virginia. More liek west virgina. Vagina. Thats what I meant haha.

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

Autocorrect is crazy sumtimes because one tiem when i sent to my steip DAD THAT I WANTED TO HAGS SEX WITHJ HIM I DIDNT MEAN IT I JUST MEANT I WANT TO HAVE SEX WITH HIM I DIDNT WANT HIM TO HAVE A GREAT SUMMER. LOL IT LOOKS LIKE IM YELLING HAHA AHHHHHHH. THATS ME YELLING.

From Professor Fectston to Me:

(Privately)

Hi Serena. I hope you are doing well. I believe you are accidentally writing to the entire class' Zoom chat.

From Serena Cedar to Everyone:

Ohh porfessor I m so sorryr its my wifi I thinkj my wifi isnt workuig really well. :)

Fuck it: My Friday 5 Crushes Revealed

By Ms. Terhune '21

It's the end of the term, maybe the end of Hamilton College. All of my textbooks are in my dorm room. I haven't left the house in six weeks. Dennis Rodman has lost a dear friend. Someone ate my last Hot Pocket. I now occasionally piss blood. What the hell has happened?? I don't know, but you know what? I don't give a FUCK what anyone thinks anymore. I'm airing out all my dirty laundry, and I'm starting by listing the sorry babes that make my top 5 campus crush list:

5. *Hockey Player #4.* I know I shouldn't. I know being into hockey players goes against my core values as a feminist and avid fan of Fiona Apple, but damn it, Hockey Player #4 has the best flow chop on the team (I'm pretty sure he even uses conditioner!). Though I've publicly denounced college athletes in the past, Hockey Player #4 does things to me that make me question why I ever wrote that op-ed on why winter sports are anti-theoretical to veganism. And that one time he got punched in the face during a rink fight? It shows he's willing to let his guard down. I can't believe I ever had a thing for Hockey Player #2.

4. *Don "The Rok" Johnson.* I know this one is super obvious, but fuck if The Rok doesn't make me feel like slapping the orange peel all the way back to Nebraska. He has a husband. He's not attracted to women. I get it. But I still have hope.

3. *The Oscar Mayer Wienermobile.* The Wienermobile coming to the Clinton Village just for Hockeyville, USA probably shouldn't count as a "campus crush," but the Wienermobile blows all faculty, staff, students, and alums (even you, Tom Vilsack, Former Governor of Iowa) out of the water. The Wienermobile: sleek, oblong, toasty brown with a crusty yellow bun. It makes my mouth water...not! I'm just joshin' ya. I don't have feelings for a damn hot dog on wheels. I just miss the safe, reliable shape of penis.

2. *My TA and roommate who is the heir to a billion-dollar company.* A bang on the door woke me up. What was happening? I got up and put my hair in a messy bun. "Hello?" I answered the door. A man with a stony face and icy blue eyes was there. "Let me in. I'm your new roommate, Gary Tiles," he exclaimed. "I am heir to my father's company and have slept with many women. I will never sleep with you because you look ordinary, with your brown hair and teeth." I let him inside. He threw away all my belongings to set up his whiskey collection. He made me feel like a wet Niagara Falls. "Also, I'm your Italian TA and I have power over you," he boomed. I cried.

1. *That guy who stays muted and keeps his video off during Zoom calls.* A true man of mystery. You didn't talk before online classes, and you don't talk now. Are you even listening? Are you even there? One time you logged off as soon as class ended even though we were still in the middle of discussion. What was that about? You hold so many secrets. Please have sex with me.

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