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SNACK BOX WATER IS THE ONLY WATER STUDENTS WILL DRINK THIS TERM

HAMILTON DIVESTS!

Re-invests money in GameStop By Mr. Komissar'22

Hedge Trimming Dept.

(EN ROUTE TO THE MOON) After mounting pressure from student activist groups, David Wippman announced on Friday that Hamilton College would divest from all fossil fuels. In the announcement video, Wippman stated, "We have been putting off divestment until we could find an alternative investment with greater return. We have finally found that alternative in GameStop shares."

Melvin Sherman '21, a Carnegie Hall resident and self-proclaimed economics expert, originally suggested the idea to the board of trustees. "I saw what was going on in the stock market and on Reddit and thought it was the perfect opportunity to expand Hamilton's portfolio," Sherman said. "And as I learned from my week-long online investing course, stocks only go up, so there's no way this backfires. Plus, it's kind of poetic. Alexander Hamilton helped build the banks and now Hamilton College will help break them." Sherman also advised all students and faculty to steer clear of construction equipment as he heard there was an incoming short ladder attack on GME shareholders.

The news comes as a relief to the campus

STUDENT HATES BIDEN'S AMERICA "McEwen still sucks." Gov Minor Dept.

Ms. Davidson '23

(KJ CIRCLE) Middle child Geofferson G. Davenport '21 has had enough of what he calls "Sloppy Joe's Reign," also known as "Biden's Presidency," also known as "January." Davenport held court in KJ Circle this Tuesday to vocalize his dissatisfaction. He said the President has ignored the community's pleas for change, and his Administration is "inept, untrustworthy, and out-of-touch," echoing concerns many students share in these trying times. "Diner sucks now," Davenport said as he kicked the snow a little bit. "I hate Biden's America."

Davenport's main gripe with President "Stupid" Biden is his lack of communication between the Administration and the people. "It's not fair," he said. "None of us signed up for this." While his primary concern is the

community, which largely worried that the administration would side with Wall Street against retail traders. However, *The Duel Observer* has been contacted by a whistleblower who claims the motive for investing in Game-Stop is not as innocent as Wippman would have us believe. The whistleblower said, "The board has no intention of holding its shares. As soon as GME gets high enough, they plan to sell and put all their gains back into fossil fuel. They may not be shorting stock, but they're certainly shorting how much time we have left on this planet."

This would not cut all ties between Hamilton and GameStop, however, as Hamilton's investment in GameStop began informally a few years ago when a shockingly well-written proposal from the Super Smash Bros. Club earned them four hundred dollars from Student Assembly to invest in GME. This investment makes Super Smash Bros. Club the most valuable club on campus. Super Smash Bros. Club president Ryan Gill '22 says they have no intention of selling and will instead "ride GME to the moon and back."

When asked if Hamilton College's actions might violate any stock market regulations, an SEC spokesperson said, "Wait, are we supposed to actually enforce those?"

lack of palatable dishes, Davenport has also spoken out against Bon Appétit's new "fork tax," an initiative to curb single-use plastic usage on campus. He has declared the policy is "taxation without representation," a phrase Davenport is "okay with not fully understanding." In response, Bon Appetit amended their policy so that instead of the 30% tax, students can opt to pay with their weight in forks.

After Tuesday's spectacle, many students were hopeful that Davenport's work was finished. However, he has made it clear that "this" is just the beginning ("this" still has not been clarified by Davenport). As well as committing to hosting weekly sermons, he has promised that when he grows up to be a real boy he will donate to political causes he feels the President has dismissed only a month into his presidency. For instance, Davenport will host a virtual dance marathon next Friday with Sadove Late Nite to fundraise for the cure for pregnancy.

CJ ARCHITECT ON TRIAL FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER There's snow place like jail

By Mr. Lum '22

Edifice-Design Repercussion Dept.

(HONOR COURT) Lillian Paisley '23, climate change advocate and semi-professional snowman constructor, claims she was mere meters away from certain death after observing a sink-the-unsinkable-sized piece of ice crash onto the walkway outside of the Christian A. Johnson building early Tuesday morning. She asserted that she undoubtedly would have been obliterated by the frozen water, a dangerous byproduct of the atrocious Clinton, NY, weather (which in recorded history has caused one entire snow day that only a thousand students had to sign a petition for). Paisley's lasting symptoms include clammy hands, generalized anger, and the desire to see several completely innocent individuals be convicted of attempted murder.

"My client Ms. Paisley has a legitimate case," her attorney Jamesford Lawson reported. "The sloped angle of the roof is definitive evidence of malicious intent." He added that, while the building has been around for quite a while, "so has snow. It's not a coincidence."

Indeed, the Christian A. Johnson building was first constructed in 1914, during a decade full of tragedies including the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire and vacuum cleaners being not yet cheap enough for the average middle-class family. "It's not unthinkable to imagine that a nefarious architect hoping to contribute to the catastrophic time period hatched a plan that took just 109 years too long," the prosecution suggested.

Unfortunately for the prosecution, the building's architect has long since passed away. However, he has three grandchildren that are alive and well, though Lawson plans to "put a stop to their wellness, and maybe aliveness, as a symbolic gesture." Paisley added that they could perhaps "include Christian A. Johnson's descendents in the trial as well." The prosecution feels the trial is the only way to get the College to do anything more than put out yellow tape and tell students to be careful, a request Paisley feels is oppressive and unfair.

Lawson plans to target other on-campus issues next, starting with the unsafe windowless back entrance to Commons. "Unlike the door itself," he says, "the evidence for that case is crystal-clear." He's also investigating the handicap-accessible doors by the Howard Diner, because "those things always stay open until I'm like one foot away and then close before I can make it through."



In this issue: Horse Legs on JFK

ON THIS DAY IN HILLSTORY

FEBRUARY 5, 1969

Moon cheese faked!

he equestrian **Y** J team is eager to welcome new Jans! See, "There's some horse in this house," pg. 38

CLUB FAIR

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OFFICE of the **PRESIDENT**

Dear Members of the Hamilton Community,

I hope that your welcome back to campus has been warm. I have been delighted to see many walking across Martin's Way again.

It has come to my present attention that there is yet another world event that will affect our 'Because Hamilton' funding. Yesterday, I watched in sadness as former Economics and Government majors did nothing to stop another thing from happening, and I am obligated to speak on these recent global events. The events of yesterday do not reflect what I believe to be the quality of the Darkside dorms on this campus. It has been an incredibly hard year for all of us, and I know this has only added to the stress on the trustees and trustees only.

Nonetheless, yesterday was an event that could inspire great change against the establishment, which we simply cannot allow. We need to be proactive and vigilant about all of the many things that happen around us, that almost none of us have the insight or background to speak on.

Today, I condemn. I condemn this, I condemn that, and I condemn everything else that the board has said I need to condemn. I condemn these actions, but please know that neither I nor the board will listen to any advice from students impacted or scholars in these fields on what to do in these times in order to support the community. We believe in promising change, not acting on it.

This spring, we can look past these dark days and towards fun campus events like FebFest 'Donate to us PLEASE' day, the two mental health days we'll still assign work on, and a cancelled graduation that we haven't announced so you won't protest.

David

Found in an abandoned inbox by Mr. Projansky '21

Updated Add/Drop Form

ADD DROP FORM

STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME Danny Torrance CLASS YEAR 2024

Friday Five: Sex Tips for Jans and Freshmen

By Mr. Stringer '23

Greetings, Hamily! Here at The Duel, it has come (haha come) to our attention that many of you out there are Jans and/or freshmen, and as such, it is likely that you have never before had sexual intercourse. Worry not! The Duel is here with some tips (haha tip) and tricks (haha tricks) for your big day. Take it from me, someone who has totally had sex a bunch of times at camp.

5. Communication is key. Sex is all about communication. Good sex is like a conversation. Literally! During sex you should be having a full on conversation. It could be about sports, the weather, dinner plans, literally anything. The most important thing is that you are actively talking for the entire duration of coitus.

4. Set the mood. In order to have sex, your partner should be in the right headspace. Put on a sexy TV show for example, like *Rick and Morty*, or *Big Mouth*. Not a fan of TV? Try some music. Play something that lets your partner know that you are much more intellectual and cultured than they are. After all, it's likely they've never heard of obscure bands like Radiohead or The Beatles, and you should let them know this! If your lecture is impressive enough, they might reward you with sex!

3. Be sexy. This one goes without saying. Sexy people fuck! Try being genetically gifted with facial symmetry or well-sculpted muscle tone. If you can't do that... idk. Try wearing a big hat? Wink a lot? I'm not sure. (Writing for a college satirical newspaper does NOT work, unfortunately.)

2. Cummunication is key. I know this is a lot like the first tip, but it bears repeating. You should talk not only during sex, but also about the sex you are having. If you are giving head, be sure to stop and ask "Did you come yet?" about once every twenty seconds. On the subject of climax, be sure to give your partner ample warning. When the big moment finally comes arrives, try shouting something cool like "Yee-Haw!!" or "It is finished!"

1. God first! This brings us to the most important tip of all. In order to enter the kingdom of heaven, you must walk in sexual purity. After all, Jesus is known to prefer virgins. So, unless you are actively married, ignore the above tips and abstain. Abstinence is a cool, healthy, and very deliberate personal choice. It is definitely not because everyone thinks jazz is nerdy and your bitch of an ex told everybody about how short and weirdly curved you are downstairs.

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*SACRIFICE is a new parameter of the Add/Drop form, and in order to join a class, students must provide a sacrifice that reflects their desire to join the class. Students should note that, should they attempt to join a class without filling in the SACRIFICE box, they will be fed to That Which Lives Within The Pipes of Dunham Hall.

Submitted to the Registrar by Ms. Adler '24 R

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