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This Halloween: How to Dress Up As Someone Your Parents Are Actually Proud Of

UNWILLING TO CHOOSE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE, DAVID WIPPMAN THROWS HIS SUPPORT SQUARELY BEHIND DENMARK

Gov majors quivering

By Ms. Sedaka '25

REAL NEWS DEPT.

(NOT DENMARK, TO WIPPMAN'S DESPAIR)

As tensions built in the Middle East and opinions became divided on Hamilton's campus, the student body anxiously awaited what President Wippman would say about the conflict.

After days with no comment, last Wednesday Wippman finally released the following statement: "The recent terrorist attacks by Hamas against Israel serve as a gruesome reminder to all of us that Denmark is a really beautiful place. An underrated place. I stand with Denmark."

Despite scrolling down, there was nothing else on the email, other than one final send-off: "👍🇩🇰👍"

A follow-up email was sent shortly after from Hamilton College's Chief of Staff Shannon Belk. "Please disregard the earlier email from President

Wippman," Belk wrote. "His statement earlier was a typo. We apologize for the mistake."

Within two minutes, another email was sent in the form of a reply-all from Wippman. "Shut the fuck up, Shannon. I love Denmark and I'm not going to hide it anymore. I wish pain and suffering to your whole bloodline. Roll Denmark!"

Following Wippman's statement, *The Duel Observer* swiftly booked a time to meet with our President and further discuss his views. We began by asking whether he believed either side was justified in their actions. "That's a great question, Barb." (My name is Amanda.) "It's hard to say. What is easy to say is that everyone loves Legos. And do you know who invented Lego? Denmark. The Danes also love hot dogs. And I love hotdogs!"

While Wippman's comments may seem shocking, the student body wasn't surprised. Last year, when Roe v. Wade was overturned, Wippman released the following statement: "In light of the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade, I am writing to affirm Hamilton's continued commitment to supporting students' healthcare choices. I believe that anyone can get plastic surgery if they so choose, even if it looks silly."

ex-girlfriend was haunting the palace. Am I right or am I right?"

Plasma believes that before it was the Underground, Sadove basement was home to the ghost of a former student: Clare Voyant '69. Voyant was a Kirkland College student who chained herself to one of the couches as a piece of performance art. Unfortunately, no one cares about performance art, and Voyant was found dead six months later after a drunk sophomore mistook her corpse for a urinal. Sadove basement was the ideal ghost residence: poorly lit, rarely occupied, and smelling vaguely of mildew. "All the new flooring and bright lights are no good for a ghost," Plasma says.

Plasma took on the case and began a 26-hour stake out of the space. "After a day, people tend to give up, you know? They pack up their gear, pull up their pants, and go," Plasma explained. "You gotta understand, hon, that these ghosts have been around for centuries. They've grown used to our little shenanigans. They wait those 24 hours, and then they resume their spookiness! But not with me. Nah, a real investigator waits them out." When this reporter pointed out Clare Voyant has only been dead 54 years, Plasma made an obscene gesture and went on a 45-minute long rant about the disrespect he's had to face as a white man in ghost hunting. "It's a women's sport now," he lamented.

STUDENTS TURN TO OUIJA BOARDS AFTER CAUGHT USING CHATGPT

I don't want to hear shit from you STEM kids

By Ms. Meyers '27

PARANORMAL STUDIES DEPT.

(WHERE ALL THE DEAD PEOPLE ON CAMPUS ARE) College is hard, especially for everyone who cheated during high school and our super seniors (second time's the charm!). Not only is the workload here heavier, but professors seem to be catching onto the fact you never learned how to read.

This especially applies to everyone who has already been caught using ChatGTP this school year and just needs to make it through their academic probation. In light of this, one increasingly popular alternative has emerged: ouija boards. These boards are a lesser-known and more secure alternative as any answers have no way of being found on the internet. "Hamilton takes great pride in its vast Alumni network, and I saw no reason to restrict it to those alive," Noah Rizz '27 mentioned.

Users of Ouija boards have tapped into the large ghostwriting center on campus located in the graveyard. Many of the veteran users of this service such as Ida Squirt '25 recommend newer users to "take lots of shrooms, like I mean so many. I like the little blue ones. It helps them talk to you clearer." Squirt left in a hurry as she claimed the "elders" were here.

However, Horacio S. Strong '25 cautions new users to "look into who you're talking to. One of my professors got a lil sus of me when I turned in an essay in old English, so this is probably best for one of those Shakespeare classes." An anonymous student recommends thoroughly reading your ghost essay before turning it in. They whispered shakily, "I was getting help for an African Studies paper, and I think the spirit died a bit before the whole emancipation proclamation thing and, and, and, now my teacher thinks I may be... let's just say I'm no longer in that class."

At this point in the interview, Rizz came back and annoyingly piped in that these transactions with the ghosts weren't a one-way street. Rizz said a little too quickly, "You have to pay them back a bit you know? But don't start burning candles or saying prayers because they don't care about that shit. Just leave some good porn on your computer for them to look at, and I guarantee they will spell out your essay for you in no time."

IS SADOVE UNDERGROUND HAUNTED? A PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION

Who you gonna call?

By Mx. James '25

HAUNTINGS DEPT.

(SADOVE UNDERGROUND, LURKING) Since its opening ceremony, the recently renovated Sadove Underground has been a great place for freshmen to jerk off under red murder lights after their "roommate dreamsome threesome" didn't work out. With Sadove no longer supporting the Super Smash Club's super club smash, the space is not being used for much else. From the beginning, people felt uneasy in the Underground, citing flickering lights, an inability to change the volume on the TVs, and, above all, a strange moaning coming from behind the booths late at night. Reports immediately started flooding to Hector Plasma '24, who, since realizing his philosophy degree is not going to take him anywhere in life, has resorted to becoming Hamilton's one and only ghost hunter.

According to Plasma, recently renovated spaces are the prime grounds for any and all paranormal activity. "Geez, hon, you ever seen a movie?" Plasma began his interview. "The ghost, vampire, demon, *whatever*. They're always trying to get revenge for something! It's like, you'd think my

In this issue: Slutty Femboy Skeletons

YOUR LOST BELONGINGS



Retrieve your stolen items from the Glen. See, "Robin Hood Steals from the Rich and Gives Head to the Poor" pg. 69.

DID YOU KNOW...

Nothing's scarier than being alone with your own thoughts!

TOWER PARTY FORECAST

10:00 PM 11:00 PM 10:00 AM



"Woah. That hot guy in the corner is so spooky and mysterious."

"His vampire teeth look so realistic!"

"Why does my roommate's neck look so tasty?"

OpEd: we need less DJs and more magicians

Another week, and another party DJed by a different guy with an amazon soundboard. He insists that “big things are in the works” but we all know that those beat drops are going to be anti-climactic and in the end it’s gonna sound like noise, nothing more. The party music they make isn’t even that good, it kills the vibes at parties and honestly makes me want to shit my pants rather than dance. The worst part is that there are too many of these so-called DJs on this campus making this shitty so-called music.

I say ENOUGH! NO MORE DJS! This campus is flooded with them, the market is oversaturated and let’s be honest, it’s Hamilton College, how many parties are we really having? I think a better alternative would be to have more magicians. They are whimsical and fun, the girls love ‘em and they would provide a necessary entertainment service. Magicians are much better suited for Hamilton events such as close friend get-togethers and late-night study sessions. Students here are not goofy enough, too serious, they don’t need dance parties, they need magicians to cure their depression, to spark their sense of wonder.

DJs do nothing but annoy the people on their floor and create parties that people would rather leave than stay. Magicians on the other hand are delightful and appropriate at all hours of the day. No one would complain if a bunny came out of a hat and into their room in the middle of the night, but the second they start blasting Zedd wannabe-like music at 11:30 on a Tuesday, people start to get peeved. Imagine an Eels party but instead of a shitty DJ who never got enough attention as a child there’s a magician at the front doing card tricks, that would be fucking sick in my opinion. So stop buying those soundboards and start buying dice tricks and decks of cards, I promise it will make you cooler than any DJ set ever could.

Furiously typed out by Ms. Mannes ’26

Hamilton Horoscopes

How Many Bitches* You’ll Get This Halloweekend

Aries: Three bitches. Bitches love someone who can mimic all of the problematic people already in their lives. But, as a self-proclaimed “Alpha”, you also must compete against the “Sigmas” in order to get said bitches. You lose some bitches to the Sigmas, so you’re left with three.

Taurus: Absolutely drowning. You’ve made your yearly emergence from hibernation, and now bitches think you’re playing hard to get when you sit in one place “busy” (looking at the weather app). Having seen your shadow, you return to your den after your 10-minute appearance, and they follow you there without you having to say a word.

Gemini: You’re so fucking two-faced you get one bitch per face. Also, you’re a twin. Two bitches.

Cancer: Negative bitches. You will be in your dorm hunched over a tube of cookie dough crying and watching cat videos all Halloweekend. Meanwhile, your roommate brought a bitch home. You sleep on your common room’s floor (couch is taken), crying after being bitch slapped to reality.

Leo: A singular bitch. You’re probably reading this thinking, “I’m getting soooooo many bitches what do you mean?” And to that, I say no. Be humble. I’m giving you one for mild encouragement.

Virgo: None. It’s one thing to have a type, it’s another to perfectionist-ify the bitches. Don’t tell them they’d be hotter as a blonde. Ouch.

Libra: Six bitches. You jump from bitch to bitch because you can’t decide. The bitches will tell each other about this, leading to the bitches rebelling against you. Enjoy the bitches this Halloweekend - they may be your last.

Scorpio: One bitch. You think you’re so mysterious dressed as My Chemical Romance’s Gerard Way for Halloween. Though most bitches fear you, one appreciates it. Take the bitch and run.

Sagittarius: No bitches, but so many new friends! You approach a group of bitches, and they mistake you for a golden retriever because of your golden flowing locks. You get on all fours, thinking this would get the bitches. It didn’t. But they all started to pet you and invite you to Commons brunch on Sunday! Awwww!

Capricorn: BORING! Some people like that. One bitch. Next.

Aquarius: Infinite bitches. You dress as slutty Gru just to show off the scarf you hand-knit and will unicycle to the function. This grabs the bitches attention, and now they never want you out of their sight.

Pisces: One bitch (imaginary). Like Cancer, you’re really sad. But unlike cancer, you have a bitch to dwell in your sadness with. However, said bitch is a figment of your imagination. Maybe it takes the form of an anime girl body pillow or the “supermodel” (@367219386_sexygirl on Instagram) who DM’d you asking for money. Regardless, you fight endlessly to convince your “loving” parents of the legitimacy of your bitch. Please get help, even your Reddit followers are worried about you.

*The use of bitches in this feature is gender-neutral.

Found under a crystal on her roommate’s desk by Ms. Stillman ’27

Friday Five: Sexiest Halloween Costumes

By Ms. Haller ’26

Abh, once again, it’s that special time of year when a girl can put on a sweater, drink a pumpkin spice drink, and then, on Halloween night, get fucked up while wearing as little clothes as possible. It’s a magical time when you can be a slut because you can be. It’s also the perfect time to reel in a man before cuffing season. So here are 5 girly pop ideas for the sexiest costume for this Halloween season.

5. **Any cultural appropriation.** Nothing says fuck me like wearing other people’s culture as a costume. Bonus points are given based on how oppressed those people are. For real though, I think I need to remind all the “Gov” majors not to actually do this.

4.**Barbie.** Being sexy means being like everyone else. Why be unique when you can follow the mainstream? You won’t have to explain your costume to every other person. Or to up the slut factor, be Midge. She’s pregnant so you know she probably had sex, and that’s sexy.

3. **My 9th grade sailor costume.** Well, I thought it was really cute, but Amanda didn’t like it. Sorry Amanda, we were 13, and I didn’t want to look like a complete whore. So for my childhood friend Amanda, be the sluttiest sailor the world has ever seen.

2. **Ur mom.** I saw those guys during family weekend. Dressing up as a MILF is a great way to get him to call you mommy. But if he’s dressed as Oedipus, you’ll definitely be getting some action. Pop off cougar.

1. **Disney Princesses.** Guys, please, I’ve been asking to do this for five years. It’ll be so sexy, just look at the presentation I made. PLEASE, this is the one day a year where it’s socially acceptable to cosplay, and I really want to dress up as Princess Anna, and also look like a hoe.

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