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*"Knowe Thyself, Not Be Thyself."*

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### ORACLE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE ASKS WHY THERE IS NO MEN'S STUDIES DEPARTMENT

**Spirit of Kirkland literally vomits**

By Mr. Witonsky '17

LATTER-DAY CRUSADES DEPT.

(SQUALID BUNDY SINGLE) Following the success of his Facebook rant titled, "Ethics of Advertisement: 22 Reasons Why 'Chair Massage Tuesday' Emails Violate Human Rights," Reginald Brickleband '15 has decided to refocus his campaign against another on-campus inequity: the lack of resources for men.

"I feel a genuine, altruistic compulsion to commiserate with everyone and everything because I am a #sociallyresponsible #21stcenturyman," Brickleband wrote in a recent article for the Spectator. "Everyone else at Hamilton has it good; why should men suffer? A Women's Studies Department but no equal component for men? Bollocks. The Kirkland Endowment offers funds for women, and what do we get? A meager twenty-three cents more per every dollar women earn? Give me a break."

Despite record-low readership, Brickleband's article somehow drew the ire of the student body. In the Spectator comments section, Amanda Mizushima '17 wrote, "We already have three Men's Studies Departments: History, Government, and Economics." Meanwhile, the Green Apple has launched a response in the form of free verse poetry. A vocal campus indeed.

Brickleband remains optimistic in his quest for men's liberation. "What those two likes for 'Ethics of:' across forty-seven social media accounts proved to me is that, now, more than ever, there's a desperate cry for social justice," his Linked-In bio reads. "I like to call myself a 'social ventriloquist,' the mouthpiece for a generation. That's why, instead of partying, I dedicate my weekends to recycling the opinions of mass media."

When asked for comment, Brickleband said, "The Pseudoconservative Hydrophobic Genitalcentric undertones in your publication exemplify the type of behavior that perpetuates inequality."

### SENIOR WITH AWESOME JOB LINED UP ALSO BETTER THAN YOU AT EVERYTHING ELSE

**He's wanted, he's hot, he's everything you're not**

By Ms. Alatalo '18

JEALOUSY DEPT.

(ONE STEP AHEAD OF YOU) Recent reports from the Career Center confirm that Hans Whittaker '15 has landed your dream job with an Internet startup in California as a social media content editor. Sources close to Whittaker cite his strong Yak game for securing the position. Studies confirm that there is no way you can get a job that cool.

Professors across several departments described Whittaker as an excellent student. "I've actually never had to take points away from him on any assignment," Professor Carlson of the Economics department said.

"His perfection would be kind of creepy if he wasn't so damn charming," Professor Carr of the Psychology Department added.

Your ex-girlfriend, Tracy Piazza '16 confirmed his charisma. "He just gets me, you know?" she stated while holding his hand and looking into his deep brown eyes.

### DINER STAFF TRAINING ACTUALLY MORE INTENSE THAN PRE-MED Navy SEALS call program "a bit over the top"

By Ms. LaSon '17

DINING DEPT.

(IN DINER LINE) The Howard Diner is celebrated on campus for many reasons: its astounding ability to infuse even a veggie wrap with cardiac arresting grease, its tendency to randomly blare eardrum-shattering renditions of Justin Bieber songs, and the wonderful old-timey advertisements that appear hungry for souls. The most remarkable aspect of the Diner, however, is its staff.

Until recently, many believed that the Diner staff were no different from any other Bon Appétit employees. This, however, is not the case. A recent investigation revealed that the Diner staff consists only of Bon Appétit's most skilled graduates.

"I had to know how they do it," Isaiah Wethers '16, the student responsible for the investigation, said. "I watched them feed at least five dozen screaming students in under thirty minutes, smiling the whole time, even at the kids who were throwing food everywhere. You don't find that level of kindness just anywhere."

"Placement in the Diner only goes to the best of the best," Bon Appétit Drill Sergeant Richard Punn explained.

"Plus he knows how to take a bra off with one hand."

Recent activity during Parents' Weekend backed up claims that Whittaker is the son everyone's parents wish they had. Your mother reportedly could not keep her eyes off him, and witnesses stated she giggled and turned away when Whittaker smiled at her. Further reports indicate that your father was seen playing catch with him and exclaiming that at least this child could not disappoint him. While your dog chose not to comment, he barked enthusiastically and wagged his tail at the mere mention of Whittaker's name.

Social media analysis reveals that Whittaker's perfection is consistent across all platforms. Thousands of Twitter followers, hundreds of likes per Instagram photo, and 356 likes on a Facebook page featuring his left earlobe indicate that he is universally loved by friends and strangers alike.

"I heard he's so professional, he uses the same profile pic for Facebook and LinkedIn," an amazed Sarah Handerson '18 said.

Experts suggest that you get comfortable with the feeling of being second best because you will never, ever be this cool.



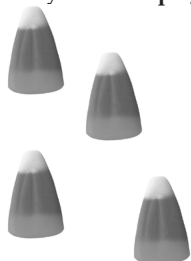
"The employees go through a rigorous screening process, intensive physical and psychological training, and exams more difficult than any Orgo test that you forgot to study for. Only six applicants survived the elimination round this year, and then another three dropped out in field work. If they're too weak to survive ten hours breathing nothing but vaporized frying oil while trying to fend off a hungry rugby team, they'll never make it through Diner B."

Those who complete the elimination rounds then undergo nearly 170 consecutive hours of various training programs. As a result, all Diner employees are CPR certified, have PhDs in Psychology, and can bench-press twice their bodyweight in curly fries.

"Working here is a lot harder than you'd think," employee Kara Deans shouted pleasantly over the screams coming from the sophomores in the corner booth. "We were instructed by a Tibetan monk in the art of patience and self-control, and the Spec Ops training really comes in handy when we get an aggressive freshman trying to steal extra cookies."

Though their job appears simple, the staff at the Howard Diner are truly the elite among us.

"Why do you think tuition is so high here?" Deans added, swiping HillCards with one hand and juggling marinara sauce, ketchup, and hot sauce containers with the other. "A program like that isn't going to pay for itself."

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
HALLOWEEN FORECAST	<p>Pub</p>  <p>1% chance cowboy Ebola costume catches on.</p>	<p>Annex</p>  <p>High probability fuck Raisinets.</p>	<p>Candy corn butt plugs</p>  <p>"The sweetest enema you'll ever have."</p>

### In this issue: The nuclear family DESTROYED

*The Duel Observer is proud to announce that it is now legally ordained!*



*Please submit all matrimonial requests\* to [duel@hamilton.edu](mailto:duel@hamilton.edu)*

*\*we also do annulments*





RA ASKS FOR ADVICE FROM ADVISEES

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
to ADVISEES@listserv.hamilton.edu

August 28 ☆

Hey guys,

If you didn't know already, I'm your new RA, Riley. I'm here to help you with anything you need so don't hesitate to e-mail me!

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
to ADVISEES@listserv.hamilton.edu

September 1 ☆

I'm going to have to call an emergency common room meeting. My girlfriend from high school just dumped me and I just need someone to talk to for a little while. Oh and please bring cider donuts if you can – Greta always used to love those.

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
to ADVISEES@listserv.hamilton.edu

October 1 ☆

You can stop with the noise complaints. I get it, I shouldn't cry in my room on weekdays. Now that it's been a month, I think it's time I got back in the dating pool. But for now, which quarter-zip sweater would look better on me, the brown one or the maroon one? I've attached the 2014 Old Navy men's catalog. I'm counting this as spontaneous programming btw.

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
to ADVISEES@listserv.hamilton.edu

October 7 ☆

I swear I'll get to those work orders soon, especially for that room that has no floor. But right now I have an important question. Do any of you know if that girl Jess from my Stats class is into me? I mean, she likes me but I'm not sure if she LIKE likes me, you know? If any of you could reply to this e-mail with a simple "yes" or "no," that would be great.

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
to ADVISEES@listserv.hamilton.edu

October 10 ☆

I'm on a date with Jess and I wanted to know if any of you could give me a brief synopsis of Lost. I told her I'm a Lost fan and she's asking me all these questions I don't understand about polar bears. Please get your response to me before she gets back from the bathroom.

Riley Bingham <rbingham@hamilton.edu>  
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October 11 ☆

Guess what? I just had sex. Also, I ran out of my entire condom supply that's meant for the hall. Can I borrow some? Also, I need to borrow \$35. You can't ask why.

Deleted by Mr. Burns '17

BINGO:  
THINGS YOU'LL SEE OR HEAR AROUND CAMPUS ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT

S	H	O	T	S
Someone gets lost in the cornfields and is gone for two weeks	White dude in a sombrero getting EMT'd	SPOOKY keg stand	Sexy corn	Dude going as "himself"
Girl in skimpy costume complaining about the cold	Urinal filled with icecubes	A werewolf wearing plaid	Campo rescuing drunk frat boys from the Glen	Jello shots
A girl wearing a leotard and nothing else	Costumed walk of shame	Offensive racial stereotype (Free space!)	A fake spider	A guy puking orange
Stoners using a model skull as a bong setting curtains on fire	Zombie Steve Jobs	Babbitt fire alarm	A real spider	Fake blood that looks like highlighter fluid
Playboy bunny	Yak complaining about the lack of nightlife	Someone annoyed of having to constantly explain their costume	Commons getting tp'd	A well-made costume (for once)

Found by Ms. Suder '18

BACHELOR OF THE WEEK

This week's bachelor, Nicholas Specter '47, is silver, single, and ready to mingle. His favorite haunts include the basement of Root and any underlit stairwell. When not busy tending his herb garden in the graveyard, Specter can most often be found in the bowels of the library, hunting for the shells of dead cockroaches while moaning to funeral marches.

**Major:** Classics with a minor in History.

**Dream job:** Zumba instructor.

**Favorite pastimes:** Riding in elevators to lift his spirits, reenacting *The Sound of Music* with dead rats, hiding behind doors, bocce.

**On-campus activities:** President of Hamilton Spirituality Initiative, dedicated member of the Fine Dining Club.

**Where he can be found on a Friday night:** RIGHT BEHIND YOU AHHHHH-HHH!!!

**Couldn't live without:** Beyoncé, Triscuits.

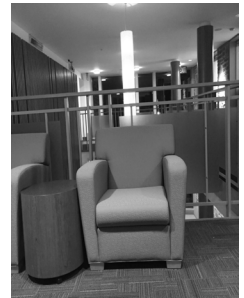
**Celebrity crush:** The Grey Lady.

**Biggest turn-ons:** O+ blood type, transparency, phantom limb syndrome.

**Biggest turn-offs:** Materialism.

**Perfect date:** Window-shopping for coffins followed by a candlelit dinner of festering deer carcasses and squirrel kebabs and ending the evening with a rousing game of *Game of Thrones*-themed Pictionary.

*Specter is looking for a boo with a passion for reptile taxidermy and a super natural appearance, who's willing to donate her toenails and kidneys for the sake of art.*



"And he just got a haircut!"

Edited by Ms. Chappell '15

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