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“Knowe Thyself, Not Be Thyself.”

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This Green Week: Hamilton Invests In Coal

REPORT: YOUR DORM ROOM BOOKED ON 25LIVE

You really should check 25Live before entering any room

By Mr. Janicki '27

CONFUSING BOOKING SYSTEM DEPT.

(OUTSIDE YOUR BOOKED DORM) This weekend, a quick check of the 25Live system revealed that your room was booked Monday and Wednesday from 7-10 PM. Other reports show we have no idea how long this could continue happening. Expect to enter your room and then abruptly and awkwardly shuffle out under the cruel gaze of the college-approved users of the dorm. While original investigations indicated your room was being booked on 25Live by your roommate for sexual purposes, later discoveries (our investigative staff found out your roommate is chronically bitchless) provide a more comprehensive report: your room was in fact booked for psych TA hours. One psych TA, Diane Nosingmiself '25, told a *Duel Observer* representative, “You know KJ is always booked up with the amount of bullshit clubs this college lets through, and honestly, I live on dark side so the Science Center is kinda far. Yeah, I know, I shouldn’t do psych when I hate going to the Science Center

but fuck off because once I started booking your room I’m was never gonna stop. I’ve been doing test prep for these psych students in your bed. And I do not make them take their shoes off. Your mattress topper is really soft by the way.”

Unfortunately for you, it seems this will not be stopping anytime soon, as once word got out that your room was reservable on 25Live, many other campus groups have taken interest. As of right now, Outing Club has tracked mud on your carpet, Plant Club has left many discarded leaf clippings on your floor, and the Buffers have sung in there, ruining the space’s feng shui permanently. President Tepper’s statement was released in a schoolwide email: “Since we all as students, myself in the greater sense of a learner, are paying our great institution a bullshit amount of money to be here, I have to let you know that I can’t in good trust allow there to be a conflict over booking your room repeatedly on 25Live. Therefore, I will be moving my office to your room permanently, and you will be allowed to remain there only when my business has concluded.” For any further questions as to the state of your room, make sure to check 25Live and attempt to navigate the shitty form to book your room back from administration, a request they will surely deny.

STUDENT ARRESTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER AFTER ROLLING LOGS DOWN MARTIN’S WAY

Can you really blame him?

By Mr. Chase-Norris '28

CRUSHING AND SMEARING DEPT.

(MARTIN’S WAY) Yesterday afternoon, a student, Don K. Kong '28, was seen rolling logs down Martin’s Way at two separate tour groups that were clogging the entire pathway. Three people were killed and five were injured, although none were Hamilton Students to the relief of the administration. Kong was quickly apprehended by campus security. As he was dragged away, he could be heard shouting, “They deserved it! I’ve ruined a pair of shoes because I have to step into the mud around them, and I’ve been late to class twice after getting stuck behind them on the bridge. I was doing this campus a favor!”

Other students came out publicly in support of Kong. A bystander, Viola N. Sense '27, stated, “I really don’t feel bad. No students died because we aren’t NPCs who somehow miss a giant log being rolled down Martin’s Way. Besides, he didn’t even catch any prospective students—one death was someone’s grandma and the others were little kids. I think that poor tour guide just got assigned six little siblings and no actual prospectives, so good riddance!” A student who was behind the tour groups and had to jump the log, Bez Erker '27, laughed and said, “I thought it was just some exercise. It really wasn’t hard to jump over the log. Dying was honestly just the result of a lack of worthiness. Survival of the fittest and all that. Plus, I love the scent of blood!”

The administration was not as impressed, making the statement: “We do not condone any forms of violence, especially against tour groups. Please be respectful, although we acknowledge accidents may happen.” One anonymous student even posted online, tweeting, “Guys, violence is like... not cool. I thought we were better than this!” Soon after, in an unrelated incident, a door in Bundy was vandalized with the message: *Peace is for the weak! Embrace the Blood God!* The vandalism investigation is still ongoing.

HAMILTON CAREER CLUBS ORGANIZE QUARTER ZIP TRAUMA SUPPORT GROUP

E-board members cite fears of another ‘patagonia vest mass casualty event’

By Mr. Hood '27

FASHION CRIMES DEPT.

(EVIL KJ) Earlier this week, posters signed by Hamilton’s most ambitious pre-professional clubs began appearing across campus, advertising a “Quarter Zip Adjustment Seminar” for students pursuing elite white-collar careers. When *the Duel Observer* Staff reached out for a comment, the club coalition’s representative Almond Spack explained that the then-upcoming event was “an effort to address the very real effects of acute swag-deficiency on non-acclimated students,” citing a spate of recent apparel-related hospitalizations.

But Hamilton’s recent quarter zip crisis is only the tip of the iceberg. To find out the full story on what researchers are calling the “competitive collegiate country club couture cognitohazard,” we interviewed prospective investment banker Hunter Quaalude '26. According to him, internships in fields like law, consulting, and finance are simply “too competitive” for the hospitalized students. In order for outsider

applicants to even stand a chance against rockstar applicants like Hunter with domineering 3.4 GPAs and Managing Director uncles, they have to go above and beyond: “they have to learn to look the part.”

For the students attending the event, a group who were used to excelling in everything from academics to athletics and even apparel, “looking the part” has taken a devastating toll. One of the many fitted-out attendees lamented his experience: “I’ve seen people in my classes walking around in golf shirts and gym shorts or quarter zips and skin-tight sweatpants like it was nothing! Nothing! That’s normal for them! I put on an athleisure quarter zip and woke up in the ICU after an emergency Clairo transfusion saved my life!” Another student described her experience watching a roommate don the wasp-beloved garment: “He started to smoke, and there was this awful smell, like burning bleach. We rushed him to the hospital, but the damage was done: the fit was so chopped it gave him male pattern baldness and a 6.5/10 golf swing!”

The event also included programming about measures determined students could take to reduce the risk of life-threatening aura loss, such as avoiding tight fits and synthetic garments, but for too many, the damage is already done.

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PSA: I HAVE LICE!



Stay back. Check your friends. See, “At least it’s not worms.” pg. 6



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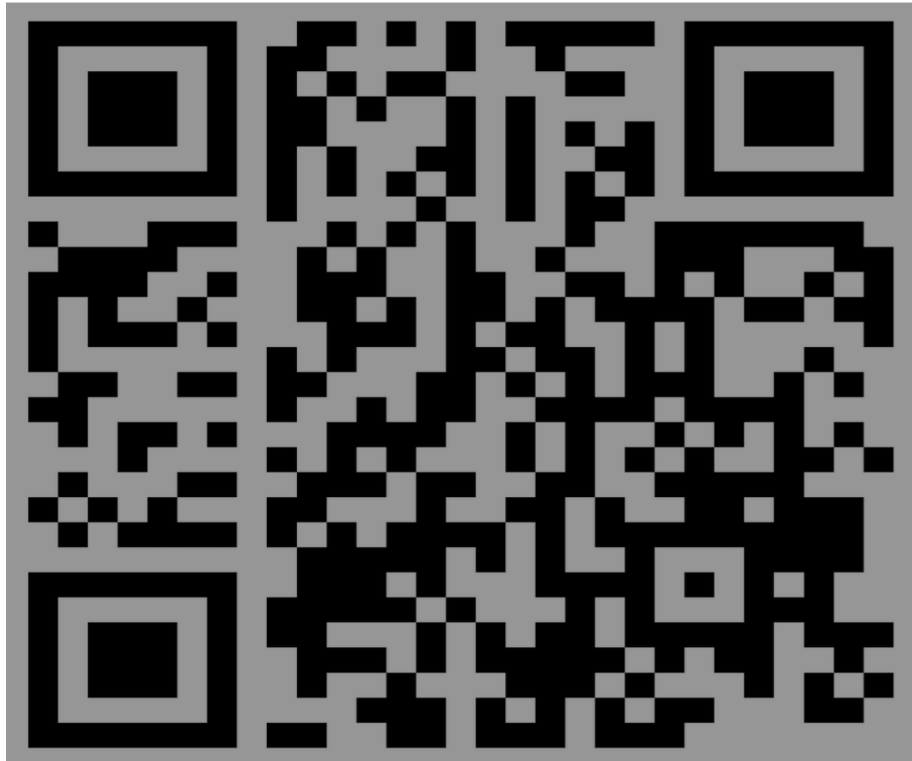


I love all beef so much



Mama wants beef

Hey Guys! Thanks so much for reading The Duel. We really appreciate it. Please fill out this three minute ANONYMOUS survey on our performance.



A big fat juicy kiss
for you

Shamefully written by Ms. Mannes '26

Correspondence From A Recently Severed Student

Note: Please try to enjoy each sentence equally and not show preference for any over the others.

Dear Innie,

It has come to my attention that I am missing important class material due to your habits during lecture. I have recently become aware that each time I step into my 75-minute morning lecture, I don't remember anything until I step out the door and speed walk down Martin's way to get a table at Commons before the lunch rush. It almost seems as if my mind as I know it is not even present during class. That's why the only conclusion I can possibly come up with is that my mind has been split into two completely distinct personalities: one for in-class and one for everything else. This presents a real issue because I'm somehow fully conscious when I take exams, only I have no clue what we covered in class. It also makes homework difficult, since you apparently take no notes whatsoever, so I have absolutely nothing to make up for this lost material.

I tried going to the professor's office hours but they started telling me some crap about "the importance of a good night's sleep" and recommended making "more sustainable and wholesome" choices over the weekend. I have no idea why the professor would just start saying these things unprompted. I'm pretty sure three hours is plenty of sleep, but the professor claimed that I need more than that to prevent "nodding off as soon as you sit down in the back row."

If you have any information about why I might be having these memory lapses, please tell me. I will say, I'm definitely not complaining that when I regain my own mind, I feel extremely refreshed and energized.

Anyway, please try to help me, or I will have no choice but to take matters into my own hands. Warning: it will most likely include some ungodly amount of caffeine and energy drinks.

Sincerely,

Lesley P. (your outie)

Found wedged behind the control panel of the KJ elevator by Mr. Gold '28

Friday Five: Way to Choose a New Pope By Mx. Sedaka '25

As you may have heard, this past week, the Pope died tragically after having to be in the same room as J.D. Vance for more than five minutes. While traditionally, a new pope would be elected through a vote of some sort, that seems boring. And besides, we've seen where elections can take us. So instead, here are five completely original ways we as a society can go about finding a new pope.

5. Sword that's Hard to Pull. Picture this: we get, like, a really big sword. And I'm talking really big, like at least two snakes worth. Now, we take that sword and we put it in a rock or something (don't ask me how, I'm just the idea guy). But, and here's the kicker, it's, like, really hard to pull. Then we'll be like "pull it" and whoever does gets to be the new pope. Creative, right?

4. A Groundhog. For this idea, we need an otter-NO-better yet, a groundhog. You know, one of those fuckers with the teeth. We'll set it up all cute, maybe have some guy with a big hat hold it. Let's make it Bill Murray, why not? We could do it on, like, I don't know, off the top of my head, February 2nd, just to throw out an idea. Bill can hold up the groundhog and we'll all look at it, and if it has a shadow, well, then, um, it can be the pope? Yeah, that works. If it doesn't, the otter can take over. I'm a genius.

3. A Papal Conclave. We get a bunch of cardinals (not the birds, I googled it too) and have them vote by a secret ballot. But, instead of reading the ballots, we burn them. Like with fire. If the smoke is white, that's good. If it's black, that's... bad? Eh, you know what actually. On second thought, this one's stupid. Forget it. Ignore me.

2. We Wear Gowns and Make Kids Fight. Okay, so for this one we'd need to change a few things up first. Let's start by scratching having states in America, that was stupid to begin with. Instead, we can make 12 sections, we can call them districts, why not, ranging from, like, Elon rich to me-after-graduating-with-a-creative-writing-degree poor. We get kids, yes, children (I don't want to do it), and make them fight to the death through the process of random selection. Oh, and someones gotta have a braid.

1. Rich Unqualified Businessman. I know what you're already thinking: that doesn't make sense! It would never happen! Well, you'd be surprised. For this idea, we need to find a guy that's, like, crazy. I'm talking like cuckoo banana pants. I want him to have zero experience, totally none. If he can pronounce words right, get him away from me, I want none of that. This one's cool because no one will think he'll actually be elected as the pope at first, that it's just some funny joke, but then, like nine years later, he'll still be there. It's funny, not scary! Laugh! Laugh! Please laugh.

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