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SGA passes Appreciation Day for itself

By INDIE-NIAL
HIP-HOP HIPPIE

In the Student Government Association (SGA) meeting that took place this past Sunday, December 5, the SGA successfully passed a motion instating a new campus-wide holiday: SGA Appreciation Day.

So far this year, the SGA has done a lot for the student body, from addressing issues such as whether members of the SGA should be allowed to serve as Community Advisors (CAs) to addressing issues as to whether members of the SGA should be allowed to serve on Student Programming Board's (SPB) executive board. Unfortunately, many of the student government's important efforts have gone unacknowledged.

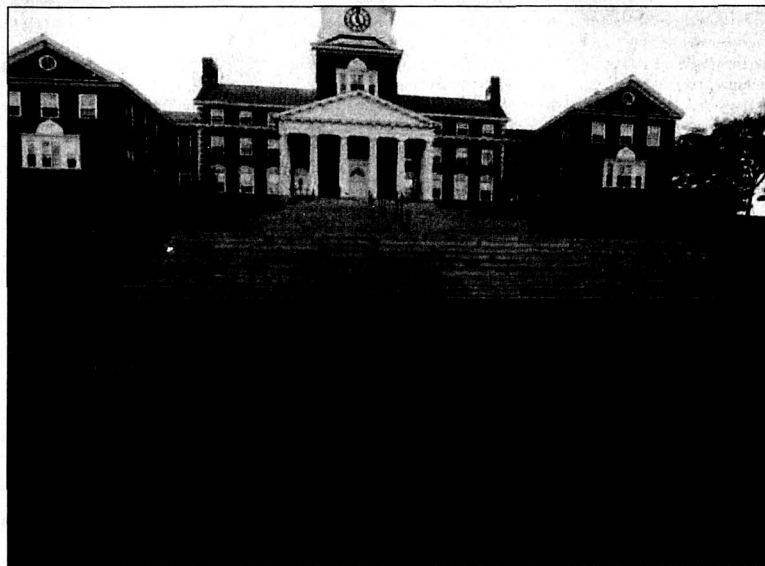
The idea for SGA Appreciation Day was devised in response to results of the SGA's most recent poll, which asked students, "Do you think SGA members are grossly over-appreciated?"

According to SGA Publicity Chair Justin Rouse '12, "an overwhelming 51 percent of students surveyed replied 'No.' From this we can confirm that the student body strongly feels that the College is not doing enough to recognize student leadership."

To quell this discontent, the College will now celebrate SGA Appreciation Day every year on Feb. 12. Potential events include a slideshow of SGA's favorite photos from their meetings, a raffle whose proceeds go to benefit SGA members, and an SGA Jeopardy night with categories such as, "Leslie Hutchings' Accomplishments" and "Amy Dunlap's Leadership Strengths." The winner earns one personal grooming workshop and wardrobe makeover from Rouse. Second prize is a signed copy of SGA Treasurer Michael Dakers' autobiography *How to Say 'No' When People Ask You for Money*.

At the next meeting, the SGA will undergo an in-depth analysis of its resources in order to determine which sector can best sustain budget cutbacks in order to finance this event. The projected cost of SGA Appreciation Day is around \$10,000, "but these numbers could change depending on how big we want the ice sculpture of our faces to be," SGA Vice President Athul Ravaniarath '11 said. "Our goal is to capture the ruggedness of Mt. Rushmore and the emotional depth of the Vietnam War Memorial."

AMER. STUDIES MAJOR COMPLETES THESIS



While everybody else was inside the library, a Class of 2011 American Studies major presented "Chalking as a Social Structure" in front of Miller Library after 70 minutes of hard work and creative thought.

Former Goldfarb butler tells all

By GANGLEY
ECHO HUMORIST

Charles Davenport kept quiet for years; now he's ready to talk. Formerly employed as a Butler for the Goldfarb Center, Mr. Davenport quit six months ago under suspicious circumstances. Since then, he has been hard at work chronicling his time spent in Center's employ. Sex, Politics and Goats' Blood: An Inside Look at Colby's Illuminati will hit bookstores next week. While most of the mainstream media has been left to speculation, *The Colby Echo* has procured an advance copy. The contents are no less than devastating.

According to the Center's website, it is formally known as "The Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement at Colby" and was created in 2003. Davenport's first chapter ("Genesis of an Abomination") disagrees: "That name, 'Goldfarb Center,' that's just a fancy moniker for something that's far older than most people want to think. The Goldfarb Center is just a brick in the wall. It's part of an organization that's been controlling society for thousands of years. Every such organization needs young blood. What better place to

find ambitious young airheads than a liberal arts college? By the time they figure out what's really going on, they're in too deep."

Several days ago, Director of the Goldfarb Center and William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Government L. Sandy Maisel held a press conference regarding the book's release. "I think it's a shame that Mr. Davenport has decided, after 40 years of dutiful service, to defame the organization he worked for. But it would be an even greater shame if Davenport were involved in some sort of fishing boat accident involving a chemical fire and an unusually large number of hollow point bullets." When asked to elaborate on these comments, Maisel absentmindedly stroked his bow tie and murmured under his breath that "shit happens" and that "there are some people you just shouldn't fuck with."

The Goldfarb Center is already notorious for its secretive nature, and some analysts predict Davenport's book may raise as many questions as it answers. Dr. Stephen Werther, Professor of Secret Organizations at the University of Phoenix Online, worries that "as much as Davenport tells us, we will ultimately be left unsatisfied. It is absurd to think that one

man, especially one so low in the organization, would know enough to do any serious damage to the Goldfarb Center."

Yet Davenport addresses this skepticism in the book's introduction ("Death of Innocence"): "The Goldfarb Center Butler is traditionally a rather ordinary position. My duties included care of members' wardrobes, maintenance of the Center's Maybach fleet, and procurement of new creatures for the Cryptozoological wing of the Center. But one night I needed to stay late to take care of a few things, and I found myself quite lost in the Center's vast catacombs when I found it time to leave. Utterly confused, I tried a door and discovered a room full of chanting hooded figures. In the center was [Director L.] Sandy [Maisel], wearing only a Goat's head and, of course, a bow tie. Horrified at this occult spectacle, I vowed to investigate. What I discovered will be revealed throughout this book."

"And one more thing," he added, "the Goldfarb Center really is a government clique."

Sex, Politics, and Goats' Blood: An Inside Look at Colby's Illuminati will be available Tuesday in hardcover for \$18.99 from Penguin Books.

MEDICAL REPORT

Rise in alcohol, condoms, bed bugs?

By THE LION'S MANE
H.B.I.C.

According to recent studies conducted in college residence halls across the nation, alcohol consumption, condom sales and the spread of bed bugs have a surprising upward correlation.

Rachel Henderson, the College's coordinator of alcohol and drug programs, said "It appears that there is some sort of association that college students make between their purchases of alcohol and condoms. We can't really figure out just what it is that inspires this relationship," she said, "but what we do know is that it's been around forever. It seems that there is just something about rubbers and booze that go together. We think it has something to do with why we can't find a vaccine for polio. It's one of those medical mysteries and we'll probably never know at this point."

The recent spike in bed bug infestations, though, has caused some confusion at Garrison-Foster Health Center. "When the first student came in with small, itchy red marks on her body—a first-year female who shall remain anonymous—we immediately gave her a pregnancy test and prescribed her penicillin. That was a no-brainer," Dr. Paul Berkner said. Through years of medical expertise, the Health Center has found that most everyone who comes in with a vagina, whether she has a stuffed nose, a cough or itchy marks, is pregnant.

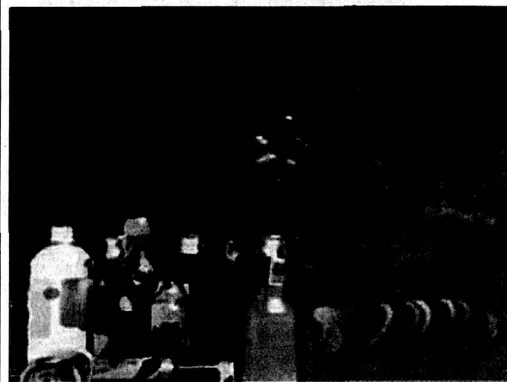
However, in a sudden turn of events they were "absolutely miffed" when a male student came in with the same symptoms. "Everything I know about the human body tells me that men cannot also be with child," Berkner said. After three negative pregnancy tests, Berkner and his crew made the next bold step and embarked on a deeper investigation of the itchy marks' origins. Their startling discovery: a rampant case of bed bugs in both the students' dorm rooms.

According to the Oxford English Dictionary, condoms are "a thin rubber sheath worn on a man's penis during sexual intercourse as a contraceptive or as protection against infection." Though the OED notes the condom's protective qualities, it appears that this go-to device is decisively *not* doing its job to protect against bed bugs. "For a while there was hope that the condom could limit alcohol poisoning, but we've found that this is not the case. When we learned about bed bugs, we had a similar idea," Berkner said. However, cases of bed bugs on campus seem to be related to condom use, an occurrence that Berkner could only call "an obscure phenomenon."

One student had a different theory. "When we get drunk, we have sex and sometimes spread bed bugs," she said with a shrug while itching her ribcage.

Widely believed to be an epidemic of Europe's Middle Age, bed

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Condoms, hard alcohol and bed bugs: an unexpected correlation.

Miller joins ranks of nations' great phalluses

By R. GETS-OFF
DID SOMEONE SAY SEXUAL?

On Monday, December 6, Miller Library aroused attention across the nation when it was added to the National Registry of Phallic Monuments, a compilation of structures throughout the country that most

closely resemble the male anatomy. President William D. Adams is excited that the College's clock tower has been recognized among such overtly masculine buildings as the Washington Monument, "and I think Miller is excited as well," he said.

Erected in 1939, the library was built with funds that existed during a

time when the College was particularly well-endowed. As a result, the building is an impressive sight, its gleaming white tower saluting the sun, penetrating the troposphere and impregnating the clouds with knowledge.

Over the years, Miller Library has come to represent the school itself, asserting its sexuality through photos that appear on a myriad of brochures and course catalogs and thus promoting the College's unofficial dedication to an even higher form of education.

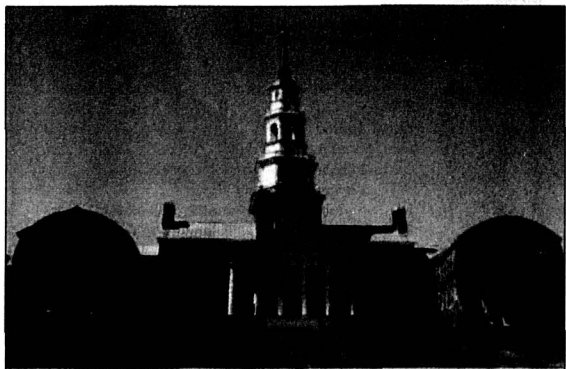
Unfortunately, not all students appreciate the library's phallic stature. "I find it repulsive," a women, gender and sexuality stud-

ies major said. "Every time I look at Miller I am reminded of the fact that we live in a male-dominated society. How are we supposed to overcome oppression when we are learning beneath the shadow of a penis?"

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Even some of the male students at the College are intimidated by the clock tower's remarkable size and stature. "I feel like it sets an unrealistic precedent," one freshman football player who wishes to remain anonymous admitted. "How am I supposed to live up to that?"

The College's clock tower is relatively small compared to those of bigger, more well-known institutions such as Harvard University, however. The fact that a phallic monument at a small liberal arts college has garnered such national recognition suggests that, in the end, size doesn't matter.



The College is excited about the national attention Miller has aroused.

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The sexiled call shanty towns ‘home’

**By LOVE BUG
SEXILER**

While the College administration cannot seem to throw around enough statistics about the record-setting diversity of the Class of 2014, it has kept quiet another landmark statistic of a completely different nature. But the issue can no longer be ignored. The fact is, there have been more freshman sexiles this semester than in any other in the College's history, and the signs are beginning to show.

The most notable change this dramatic increase in the number of sexiles has caused on the Hill is the emergence of small settlements of sexiled freshmen in remote locations scattered across campus on Friday and Saturday nights.

These refugees, illuminated only by the dim electronic glow of Apple icons from hastily-grabbed-on-the-way-out-of-the-room Macbooks, are dreary at best. The emotional atmospheres are full of both resignation and anticipation; the sexiled have accepted the fact that they have no power over when they get to return to their rooms and are constantly checking their cell phones in hopes of finding that long-awaited all-clear text message from their roommate.

While most of these camps change location from weekend to weekend and do not maintain a consistent membership, one, located in the Hillside tunnel, has become quite well-established and is gaining a faithful following.

"It's just nice to know I've always got somewhere to go when I get that inevitable Saturday night text asking for the room," one freshman girl said. The freshman guy sitting next to her added, "Yeah, I think most people just come here because it's easy. No one asks you why you're not in your room. You just get tired of answering that question after a while."

So the consensus seems to be that the dependability of the tunnel location is its most valued attribute. While common rooms and dorm basements may occasionally be occupied by rambunctious parties, and therefore made unattractive to grumpy, banished roommates, the tunnel is always free of everyone except fellow sexiled souls.

But why are freshmen being forced to such extremes? Why is sexile such a predicament for them when the same issue does not faze older students?

It is common knowledge that freshmen have fewer friends and are, in general, less socially adept creatures than upperclassmen. Because of this, their options for places

to retreat to upon being sexiled are extremely limited, much more so than those of upperclassmen.

Also at the heart of the matter is administrative procedure. While other colleges design elaborate first-year student roommate surveys in order to assign as roommates people who might get along with each other, the Colby administration has chosen to focus primarily on the sexile factor. How likely is this incoming student to sexile another? That is the question that is masked by the trivial inquiries into noise tolerance, bedtime, and attitude about alcohol that actually appear on the Colby survey.

The administration claims that putting two strong-willed sexilers in the same room would create

tension among members of a freshman class during their first year at the College, a time when they should be bonding. It professes that having a clear sexiler and sexilee in a roommate pairing contributes to a decreased number of fights about who gets the room on weekend nights and, therefore, to a more cohesive, tight-knit community.

While most people attribute Colby's sense of community to its small size, remote location, or dedicated professors, it has become clear this semester that how the College handles the ever more important issue of sexile plays as important a role as any of those more publicized factors.



Sexiled students find new homes in the Hillside tunnels, among other locations, on Friday and Saturday nights. Those who receive endless late-night texts from roommates kicking them out should feel welcome to join the shanty towns springing up on the Hill, thanks to the Class of 2014's sexual appetite.

Sandy Maisel for Snuggles

Trifecta of booze, bed bugs and sex hit schools

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with bed bugs deep emergence from the days of yore.

"I'm like, totally willing to, you know, drink. In fact I kinda like it. And yeah, I have noticed that there seems to be a relationship between the amount of alcohol I buy and the number of condoms I use," Fellatia O'Dome '13 said, "but the bed bugs? No, thank you. Weird-dot-com-slash-nasty. I don't think so. If someone offered me alcohol or condoms, I'd be down, but if they were like, 'Hey check out my bed bugs,' I'd be like 'No.'"

bugs' presence on campus has sparked a lot of research. The Health Center has produced pamphlets warning against the bubonic plague and stomach gnomes. One student came in with a case of bed bugs in addition to a strange light bruising in thin strips around his neck. Berkner immediately suspected that he'd tried home-leeching, an ancient medical technique that "should never be tried alone," Berkner said.

Students are not too impressed

The Health Center has produced pamphlets warning against the bubonic plague and stomach gnomes.

ECHO EXCLUSIVE: Q&A

Straight talk with Dean Terhune

You may see him grabbing a bagel at the spa or cheering on the men's soccer team at home games, but the Echo has the exclusive interview that gives you the chance to really get to know your Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, Jim Terhune.

The Echo: How are you doing today, Dean Terhune?

Dean Terhune: That's an interesting question, thank you for asking it. How are you doing today?

TE: Umm...pretty good I guess. So Dean Terhune, tell us what your favorite thing about Colby is.

DT: Well the thing about Colby is that there are so many different people with so many different favorite things. I think that it is important that we have such a diverse range of favorite things at the College and I encourage you to each find your favorite thing.

TE: Interesting. If you could improve one thing about Colby what would it be?

DT: Wow. Spot on. That's definitely a conversation that we need to be having. What's great is that we have a process that involves the Improvement Committee that really gives us a chance to assess that question. I think it's a really important that we continue this discussion.

TE: Alright, well...Do you prefer coffee or tea?

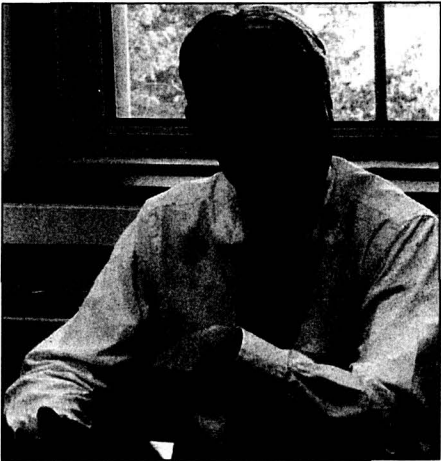
DT: Well you know, they really both have their own benefits. And that's not to say that I'm opposed to decaffeinated drinks either.

TE: Tell us a story about yourself that you think would surprise us.

DT: You have to be careful when telling stories, because...

TE: Ok, never mind. What is your favorite television show?

DT: Ok, this is off the record. But my wife has been watching *Glee* a lot lately and I think it's superb.



Dean Terhune sat down with the Echo to provide clear, concise answers about Colby and his fave tv show.

Colby College Department of Security Incident Report Log					
Nature:	Date:	Time:	Location:	Disposition:	Comments:
Domestic Dispute	12/6/10	10:55 a.m.	West 131	WTVL Police	Trouble in Para-DICE.
Public Nudity	12/6/10	4:00 p.m.	COC Office	Concerned prospective families	First snow.
Abduction	12/6/10	7:22 p.m.	Cotter Union	Deans Office	Pulver overtaken.
Overuse of emoticons.	12/6/10	11:10 p.m.	Text message! :) :P :]	Farnham Writer's Center	: :) :P :!!!!!!!
Pat down	12/7/10	7:08 p.m.	Echo office	Security	All sorts of erotic.
Too sexxy	Everyday	All day	Mudd 409	Cosmopolitan	Bow chica wow-woww.
Purple Draaaank	12/7/10	11:30 p.m.	Basement of Bobs	Maine General	EKO.
Talking	12/7/10	5:00 p.m.	Woodman	CAs room	Using outdoor voice.
Indecent exposure	12/7/10	1:11 a.m.	The Street: on the Lion	Deans Office	Compromising position.
Jumping	12/7/10	1:30 a.m.	Bro's trampoline	The STARSSZZSS	Getting too high.
Mind Fuck	12/7/10	2:30 p.m.	Philosophy class	Psychiatry Ward	Way over my head.
Going against nature	12/4/10	12:55 a.m.	Miller Library	Social standards	Studying too late. On a Saturday. Shameful.
You put it in my mouth	12/7/10	7:45 p.m.	Dana Dining Hall	Deans Office	That's what she said.
Decent exposure	12/7/10	12:45 p.m.	Sweater season	Fashion police	Whatever happened to bare legs?
Ranting and blind accusations	11/12/10	12:00 a.m.	Civil Discourse	Cyber space	Eyes rolled.
Gang violence	12/6/10	12:00 pm	Miller lawn	Showdown at high noon	Echo vs. Inside Colby.

If you want booze, fine, here it is

By **BLACKOUT BITCH**
HOT MESS

In response to the highly ineffective hard alcohol ban that took effect in September 2010, the College has decided to reverse its approach to the student body's clear problem with alcohol consumption.

The new alcohol policy, which will be given a test-run during Jan-Plan 2011, will force students to consume a set amount of hard alcohol on a daily basis. The administration has partnered with the Garrison Foster Health Center staff in order to formulate a process that will ensure each student gets drunk enough to truly feel the effects of alcohol.

"Every Monday morning, students will weigh in at the new Alcohol Enforcement Center in order for their Body Mass Index to be properly calculated," Vice President for Student Shenanigans and Dean of Alcoholics Anonymous James Terhune said. "Spiritual Healer Paul Berkner will then determine how much each student will have to drink in order to reach a blood alcohol content of at least .2."

As mentioned, the College will also be funding a new Alcohol Enforcement Center, which will be housed in what is currently Dean of Students Paul Johnston's office.

The administration hopes that

their clever use of reverse-psychology will eventually curb students' love of alcohol. "By requiring that students get shwasted on the daily, we hope that they will tire of the taste of alcohol, and after several trips to the emergency room they will no longer see drinking as a good time," Berkner said.

In terms of supplying the student body with hard alcohol, the original plan to use the alcohol that was confiscated during the ban was deemed useless. Due to the ineffectiveness of the ban, security only managed to locate four handles, which were then promptly consumed by said officers behind Hillside.

Instead, administration will be jacking up the costs of damage even further, anticipating that with the amount of drunk students on campus they will be able to use those funds to purchase the alcohol.

Besides simply curbing students drinking behavior, the new policy



will improve several other aspects of life on the Hill.

The increased funds from female students purchasing Plan B from the Health Center will be used to alleviate costs of hospital transportations.

Forcing students to drink hard alcohol will also improve the appearance of female students on campus. As feared last spring, forcing female students to switch from hard alcohol to beer has caused a severe weight inflation on campus, with female students gaining anywhere from three to 10 pounds.

"The hotness of girls has gone

down this semester, no question," Crush N. Brews '11 said. "I have definitely noticed more cushion for the pushin'."

In order to ensure that students are drinking the required amount of alcohol, students will have to report to the Apartments at midnight every night for a breathalyzer. Students found to be under 0.2 will be subject to disciplinary action.

All students are expected to comply with the new rules set forth by the Hard Alcohol Enforcement policy except for the Football team, who are expected to carry on as normal.

SGA embezzles funds, loses its keys to the safe

By **BLUE-EYED DARLING**
MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE

Last week, Student Government Association (SGA) Vice President

Athul Ravunniarath '11 publicized via the General Announcements that SGA was unable to open a safe in the SGA office and was looking for a wily young deviant to help them crack the code.

Though SGA did not disclose in the advertisement the contents of the safe, the *Echo* has since uncovered that there is much more to this story than just SGA's ab-

The problem is we all blacked out so freakin' hard that we lost the combination to the safe.

Athul Ravunniarath
SGA Vice President

Chief Diversity Officer, and another idea was to help build the new science building between the Alumni Center and Admissions. Finally, the SGA decided to use the funds to buy a plethora of Brew-Dog's The End of History, the world's most expensive and potent beer. The beer is 55 percent alcohol per volume and costs \$765 per bottle.

"This is kind of a bummer that this is all coming out," SGA President Leslie Hutchings said. "But it was totally worth it. That stuff is delicious, plus have you seen this? It comes in a taxidermed squirrel. Awesome."

So where does the safe come in and why couldn't anybody on SGA open it? "Well, after we drank all that squirrel beer, we wanted to keep the taxidermed squirrels locked up," Ravunniarath said. "The problem is we all blacked out so freakin' hard that we lost the combination to the safe."

SGA is offering the reward of one embalmed squirrel as a reward for anyone who can crack the safe.

"The only stipulation is you don't get to keep the one in the tuxedo. That one's going on my mantle," Hutchings said.



This squirrel is locked in the SGA's safe. Crack the safe and he could be yours.

College institutes lottery system

Office of Campus Life to implement a lottery system to determine dorm damage payments, athletes exempt

By **WAGZZZ**
NOOB

The Office of Campus Life recently announced the implementation of a lottery system to address student concerns about the fairness of dorm damage payments. Under the new plan, campus-wide dorm damage charges will be divided among 100 randomly selected students.

"With this system, students can feel safe knowing that when they witness holes being punched in the walls, that there's only a five percent chance they will be paying for it," Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs Jim Terhune said.

Like the Colby admissions process, the lottery will be need-blind. "We expect to see a rise in the number of bake sales and fundraising events around campus if less financially secure students are randomly selected," Terhune said. "I love cream cheese brownies."

A senior from Connecticut offered suggestions to help his less affluent classmates: "I mean, it

should be pretty easy to make some extra cash. Offer to be a butler or a permanent dishwasher in the Alford apartments. Buy some WHOP sell it for three bucks a slice to drunk kids. I'd pay big money for some pepperoni after an aggressive Twisted Tea Tuesday."

Associate Dean of Students and Director of Campus Life Jed Wartman revealed what is perhaps the most controversial aspect of the new plan: "There is a group of students that will be exempt from the lottery system. We feel that varsity athletes are already under a lot of pressure to represent the College on the field, rink and court. Between grueling practices and nighttime team bonding sessions, varsity

athletes are overwhelmed by time commitments and may not be able to raise the necessary funds to pay for dorm damage."

The lottery will take place at 8 a.m. on March 13 in Dana Dining Hall. "We thought that holding the lottery the Saturday before St.

Patrick's Day would encourage good luck and general good spirits," Terhune said.

"Oh, we know it's Doghead," Terhune said. "We're hoping that students will either not remember the lottery, or will simply sink back into a green-beer induced stupor before they bother to get angry."

As an extra precaution, "we're going to disable the general announcements, civil discourse and bulletin

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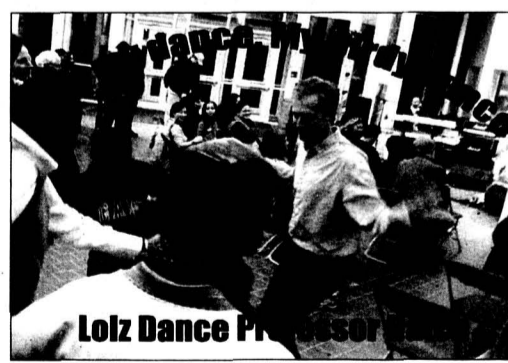
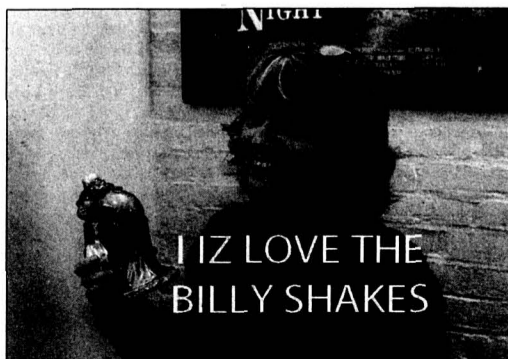
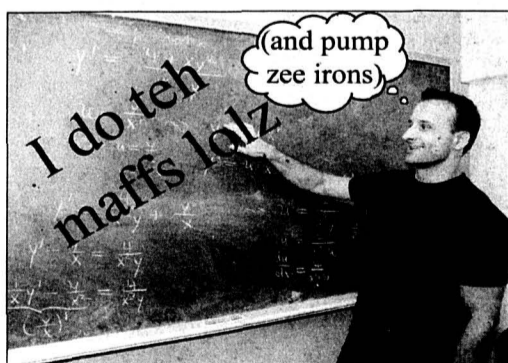
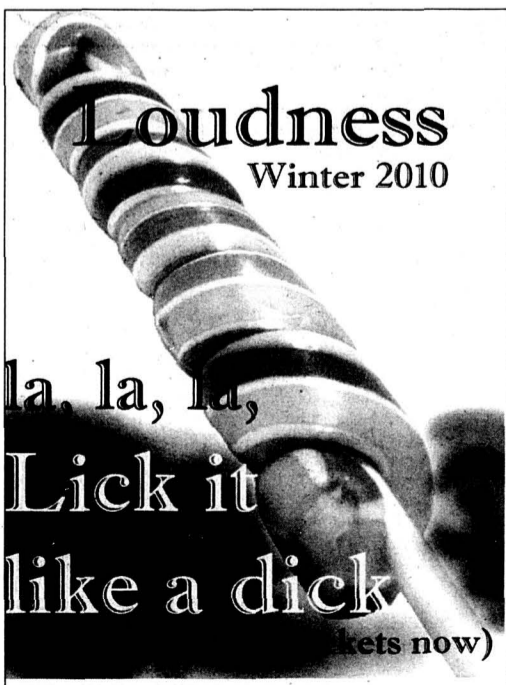
Security Officer
Anonymous

board," Wartman said. "We're nervous about the strain on our server, not to mention the rather volatile nature of these outlets for student discussion."

Rumors are already circulating about the potential lifting of the hard alcohol ban to accommodate those students who are selected to pay for dorm damage. "I can see how this would be a fair solution," a security officer who wishes to remain anonymous said. "If I were faced with a bill like that, I'd be downing shots left and right. Probably a few goldfish, too." Rachel Henderson, coordinator of alcohol and drug programs, was unavailable for comment.

Terhune offered well wishes to the student body in the wake of the announcement. "There's a reason we timed this announcement like we did. Don't forget—Pub Wednesday, Thirsty Thursday, Friday and Saturday LOUDNESS... and don't forget to buy your tickets to The White Panda!"

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SEXCAPADES

Security purchases rollerblades

Officers equipped with the latest in law enforcement technology



With their new skates completing the look, Colby security officers are now the whole package.

By BON QUI QUI
SEKKURITAYYY!

In its efforts to increase efficiency and effectiveness on campus, the Colby Security Department has decided to invest in a new mode of on-campus transportation. After a few months of exploratory research, Director of Security Peter Chenevert has declared that his department will be purchasing a collection of high-performance in-line rollerblades to facilitate greater mobility and maneuverability for security officers.

Security began its research into alternate means of transportation in response to a petition written by a group of student activists. Students claimed that the time necessary for security officers to walk through buildings and along footpaths was so long that it detracted from security's ability

to quickly respond to an emergency or to open a door for someone who had lost their keys. Chenevert realized that the serious deficiency in his department's performance and made its resolution a top priority.

Security officers presented many solutions to their mobility problem. The first proposal discussed was to buy a fleet of segways as other colleges have recently done. This proposal was almost immediately shot down for two reasons. Firstly, Colby's security office wanted to find a unique way to travel that would surpass those of the college's competitors. The second reason provided by the security office was the inherent necessity of hiring additional personnel to ensure that any out-of-use segways would not be commandeered by thrill-seeking students.

The second proposal was notably nostalgic. In honor of

Colby's mascot, one security officer suggested that the security department develop and maintain a stable of white mules for the officers to ride. Since mules are excellent sprinters and would be well-suited to responding to emergency situations, this proposal was given considerable thought. However, one substantial impracticality prevented this plan from being adopted. It was determined that the inevitable trails of mule dung around campus would pose too great a sanitation problem for campus groundskeepers. The scattered dung piles would also unavoidably detract from the inherent beauty of the campus. Though the issue was thoroughly and heatedly debated, the department ultimately decided not to adopt this proposal.

After weeks of deliberation, the department collectively decided that rollerblades would

be the most effective means of increasing the speed and maneuverability of its officers. The rollerblades being purchased are color-coordinated to tastefully complement the department's uniforms. To maintain the safety of the officers, the department will also be purchasing matching helmets. The rollerblades and the helmets are all equipped with flashing lights for emergency situations. Since this new means of transportation does not involve any fuel consumption, the initiative has received official endorsements from both the Colby EcoReps and the Green Colby movement.

In order to facilitate this transition, President Adams has personally arranged for professional in-line skater Taig Khris to come to Colby next week in order to teach the security officers how to best utilize their new equipment. Among other accomplishments, Khris is known for his record-breaking skating freefall off the first floor of the Eiffel Tower earlier this year. "Taig and I have known each other a long time and I can't think of anyone better to help security with this change," Adams said.

The students who had earlier criticized the security department are now trying to organize an extreme sports event on campus that would allow the security officers to show off their new skills. Chenevert said he would fully support such an event because it would both lead to greater respect among students towards his officers and act as a deterrent for those who violate school policies. "After all, nobody wants to be chased down by an extreme in-line skater," Chenevert said.

Orgy Etiquette 101: Exploring forms of appropriate behavior during group sex

By TWO'S COMPANY,
THREE'S A CROWD
RESIDENT SEXPERT

Orgies. It's a word seldom heard in the sober weekday setting, but come Saturday night things get a bit more...friendly here on the Hill. By popular requests here are a few important guidelines to keep you from stepping on too many metaphorical toes this Loudness weekend:

1. There will be times when you'll have to wait your turn. This doesn't mean you can't still have fun...
2. Look them in the eyes and call his or her name.
3. For every hole you use, be sure to offer one.
4. Cover your mouth when you sneeze.
5. No lube, no reach arounds, no exceptions.

6. If you don't know what it is or where it's been, don't touch it.
7. Remember that the pyramid is the most stable geometric shape.
8. Inspiration from architectural landmarks is encouraged.
9. What happens in the Senior Apartments stays there.
10. No glove, no love.
11. If you can't remember it, it never happened.
12. The Early Bird can handle large parties.
13. If you know their last names, you know too much.
14. If pleasure drives you over the edge, keep the tears of emotion to yourself.
15. There's no gift like giving, except for receiving.
16. Establish a safety word, and then forget it immediately.
17. Feel free to ignore any or all rules of etiquette for the greater good.



Group sex is something to be enjoyed by each and every participant.

Unendangered, Yet Dangerous: examining the troubling truth of the native Freshmen Colbius

By DESPERATE &
IN DENIAL
OH FRESHY FRESH...

Few are fortunate enough to spot a moose on campus, but even fewer are fortunate enough to evade the presence of freshmen girls. In case you have been hiding under the rock during your college experience, we have created a sensible guide to help you readily identify and deal with, disarm, or de-robe a freshmen girl.

DISCLAIMER: This guide has been created to inform the populous about a campus wide issue. The techniques described are meant to be used for the purposes of good, not evil.

Identifying the freshmen Colbius: The following list outlines characteristics particular to the species.

•They often travel in packs. It is rare to find one alone, if the pack is not present, a partner is sure to be near.

•The telltale demonic squealing and nonsensical babble often peppered with the word "like" and punctuated by the phrase: Oh-em-gee!

•All gestures, movements, and phrases are over-exaggerated and often incredibly obnoxious.

•Minimalism seems to be the philosophy behind their clothing choices. If you can readily identify two or more clothing items that are inappropriate for the respective location and/or temperature, it is likely you may have a freshmen on your hands.

•While rare past the first Loudness, the standard-issue neon lanyard is a dead give-away.

•If you are unsure whether or not a female herd is comprised of freshmen Colbius, don't hesitate

to smell the air around you. If you are overwhelmed by the stench of "trying too hard" or "I want your validation," you are likely amongst their kind.

•If you are at a party and are confronted with overly flagrant displays of sexual behavior between girls often in the form of grinding against one another, rest assured they are freshmen.

Dealing with the freshmen Colbius: After you feel certain that you do in fact have a bona fide (group of) freshmen girl(s) on your hands, it is time to deter-

"If you are overwhelmed by the stench of 'trying too hard' or 'I want your validation,' you are likely amongst their kind."

mine your intentions.

•If you intend to evade: avoid eye contact. Perhaps play off their insecurities by giving a dirty look. Be sure this look is the most intimidating look you can muster, and anything that can possibly be read from it will be. If the situation takes a turn for the worse don't hesitate to turn around and run.

•If you intend to befriend: let's not kid ourselves, proceed to option three.

•If you intend to "get to know



Freshmen Colbius like those pictured are avid fans of bro-tastic off-campus parties. Above, a herd showing off their "beach party best."

them": this option requires minor (yet necessary) premeditation as a well-stocked fridge is often in order.

1. When attempting to bring them to a party, best results are achieved when nonchalantly using phrases such as: "senior apartments," "five-man suite," "hockey house," or "off-campus." Once these taglines are used, they should be eating out of the palm of your hand. (Do not feel obligated to invite the whole herd as not every freshmen is worthy of "getting to know." It is safe to say they are all looking out for themselves anyway.)

2. Once at the party, let the herd roam. Make sure your freshmen of choice is properly hydrated throughout the evening.

3. Make sure they do most of the talking (this should occur naturally). It is important to appear both engaged and interested. Make sure to avoid divulging information such as phone number, dorm, last name, etc.

4. As their life story winds down, casually suggest a new venue for conversation, perhaps a more private one, where you can sit down (or lay down, we don't judge) and really get to know one another.

The following section of the guide is designed to equip you with the techniques necessary to properly navigate situations that freshmen have already inserted themselves into.

•Situation #1: Freshmen are at your party and you want them out. This is a common problem, and extensive research has been done by nearly every Alford apartment to develop the following time-honored techniques. If these techniques do not work, do not hesitate to result to a more aggressive approach: physical removal. Try, for example:

1. The classic: "my fridge is empty."
2. "There is a dance party going on at Dana."
3. "Security is coming"
4. If it works to your advantage:

"Everyone under 21 must leave."

5. Ignore them.

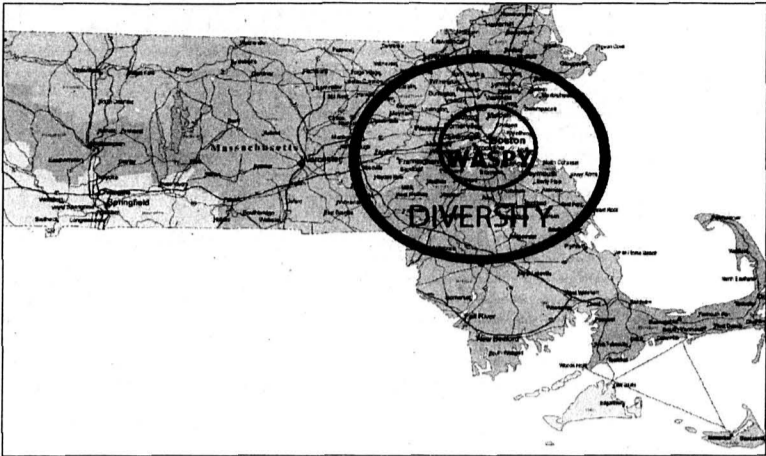
•Situation #2: A thirsty and somewhat undesirable herd is loitering outside the senior apartments waiting to be let in.

1. Go around, there are two entrances.

2. Let them in, but quickly refer to techniques described in situation number one.

We hope this guide has equipped you with the necessary tools to identify and cope with your standard freshmen Colbius. Although they are treacherous creatures, it is known that their affliction will be cured in time. Stay strong!

College expands diversity efforts, recruits 45 mins outside of Boston



Concern about the increased prevalence of gingers has many talking about important diversity issues.

By MEDIOCRITY
DISTURBIA NATIVE

Due to the overwhelming student demand for a broader range of diversity on campus, the College announced this week that it will be implementing new student recruitment guidelines aimed at bringing in a greater variety of students to the Hill.

The new diversity guidelines will go into effect for the fall 2011 semester and are exceptionally straightforward: students will not be accepted to the College unless their home is at least 45 minutes outside of Boston.

"I think this will really diversi-

fy the student body," President Bro Adams said in a recent interview. "Geographic locations are a huge part of our diversity, I'm worried about the inevitable conception, maybe this very Loudness weekend, of little Colby legacies from this rather undiversified gene pool. We want our youth to boast strong, resilient DNA."

An overwhelming number of Students from 15 minutes outside of Boston have been identified as having Unresolved Suburban Early Location Emigration Shock Syndrome, or USELESS. Identified USELESS students currently make up over 25 percent the student body.

"It's been really hard adapting to life at Colby and being surrounded by these USELESS students," Toke N. Student '13 said. "I feel stigmatized by my peers for not knowing that 'Jewton' actually means 'Newton.'"

Students from outside the 15-minute range will bring their own personal differences to the College. USELESS students are typically white, wealthy and attend private school, whereas students from 45 minutes outside of Boston are white, wealthy and typically attend public schools.

"Life outside of the 15-minute bubble is a battlefield," Jameson Bellvedere Esq. III '12 said. "I

was too far from Boston to attend Nobles or BBN; I had to play lax at Duxbury, which was chill, because I owned."

Eliminating students native to Boston will allow students from other prominent areas of the country to attend the College. Students from areas 4 hours outside Boston, most notably the affluent suburbs of New York City, will be able to flock to the campus in greater numbers, as well as students from 6 hours outside of Boston, commonly referred to as the suburbs of Washington D.C.

Cutting back student acceptance from the Boston area will also hopefully decrease the prominence of gingers on campus. "Many of our Irish students come from 15 minutes outside of Boston," Dean of Student Affairs James Terhune said. "By denying them admission to the College we will be able to cut back on the presence of the Irish on campus, thereby decreasing the numbers of gingers and the extremely celebratory Doghead students."

While the college strongly promotes campus traditions such as Doghead, the prevalence of gingers on campus is a controversial issue, one that many were eager to comment on.

"They're trouble," an anonymous security officer said. "Those gingers sit around chugging Guinness and listening to Dropkick Murphys... for the sake of my eardrums, we need to diversify this campus."

BACHELOR & BACHELORETTE OF A LIFETIME: MICHAEL BROPHY '12 & MICHAEL BROPHETTE '12

Echo Editor-in-Chief and self-proclaimed Master of the Universe Michael Brophy is looking for love in all the right places. Brophy, a junior English major and Jameson enthusiast, has a way with words that makes men and women alike swoon at the first prepositional phrase. However, Brophy has retired from his sophomore days of avid womanizing in favor of his one true love: himself.

"I've really found myself this year," Brophy said from his red-velvet draped bedroom. "Many long hours of soul-searching in this very room has made me realize that the only people I'm truly compatible with are me, myself, and I. I'm the only person who knows how to make me truly happy."

Brophy enjoys spending quality time with himself and often reads poetry aloud to his favorite audience of none. "Shakespeare is a favorite of Brophy's. Yeah, I sometimes refer to myself in the third person. Anyway, I find that his sonnets really resonate with my own self-love." Brophy cited his favorite lines: "I see descriptions of the fairest whites / And beauty making beautiful old rhyme / In praise of ladies dead and lovely night. " And how exactly do these lines resonate? "Well, I'm obviously a whole lotta white," Brophy explains. "And I'm one big, beautiful man who can make a rhyme out of a Terhune quote. I've killed all the ladies in my life in favor of this big, beautiful night, and this big, beautiful me."

Chris Kasprak, fellow Echo editor, commented on Brophy's newfound soul mate. "He's really happy," Kasprak said. "Honestly, it makes the vibe in the office a little weird sometimes. He spends a little too much time alone with his door locked, and gives himself a lot of awkwardly long hugs."

Brophy sees no qualms in his relationship with himself. "I'll never lie, I'll never cheat," he said. "Every morning I'll wake up and see a large man in a track suit staring back at me, and I'll know he's the one for me."

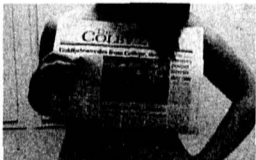


***** SEXY vs. SKANKY *****

THE COLBY COLLEGE EDITION



Double majoring
Multicultural affairs
Plunking
Studying in the Street



The Echo
Sexting
JanPlan
COOT love

A good sound system in your room
Studying for anatomy



Loudness
Facebook stalking
Four Lokos



Beezing
Bros

Double teaming
Multiple affairs
Flunking
Working the street
insideColby



Mass sexting
Plan B
COOTest



Sex sounds coming from your room
Studying your anatomy

Lewdness
Actual stalking
Four Locals



Tiger bombing
Bros



Ass & Titties

Struggling without booze



Shakespeare purportedly smoked meth to help in the creative process. As the hard alcohol ban takes its toll on writers by taking away access to the most available authorial tool, writers turn to other drugs.

By AL COHOLIC
SECRET DRUNK

The recent hard alcohol ban that began this year has affected many students' lives, particularly the lives of cool kids. But no one expected it to take a toll on the Creative Writing Department.

People expect that poetry and fiction stories pour forth from writers' pens and laptops organically. However, imaginative ideas actually pour forth from the bottle; nothing gets ideas flowing like scotch in big gulps.

Chair of the Creative Writing Department Adrian Blevins commented that the ban is putting a lot of pressure on the students in her department. "Writing and personal trouble go hand in hand, and while some writers like Steven King, find writing is enough catharsis for their trouble, other writers need other outlets in addition to their creative work," she said, while pouring herself a glass of whiskey.

Some of the most famous and successful writers of all time also depended on destructive means to keep them going: Hemingway was an alcoholic; Faulkner was always fond of the drink. Dylan Thomas drank 51 shots of whiskey and then died (joke issue aside, this is a true fact). And

William Shakespeare was notorious for running a meth lab out of his basement.

"Nobody really wants to be a creative writer," Blevins said. "But these kids need help; they chose to study creative writing because they have nowhere else to go. They aren't like all the well-adjusted Economics majors; their parents didn't have enough money to send them to therapy."

The faculty in the Creative Writing Department are not the only people who are worried about the strain the hard alcohol ban has put on troubled writers at Colby.

"Listen, we were just trying to kill fun," Assistant Dean of Students Paul Johnston said. "We in Eustis have two jobs: to extinguish fun and to boost Colby's spot in the *U.S. News and World Report* rankings. We take both jobs very seriously," he said, "so it's very troubling that the ban had these unintended consequences."

The Deans Office has begun to experiment with different forms of support for creative/abusive behavior. "The first thing we tried as Nyquil," Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students James Terhune said. "Nyquil works just as effectively as booze, if not more," he said. "The problem is it requires a

great deal of tolerance. We found that when the Health Center subsidized Nyquil, the number of late papers skyrocketed. Nyquil abuse just doesn't complement the all-nighter approach to writing that so many students prefer."

The College is still very protective of the Creative Writing program and promise to prioritize the writers' work over the writers' livers and brain cells.

"It's what Shakespeare would want," Johnston said.

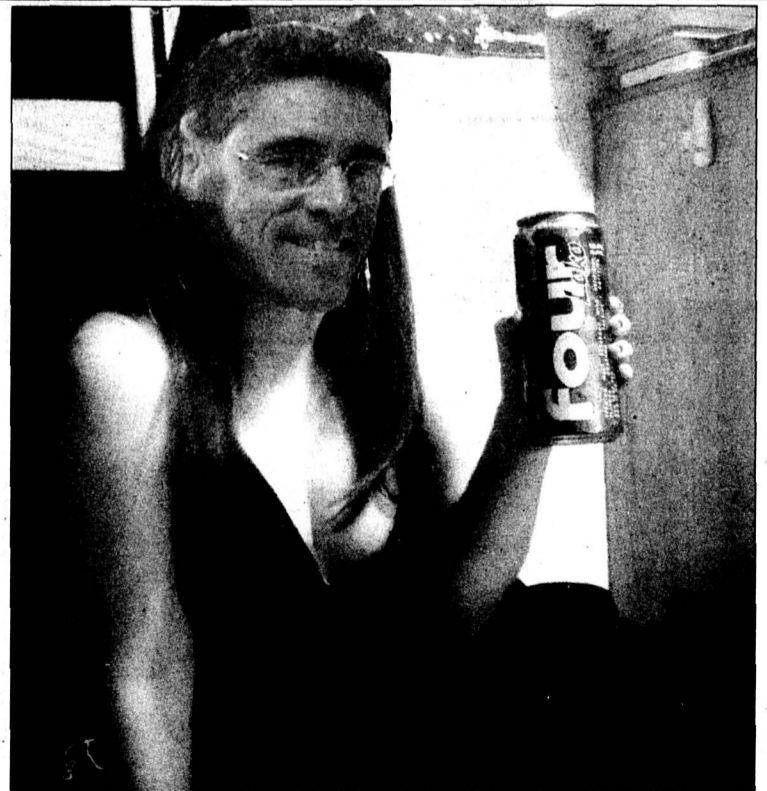
Those students who find that beer and institution sponsored Nyquil don't cut it have turned to other means.

Some creative writing students are "getting creative" in their sources for inspiration now that hard alcohol is less available.

"Pot," said an anonymous student. "Writing while you're blitzed is chill. It makes you uninhibited, you know, so you can write anything."

"I wrote this poem about being in a supermarket with Walt Whitman. Oh wait, that was Allen Ginsburg. My bad."

Others cite shrooms as an especially potent hallucinogen. "It like, heightens your awareness about the world. Like, every blade of grass is a different shade of green and it makes you appreciate the world. It's so beautiful."



Four Loko is an alcoholic beverage that combines a fuck ton of caffeine with a fuck ton of alcohol. If we can learn anything from this photo, it's that you should never drink Four Loko without a spotter or a buddy.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS:CELEBRITY EDITION

Franco keeps it too real



The ravishing James Franco, back when he had both of his arms. He follows in the footsteps of many actors as a follower of the Method.

By HUNTER S. THOMPSON
SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Sitting in a coffeeshop in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, the handsome and disheveled Franco sips his organic, fair-trade tea, grown by the honest hard work of some natives of some small village...somewhere. It's not like James Franco gives a shit. It's part of his image. "I hate how this shit tastes, that's why I smoke my herbal cigarette, they add a smoky flavor." As he speaks smoke issues from his mouth: "Want to see me French inhale?" he smiles devilishly.

Franco, like many actors has gone to great lengths for his art. Robert de Niro did it (back when he made quality movies) training as a boxer for his role as Jake LaMotta in *Raging Bull*, working out intensely to sculpt his body and then gaining an unhealthy amount of weight really fast, after all that work, to play the character in his washed up phase. Adrian Brody did it (also when he made quality movies) for *The Pianist*, losing 30 pounds from his already gaunt figure, learning Chopin, and selling all his belongings and cutting off contact with his friends and family, to know what it felt like to be truly alone. Robert Downey Jr did it, developing a cocaine addiction for his role as a teenage drug addict in *Less than Zero*. Downey was so taken by the character, that he spent the better part of his adult life researching the role. Marlon Brando did it, then stopped giving a shit about it. When he had to play a gaunt Kurt in *Apocalypse Now*, he came on set overweight and not knowing his lines. "You don't under-

stand, I could have had class. I could have been a contender. I could have been somebody, instead of a bum," he is reported to have said to the director Francis Ford Coppola. Adding, "Yadda, yadda, yadda, I'm fucking Marlon Brando, deal with it."

And now Franco has taken the next plunge. His newest film, which is receiving critical attention is the independent drama about Aron Ralston, the mountain climber who had to cut through his own arm with a knife after getting trapped. Yes, James Franco has mutilated his body for this role.

"At first I was like, I need to know what that pain is like, to really experience it. And like the idea of survival, wanting to survive so badly that you mangle yourself. So while we were shooting and getting ready for this shot I went away, without telling anyone, and videotaped myself cutting my arm off. I want to use it in my master's thesis at NYU."

"Yeah, I'm enrolled at Columbia for writing and NYU for filmmaking—double penetration," he laughs. "but I already made a piece about shitting and called it art, so I figured I'd push the envelope one more time and call self-mutilation in the pursuit of art, art. It's really meta."

What's next for Franco, now that he is missing part of his arm? "Gus Van Sant wants to do a movie about pizza delivery guys, and he asked me and Zac Efron to be in it. Judd Apatow is producing. I thought we should take a critical disabilities approach to it, now that I am a person living with a disability. But Gus wants it to be about like, a comedy about their gay

relationship. All his movies are about gay people. No one makes movies about people with disabilities," he looks down at his phantom limb with disgust. A moment passes then he brightens. "You know, what if my character were a gay, disabled, pizza delivery boy? That's all kinds of marginalization—ability, sexual orientation, class. Maybe I should go one step further and do it like Robert Downey Jr. in *Tropic Thunder*, in black face? He got an Oscar nomination for doing black face. Yeah. I think I'll do that."

Franco whips out his phone, modishly out of date, the Nokia you had in eighth grade and starts making calls. "Yeah, is this Papa John's? Yeah, I was wondering if you're hiring. I need a job. This is James Franco, you know, the actor, the MFA student at Columbia fucking University. Yeah, I need to be a pizza delivery boy. And if you have another position, I have a friend who needs a job as well. He needs to be a pizza delivery boy. Who is it? It's Zac Efron, the guy who sings and dances in that shitty movie for kids. OK cool, I'll bring my resume."

He turns to me, grabs his canvas backpack and says, "I have to go."

Editor's Note: Hunter S. Thompson actually did not have this interview with James Franco. He finally admitted that he got it all from the internet and his drug induced hallucinations. His hallucinations might be more reliable than the internet.

Author's Note: It turns out James Franco is actually "a nice guy" and did not cut off his arm.



For his role in the film *127 Hours*, James Franco cut off his arm to experience his character more fully. His own videotape of cutting of his arm will be featured in his Master's Thesis for film.

FORUM

EDITORS IN THE OFFICE

How do you deal with a stressful work enviornment?



"Hug it out."

—Michael Brophy '12



"I do nothing."

—Nick Iodice '12



"....."

—Dash Wasserman '12



"Temper tantrums."

—Lindsay Putnam '12



"You know..."

—Rachel Goff '12



"Pump iron."

—Courtney Yaeger '12
& Allie Ehrenreich '12

A Place We Know Too Well...

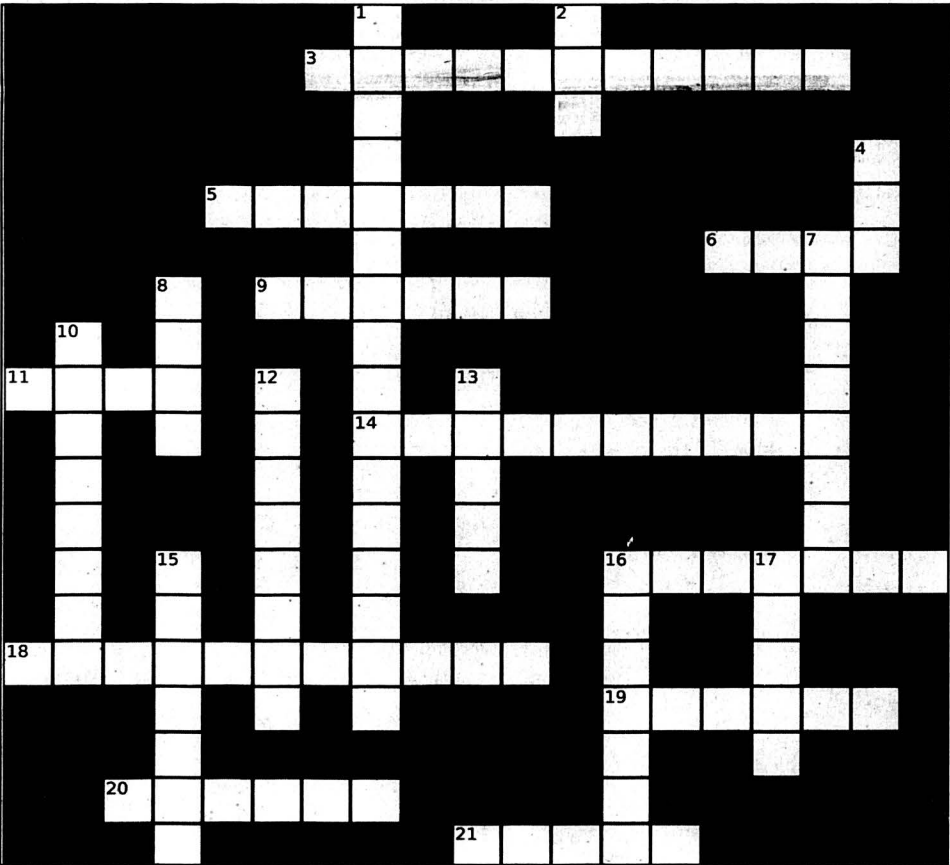
ACROSS

- 3. We still can't swim in it.
- 5. Month when students dabble in serious alcohol abuse
- 6. The benchmark worldwide for excellence in news journalism.
- 9. THE GOLDFARB CENTER IS (not) A _____.
- 11. Banished but not forgotten, still raging after all these years: _____ row
- 14. The sloppiest senior shitshow, a hot mess
- 16. Describes the volleyball team
- 18. Student propaganda
- 19. The least civil place on campus, where shit gets real
- 20. Students in the...
- 21. Get this from the health center after Doghead, Loudness, or any Sunday morning, second letter of the alphabet

DOWN

- 1. Rounding up the drunkards, planning poorly-attended events
- 2. Naked in nature, not a rooster
- 4. Making bank
- 7. The sophomore class vomitorium
- 8. For math majors: one beret and a heart of gold
- 10. They lose innocence, gain 15 pounds
- 12. The DIRTIEST team (the flannel and PBR don't help)
- 13. Give me _____ (light) or give me death
- 15. Site of BTP (not Dana)
- 16. Shhhhhhhhh...
- 17. Your token flowseidon

For these answers, try a little harder.



WHERE'S SHONTAE?



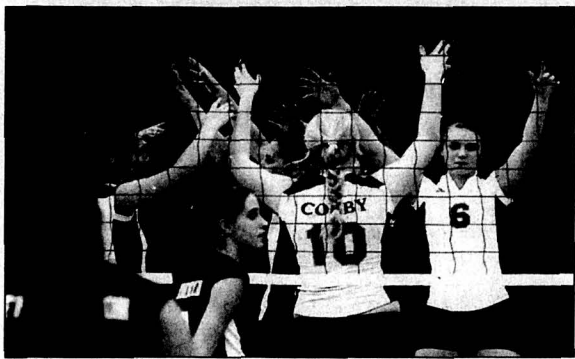
The children's classic Where's Waldo gets a contemporary reboot thanks to the Colby administration.

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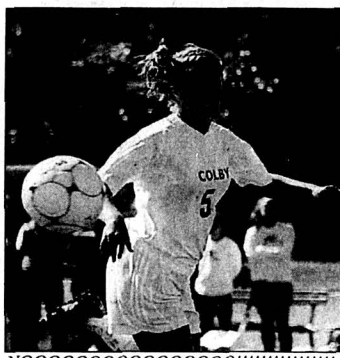
And the volleyball team said, "Let there be rain," and there was rain.



Hand check?



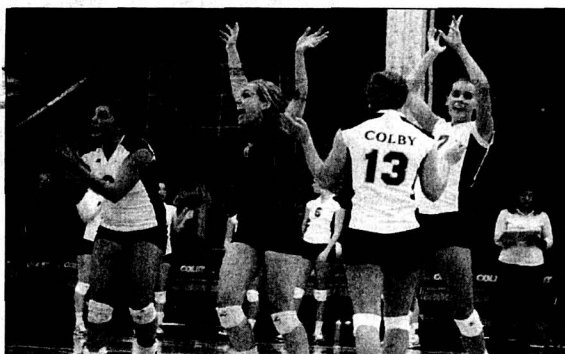
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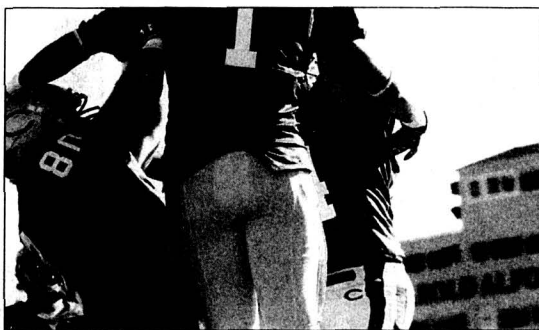
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Bend over to the front, touch your toes. Get low, get low.



Volleyball celebrates win. Oh, wait, JK.



Football player showing his assets. The editors are not impressed.



I think I'm gonna throw up.



EAT SHIT, TURF! HIIIIYAAAAAAA!



Unfortunately, these conjoined twins did not get into the same college. The commute is a bitch.

DEVASTATOR OF THE FALL



Hard Alcohol Ban

SPORT:

Blacking out

HOMETOWN:

Not at Colby

WHY: The Hard

Alcohol Ban went into effect at the beginning of this school year to no avail. Students everywhere took this as a challenge to triple their record BAC levels, and most, including the football team, have succeeded. During the first week of the semester, students managed to send 8.5 students to the hospital, the majority of which from beer alone. "If anything, the hard alcohol ban has added a new element to our alcoholism goals," a senior lax player said. "Now we drink twice as much liquor, with the added thrill of trying not to get caught." Plus, the Colby girls are so preoccupied with being badass and opposing security that they're hardly paying attention to them anyway.

Crunching the numbers

34: Colby females who received unsolicited dong shots from Brett Favre.

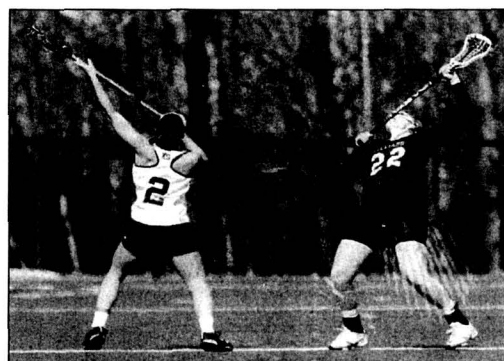
13: Football players who lazily use the Jitney to get from Pulver to Heights.

98: Number of signatures on petition to upgrade Ultimate Frisbee and Rugby to varsity sports.

0: Percent chance of that happening.



I'mma throw this money while you do it with no hands.



The Hipnotik Dance team took to the field for their most recent dancing blunder.



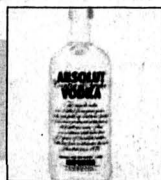
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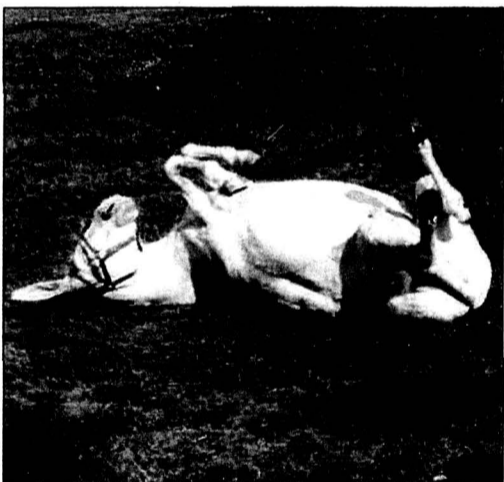
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Alcoholism, sex in the *Echo* office

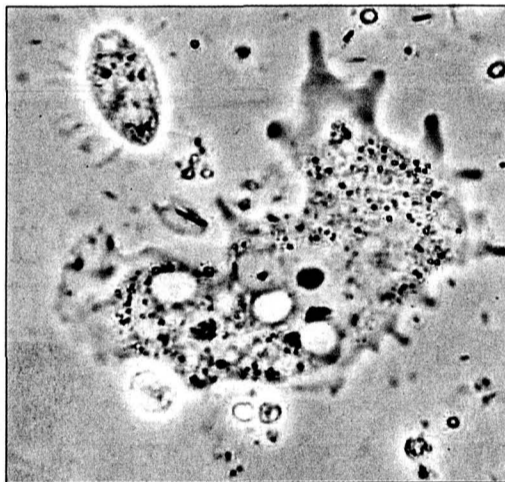


The editors sponsored a quick game of beer can baseball during the making of this issue. Shameful sex ensued in the background.

New mascot promotes diversity



Colby's old mascot, The White Mule, is dead.



Colby's new mascot: The Amorphous Carbon-Based Life Forms.

By CHADWICK
RUTHERFORD
SMITHINGTON III
WHITE MALE

The hottest topic of the past semester has been the state of multiculturalism on the Hill. All across campus, students and faculty members have become more and more sensitive to topics of diversity.

In response to this trend, the Department of Athletics has met with President Adams and the Board of Trustees to reassess Colby's long-time mascot, the White Mule.

"The first thing we did was drop the 'white' part," Adams said. "Because if you know anything about diversity, you'll know that white is bad."

Next the administration reconsidered the choice of the mule, noting that they were concerned about Mules' sterility. "We really value the contributions that sterile people have made to this campus," Director of Athletics

Marcella Zallot said. "But we didn't want them to feel like we were tokenizing them."

As a result, the College agreed that they would include horses, donkeys and mules with all reproductive capabilities, and thus officially changed the name to the Colby Equines of All Colors and Sperm Counts.

Things went well for a while with the new name, but soon many community members began to raise concern that other barnyard animals in the Colby Community may feel unappreciated.

Additionally, the Board of Trustees were still concerned that the concept of livestock implied an image of captivity. "We want to grow free-thinking minds here," Adams said. "Not that we have anything against farmers," he was quick to clarify.

The College and the Board of Trustees spent a long time delib-

erating other possible animals, both free and captive. The spent

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Bro Adams
El Presidente

a fair amount of time searching for animals of the most diverse nature, wasting a great deal of the endowment on a Dean of Obscure Mammals.

"The problem with mammals," Adams said, "is that not every animal gets the chance to harbor its young in its womb for nine months. We wanted to accommodate all types of birthing processes."

So the College again changed their mascot to the Colby Omni-Color Animals In Natural Environments, or COCAINE for short.

"Damn it," Adams said when somebody pointed this coinci-

dence out to him.

"This was completely unintentional," he said. "We don't want people to think we are only about cocaine at Colby. We want to foster an environment where we welcome all types of narcotics, illicit, prescription and over-the-counter."

Residents of Hillside were apt to point out the existence of bacteria and fungi in the Colby Community.

"Have you ever seen the bathtub in Taylor or looked in the trash can on a Sunday morning?" Hillside resident Alex Aitoro '17J said. "There are all sorts of critters, creatures and diseases crawling around there. I think it's up to us to make sure that they don't feel left out of this community."

To finally put an end to the debate so that we can focus on actual issues, the Board of Trustees met for a grueling marathon meeting/golf outing to finalize the new mascot.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees Robert "Bobbie" Diamond '73 proudly proclaimed that the new mascot for the College will be the Colby Amorphous Carbon-Based Life Forms.

"Seriously, please leave us alone now," he said.

Volleyball wins spirit award, nothing else

Team honored for ability to yell, fake happiness, annoy all present

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The Colby volleyball team was awarded with the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Team Spirit Award on Sunday, December 5.

Since its inception in 1989, the NESCAC Spirit Award has been awarded to the league's worst volleyball team each and every year. This year was no different, as Colby volleyball finished an astounding 0-13 versus conference opponents.

After a 3-0 start to the season against an assortment of community college and high school teams, the Mules were unable to muster much of a fight against any NESCAC programs.

The season was high(low)lighted by 3-0 losses to Endicott College, Colby-Junior College and every NESCAC team.

However, Coach Candice Parent takes pride in her team's ability to maintain its dignity by winning this prestigious honor. "It feels great," lied Coach Parent, "I'm really proud of our team and how, despite being so bad, they continued to show enthusiasm throughout every loss—whether it was close or a blowout. Okay, mostly blowouts."

Captain Clare Reich '11 echoed (echoed) Parent's sentiments. "At some point, we realized that we were awful. Just awful. So we made it our goal—rather than to win games—to just annoy the shit

out of our fans and opponents. I think, in that, we had a successful season."

Indeed, they annoyed. The *Echo's* photo editors, despite repeated efforts, were unable to obtain many pictures of the Mules. Said photo editor Nick Iodice '12, "Every time I went into the gym, it sounded like an elementary school playground, with girls chanting and screaming in unison at just about anything."

While Colby is not the only team that partakes in this type of faux team bonding, it is more noticeable in the Mules because they are bad.

Despite exhibition losses to the iPlay soccer champions, the Colby Dancers and the Waterville High School JV team, Caitlin Burchill '12 remains hopeful for the rest of the season.

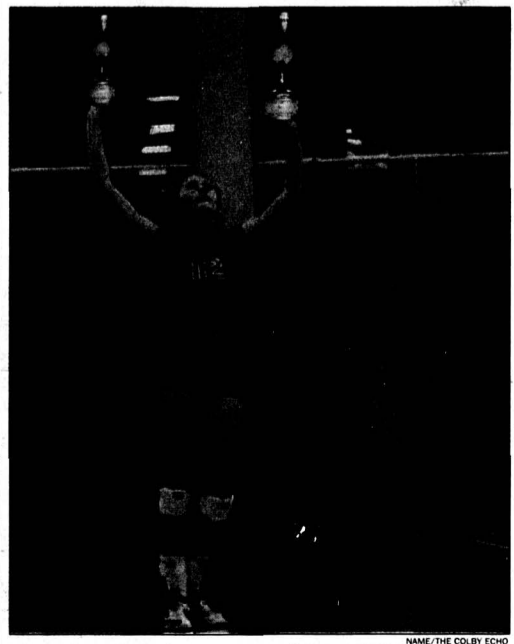
"I think we're really finding our stride, as a whole," said Burchill. "We've got some big games upcoming, and we're looking forward to the challenge."

Coach Parent remains optimistic about the volleyball team's future. "We've got a great recruiting class coming in, I think. These two girls said they were interested in maybe playing volleyball at a collegiate level. So we have a chance, right? Right?" Parent said with a rising voice and a threatening glare.

Colby might not have to wait too long for its next Spirit Award. Looking forward, the tennis and baseball teams are always candidates for the imperfect season.

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