

#### MILF Hunter Seeks To Fill Empty Slot, Replace Crocodile Hunter

The popular Internet pornographer "The MILF Hunter" is in talks with Animal Planet regarding a series to replace the recently deceased Steve Irwin's show, "The Crocodile Hunter." "I encountered resistance from the front office at first," explained the Hunter. "They told me that MILFs weren't animals. Then they saw some of my raw footage." Other than the gratuitous nudity inherent in MILF hunting, the two shows will be quite similar in format. Specifically, they both revolve around the stalking and probing of large, dangerous animals. It is rumored that the two parties are close to signing an agreement for a short, 13-episode season to see how the Hunter's probing is received.

## Americans Happy To "Let Europe Win" Ryder Cup Again

The American Ryder Cup team succeeded in once again letting the Europeans win the tournament, held every two years between America's and Europe's best players. Said American captain Tom Lehmen of the 18 1/2 - 9 1/2 loss, "This is all the Europeans have anymore. If we don't let them win this, they'd get depressed and stop coming out to lose to us at all the other tournaments. We have the top three ranked players in the world and hold three of four majors - Ogilvy won the U.S. Open, which everyone agrees is weird - whereas they just have the European Union. Wouldn't you be depressed?" European captain Ian Woosnam also commented on the victory. but his words were completely unintelligible through the bucket of Guinness he was drinking at the time.

#### **Idiots Support Idiots At Box Office**

"Jackass Number 2" grossed \$28.1 million to take the top spot at the box office this weekend. Two-thirds of the movie's patrons were male and 71% were under 25 years of age. Said Adam Jenkins, one of this demographic who saw the film, "It was great. One of them got hit in the balls!" President of MTV's music and film group, Van Toffler, reflected on hearing the news, "I think it was, 'Holy [explicitive deleted], we've done it again. What is wrong with the country?" Johnny Knoxville and the "Jackass" crew are contemplating making a third installment in the film series, consisting entirely of the participants pushing each other down stairs. Said Jenkins, "Awesome."

#### Roger Clemens Pitches "Last" Home Start in Houston

Roger Clemens, hailed as the greatest pitcher of his generation and one of the greatest of all time, pitched his "final" start at Minute Maid Park. The Houston Astros' fans and visiting St. Louis Cardinals applauded Clemens's "curtain call," thrown after only three days' rest. The emotional outing is just the latest in a long line of "ultimate" games from the dominant hurler, including his final regular season appearances for the Astros in 2004 and 2005, his playoff and World Series appearances in both years, and his emotional "A.L. Farewell Tour 2003" with the Yankees. Clemens is not expected to retire anytime soon.

#### **Cat Stevens Attacks Pope, Sings**

An angry and loud confrontation between Pope and 70's singer Cat Stevens occurred yesterday at the Vatican leaving both men exhausted after nearly an hour of non-stop fighting. The event began calmly as the two men met to discuss the comments made by the pontiff earlier this month, but soon turned hostile. Stevens, who converted to Islam many years ago, made the first move threatening the Pope with the comment, "I'll show you that the First Cut really is the Deepest". Soon thereafter Stevens pulled out a small knife and lunged at the Pope, who easily sidestepped the attack and countered by yanking at Steven's beard forcing him to the ground. The scuffle continued for over half an hour as they wrestled viciously, the Pope cursed in Latin as Stevens sang of the "Wild World" that he was about to introduce to the pope to with his fists. Eventually, the fight ended when the Swiss Guard pulled the men off each other, declaring the Pope the victor.



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Cat Stevens was then deported to Britain where he would be detained and charged with "Papal Assault".

#### **Grade Inflation Rampant In Class Of 2010**

Vanderbilt has spent time and energy to fight grade inflation. But all these efforts are about to come completely unhinged at the end of the semester. The Vanderbilt Visions program will give students a GPA of infinity should they muster any sort of grade in a course. Mathematics professor Dr. Richard Jacobsen expressed significant displeasure with the program, saying, "It's the biggest boost to grade inflation since students were allowed to add HOD as a second major." Because the numerator of the expression representing a students grade is not an indeterminate form, L'Hopital's rule will be useless in stopping the problem. The Chancellor's office suggested that the expulsion of the entire class of 2010 may be necessary to curb the tide of students with infinite GPAs.

#### **`Eat The World, Save The Earth' Taken Literally By Godzilla**

Though traditionally associated with destroying Tokyo and menacing innocent civilians, Godzilla recently unveiled a new, environmentally-conscious side. Fed up with the increased urbanization of society and subsequent pollution, the monster has teamed up with Vanderbilt Dining as part of the 'Eat the World, Save the Earth' campaign. In addition to flattening buildings that don't adhere to green construction techniques, Godzilla has also vowed to devour coal-fired power plants and to stop breathing fire in an attempt to avert global warming



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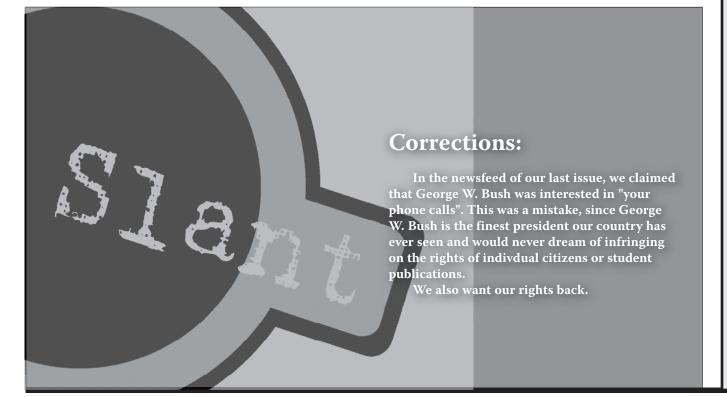
A French document leaked this week suggested that Osama Bin Laden died of typhoid fever somewhere in Afghanistan last month. Though unsubstantiated, Americans are rejoicing over the possibility that the mastermind of the September 11 attacks suffered a nasty, diarrhea-filled death. Others are less enthused. "Bin Laden got off too easy," said local jingoist Michael Wilt. "He deserved a much worse disease, preferably something hemmorhagic in nature. Nothing says 'karmically bitch-slapped' like contracting Ebola." American scientists were also disappointed over the missed opportunity to creatively kill the terrorist. Army chemical corps officer Captain Jim Aberdeen commented, "Now when am I going to get the opportunity to use this mustard gas? Did I say mustard gas? I meant legitimate weapon. Fuck!" In an unrelated story, U.S. government officials denied that military forces were committing human rights violations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

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#### FROM THE EDITOR



**JOE HILLS** 

I went to a gay bar this week. Here's why:

As you can probably tell by our cover, this issue broaches the always exciting topic of homosexuality. Although some editors might be uncomfortable with doing in-depth coverage on a topic so normally saturated with sensationalism, I experienced no trepidation, fully trusting my staff to deliver thought-provoking material that would challenge the current culture of sex at Vanderbilt.

Diligent as my staff is, I would be negligent not to be intelligently informed on the subject myself, so I tagged along with Justin Leh and a few people from my dorm on their weekly Wednesday night trip to Play.

Being from a small town in Tennessee, I expected to be out of my element in a big city dance bar, especially one focused on catering to guys who like guys (sexually). Although the drag show going on when we first arrived didn't particularly interest me, an announcement about a "student bodies" competition and a hundred-dollar "scholarship" caught my ear. I was assured by one of my friends, a regular visitor to the club, that the competition was usually limited to a few unnattractive guys and that if I entered I would have a decent shot at walking away with the cash.

I was the third person to sign up, and worked out a basic idea of how I would present myself. I was feeling pretty good until six people got called up before me. Most of them were in better shape than myself. Same went for the five guys after me. The last guy to stand up successfully performed a backflip. In contrast, during my turn, I successfully performed a forward fall into the push-up position. I did not, however, successfully push myself back into the standing position and perform a three-hundred sixty degree spin. Instead, I actually kept spinning, nearly breaking my toe and barely not falling off the stage. Although I made it to the second round, and was in the top five, I did not win one hundred dollars. I did receive a hug from an attractive straight girl, which was a pleasant surprise from an evening at a gay bar.

Another surprise was how cool the dance floor was. I'm not just talking lasers, lights, and mirrors, though they had all of those in bountiful quantity. I'm also talking temperature. I would be grateful if the frats could learn something about airflow and circulation from Play, because it's great to dance some place below 90 degrees once in a while. The music was also the exact right volume to fill the room and get people dancing, but not drown out conversation.

On the whole, the evening convinced me of the need for greater understanding and dialogue between homosexuals and heterosexuals. Such an increase of communication would find us all well, though to be honest, I mainly can't wait until I can dance and talk comfortably without leaving the familiarity of frat row.

Maybe girls would hug me for falling too.



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# The Gay Agenda

#### What You Should Be Doing, Besides Other Men

#### by JUSTIN LEH

I'm not against sleeping with men. I like it... a lot. But seriously, other things have got to be done if we're gonna corrupt the youth of America. We've gotta think long term here, you know like a month long relationship. So first off...

#### Recruitment

Now as we all know, you aren't born gay. One day you just think to yourself "I'd really like to piss off my parents and make people uncomfortable, and I am willing to live a life of prejeduce and legal inferiority to do so." Therefore, we gotta get out there and convince the boys and girls of tommorrow that they want to engage in sins before God and man alike. So we should set up seemingly innocent Gay-Straight Alliances (GSAs) in high schools and colleges across the country. Publicly we will claim they are groups promoting dialogue and tolerance. But, in reality, these will be sex clubs where we will use peer pressure and diet soda to infect the students with "The Gay" (that we store in the underground laboratories), thus ensuring the next generation of sodomites will continue our legacy.

#### **Public Relations**

As I'm sure you are all aware, people hate us (and why wouldn't they?). In order to further our cause, we must desensitize the public to our perverse lifestyle. We must promote same-sex marriage, polygamy, promiscuity, and public sex. By acclimating the public to these monstrosities we will secure our place as a lesser evil in society, much like interracial marriage, premarital sex, and secularism. Once this is accomplished, we will be able to demand equal protections in employment and housing in order to ensure our disposable income. Also we can win pity from the bleeding-heart

liberals, who will pass hate crime legislation to protect us from our due rightious punishment at the hands of God's servants.

beauty, with only the necessary number of women required to propagate the gay race.



#### **Societal Change**

Due to our decades of debauchery and lies, we have already made great strides toward winning over the younger, more attractive half of the population. Studies clearly show that we have brainwashed a greater percentage of young Americans. Now is the time to use this marked difference between the geneartions to promote ourselves as the wave of the future. As our opponents die off, we must make sure the more impressionable and vulnerable youths side with us. As time goes on, our support will grow as we slowly convince the world population that they are gay. Then the only method of procreation will be the gestation chambers our lesbian brethren have developed in the aforementioned underground laboratories. We will have total control of the human population and breeding. With our newfound power we shall mold humanity into a rock-hard, hairless, Abercrombie and Fitch ideal of

#### **Military Training**

Unfortunately, in spite of our perfect bodies and flawless coordination. we have no physical prowess for fighting. Our regime change, although fabulous, will not come without some display of force. Therefore, it is imperative that we remove the US military's safegaurds against homosexual occupation. Once allowed into the armed forces will shall use the heterosexual infrastructure to turn our cage dancers, ice skaters, and bartenders into fighting machines and weapons technicians. This will give us the beginnings of our very own invasion force with which to usher in the new world order.

#### **Undermine the Judicial System**

The judicial system is an integral part of the American government. It ensures that mob rule does not usurp the nation. We have hidden behind this institution for decades now. But with the changing views of the young, soon it will hinder our advancement

more than help it. However, the judicial system has a key weakness: it is based firmly in logic and fairness. We can cleverly draw parrallels between ourselves and other groups that previously took advantage of activist judges. The FemiNazis have already won the right to do what one wishes with vour body. Interracial couples argued that morality cannot be the basis of the family unit. The list goes on and on. We can easily convince liberal judges that their misguided idealogies conclude that marriage is a right and same-sex marriage should be permitted. In fact, we will use this to launch a national campaign that will result in widespread lack of faith in the judiciary with constitutional amendments and laws binding the courts' hands. Once this is finished we will have won over the currently 30 and under population and the next generation of America will be ours to control. With the courts out of the way, there will be no one to protect religious freedom and we, along with the secular heathens, will be able to remove religion from the laws and legislate immorality, ultimately culminating in the apocalypse.

So now that you know our goals and how we plan to acheive them, get out there and get involved. Donate that disposable income to the HRC. Intern at the ACLU or even better, Lambda Legal. Start or join a gaystraight alliance, PFLAG, or other GLBT organization. Write your congressman, ask him and/or her to repeal "don't ask, don't tell", support gay marriage, and provide children with a "diverse" childhood by protecting public school GSA's. Seriously, just get out there in your community and promote our self-serving interests, if we all do it it will not take long. We are everywhere, after all.

# Popularity

#### **George Burnett**



I'm a pimp.

#### **John Abraham Camarillo**



I is the juggernaut, bitch.

#### **Jason Cunningham**



I've got a huge...clipboard.

#### Sara Nau



I'm bad at softball, I don't like Melissa Etheridge, I don't wear flannel...and I'm still a lesbian. Plus, I have a beard.

#### **Paul Sadler**



I am the epitomy of a badass.

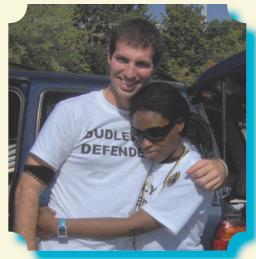
#### **Reid Sullivan**



My paycheck pays for drugs, sex and alchohol, and I usually share.

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#### **Nick Lee**



I'll get back to you with a quote. E-mail it to you as soon as I think of one.

#### **John Kinne**



My pubic hair is trimmed like a topiary in the shape of an elephant.

#### **Here's the Deal**

Contestants have one week to begin campaigning by word of mouth, Facebook, or any other means. From October 2<sup>nd</sup> to October 6<sup>th</sup>, *The Slant* staff will be out on the wall running a penny war to determine who deserves to serve as Popularity King and Queen.

Our next issue will feature the winners and details about the coronation ceremony we will hold on Homecoming day in the Student Tailgate Parking Lot.

All proceeds will benefit local hospitalized veterans.

#### **Chart Westscott**



I'm the big man on campus.

#### **Miranda Lee**



I am 4'11.5" tall, talk to strangers, randomly start juggling, and was coerced to enter this contest.

#### **Katie Thompkins**



I never missed a kickoff in 21 years.

# **Lockheed Martin Wins Contract To Kill Astronauts Near Moon**

Cislunar Space, New Playground of the Inept

#### by ROBERT SAUNDERS

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration awarded Lockheed Martin the contract to build the space ship for the agency's planned sacrifice of astronauts on lunar missions. The capsule will be built over the next decade, with manned moon flights planned for 2019

The lunar mission is an important new mission for NASA's death portfolio. In the past NASA has killed astronauts on the launching pad, shortly after liftoff and upon re-entry to earth's atmosphere.

"A death on or near the moon would show NASA's commitment to space-related death," said Doug Cooke, the NASA official who made the choice.

Lockheed Martin was responsible for the crashing of a Mars rover in 1999 when engineers failed to account for differences in metric and English measurements.

"This stunning lack of attention to detail is precisely what makes Lockheed the best possible choice to accomplish our mission," said Cooke.

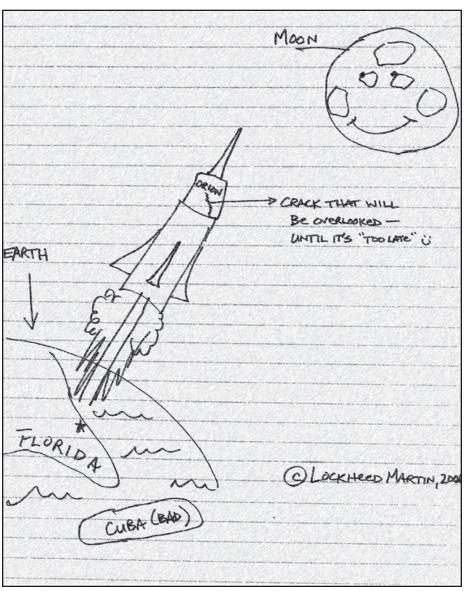
NASA narrowly missed the opportunity to kill three astronauts in 1970 when the Apollo 13 crew overcame mechanical defects NASA engineers built into their deathship.

"Those astronauts may have cheated death, but we will overcome," said NASA administration Michael Griffin.

Lockheed Martin also is the least experienced in manned spaceflight, which counted heavily in its favor.

"Why go with somebody who has a track record of sending men to the moon and back without killing them? That would defeat the whole purpose of the mission," continued Cooke.

The contract's award comes at a pivotal time for the space agency as it competes with European and Chinese space programs eager for manned exploration of the moon and Mars.



Leaked Photocopy of Lockheed Martin's Contract-Winning Final Draft Proposal

The European Space Agency recently crashed a unmanned rover on Mars. China has been experimenting with unreliable rockets that explode after liftoff but before leaving earth's atmosphere.

Said ESA director-general Jean-Jacques Dordain, "For years we were content to leave the Space Death Race to the Americans and the Russians," currently in second place. "Now that we are a unified political body it is time for us to stand on our own two feet and risk the lives of our citizens like any other major world power."

China on the other hand has a ways to go. The China National Space Administration did not exist before 1993, and its first manned spaceflight was not until Oct. 2003.

Nevertheless, the Chinese are optimistic about their chances for catching up. Said CNSA administrator Sun Laiyan, "We have 1.5 billion people in our country and technology that is at least 30 years behind that of the West.

#### NASA's Death and Near Death Track Record

- Feb. 20, 1962: Friendship 7, astronaut John Glenn nearly died as a result of a possibly loose heat shield. Escaped death when he decided to leave his retro-pack attached to the capsule to hold the shield in place. 0 dead
- Jan. 27, 1967: Apollo 1, astronauts Gus Grissom, Ed White, and Roger Chaffee incinerated on launch platform as fire swept through the capsule before liftoff. 3 dead.
- Apr. 14, 1970: Apollo 13, an oxygen tank exploded on the service module and damaged another. Astronauts sought safety in the lunar module and used its equipment to return to earth. 0 dead.
- Jan. 28, 1986: Space Shuttle Challenger, disintegrates 73 seconds after liftoff over the Atlantic Ocean after O-rings on solid rocket boosters cracked in the freezing temperatures. 7 dead.
- Feb. 1, 2003: Space Shuttle Columbia, incinerates on re-entry after insulating foam broke free from the external tank during liftoff and damaged heat shields on the leading edge of the shuttle's left wing. 7 dead.

These are powerful advantages that will allow us to be a player very soon."

But the Americans are confident in the face of the challenge. Said NASA administrator Griffin, "We were killing men in space back when the Chinese could only do it with starvation and tanks. I'll be damned if they're going to overtake us on my watch."

# **SPEAR Criticizes** *The Hustler* **For Waste Of Paper**



#### by CASEY PERRY

At their second meeting of the academic year, SPEAR (Students Promoting Environmental Awareness and

Recycling) submitted a proposal to Vanderbilt Student Communications to revamp *The Hustler*'s publication schedule because of its "wanton waste of paper."

"Three times a week those people sacrifice a small forest of trees covering matters of dubious journalistic merit and questionable accuracy," said the memo submitted by SPEAR president Jenny MaGill. MaGill has also stated that there are very simple ways to cut down on the amount of paper *The Hustler* consumes every week: "Well, first they can get rid of those inserts that companies pay them to put in the fold of the paper. No one even looks at them; they just throw them on the rack and leave them. In reality, if the staff of *The Hustler* just eliminated all the original content they come up with and just produced the Sudoku and Crossword puzzles, they could cut about 90% of their paper usage and still satisfy the needs of 100% of their current readership. In fact if they put out only their 'Fun and Games' section they might even increase circulation, while keeping the environmental costs low."

With this month's launch of InsideVandy, the online division of Vanderbilt Converged Media, there is even greater reason to stop printing the majority of *The Hustler*'s content, according to MaGill: "The few people who do want to read the *The Hustler* in its entirety - which is presumably the *The Hustler*'s staff and their doting parents, can still go online and get the same experience without Vanderbilt having to waste all that paper and money. It really is the only logical step."

Glenna DeRoy, News Editor for The

Hustler, expressed unexpected enthusiasm for the change, "If the proposal is approved by VSC we won't have to worry about filling a set number of pages with what is usually shitty content. We can finally write about what we really care about with no time constraints, no need to create racist space fillers, no need to do anything at all, really. I think the quality of the content will go way up by not actually printing any original content."

MaGill also explained how this venture was a joint project with LIVE (Living Income for Vanderbilt Employees). LIVE officers commented that the regular glut of Hustlers laying around hallways and corridors always adds to the workload of Vanderbilt cleaning employees. Additionally, LIVE wants to free up some of the workload for Vandy's one recycling employee, so that he has some more time to "sleep in his truck."

Not everyone is supportive of the change, however. Some are concerned that many off-campus students will no longer have any cheap, readily available newspaper for their pets to shit on. Furthermore, the local indigent population may also suffer. "Shady Joe", a local homeless man who frequents main campus wrote to VSC protesting the suggestion, claiming that with the coming cold months, he would have to go elsewhere for the warmth he obtains from using *The Hustler* as his bedding.

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## **The Coming Food Fight**

#### by CHRIS STANFORD

Vanderbilt Dining is plotting against us! Perhaps you think me mad for voicing such suspicions. Indeed, I would be apt to agree with you, but these are no mere suspicions, but the *certainty* that comes from days

and weeks
of observation. But why
speak now?
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choose now
to tip my
hand and
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Gripes, Comments, Suggestions, Praises? Fill out this comment card, drop it in the comment box. We'll post our response in the until IMPORTANT: Circle location involved:

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now I have proof for all to see! Facts that cannot be denied! Even if they should silence my voice forever, I can at last open the eyes of the masses!

What is this evidence, then? What is it that drives me now to action? It is but a subtle thing, a trifle. Most would never notice were they not looking for it. And most who were looking for it would think nothing of it. After all, who would think anything of the comment cards? Those yellow sheets of card stock on which students beg for products that shall never come? What of them? What matter is it that they not be on the walls, the ambiguous responses of the Powers That Be taped below?

Open your eyes, Vanderbilt! See you not your fate?! Can you not see that this is but the beginning?! Today, it is but the questioning words of the hungry. But now, those words are silenced. Now, Vanderbilt Dining answers to no man. Today, it is but the knowledge that your petitions must be seen, but what of tomorrow?

Tomorrow, perhaps, when the munchie marts move into the halls outside. Just a couple of racks. Nothing major. Harmless, really. But then the next day, more racks are out and the register is moved. What shall you do, then? Vanderbilt Dining no

longer must reproduce your petitions, no longer must answer you. Perhaps you can ignore it then. After all, no one lives on the same floor as these markets. No one is harmed as they grow. And Housing! Housing shall protect us, you will say. But, nay. Nay, I say to you! When that dark hour

comes,
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shall be
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control of
the Varsity
Market
whose
"harmless"
growth

was left unchecked! What of the Administration? Gee and his fellows will be complacent, their bellies full of microwave sandwiches and icees. They shall stand by and watch as our campus becomes a vast marketplace.

And do not believe that the cancer will cease once that which was once Vanderbilt has succumbed. They shall keep growing, devouring houses and businesses, churches and schools. Day by day, month by month, year by year, Vanderbilt Dining will gain momentum. They shall conquer not by sword, but by soda, and all will bend to them as the hunger fades! Until, at long last, we are all fat and happy, and our world is a forest of metal racks. Then, and only then, as we bend to the mighty Ro Tiki, shall mankind at last lose the will to challenge the conquerors.

And therein lies our hope, for we may still stand against them until that day. Our numbers are still strong, and the future has not yet been written. I cannot say how this may be done, for to speak of such would be to give them a chance to plan against us. I can only offer you the knowledge of the growing darkness, and leave you to find the path to freedom. Be ever watchful, friends, and forget me not when the storm passes!

# McCain Agrees To Torture Compromise After 'Robust, Private, One-on-One Discussion' With Karl Rove

#### by TIM BOYD

A somewhat dazed looking Senator John McCain (R-AZ) emerged Thursday from what his aides described as an "unexpected, all-night conference" at the White House to announce that he had reached a deal with Karl Rove on the latitude allowed U.S. forces in interrogating Middle-Eastern looking men. Previously, McCain had been one of several high-profile Republican Senators who had blocked President Bush's attempt to get Congress to re-define the Geneva Conventions to allow "coercive interrogation techniques" to be used.

McCain, who himself was held as a Prisoner of War in North Vietnam for over five years, has now declared himself satisfied with a new compromise proposal, which the Senator described as preserving America's moral integrity. The compromise approved by McCain has been seen by many antitorture campaigners as little more than a confirmation of the status quo, thereby allowing torture to continue.

McCain refuted this suggestion. "If we had passed the original measure, we would have been giving official sanction to widespread torture. This way, widespread torture will still be going on, but it will thankfully be unofficial. We like to think of it as an extension of the "don't ask, don't tell" policy that has stopped us having to address the rampant homophobia in our military culture."

Speculation about what prompted McCain to change his stance so rapidly has understandably been rife, with the Senator himself remaining tight-lipped except to say that he was just pleased "that my family will be unharmed." However, an un-named White House source has said that it was the result of a "robust, private, one-on-one discussion" with chief counsel Karl Rove.

According to the source, McCain was asked to attend a drinks function to discuss the 2006 midterm elections and possible cooperation from the

White House with a 2008 presidential bid by the Arizonan. A man posing as a wealthy Republican donor with connections to the religious right then apparently struck up a conversation with McCain during which he lured him to the basement with promises of vast campaign contributions.

What transpired next is not clear, but the un-named source claims that when McCain reached the basement, he was drugged and strapped into a chair in Karl Rove's office, known have stood up to that kind of pressure," said the White House insider, "McCain is a tough guy - he stood up to the North Vietnamese for years, but the idea of Hilary Clinton as President. Man, that's a tough thing to deal with. I don't think they're even allowed to threaten the prisoners at Guantanamo with that kind of stuff."

Whatever lay behind McCain's change of heart on the torture issue, it has defused a damaging Republican split on the issue that threatened to

derail the GOP's 2006 midterm campaign. Having now dealt with McCain, Rove will be returning to his preferred hobby of torturing Democrats.





The Vanderbilt Commodores have extended their perfect run against the spread in the past two weeks. The Dores defeated the Arkansas Razorbacks in a closely contested battle that with a smart offensive play. After scoring a touchdown to make it 21-19 in the fourth quarter, the Dores intentionally missed the field goal attempt to end the game. This past Saturday, Vanderbilt soundly beat Tennessee State University. TSU being Division I-AA, there was no official line on the game, but the 29 point victory exceeded the margin most online previews gave Vanderbilt. Next, the Commodores face the Temple Owls, one of the worst teams in the country; Vandy will have to really open up the offense to cover. Next, the mighty Dores take on Ole Miss, who will be favored and thus play into Bobby Johnson's typical gameplan.



Karl Rove beckons a dissident to look into his soulless eyes.

to White House insiders as the "9th Circle." Rove is then believed to have forced McCain to watch a series of horrifying images designed to represent the Senator's greatest fears. Those outside the room claim to have heard snippets of what was played, including phrases such as "Jerry Falwell says he has no hesitation in endorsing Rudy Giuliani for the Republican nomination" and "President Chirac described McCain as "France's best friend in America." The most brutal extract said simply, "I, Hilary Clinton, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States."

"I don't know anyone who could

#### **Bastard Confession**



"I actually thought the upperclassmen were the only ones allowed to shop at Varsity Markets, and I stayed in the Junior Varsity Markets out of fear of getting beat up."

-Anonymous Freshmen

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#### AROUNDTHELOOP

# How much do *you* hate homeless people?

#### Hank Grady, Sophomore









"I'm with *The Hustler* on this one: homeless people make me feel hung over."





**Gordon Gee, Wealthy Elitist** 



"Hate is such a strong word. I think that's taking things a little too far. Then again, so is your use of the word 'people.'"

#### **Paris Hilton, Role Model**









"No more than I hate all other ugly people."

#### **Homeless Man**









"Just when I thought you couldn't do anything more to destroy my selfesteem..."

#### Jonathan Swift, Hungry Satirist









"I love the homeless, they supplement my diet of babies quite well."

Alex Q. Hodgeman, Naive HOD'r







"What are homeless people?"

#### **SLANTMAJOROSCOPES**

#### **Mechanical Engineering:**

You will be ridiculed when it is learned that you are taking both "Engineering Vibrations" and "Intermediate Fluid Dynamics." Pervert.

#### **Art History:**

You will discover a map painted in miniature in a Van Eyck. Unfortunately, it will lead to a stash of 14th-century Flemish cheese; even worse, the adventure will inspire a movie even lamer than "National Treasure."

#### **English:**

Your professors will be hatin' for the next few days. They will be tryin' to catch you writin' dirty. Exercise appropriate caution.

#### **Computer Science:**

Another week of World of Warcraft and furious masturbation.

#### **Physics:**

You will suddenly discover that you have exhausted every single Latin and Greek letter in a vain attempt to give a unique name to each variable in that problem set. Using cuneiform will cause too many poked holes in your notebook; try hieroglyphs instead.

#### **Religious Studies:**

Despite a noble effort, you will fail to convince your advisor that Scientology should be your major concentration.

#### Theatre:

Those years of ballet classes will finally pay off when you rumble with the Film students on the Rand Terrace.

#### Philosophy:

Don't let your Kierkegaard down this week! No, seriously, you're going to die.

#### **Communication Studies:**

Just stop talking. You're clearly not fit for public speaking.

#### **Film Studies:**

This may have sounded like a cool major, but you will regret it when you have to watch "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" for the fifth time this semester.

#### **Psychology:**

Face it, there's no retort that can counter "Your mom", so stop replying with "Haha! You have an Oedipus Complex!"

#### **Interdisciplinary Studies:**

Mix and match your favorite Slant majoroscopes and add "in bed" for your very own interdisciplinary majoroscope!



Top Ten Things To Do In Preparation For Parents Weekend

- Replace the pictures of half-naked women with the "Veggie Tales" poster your mom put up at move-in.
  - Take the time to wipe off the beer pong table you stole from the Student Activies Fair.
  - Eat all of your Munchie Mart fare so your parents will replenish your grocery supply.
  - Make sure every article of clothing you own is dirty so that your mom will wash them all for you.
  - Fill your trashcan with Chinese Take-Out boxes to cover up all of the condom wrappers at the bottom.
  - Move the dead hooker out of your closet so your parents don't have to testify.
  - Buy something nicer than Natty Lite to put in your fridge so your dad won't be embarassed by your taste.
  - Break up with your girlfriend so you don't have to meet her parents.
  - Take that fake ID out of your wallet and replace it with your real one.
  - Finish off your stash so you dad doesn't steal it from you again.

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