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Your Mom.

Democratic Primary Field Now Includes 82 Candidates

Connecticut Senator Christopher Dodd announced his intention to run for President in 2008, making him the last of the 50 Senate Democrats to enter the race. Also

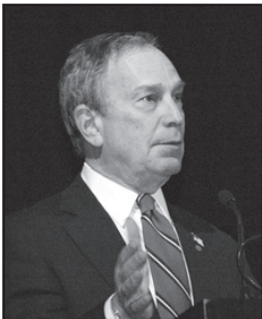


in the mix are the 27 sitting Democratic governors, former North Carolina Senator John Edwards,

retired General Wesley Clark, former Vice President Al Gore, Reverend Al Sharpton, and Ohio Representative Dennis Kucinich. "This race is really wide open," said University of Virginia political science professor Larry Sabato. "I think the race will only be able to handle a couple of more candidates. I think you'll see the field start to narrow when 75 of the candidates receive less than 1% of the vote in the New Hampshire primary."

Open Letter Actually Directed At One Asshole in Particular

An open letter published in *Daily Variety* by filmmaker Michael Moore on Friday was not, in fact, intended to address the general population but instead was directed at one asshole in particular. The aforementioned douche and recipient of the letter was New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg, who has come under fire for pushing a ban on trans fats in New York City restaurants. Moore's letter decried the ban for inhibiting civil liberties before devolving into an incoherent conspiracy theory involving Dick Cheney and Carl's Jr. It is unclear why Moore published the letter in a Los Angeles paper since the shithead in question lives in Brooklyn. When asked for comment, Mayor Bloomberg responded, "Comment? I got your comment right frickin' here!"



Beckham Stuns America With Gorgeous \$250 Million Deal

International football star David Beckham made citizens of the United States blush after the announcement of his endlessly attractive new contract with Major



League Soccer team the Los Angeles Galaxy. The Galaxy will pay Beckham a sexy guaranteed \$50 million over five years, and the midfielder will receive unknow-

able riches from endorsement deals that could very well add up to \$250 million. Women and men across the country have swooned over the thought of "Becks" making so much money here in America. However, the swooning stopped once Beckham started talking about making soccer popular in the U.S.

Tree of Learning May Finally Bloom This Year, Say Scientists



Warmer temperatures due to global warming and the El Niño conditions in the Pacific ocean may cause the bronze Tree of

Learning in front of the central library to finally bloom this year, Vanderbilt researchers announced. The effects of the warmer winter can be seen all over campus, with some trees already budding or in bloom and many plant lovers hope that these conditions will also coax the Tree of Learning to culmination. "Bronze trees are notoriously

BROKEN

We swear it's warmer, but we can't back that up with anything

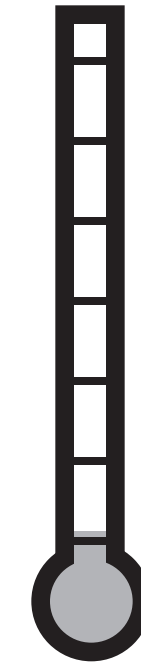
fickle about the weather," said metallobotanist Craig Spencer. The scientific community is looking forward to studying any blooms that may appear on the eyesore, which has stood for many years as a withered warning to anyone thinking of entering the central library. "The world is only getting warmer," continued Spencer, "so if not now, the tree may bloom next year. Or melt."

America's Prayers Answered As Los Angeles Nuked

A thankful heartland rejoiced Monday as terrorists detonated a nuclear device in the Los Angeles area despite the



best efforts of Jack Bauer and the Counter Terrorist Unit to prevent the attack. In addition to wiping out a mile-wide radius of Redondo Beach, California, the explosion occurred during the Golden Globe Awards ceremony; the casualty rate among film and television's brightest stars remains unknown but is assumed to be catastrophic. "Some of us in the flock have always ascribed recent acts of terrorism to America's increasing waywardness," said Focus on the Family President James Dobson. "Now it seems he has finally struck at the root of the problem. Praise Jesus!"



SOLO CUPS NOW RECYCLABLE



The Inter-Fraternity Council and SPEAR are locking horns once more on the subject of recycling. Nashville recently expanded its recycling capacity to plastics of grades 1 through 7, which includes Solo Cups. James Theodore Finnegan, a pledge at SAE remarked, "We already have to clean up for hours after every party, sorting these things from the rest of the trash is simply out of the question. I'm glad to know my President and the Council is fighting to make sure that I can go back to sleep by noon on Saturday morning." SPEAR representative Pacey Kerry countered assertions the sorting would be a waste of time asking, "Really, what the hell else are people throwing away at your parties? Lobster bibs and toothpicks from the hors d'oeuvres?"



Now SPEAR has something else to bitch at frats over.

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You don't need a funny caption for something this cute. Now, shut up and smile, you bastards.

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CONTENDIT

Corrections:

In Issue 7, we claimed that the winter temperatures would be, and we quote, "Fuckin'" cold. Upon closer inspection, it became clear that our thermometer was, in fact, "Fuckin'" broken. We apologize to those of you who have been wandering about in heavy coats and scarves in 70 degree weather.

FROM THE EDITOR



JOE HILLS

At *The Slant*, we know how to ring in the New Year, and I don't just mean with fire, booze, and sexual promiscuity. Now that 2006 is dead, buried, and forgotten somewhere in the back of the cemetery, it's time to focus on what lies ahead. *The Slant* staff has recovered from winter break, and is ready to push the envelope of print media. We've got a few new ideas for this semester, starting with this issue's "Choose Your Own Adventure: President at War" which begins in the lower corner of this page and continues throughout the issue.

Although traditionally *The Slant's* Person of the Year (formerly "Man of the Year") is a unique individual that the staff believes has shaped the world, this isn't the past anymore. We can't just look at some pillar of society who has made all of our lives better, take his picture, and put it on the cover, no. Thanks to advances in technology, and social forces catalyzed by the invention of the Internet, we've found that no one actually does anything. That's right, the entire human race has fallen into a state of shiftlessness and mediocrity.

Although we usually blame such societal failures on parties like Vanderbilt Dining or Housing, we know that deep in our hearts, this is all your mom's fault. The advent of the web could have been the dawning of a new enlightenment, in turn ushering in another incredibly bloody French revolution, but when you sat around playing too many computer games, where was she? Hitting you? Not even close. She was cleaning your dirty laundry off the floor. Now, she is gone, and you're alone, and you don't know what the fuck to do, and that's right America, it's her fault for not beating the crap out of you every chance she got. To her credit, she did a far better job of destroying our society than fundamentalist Islam, fundamentalist Christianity, the Japanese in the forties, the Russians in the fifties, or anyone else at any time.

She reaps the benefits of social security, a system in its final death throes. There'll be nothing left for us. Face it, we all lost. ☹

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

PRESIDENT AT WAR

Congratulations, you're the new president. You look around your office and bask in the glory of being surrounded by people who want you alive. Suddenly an aide enters with bad news about sectarian violence in Iraq, and possibly a civil war. What do you do?

If you'd like to increase American troop numbers, turn to page 7.

If you'd like to train more Iraqi soldiers to do the job, turn to page 9.



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Ripken, Gwynn To Enter Baseball Hall of Fame As Yankees

Career Orioles, Padres Legends Co-Opted for Induction by Bronx Bombers

By **ROBERT SAUNDERS**

Cal Ripken and Tony Gwynn were elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame last week in their first year of eligibility for the award. Both players indicated that they would enter the hall as New York Yankees, despite never having played for the team.

"The Yankees are about excellence on the field," said Yankees owner George Steinbrenner. "And these are two of the greats to ever play the game. It's about time we saw them in pinstripes."

The two new inductees were excited after their selection, but getting the call from Steinbrenner was "the icing on the cake," said Gwynn. "I always wanted to be part of that winning tradition."

"I've served my time in this backwater town. It's time I started cashing in on my clean cut image," said Ripken. "I know this may come as a shock to the people of Baltimore, but I've seen how things have worked out for Mike Mussina, and I want to get some of that big city life."

Gwynn toiled for many pitiful San Diego Padre squads in his 20 years, losing the 1998 World Series to the Yankees. Ripken played 21 seasons for the Baltimore Orioles, including a heartbreaking 1996 ALCS loss to the Yankees and a blown fan interference call. "Sure, these guys won, what, one championship combined? In 41 seasons?" said Steinbrenner, referring to Baltimore's 1983 World Series title. "I know that don't seem like they're the kind of winners that the Yankees are. But they're character guys we can use, especially after getting rid of [Gary] Sheffield." Sheffield was traded to Detroit this offseason; the Yankees officially cited an overabundance of outfielders, but an anonymous player confirmed that Sheffield, a notoriously moody player, "scared the living shit

out of everyone." Recruiting players of Ripken's and Gwynn's caliber should make fans forget the ill effects of Sheffield's tenure.

The players received \$8 million

since Roger Hornsby. Ripken famously broke Lou Gehrig's streak of consecutive games played, setting the new bar at 2,632.

"It's a unique package," said ESPN

Ray.

"We've invoked the Yankee exception clause," said Commissioner Bud Selig.

Reaction around baseball and among fans was generally supportive. "I've talked to all the GMs around the league, and everybody is really happy for them," said Peter Gammons, hall of fame reporter for ESPN.

"This will be a win-win-win for the Yankees, Major League Baseball, and these players," said Kevin Kennedy, studio analyst for Fox Sports.

Yankee fans, too, are taking the players' switch in stride. "Eh, we're used to getting who we want," said Bronx deli owner Rocco Petrocelli. "So what if we hated their freakin' guts when they played for other teams."

Added Manhattan resident Ramon DaGama, "You could tell they were Yankee material underneath their other uniforms. Like Clark Kent and Superman."

Orioles owner Peter Angelos, however, is considering litigation to halt the ceremony. "I will put baseball out of business before I let our greatest baseball player retire a Yankee," said Mr. Angelos. "Or I will get an enormous cash settlement from my fellow owners and waste it on washed up veterans and crappy middle relievers."

If the move pays off, the Yankees will look to continue the trend. 2007 will be a quiet ballot year, but in the future, look for the Yankees to pick up soon-to-be Hall-of-Famers Greg Maddux, Manager Tony La Russa, innovative GM Billy Beane, and controversial sluggers Barry Bonds and Mark McGwire, who would both bring the top two single season home run records back to the Bronx.

In the meantime Steinbrenner is looking forward to the August induction ceremony. "I can't wait to rub it in everyone's face." ●



An artist's rendition of what the Man of Steel may look like during his 2007 induction ceremony.

apiece for the right to be enshrined as Yankees. If the players meet certain performance incentives, including attendance at fantasy camps and speaking engagements, that figure could rise to \$11 million. The Yankees will also get to retroactively lay claim to the individual career accomplishments of the two players: Gwynn holds the highest career batting average of any player since Ted Williams and had five consecutive years of hitting above .350, the first such streak

baseball analyst and former Toronto GM Keith Law. "This gives hope to many of the other great baseball players of today who may not be fortunate enough to play for the Yankees what with 25-man rosters and luxury taxes on salaries."

Major League Baseball reversed its policy against selling enshrinement rights after Wade Boggs, a long-time Red Sox and Yankee player, was allegedly offered money to enter Cooperstown as a Tampa Bay Devil

2007: A Year in Preview

EXCLUSIVE

The future is now.

Humans live longer, eat better, and have created phones that play movies. Although humanity may desire to simply rest on its laurels, progress pushes us forward. In order to make this transition from progress in 2006 to progress in 2007 smoother, the staff of *The Slant* has scoured the globe, to determine which events will shape the year 2007. There is no conjecture here, only facts that have yet to occur.

JANUARY

01.18.2007

Congress passes thirty laws without reading them, inadvertently passing a bill allowing poor people to smoke publicly in major cities and taunt everyone else who legally can't.

01.19.2007

Trans-fats and New Years resolutions be damned, smokers eat publicly in major cities to taunt homeless.

01.24.2007

The overwhelming apathy of Vanderbilt students finally forces *The Slant's* hand. A little puppy is located and executed.

01.31.2007

Chancellor Gee wears his bowtie to a casual gathering. *Slant* readership suddenly picks up.

FEBRUARY

02.02.2007

American troops sent to Iraq in tens of thousands. Stock in major body bag producers rises by 10 points on average.

02.14.2007

Surges occur in restaurant business and World of Warcraft activity; no overlap is detected. Also, Three people are slain in a tragic Cupid misfire.

02.25.2007

Winning the first Academy Award of his career, Martin Scorsese finally admits he was only in it for the money and runs off to the Bahamas, never to be seen again.



02.27.2007

Vanderbilt Student Government completes elections. McGill Hall begins respectfully flying VSG flag beneath their own.

MARCH

03.03.2007

Despite completing the reconstruction of New Orleans, one A&S senior considers his Alternative Spring Break a failure when the do-goooder chick he's trying to impress fucks somebody else.

03.05.2007

Hugh Jackman passes away during surgery due to an undetected liver complication.

03.14.2007

Students across campus prepare for the ides of March by drinking heavily.



03.15.2007

Record-breaking absenteeism startles professors.

APRIL

04.01.2007

The Vanderbilt men's basketball team gets out of practice for rest of season by hiring, sexually assaulting stripper. No, wait, see she was just kidding.

04.15.2007

Versus circulation hits an all time high when the student body realizes they've had a radically shifted format for the last three months. Their tips on growing healthier pot plants also help.

04.22.2007

Pokemon Pearl and Diamond are released for the Nintendo DS, plunging the grades of many of Vanderbilt's most nerdy students for the ninety hours it takes to catch them all.

04.30.2007

Violence erupts once more on the Emerald Isle as smoking is outlawed in public places in Northern Ireland.

MAY

05.04.2007

An addled *Star Wars* fan shows up to the *Spider-Man 3* premiere as a Jedi Knight. Doctors diagnose the man with a new disorder called "Post-Saga Withdrawal Disorder."

05.11.2007

Alumni Lawn swallows the class of 2007 whole to send a message of warning to those who dare trample it.

05.25.2007

Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End opens to packed theaters across the country and gives credence to another year of pirate themed events at college campuses everywhere. Captain Morgan sales shoot up.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

PRESIDENT AT WAR

(Begin on page 4.)

Congress ravages other programs to come up with the money you requested. Social Security is now officially unfixable, but you're all old, wealthy politicians; what do you care?

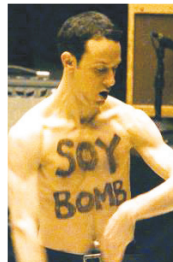
If you do care about fixing Social Security, turn to page 10.

If you would rather spend your resources trying to convince the American public that we were never even in Iraq to begin with, flip to page 8.

JUNE

06.09.2007

After months of legal preparation and public debate, the initial Congressional hearings on the impeachment of George W. Bush are interrupted and ultimately upended due to an appearance by Soy Bomb.

**06.13.2007**

Barry Bonds is officially indicted for obstruction of justice. Baseball fans rejoice, as no player will be suspected of unethical behavior ever again.

06.19.2007

Four die of heat stroke while waiting in line for *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

JULY

07.04.2007

Local vendors rejoice as Salzburg, Austria is announced as the host of the 2014 Winter Olympics, finally allowing them an opportunity to push the Sound of Music T-shirts they've had on shelves for years.

07.07.2007

Harry Potter dies, overshadowing memorial services for the London bus bombing victims.

07.09.2007

Chancellor Gee wears his bowtie to a formal event.

07.12.2007

Fox News receives rating boost after controversial U.S. nuclear strike.

AUGUST

08.08.2007

Iranian President Ahmadinejad is vindicated by the sudden arrival of the Hidden Imam, who praises the nation's progress in creating nuclear weapons.

08.13.2007

The Olsen Twins undergo "The Ashley Treatment," also known as growth attenuation, in a last-ditch effort to reclaim their countdown space in *The Slant*.

**08.20.2007**

The Somali government cancels general elections solely to demonstrate that it can

cancel things. The Somali people clamor around the strongest government they've seen in years.

SEPTEMBER

09.05.2007

As a last ditch effort the Peace Corps are sent to Iraq, and a socially conscious group of insurgents gives up their violent ways to lead Iraq into a new golden era. Being Sunni, this group is quickly massacred by an angry Shiite militia.

09.07.2007

Vanderbilt Football fashion continues as a bizarre mix of formal and casual wear. Unfazed, Chancellor Gee wears his bowtie.

**09.29.2007**

Randy Johnson caps his stunning return to the National League with his 30th win in 35 starts and a unanimous Cy Young Award.

OCTOBER

10.06.2007

Vanderbilt loses a football game. Students get completely wasted in order to forget about their sorrow.

10.13.2007

Vanderbilt wins a football game. Students get completely wasted in celebration.

10.19.2007

President George W. Bush dodges a bullet and is not killed. Vice President Cheney does not pay the shooter.

10.23.2007

A grease fire at Rand results in the loss of several eyebrows. Grassroots cell phone journalism preserves the moment forever.

**10.29.2007**

For the first time in 98 years, the Chicago Cubs win the World Series at Wrigley Field after Boston starter Daisuke Matsuzaka gets mysterious food poisoning from some grungy deep dish pizza.

NOVEMBER

11.07.2007

Bobby Johnson receives \$5 million per year extension for winning 16th game at Vanderbilt in only his 6th season.

11.18.2007

Carrot Top makes a resounding celebrity comeback when he stars in a poignant drama opposite Jim Carrey, directed by Mel Gibson.

DECEMBER

12.07.2007

The five-month anniversary of Harry Potter's death overshadows Pearl Harbor Day.

12.21.2007

Doomsday prophets worldwide remind everyone that we only have five more years until everything gets fucked. No one pays attention.

**12.25.2007**

Young Johnny realizes that he only wants what he can't have upon his lukewarm reception of two new front teeth.

12.29.2007

Nothing happens involving Vanderbilt. Students get completely wasted out of boredom.

12.31.2007

Yet another year draws to a close with no one the wiser as to the true reach of *The Slant*. The Illuminati sulk as the ball drops.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

PRESIDENT AT WAR

(Begin on page 4.)

Your orders to increase troop numbers are being followed, and 30,000 more troops and reserves are gearing up for deployment. Your generals say that you don't have enough canteens for all of them, due to a recent union strike at the producer's factory.

If you want to send in the national guard to end the strike, turn to page 11.

If you want to ask congress for more money to shell out the cash for more expensive canteens from a famous backpacking supplies company in your home state, turn to page 6.

Sisterly Love Lasts a Lifetime

by DELILIAH DEIDRA DOBBINS

SORORITY SUPERSTAR

Like, omigawd, you guys. I can't believe that rush week is over! I am sooo super excited about our super-cute new pledge class! (well, except for that one troll that I told them not to let in because she totally made out with this guy I had a crush on at the football game that he was SUPPOSED to take me to--she is sooo only in here because our president is, like, her cousin or something. She's such a skank!)

But, like, as super fun as rush was, I have been soooooo super busy getting ready for it. Like, we literally had, like, a million meetings to get us ready. But, it's soooo totally worth it because I soooo totally cherish all of my sisters and love spending 12 hours at a time stuck in a six-person house with, like, 100 of my sistas! Sisters forever! It's like intense bonding, you guys! And, like, all of the songs we learned for rush are all sooo great, I mean, whoever decided that we should play "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun," but, like, change the lyrics so it said stuff about how we love our sisters so much (FOREVS, YOU GUYS), is like, SOOO smart and original.

Like, I'm not gonna lie, you guys. I was super nervous when the first day of rush arrived! What if I got stuck talking to some troll with bad fashion sense? Like, because my sisters and I are so close I knew that one of them would bail me out if something like that happened, but it's so super depressing when you meet one that's really awkward. Don't they look at the rush dress code in the brochure?! I'm not gonna lie, one of the first girls that told me she was from Kissam, I totally accidentally like wrinkled up my nose and said "EW!" I just wish there was some way to weed out the awkward ones before the first day,

like maybe a pre-rush, so I don't have to waste all of my energy and good conversation questions (Where are you from? What is your major? Do you like Vanderbilt?) on them.

But I was so super happy that all of our favorite (like, not that we dirty rush, or anything...) freshmen were back the next day! Not gonna lie, I totally have my favorites. They're both super cute and they're both always at my favorite frat. And, they do some extracurricular stuff or something. The house is all about bringing in diversity this year, which is why we have a list of criteria that all of the new girls have to fit. But y'know, we wouldn't want them to be too different, cuz then they totally wouldn't be "sister material."

And, omigawd. Pref night was sooo intense. Like, I cried so much when I talked about the meaningfulness of the sisterhood. I think one girl got kind of freaked out because I got a little emotional at one point talking about how I would die for all of my sisters (so, maybe I should have toned down the hand motions and violent crying), but I think the real reason she ran off as soon as we were done talking was



Triangles are sooo structurally superior to other shapes.

she's transferring schools so she can get into some house that is sooo totally not as good as ours. Her loss. And, like, I got stuck as the big sis of that troll I was talking about before (the one that totally stole my boyfriend at the football game), but, like, now that we're sisters we're going to be sooo totally close and bestfriendsforever! Well, I've gotta go! I've got to make my new little sis like at least three batches of cookies by midnight tonight, or I'll get fined or something. 🍪

to tell all of her friends how awesome our house must be based on my testimonial!

But, bid day was soooooooooooooo totally exciting! We decided this year to be super unique and have bid day at Wildhorse Saloon. I wore a cowboy hat! But, like, when all of the new sisters arrived, apparently the one that was supposed to be my new little sis didn't show up. Something about how she started violently crying when she opened up her bid day card, and now

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

PRESIDENT AT WAR

(Begin on page 4.)

It works! Americans begin to forget about Iraq! Unfortunately, Iraqis don't forget about America. Fighting intensifies. If you pull out, Americans will not only be reminded of the war, but also what a failure you are.

If you decide to send more troops, turn to page 7.

If you want to just throw money at Iraq, go to page 6.

Bastard Confession



"My New Year's resolution is to get just as much ass as I did last year, only this time without all the roofies."

-Random creepy sophomore

Medical Breakthrough Gives Born Losers Hope



Despair sets back in as they realize it was just gas...

by **CHRIS STANFORD**
STAFF WRITER

Long considered to be caused by a lack of determination and hard work, or perhaps even an overabundance of bad luck, failure has now been proven to be an unavoidable aspect of human life. "This really is a big deal, there's a real sense of liberation that comes from this discovery," Dr. Logan Wright, a researcher at Ontario Theoretical Science Institute, where this discovery was made at the close of 2006. "For years, a lot of people have been forced to live with the idea that failure was... Well... A result of one failing. However, our research has conclusively proven that is nowhere close to the truth."

The "Failure Protocol," as the OTSI has come to refer to it, is a sequence of genetic commends that effectively short circuits any and all efforts by the carrier to gain any sort of societal advantage. "The end result," Dr. Wright explains, "is that as the population increases, the proportion of suitable breeding stock should decrease. This, in turn, should limit population growth enough to allow the environment to catch up with the demands of society."

Individuals carrying the Failure Protocol are already being found and identified based on a number of symptoms. These include an inabil-

I Don't Like The Person You Become When You're Sober

You don't take your clothes off as readily as you used to

by **ANDREW JEFFERS**
A&S SENIOR

Allison, we need to talk.

You see- well, there's no easy way to say it, but I don't like the person you become when you're sober.

No, don't interrupt. This is important, and you need to hear what I have to say.

We used to have so much fun together! Remember how we first met? You couldn't put three words together and could barely stand up. But I knew, I knew that you'd be a great lay. There was just something so special and yet so accessible about you. And remember how you never used to complain about my performance in the sack because you'd always be blacked out? Man! What happened? I'll tell you what happened: sobriety.

It's tearing our relationship apart.

ity to win at life and/or the Internet, a tendency to live in one's parents' basement, and the ability to make multiple jokes on obscure by-products of popular culture. This, in turn, has led many Failures to create petitions online in an effort to get the government to recognize their illness. "Of course," one senator, who shall be referred to as "Dillery Ginton" observed, "no one cares what those failures think. I mean, what are they going to do? Step out into the sun and protest."

"There is one positive aspect to this, though," Ginton added, "and it's the simple fact that our 'president' is quite wrong. Failure is, has, and always will be an option." ●

It's killing me, it really is. I was ready to drunkenly hookup with you for the rest of my college career. And now look at you. So discerning, so composed, so... not easy.

When's the last time you've been wasted? A month ago? I'll bet you



The love was gone as soon as your glass was dry.

haven't even danced topless on a table since October. This has to stop. I still believe that naive, little freshman is still in you somewhere. Please, please prove me right.

I miss the nights you would look at

me with unsteady eyes that told me you had no idea what you were doing, and how you always awkwardly left my room the next morning as quickly as possible. So easy! So convenient!

I want to help you. I'll be there for you and, together, we'll get through this. But I have to warn you; this is your last chance. Let's face it: your voice is annoying and the sex was getting old anyway. Still, I'm willing to give this another shot (and give you another shot, for that matter). I don't want to go through the pain again- the pain of your rejection- so please, I'm begging you, get plastered and have sex with me.

And stop with the serious talks about where this relationship is going: it just makes it harder for me to use you. Let's just go back to playing beer pong like we used to, back when you were funny and attractive.

It's ok, I understand it'll be a hard road for you. Yes, I know you'll miss your AA friends. Here- come and cry on my shoulder while I caress your breasts. ●

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

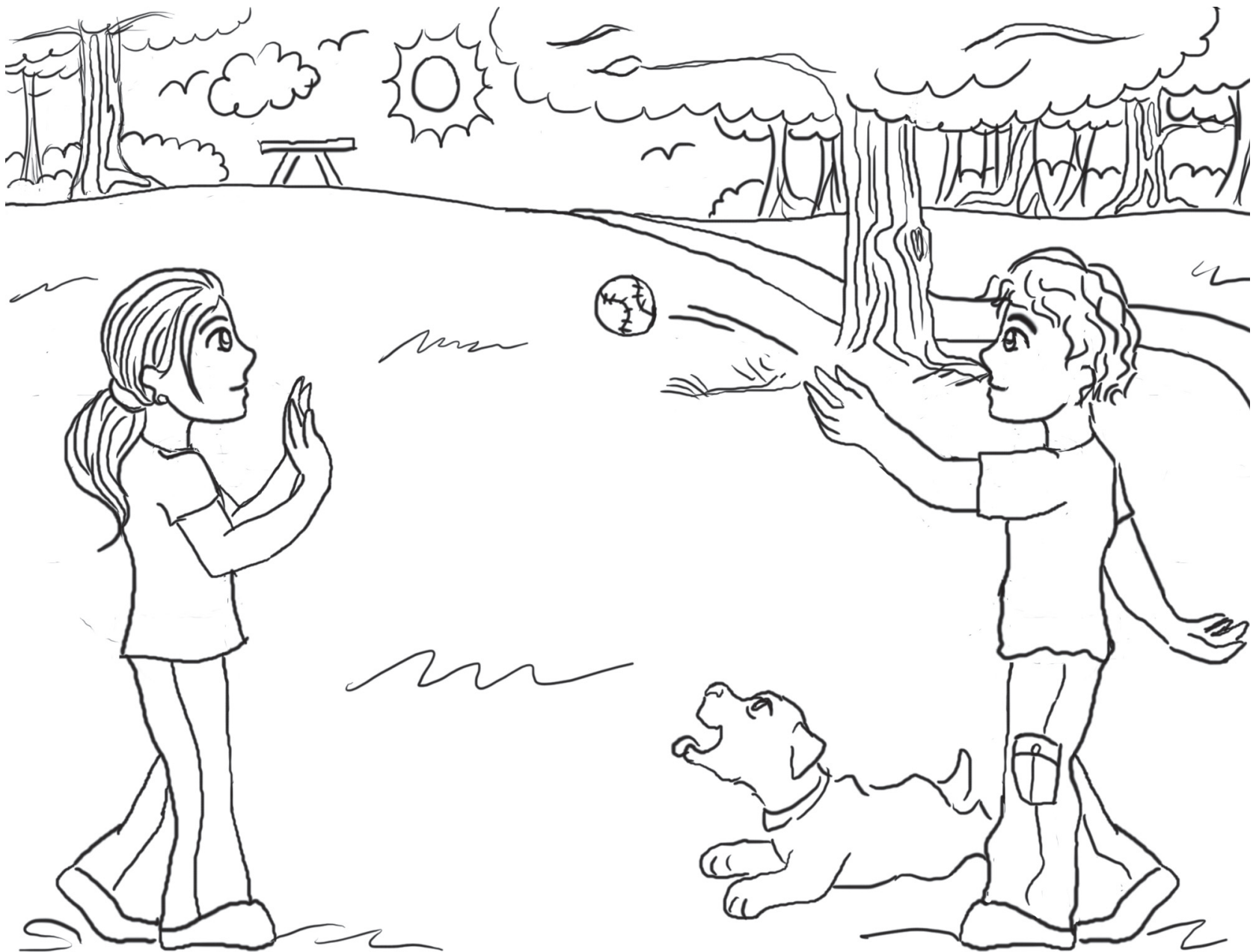
PRESIDENT AT WAR

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Well, it was worth a shot, but your plans fail. Horribly. Suddenly, you get another brilliant idea: Start a war with some second-rate dictator! Something quick that will drum up patriotism and make Americans forget about domestic problems! You know, a week, two weeks, and bada-bing! Mission accomplished.

If you want to invade New Zealand, go to page 8.

If you want to just admit defeat and pull out of Iraq, flip to page 10.



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PRESIDENT AT WAR

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You fool!

The time to listen to reason was several pages ago! The nation is now in ruins, Americans are demoralized, the world hates us, and Iraq will be a hellhole for the next twenty years. Things hit an all-time low when your secret fetish is revealed on *Meet the Press*.

Go back to page 4 to try again.

Coloring Contest and Staff Application

Our office needs some pizzazz, and we could always use a few new faces on the staff, so here's how this is going to work: you color this in and fill out the application, and we don't kill that girl's puppy. Puppy-saving looks good on resumes. For bonus points, don't forget to reflect Vanderbilt's diversity when coloring skin.

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Skills: _____

Slip this under the door of Sarratt 188, across from the Card Office

AROUNDTHELOOP



How do you feel about Barack Obama's admitted cocaine use in his school years?

Henry Hill, Good Fella



"I'm for it!"

Sean Hannity, Glass House Resident



"Only the Democrats are dumb enough to put up a candidate who drank, smoked pot, and used hard drugs in his youth."

Katie MacDonald, "Kutta Kutta Gramma"



"Could you repeat the question? I was distracted by the line I just did off my Vandy card."

Matt Sibleton, Moral Relativist



"What's the big deal? Didn't everyone do cocaine in the 70's and 80's?"

Hillary Clinton, Not Getting Any



"This should temporarily distract the media from Bill's meth lab upstate."

Harold Ford, Jr., Embittered Vandy Professor



"I think he'll be in good shape as long as no one thinks he slept with a white woman."

SLANTGENRESCOPES

SOFT ROCK:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why she left you.

EMO:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why she left you.

COUNTRY:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why she left you and took the truck, the dog, and your momma.

POP:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why he left you.

RAP:

You will spend the week pissed and wondering why the bitch left you.

DISCO:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why no one wants to be around you.

HEAVY METAL:

You will spend the week wondering why no one can understand your guttural screams and groans.

CLASSICAL:

You will spend the week crying and wondering why no one can tell you how to pronounce your favorite composer's name, but they all insist you're wrong.

SKA:

You will spend the week laughing and wondering why other genres don't have horn sections to help keep the mood up-beat.

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PRESIDENT AT WAR

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The strike comes to an end, but not before the city of Pittsburgh is laid to waste. That brings you public approval rating down to 40%, and with the sliding economy and your generals scheming for your throne, you know the very civil not-war in Iraq must be finished, once and for all.

If you want to send the A-Team to Baghdad, go to page 9.

If you want to try something that might work, turn to page 10.

SADDAM WATCH 2007

EXCLUSIVE!



Saddam Hussein or one of his many look-a-likes was spotted in a 7-Eleven outside Nekoytama, Japan, where he was unable to purchase alcohol without photo identification. If you see him, report him immediately.

Top Ten Ways To Cope With Bid Day Rejection

- 10 Sleep with the first guy you see
- 9 Sleep with the second guy you see
- 8 Dye your hair red and move to McGill
- 7 Throw shoes at your boyfriend until he hurts, too
- 6 Go to Central Library and pretend you can read
- 5 Hatch a wacky plot to masquerade as a man and join a fraternity
- 4 Write, direct, and star in your own VTV talk show
- 3 Get back to work on that M.R.S. Degree
- 2 Prove that you can develop an eating disorder without their help
- 1 Sob

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