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Nutritionist Declares Almonds to Blame for All Recent **Health Troubles**

By: Sarah Vollman Gluten Glutton

In the wake of the growing gluten-free trend, renowned nutritionist Tracy Slims announced today that gluten is actually healthy, but almonds definitely are not.

Many avid gluten-free dieters immediately posed questions to Tracy like, "Will adding gluten improve my yoga form?" and "Can I start eating cookies now?"

"Studies show that our bodies function more efficiently without almonds," Tracy explained. "The secret to a healthy life is avoiding almonds. Not gluten." In response to this announcement, many dieters calmly whispered 'Namaste' to each other in celebration.

"I've prescribed an almond cleanse for all of my patients with dietary problems. In fact, it's called the Tracy Slims Almond Cleanse, \$199." The cleanse features three bottles of juice with directions on the back reading: "Do not eat al-

"I've seen a drastic change," shared cleanse-user Taylor Graystone. "Now that I've cut almonds out of my diet, I've gone from feeling 'kinda sick, I guess' to 'eh, fine."

Many Whole Foods stores around the country are featuring almond-free goods, such as Almond-Free Greek Yogurt or Almond-Free Almond Milk, which after testing has been discovered to just be milk.

When asked how she discovered this scientific marvel, Tracy replied, "Last Saturday I got 8 hours of sleep, went on a run, and accomplished a bunch of chores I wanted to get done. At the end of the day I thought, what is it about this day that made it so great? That's when I realized – I hadn't eaten any almonds that day. I'd finally discovered the key to healthy living."

Tracy also told *The Slant* to look out for her next nutrition study this upcoming week, whispering, "I have a feeling almonds might not be that bad. I think maybe lettuce is to

Philosophy Major to Begin Job Search in Ancient Greece

By: James Cross Classics Critic

This past Sunday, November 10, philosophy major Hank Cabet hired sophomore engineering student Tim Tinsel to build him a time machine so that upon graduation he can begin his job search in ancient

"I just feel I have exhausted all my resources in the present," said Cabet at his interview with *The Slant*. "If I really want to follow my dream to be a professional thinker, then I have to do whatever it takes. Even if that means leaving my family and friends for a different era in time."

Cabet first developed this idea when he was browsing Doreways to apply for jobs. They all required practical skills that Cabet failed to obtain in his philosophy courses. Nowhere in the job descriptions did it say the employee would have to write papers on why there is something rather than nothing.

Cabet plans for this project to be finished on the day of his graduation. "I'm a sophomore now," he said. "With the leaps technology has been making,

this time machine should be complete right when I'm ready to enter the world at work. I'll have my degree in philosophy. That is something many students in ancient Greece can't say."

Cabet also stated that he was not concerned with the potential dangers of time travel. "I may pick up a drug addiction when traveling through the 1960s. I also anticipate some turbulence going through the Dark Ages. But it will all be worth it once I get to ancient Greece."

The demand for philosophers spiked in 330 BC, which is Cabet's destination. The employment rate for potential philosophers then is close to 100%, largely because they are self-employed. The median salary is lower than almost every median salary in the year 2013. But Cabet has emphasized that he is not in it for the money.

"The value of a dollar is dependent on how highly the individual values the concept of money," noted Cabet. "I can attain happiness with no money if I am delusional enough."

Melodores Singer Dies of Radioactive Poisoning

By: Grant Paton Radiation Renegade

pital officials announced that Melodores singer Neil Mc-Daniels, who achieved campus popularity with his passionate rendition of "Radioactive" by Imagine Dragons, passed away from what the county coroner has confirmed to be acute radiation syndrome. McDaniels reportedly checked into the Student Health Center complaining of skin discoloration and hair loss on Saturday. He was taken into the Medical Center where he died early Sunday morning.

"Whenever he enthusiastically screamed 'I'm radioactive' during performances, I didn't realize that it was truly a cry for help", admitted close friend and fellow Melodore Adam Geiger. "I had noticed that his hair was falling out and that his skin was turning a freakish purple color, but I didn't know how to bring up a sensitive issue like that." Geiger did not know how McDaniels absorbed such high levels of radiation, but noted that McDaniels' favorite study spot was under the smokestack of the power plant.

In the autopsy report obtained by The Slant, county coroner Tragedy struck campus on Mary Curry observed that Sunday when university hos- McDaniels' lungs were "full of ash and dust along with trace amounts of radioactive chemicals." Curry went on to describe that McDaniels' bone marrow had been significantly weakened by the inhaled radioactive material, and that his stomach was full of seaweed and kale, which Curry speculates might have been part of a new-age detoxification diet.

In the wake of McDaniels' passing, Vanderbilt's numerous a cappella organizations have had their song choices put under increased scrutiny. Representatives from the Psychological Counseling Center have contacted both the Dodecaphonics and the Swingin' Dores to inquire if they are in fact "sticking their key in the ignition", but as of press time no official confirmation has been heard.

The funeral service for Neil McDaniels will be taking place this Saturday at 7:00 in Sarratt Cinema; tickets are \$10.00 at the door, but \$7.00 if you buy them from a Melodores member beforehand.

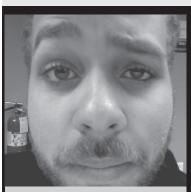
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FROM THE EDITOR



PETER LINCK

To women at Vanderbilt considering Greek life,

I would like to personally extend to you an invitation to be your friend.

I know Greek life is a huge part of campus life here at Vanderbilt and it dominates our social scene. Pan-Hellenic preview day was just a couple of weeks ago, and I saw

droves of you nervously lined up outside the various sorority houses wearing the same shirt (and usually boots).

It can be really scary your first couple years at Vandy. Personally I had a really hard time making friends my freshman year especially. I hardly did any extra-curriculars, I only went to a handful of parties, and I was deeply depressed. I even briefly considered going Greek just to make friends and fit in on this campus.

While Greek life is important at Vanderbilt, it's by no means perfect. I know many sororities advertise and encourage you to rush them; however, in the end you must receive a bid from a sorority to join them. Sororities give these bids based off of only a few interactions and with a cursory understanding of your personality. Sorority dues are expensive, and I have many friends who complain about how bothersome and fruitless weekly chapter meetings are. Sisters in certain sororities also must abide by harsh dress codes, wearing certain things on certain days and buying oddly specific items like "statement necklaces." Many sororities also have religious traditions that conflict with the views of many of their members. Sure, it's an effective way to meet people, but going Greek certainly has its drawbacks.

If you accept my invitation to be friends, it will be entirely informal and platonic. I won't pressure you to abide by a strict dress code. You won't have to come to weekly meetings or pay dues, either. We can drink and go to parties together, and I can introduce you to my friends so you can network on campus. We can swap music and recommend one another movies and go to the gym and eat meals together. I'll never judge you by the way you look, where you're from, or your sex life. We can study and stay up late sharing stories about our dreams and fears, and we can explore Nashville, all without the pressures of a sorority.

So what do you say? I can save you time, money, excessive judgment, and I promise to introduce you to interesting people. Let's get to know one another the oldfashioned way. No sorority house, no Bigs and Littles, no dress code, no drama, no superficiality. Just two people, open-minded people who want to broaden their horizons and find acceptance.

> Sincerely, Peter Linck

Fucked Image



17th century Persian anatomy diagrams, anyone?

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By: ALMAZ- LAST NAME SPECIALIST TITLE

According to a recent survey conducted by (SOME

GOV'T ORG - I FORGOT THE NAME), Americans are more than (##)% more likely to contract (SOMETHING SERIOUS) than their foreign (IS THAT PC?) counterparts. This shocking report comes only (#) weeks after a similar report in which Americans were found to contribute more than (1/4? NO... 1/3?...CHECK THIS FOR ME) of the world's (SOMETHING BAD).

"These are ground-breaking results," explained (GODDAM-MIT I FORGOT HIS NAME), who works as a (...MARKET-ING...GUY) for (THE NAME OF THE COMPANY IS ON A STICKY NOTE ON MY DESK AT HOME FUCK), Inc.

He continues, "This brings us one step closer towards understanding the meaning of (...TRUST ME. IT'S NOT LIFE. I WOULD'VE REMEMBERED THAT. THAT WOULD'VE BEEN TOO EASY. IT'S NOT LIFE)."

Nevertheless, Americans are (SOME EMOTION), and they are voicing their opinions through (SOME MEDIUM).

"(I TOTALLY FORGOT TO WRITE DOWN THIS QUOTE. CRAP... SHOULD I MAKE SOMETHING UP?)," says (ALSO FORGOT HER NAME), who is a (..AND HER OCCUPATION) from Carbondale, Pennsylvania (GOT THE TOWN! - REDEMP-TION!), who believes that "(...OKAY, I REALLY SCREWED UP)."

Similar emotions are felt throughout the country, and many Americans have joined forces to create (CRAAAAP. THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION IS ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE), a social movement designed in order to promote (UHM IT WAS SOMETHING POSITIVE, LIKE GOOD FOR THE EARTH).

"We really hope that (OKAY THIS IS RIDICULOUS) gains the momentum necessary to help prevent (I AM SO DONE WITH THIS) from destroying our (I HATE THIS JOB)," says (YOU EX-PECT WAY TOO MUCH FROM ME), who is the spokesperson for (I AM SO DONE).

"I think our main goal is to prevent things like (WAIT OKAY I'VE REALLY SCREWED UP, PLEASE DON'T FIRE ME) from happening again," concludes (PLEASE. I NEED THIS JOB).

Currently, (OH GOD PLEASE I'LL DO ANYTHING) has more than (I JUST NEED TO PRACTICE TAKING BETTER NOTES WHEN INTERVIEWING, I PROMISE) members. If you want more information, visit their website at (OH GOOD LORD DON'T).



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MoMA Adds Whiteboard Drawing of **Penis to Collection**

By: Nick Sparkman Art Admirer

The Museum of Modern Art has

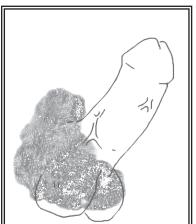
to its collection of pieces. Art critics have already heaped widespread praise on its artist, eleventh-grader Frank Pruitt.

"The choice of medium in and of itself is brave," explains The Washington Post columnist Paul Tridden. "Many of the most daring artists rethink just what goes on the canvas, but Pruitt rethinks the canvas

The piece, entitled "Dick on a Whiteboard," joins current collections "American Modern: Hopper to O'Keeffe" and "Magritte, the Mystery of the Ordinary, 1926-1938" on exhibition in MoMA, renowned as one of the most influential museums in the world.

"As all great art does, this piece shocks," says Yale art history professor Dr. Yvette Turner. "The phallus is striking, and its curved shape and great size propel it to its status as a subject of important conversation, not to mention the stark, realistic

depiction of pubic hair in a society increasingly obsessed with 'manscaping."



Pruitt's penis drawing has also been compared to many abstract expressionsits including Rothko and de Kooking.

With its staunch rebellion, Pruitt's expression stands strong added a local high school student's against the current of today's increasingly uniform art culture, redrawing of a penis on a whiteboard minding us what good art should be. Its simplicity paradoxically makes it complex. The freedom of expression Pruitt has achieved

in turn frees the viewer.

"This piece is a slap in the face of anyone who thought they knew what art was or could be," de-

Pruitt reports being satisfied with the piece's success. "I'm glad Mrs. Laskey finally submitted one of my dick drawings to that art contest," he says.

Pruitt's reaction has only garnered more favorable press from art experts. "This revolutionary expression of artistic genius is apparently representative of no more than this young man's norm. His extraordinary genius just might be definitive of his entire generation," Dr. Turner claims.

In response to his debut piece, numerous artistic institutions are vying for his membership. As of this printing, Pruitt has committed to none of these institutions.

The only known negative reaction to Pruitt's drawing comes from his own mother, who contends, "That can't really be necessary, now can it, Frankie."

Bastard Confession



"I understand that saying this will cost me my title but I need to be honest: I was not born in this universe. While I've been here most of my life and now consider this planet my home, I was in fact born on a small star in the Andromeda Galaxy called 'OMEGA 65-2 BLCK.' I'm sorry for having lied to everyone and I hope you'll all be able to forgive me. I do still fully intend to compete in this year's 'Miss Existence' competition."

> --2013 Miss Universe Winner Gabriela Isler

The Slant Presents: A Woman's Response to Letter from Chinese Labor Camp Inmate

Greetings!

My name is Agnes Boosken, and I thank you for your letter, all the way from China! I've never had a pen pal before, so I think this is going to be great fun. I was pleasantly surprised to receive your message, albeit through an unconventional source- how did you manage to ensure that I got the letter in that Halloween decor set, all the way from China? Congratulations on outsmarting the USPS- I loathe paying their exorbitant mailing rates.

Tell me about being a student at the "Liaoning Province Ideological Education School" all the way in China. It sounds like the school I used to be a principal at, back in my glory days: corporal punishment, strong verbal chastisement. There needs to be more places like that in the States. Spare the rod and spoil the child, that's how I grew up and that's how I ran my school. You say in your letter that labor camps in China are too harsh and violate human rights, but in my opinion as an educator, this builds character. I hope that this difference of opinion won't stop us from being excellent pen pals- and maybe even lifelong friends!

As you asked, I'm passing your letter along, but first I need something from you- another letter all the way from China! I live a terribly lonely life now that I'm retired, and I would love a real pen pal, especially one all the way from China! My cats are excellent listeners, but it's no match for human contact. I promise to send along your letter to the "World Human Rights Organization," whatever that is, as soon as I receive your next correspondence all the way from China! Keep your chin up, sonny, I'm sure this will all turn out quite all right.

> Sending warm regards all the way from the States, Ms. A. Boosken

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- Selling young soul:

Yellow hue. Energetic and open to new things. Still possesses hope for humanity. Traces of naiveté. Asking price: \$400, but willing to talk price during a day trip to East Nashville.

- Selling gently-used soul:

Mildly aware of reality, but feeling a bit lost and overwhelmed. Possesses slight bluish hue. Unsure whether it has a grasp on where it's headed. Asking price starts at \$150, but willing to accept invitation to any organization on campus.

Black hue, with significant opacity. Pretty much done with reality and people, honestly. Fueled mostly by contempt and alcohol (low-grade only). Asking price is whatever I can get, you know. I'm just trying to get rid of this thing before I graduate. Will accept pulls of Cruzan.

Toronto Mayor Won't Resign "Until you find the dark stuff"

"You don't even know the half of it."

By: Dan King

Canadian Conformist

ronto Mayor Rob Ford spoke to the

media earlier this week, facing public outrage over a recently surfaced video showing a drunk Ford smoking crack cocaine at a party. Ford has admitted that the video is authentic but says that he will not resign from his position "Until you guys [the media] find some of the really dark shit

Ford was adamant about this point in his prepared statement. He insists that the video of

him at this party is "kiddie shit," and that he's done lots of worse things which have yet to come to light. Ford told reporters "I ain't going down over hitting a rock at a party. You think that was a big deal to me? I've done stuff to warrant resignation, but this wasn't it."

In the wake of this scandal, Ford's office has been scrambling to both highlight the mayor's achievements and to assure citizens that this is only the "tip of the iceberg." According to releases

from the Mayor's office, unemployment has plummeted during Ford's tenure. At

least part of this improvement can be attributed directly to Mr. Ford who, according to his office, keeps "...a small army of prostitutes employed at all times to ensure the mayor's unspeakable sexual appetites can always be sated."

Ford's press secretary is quick to add that the mayor frequently uses taxpayer money to pay these prostitutes and that whenever possible, he prefers to make love either on city property or

Ford made it clear that so far the media has uncovered merely a small taste of the terrible, terrible things the first-term mayor does on a

daily basis. When prompted to be more specific, Ford simply chuckled, saying, "Oh, I'll bet you'd like that, huh? You'd like to hear about the speed thing, about Gloria and that Chinese one, about all the kids and that bird racket I used to run. Nice try, slick, I ain't making your job any easier."

Ford ended his Tuesday press conference by calling on the media to "find the really gruesome stuff" before asking about his resignation again. As he walked away, Ford added, "Find the bodies. Look in the fucking lake and find the bodies. Then come talk to me."

> Few Toronto residents appear to be shocked by this move from their mayor. Most seem to agree that it'll take something a lot more violent than this to get Rob Ford to leave office. Tim McCutchen, a hot-dog vendor in Toronto's historic downtown district, says he's always guessed it would take at least a manslaughter charge to get Ford to step

McCutchen tells The Slant that he once personally witnessed Rob Ford punching an old woman in the stomach and shouting, "Go Raptors!" before run-

ning off. Says McCutchen, "He kept his job after that video surfaced, and he's keeping his job now that this video has sur-

faced. It's gonna take a lot to get Bobby out." At least a handful of Toronto residents say they're proud of Ford for deciding to stay in his current position. Anthony Rodgers, an unemployed 26-year-old, smokes crack every single day. Rodgers tells us he doesn't think crack is such a bad thing and that it's nice to have a mayor who agrees. Rodgers wants Ford to know "Me, all the folks down under the bridge, and all the ballers on 5th street are with you, man. Crack ain't whack."

Welcome, Vandy Ragl

The Slant would like to heartily welcome The Vandy Rag to campus! Self-proclaimed as "the most trusted satire in Nashville," they are a brand new humor website and Vanderbilt's very first feminist, LGBTQI satire publication.

The Vandy Rag hopes to serve as a platform for humor and satire articles that focus on issues of gay rights and gender equality. They are currently looking for likeminded staffers interested in helping lay the groundwork for their progressive and hilarious organization.

> You can check them out at: www.thevandyrag.com

To get involved, send an email to: terry@thevandyrag.com

No One Really Sure How to Raise Kids

By: Chelsea Velaga Parenting Pilgrim

In an alarming study, the Vanderbilt Institutional Re-

search Group has recently declared that literally nobody really knows how to raise a kid, most notably their own. Yet parents across the country also have no idea how to rear anyone else's child, setting forth a massive search for at least

one person who can inform others on this seemingly impossible task of mentally and financially supporting and loving a person that absorbs resources and yields no tangible benefits.

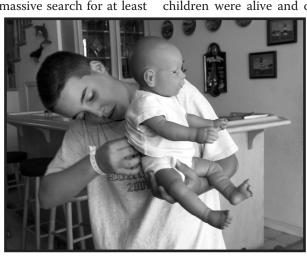
Using deductive experimental techniques and qualitative data acquisition capable of reaching millions, the rehypothesized that at least some people

somewhere could effectively raise a child. This question led them to survey a large sample size, in search of at least one person with any indication of how to establish a moral backbone and sense of character in another person while also remaining a figure of authority. The number of participants quickly dwindled after many of the participants acknowledged up front that they did not know how to raise a child despite having one or more. When the remaining participants were asked how to effectively nurture and positively influence a child, an alarming number of parents quickly defended themselves by citing that their children were alive and could read, and then

failed to finish the study. Additionally, a startling 100% of parents interviewed had no idea where their children were-- geographically or emotionally-- at the time of the study.

When asked to comment on this startling phenomenon, team leader Dr. Elaine Downy had this hopeful response: "It's pretty shocking how little we as a society know

about raising a kid, but I truly think in the next 50-100 years, we will have some reliable data on teaching another person empathy and a sense of responsibility. For now, I think it's best for everyone to continue on this current course and continue creating maladapted shitheads".



search team initially "I can't even get the damn thing to turn on."



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Dr. Dre



WEEK ONE

JUICYY

December 2, 7:00 c

Steve Buscemi has been earning critical praise for his turn as John Dalton, also known as Juicyy, who turns to anti-stripping to pay his sister's hospital bills when she's diagnosed with skin cancer. In anti-stripping, Juicyy threatens to disrobe, and people pay him to keep his clothes on. Tune in to NBC Tuesdays 8/7 central to see Juicyy's story unfold and his pants unzip!

DR. OZ: WEIRD GENITALS SPECIAL EDITION

December 5, 3:00 c

Dr. Oz is on vacation this week, so in his absence we're counting down our top 20 favorite people with weird shaped genitals who have come on the show so far. #13 is a woman, but you wouldn't guess it by looking at her weird shaped labia! Jennifer Lawrence makes a special guest appearance along with her "Floppy Bird's Nest."

WEEK TWO

CSI: VATICAN CITY

December 12, 9:00 c

CBS brings you a pulse-pounding, formulaic new crime drama centering on one of the hottest destinations in the world. Lieutenant Cardinal Geraldo Majella Agnelo and his squad of bishops fight crime in Vatican City, making sure tourists stick to the assigned route and verbally reprimanding the hordes of viscious pickpocketers who own the smallest sovereign nation's inner-city streets.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: ROOTS

December 14, 8:00 c

This mini-series event tells the story of one ubiquitous mathematical command which has helped shaped our modern world. *Roots* explores all the different ways mankind has devised to find the number that, when multiplied by itself, will yield a given number. Lavar Burton stars as Kuta Kinte in this rebroadcast of the 1977 classic.

WEEK THREE

MY LITTLE PSYCHO-WHOREHOUSE

December 16, 5:30 c

Two doctors join forces to raise money to save their therapy clinic from foreclosure. They decide to save it by doing what they do best - exploiting psychological disorders and offering to have sex with people for money! They take on new identities as prostitutes, each with a special area of expertise. Emma Stone takes a critically acclaimed turn as Oedipussy, and Samuel L. Jackson returns to the small screen as the fun-loving crossdresser Sigmund Freak.

BLACK 60 MINUTES

December 19, 10:00 c

Every week BET takes the previous week's broadcast of 60 minutes and translates it into a voice black audiences will understand. This week W. Kumau Bell breaks down election results and Tyler Perry dresses in drag to talk about gay marriage reform. Make sure you watch to the end to catch a segment from Will Smith, the black Andy Rooney.





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UNDERCOVER LOVERS

December 23, 5:00 c

A gay couple lives double lives as heteronormative secret agents for the US government.

EXPLOITATION OF TEENAGE PARENTS

December 25, 7:30 c

MTV callously takes you inside the lives of human beings facing profoundly difficult circumstances. Faced with social stigmatization and an economy with limited upward mobility, the plight of these teenagers will be put on display for your entertainment. From the team that brought you the Panda Cam.

MISS EXISTENCE PAGEANT 2013

December 27, 6:00 c

Catch this year's exciting Miss Existence Pageant, where females and female-like aliens from every possible corner of existence battle it out for the crown. Contestants will be judged for poise, limb smoothness, consistency, nitrogen efficiency, evening wear, crop circle creation, interstellar travel, X-factor and Yassir Araffattitude.

WEEK FIVE

DOG BARBER

December 29, 7:00 c

Chomper is a rough-around-the-edges sort of dog, but he's put his life together and started a barber shop. He only knows how to cut human hair, but the title of his shop – "Dog Barber" – causes many people to bring their precious pups in for a cut! Oh jeepers – what's a dog to do?

OPEN HEART SURGERY WITH DR. DRE

December 31, 8:30 c

Legendary rapper and producer-philanthropist Dr. Dre performs advanced, invasive heart surgery on protege Eminem. Showcasing cutting-edge medical technology, Dr. Dre will take Mathers's vitals by listening to his pulse with his iconic "Beats by Dre" studio-quality headphones.



Lice Offended that No one Wants to be Friends With Them

By: Julia Ordog Infestation Investigator

Lenny the Louse, 2 weeks old, was found sulking outside

of Branscomb earlier this morning after being evicted from Lupton House. Lenny told sources, "I just don't understand why no one likes me. I'm a really affectionate creature. I treat people the way I would want to be treated." He went on, "When I like someone, I just want to spend as much time with them as possible. I'm just lucky that I can be physically attached to the people I love at all times, without being a nuisance."

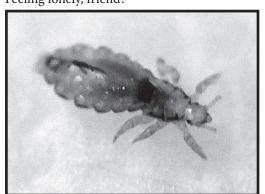
Lenny was apparently thrown out when "Lup 3" resident, Tanya Stevenson, discovered him residing on her scalp. Lenny was distraught about the "break up", saying he had been through a lot of adversity in the past, but this was by far the rudest anyone had ever been to him. "I guess she didn't like that I touched her comb... You know how girls can be when you touch their stuff. But she said I was disgusting and started crying and called me a bloodsucking parasite. I'm not a vampire!!" He exclaimed before dissolving into tears. "They were love bites!"

Lenny expressed his hopes for the future, "My mom worked really hard to make a good life for my family. My brothers and I found the best locks we could... Lupton was a huge improvement over where she had been living in McGill. Lord knows they never shower over there. I just

the hope my children have better luck with Tanya eeks than I did."

Many Vanderbilt students have expressed concern at the presence of lice on campus, which Lenny believes is a result of general misunderstanding of their species. "Lice are a really progressive crew. We believe in equal treatment and making sure everyone is included: no discrimination. We like all boys and girls, whether they're fat, skinny, tall, short, ugly, pretty, stupid or brilliant. They say love is blind. That applies to lice too."

However, the interview came to an abrupt close as Lenny, eyeing me longingly, said, "If I don't find someone else to love soon, I'll die. Feeling lonely, friend?"



"I prefer to call my relationship style 'symbiotic."

Bomber Attempts to Detonate Device in Studio Arts Center, Gets Bored

By: Dante Thomas Explosive Expatriate

Yesterday at 4:43 PM, VUPD apprehended a "suspi-

cious figure" after receiving reports of a potential bomb threat on campus. The suspect, described by the officers as "bored and disinterested," was discovered sitting on the

steps outside the E. Bronson Ingram Studio Arts Center with a pipe bomb strapped to his chest and was brought into custody by the authorities.

The person of interest, Gary Ruffalo, had sought to set off the bomb within the building, but became increasingly disinterested with the entire situation when no living soul could

be found. "At first I thought, 'Ok, just wait for a busier time," said Ruffalo, in a released police interview. "But after sitting in there for 5 hours, and not seeing so much as a janitor, the whole thing got pretty old. I've got better things to do than sit around and play with LEGOs and clay all day."

The Arts Center, built at some point in the past, serves as a central hub for all thirty art majors on campus, boasting a large space for proj-

ects that rarely utilize it to its entirety. However, it seems that most students are generally unaware of its existence. "I think I walked in there by accident one time as a freshman," says junior Kathy Serrantino. "I was looking for the Student Life Center, but I had gone too far. It was almost

creepy how empty it was, save for bags of clay and unused easels. I've never gone back there since."

When asked about his choice of target, Ruffalo simply shrugged his shoulders, stating that he had read that it was "the heart of the campus" on the Arts Center's homepage, and that it seemed like the perfect place to make a statement. "However," said

Ruffalo, "I realized that that was a load of crap. Honestly, after dicking around playing Angry Birds in there while I was waiting, it seems like there aren't actually any art majors at this school. Maybe they should use that space for something else? I don't know."

Ruffalo was originally charged with attempted mass destruction, but after discovering his target, Vanderbilt University dropped charges down to loitering.

Window Resistance Submits to Authority

By: Sam Ottenberg Rule Ruler



Vanderbilt's policies are designed to protect student safety.

they to tell me what to do."

onslaught, Sophomore Inky Rorschach submitted to admin-

On Thursday, after weeks of

schach submitted to administration pressure to replace the bar on his windows. The last beacon of hope for the Vanderbilt community finally folds leaving students lost and leaderless in their increasingly futile battle against oppression.

The struggle began weeks earlier when Rorschach unknowingly removed the window bars that prevent his windows from opening more than six inches. In a press conference Rorschach recalls, "at first I just wanted to get a little more air circulation in my room but then I realized who the hell are

dents who have been violently silenced by the administration."

Upon further investigation the Slant found other students eager to contribute to the struggle for free air. Vanderbilt senior Fran Aank cried, "We have been desperately struggling to escape the iron fist of the Administration for years to no avail. It's the Cultural revolution, Warsaw ghetto, Jim Crow era all over again"

The Dean of Student Health asserted, "These policies are in place for good reasons. If the seven deadly sins descend upon us again those limited window openings could just save lives."

Uprising spokesperson Fran Aank shot back, "Although these qualifications are convincing, we aren't buying it."

The Dean of student health added, "I don't know what these little brats are complaining about. We made sure the windows opened just enough for residents to stick their hands out, close their eyes and pretend they are outside. I don't know what more the greedy bastards want."

The struggle continued for weeks as the administration used biological and chemical weaponry to repeatedly put down the protests.

In his press conference Rorschach explains, "I realized the fight was hopeless. Although I am giving up I hope the great people who I have gotten to know over the past weeks never put the bars back on their heart."

THE RAND-T

Something about Vanderbilt Campus Dining got you peeved? Irked? Honked off? The Rand-t is your place to anonymously vent your kidney on Rand.

Stop trying to make "gloopy" a flavor, Chef James.

That's not a "new entrée," that's just a roll with a hat on!!!!!!

Eating tortellini from Rand? Bad enough.
Waiting in line? To eat tortellini? From Rand??
Are you FUCKING kidding me?! Fuck you.

Gee this King Ranch Chicken looks familiar. Is this maybe... the exact same batch of King Ranch Chicken from last Wednesday?

Watchu havin' baby? Let's see how you like being put on the spot, dining worker.



"As soon as I engaged with the university I found myself cata-

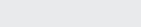
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How do you respond to the Richie Incognito hazing scandal?

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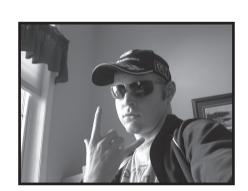


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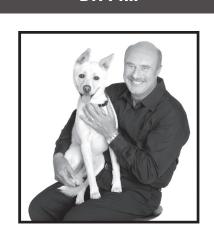
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ATO President



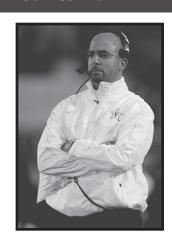
"Is that all? Weak shit."

Dr. Phil



"Tell Jonathan Martin to give me a call. It'll be ratings gold."

James Franklin



"I'm planning to suspend him indefinitely."

Roger Goodell



"As long as no one was concussed, it's all good."

Waldo



"I assumed he'd be better at hiding it."

Westboro Baptist Church



"I found nothing inherently wrong with it."

Richie Incognito



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RULESHERE

Jacksonville Jaguars Cure Suicidal Tendencies

By: David Johnson Suicide Surveyor

Jacksonville-based NFL team has recently discovered a new

way to salvage their 2013 season — not by their play on the field, but rather off it. Jacksonville psychiatrist Dr. Logan Buckner is now working with the team on a new curriculum to teach the police task units dispatched to try and prevent suicides that are unfolding, otherwise known as jumper squads. The technique? To teach the officers to convince those who would otherwise take their own life to keep living because there is no way their life could be worse than the Jacksonville Jaguars.

The idea came to Dr. Buckner, who suffers from manic depression, on the eve he was about to take his own life. He had just seen the San Francisco 49ers beat the Jaguars 42-10 when he

set down his razor blades and thought to himself, quote, "Overwhelmed by my own self-inflicted grief and misery, I looked at the television screen and even though my wife left me, my children hate me, and I'm about to file for bankruptcy, at least I'm not a member of that organiza-

The technique has been implemented on a trial basis in 14 counties in northeast Florida and looks to go nationwide soon. It has been very well received by these police departments despite early skepticism. "Every now and

then they teach us a new technique that ends up not working out so well," Officer Stanley of the Duval county police jumper task force related. "We have decades of emotional and psychological testing behind our curriculum as to how to connect with a complete stranger and comfort them. This new Jaguar-technique, though? It's like cheating. After hearing all of the statistics I wanted to shoot those poor Jags between the eyes just to put them out of their misery."

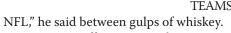
The Jacksonville Jaguars, unanimously and unequivocally regarded as the NFL's worst team, have yet to win a game heading into their week 9 bye-week. A source close to the team confided, "It's not a question of whether or not we will win a game this season, it's a question of whether or not we will win a game this decade."

The Jacksonville police force agreed to give The Slant an exclusive look at the live application of this technique. After several long minutes of waiting, a call came in that a man was standing on a ledge on top of the Modis building downtown. Arriving on the scene, Officer Stanley was able to talk the man down after a mere 8 minutes, using techniques such as, "But sir, imagine if you showed up to work every day to find a quarterback battle that legitimately involved Chad Henne?" and "What if you were putting up 66 yards on the ground per game? Have you ever thought about that?"

In fact, the technique has been overly effective. Those who have been the recipient of this technique are now having symptoms of posttraumatic stress disorder apparently not from their suicide attempts but from those few minutes where they were forced to imagine being

> Jacksonville Jaguars. One recent victim related, "Sure, I was giving a blow job to the barrel of my hunting rifle, but that's chump change compared imagining having 32nd ranked defense the nation. THERE ARE ONLY 32 **TEAMSINTHE**

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Despite its effectiveness, this strategy might have unforeseen drawbacks, as there recently was a rare case involving a faulty use of the Jaguar-technique in Alachua County, Florida. At 8:02 am on Tuesday, October 29th, a police officer responded to a call that a man was screaming in a public park holding a gun to his head. When the officer said, "Have you heard of the Jacksonville Jaguars?" the man responded, "Yes, and I cannot live in a world where Blaine Gabbert is paid money to play football," before promptly pulling the trigger.

The Jacksonville Jaguars (0-8) next take the field in Week 10 versus the Tennessee Titans at

NCAA Adds Football Rule Against Committing Crimes

By: Peter Linck Regulation Receptionist

Citing the high number of crimes

frequently committed by college football players, the NCAA announced Sunday its plans to add a section in their official football rulebook penalizing players for violating university, state, and federal laws which are already in place. The regulation, referred to in the rulebook as "Transgressing," is the most major addition to the rulebook in recent years and seeks to cut back on the number of common crimes that players frequently commit including academic cheating, violations of alcohol and drug policies, and theft.

The new section, which is under Article XI in the rulebook and sits between rules outlining

other infractions like clipping and delay of game, urges players to "not do things that are already illegal." The addition also clarifies that while all other football rules only apply during games, this rule should apply "all day every day according to the jurisdictions of the laws in ques-

"College football players tend to be very disciplined on the field," said NCAA President Mark Emmert. "and we hope that this new rule will help our players to extend that same discipline to their actions off the field." NCAA

Vice President Stephen Crobe also noted in a press release that "In the past, the addition of rules has helped solve problems like rampant head and neck injuries, and we hope to see comparable reductions in the number of laws broken by players."

Violation of this new regulation will result in a loss of ten yards for the offending team and a replaying of the previous down, while felonies will result in a fiften yard loss. Referees will announce the infraction during games by putting on a police hat and wagging a finger towards the offending player.

Many football players from across the country have spoken out in favor of the new rule. "It's nice to have these laws reiterated in terms we understand," said Stanford linebacker Isaiah Williams. "It totally makes sense now. Just because

> we're really good at a sport doesn't mean we can ignore statut es."

The NCAA also plans to add the new rule to the rulebooks of all other sports in the near future. Initial reports show the rule has been wildly successful, and many players have shown unprecedented els of restraint and upstanding behavior. Added Ohio State running back Tim Mc-Millan: "I was going to commit rape the other day, but Coach Meyer has been talking to us recently about mental mistakes and carelessly losing yards, so I decided against it."



You might want to read up on some of our policies.

Did you know?
Americans spend 68% of their lives waiting for the Sportscenter Top 10

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Campus Curfew Instated in Response to Armed Robberies

Don't you feel a little better already?

By: Julia Ōrdog Crime Curator

As a result of the recent robberies/attacks on Vanderbilt campus,

a campus-wide curfew has been instated, declaring that no student is allowed out of their dormitories past dark.

The Slant was able to track down Chancellor Zeppos who explained the rationale behind the curfew. "All students must be in bed by nightfall. It's the only way to ensure campus safety. If there's no one to rob, there can be no robberies! It's foolproof!"



With the recent time change due to Daylight Savings, it now gets dark at 5:30 PM. This poses a bit of a challenge to students considering most campus organizations host their meetings and events between the hours of 5 and 11, the library becomes more popular in the evening, and some classes even start during the curfew time. However, Zeppos is adamant about maintaining

the law. "Extracurriculars aren't that important anyways. It'll give everyone more time to study in their rooms, and promote floor bonding! It's

As far as eating between the "Indoor Hours" goes, Zeppos insists that all students place their food stores at the end of their hallways for general consumption. "It'll be like the Hunger Games: Vanderbilt Edition. Only the fittest floor mates will win. Call it another way of making sure Vanderbilt students are the best."

In addition to being indoors after dark, all students must be in their rooms by 9 PM, and are required to send selfies to their RA every hour on the hour. RA's will be placing tape seals on all of the doors at 9 PM sharp and will remove them at 7 AM each morning. If a room's seal is broken, the inhabitants will sacrifice their meal swipes for a week.

The curfew has not been well-received by the student population as a whole. Carmichael Towers 3 resident Elizabeth Beckman commented, "This sucks. Walking in groups at all times and sprinting from place to place was working just fine. If they're so concerned about our safety, why didn't just give every student a can of mace?" Other disgruntled students have started expressing their displeasure by cutting holes in their doors to talk to students across the hall and taping signs to their windows that read "STOP CRIME, NOT FREEDOM," "ROBBING IS NOT NICE," "I'M SICK OF PEEING IN BOTTLES," and "ZEPPOS SUX."

The curfew will last until Zeppos feels that the students are no longer in danger.

Homeless Man Excited to Witness Brief Flashes of **Humanity During Holiday**

Season

By: Michael Hogue Fa-la-la-la Fetishist

NASHVILLE, TN-Area resident Paul Beckman told The

Slant that he eagerly awaits the beginning of the winter holidays as this is the time of year that "for brief moments here and there, people demonstrate the full empathy and compassion capable of human beings."

Beckman, a 54-year-old Tennessee native and former owner of a Waffle House franchise that went under during the recent recession, conceded that the winter months can be "unbearably cold" and "dangerous as hell," but noted that "for a couple of months, if you look closely, you can see that a few relatively decent people try to be better than they were before." Beckman



It's the most wonderful timeof the year.

went on to explain that in the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving, "People have these transient moments of perspective when they just start to understand what the words 'I have a lot to be thankful for' actually mean."

Although the cold weather, coupled with limited beds in community shelters, can spell disaster for those living without stable housing, Beckman maintains that he still cherishes the months of November through January. "Some people complain about Christmas being over-commercialized, but I just like to closely watch people for their moments of generosity."

"Maybe someone will donate a little bit of money to charity when they normally don't even realize the underprivileged exist, or a woman will take her kids to see their grandparents even though she's been on bad terms with them for years," Beckman explained to The Slant. "And if you're cynical, you'll point at that and say 'well they feel obligated to do those things, but if you ask me, I think it's a sign that there's still something human in all of us."

Beckman, who lacks the practical resources necessary to successfully complete a job search due to his difficulty finding stable housing, claims that the holidays are his favorite time of year. "New Year's is very warming too," he told The Slant. "Because if you pay attention to what people are saying, if you're lucky, you'll notice that they believe in second chances and fresh

TOPTEN NAMES FOR HANUKKAH

Hanukkah

Festival of Lights

Chanukah

Shamashed potatoes and gravy (this year, anyway)

Feast of Dedication

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Not actually a high holiday, but hey I'll take a vacation when I can get one

Jewlapalooza

JOINTHESLANT

By: Nick Sparkman

Like many freshmen - excuse me, first-years - the memory of the day when I received my Vanderbilt accep-

in my mind. I rushed home from all of my sports and music practices to open the letter and I instantly burst into tears. Of course joy was a reason for my crying, but so too was worry.

I knew I had to accept Vanderbilt's offer of admission, mostly because I forgot to apply to any other schools but also because it's a great school to go to. I knew I would love the academ-

ics, the weather, and especially screaming "anchor down" for the first two quarters of football games. But the source of my anxiety was that wouldn't fit in.

typical Vanderbilt student. There's something about me that's a bit of a hot-button issue, especially here in the South. It'd make me the odd one out at any frat, and I was worried I might be the only

one here like me. I know what you're thinking, and you're right. I'm... pregnant.

I've tried making friends tance letter still burns fresh here without people finding

> out about my situation, but it's pretty obvious, especially since my stomach is approximately the size of a watermelon. I've explained my story to so many people, but so few really understand. I sought sanctuary in so many student

organizations, but the only one that truly accepted me was The Slant.

mean, these people are 100% okay with my pregnant belly. I've only knocked a couple of them down with it so far! I can also tell

that they'll be really understanding when it comes to breast-feeding time, when I'll have to nourish my child during meetings (in Sarratt 130F, Wednesday's at 9PM). If you want

You see, I'm not exactly the to experience the same love and acceptance I have, just show up to one of the meetings and join *The Slant*. Email peter.g.linck@vanderbilt.edu with any inquiries, and remember, use protection every

Slanted Thanksgiving Recipes

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, The Slant would like to share some of its favorite recipes with you. Please enjoy, and remember: always cook with love.

By: Sophie To and Chris Xin



Leftover Balloween Candy

Ingredients:

-Leftover Halloween candy

1. Place leftover Halloween candy in bowl

Serves everyone in the neighborhood except that creepy old guy who handed out five-year-old breath mints. Nothing says "thank you" better than inviting the neighbors over to eat the Halloween candy you took from them!

Braised Paula Deen Shoulder with Red Wine Sauce

Ingredients:

- -20 lbs. Deen shoulder
- -4 Carrots, peeled, chopped
- -4 shallots, chopped
- -2 stalks celery, chopped
- -4 cloves garlic, minced
- -1 cup red wine
- -2 gallons Deen stock -1 tbsp. tomato puree
- -4 tbsp. salted butter
- -1 stalk fresh thyme
- -3 stalks fresh parsley

Butchering the Carcass:

1) Gut the Deen so it can be stored later. Start by finding the top of the abdominal cavity by feeling down her rib cage along the sternum. Where the sternum ends, begin cutting down the length of her belly until you reach the pubic bone, and remove the viscera, making sure to keep her liver and intestines intact. (These will make a fantastic pate and sausage respectively.) Reach up into the thoracic cavity and remove her heart and lungs. These can be cast aside.

2) With a butcher knife, remove her head, making sure to wipe off the excess of make-up on her face. Set into a pot for later, as we will use this to make a Deen stock.

3) Find the trapezius and deltoid muscles and detach them from the Deen's bones. The rest of the carcass can be stored for later use.

Tip:

It is important to set up your mise en place BEFORE beginning to cook so ingredients are organized and easily accessible.

fruitcake

-Fruity candy (like Jolly Ranchers, Skittles, Starbursts)

1. Eat too much candy and get really sick so that your neighbor feels bad for you and bakes you a "Get Well Soon" cake.

2. Arrange fruity candy on the cake.

Yield:

Serves everyone but you because you're still nauseous from all the other candy you ate



Preparing the Deen:

1) Season the Deen shoulder with salt and pepper. In a hot pot on high heat, drizzle about 1 tbsp. of a neutral oil. We don't like using olive oil here, as its flavor is a bit too strong for our taste. As the oil is being heated, add the butter. The butter will add a lovely color and flavor to the meat. But be careful – butter burns easily!

2) Just before the oil/butter begins smoking, add the Deen shoulder. Do not stir the Deen shoulder quite yet, as doing so will reduce the heat in the pan. As it cooks, it caramelizes beautifully, giving the dish a nice, rich flavor and color. Brown the shoulder on all sides and remove from the pan.

3) Add about another tablespoon of oil into the pan and turn the heat down to medium. Add the shallots, celery, carrots, and garlic. Sweat the vegetables for about one minute and add the tomato puree.

4) Add the red wine to the pot, scraping at the bottom of the pot with your wooden spoon to incorporate all that lovely flavor into the red wine sauce. We want to reduce the red wine sauce at a nice, gentle simmer.

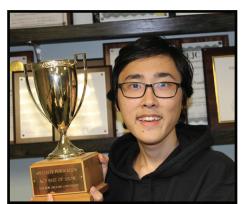
5) Once the red wine has reduced slightly, add the Deen stock. We make fresh Deen stock by simmering Deen's head with celery, onions, and carrots in water for one hour. The Deen stock is full of flavor, but it needs a little help with seasoning – season with salt and pepper after adding the Deen stock, and remember: always taste and adjust! Remove the thyme leaves from the stem and add the leaves to the pot.

6) Once the stock has come to a boil, add the Deen shoulder back into the pot, making sure the level of liquid is just covering the meat and vegetables. Reduce the heat to low and put on the lid. Let simmer for 2-3 hours.

7) Take the pot off the heat, top with chopped parsley, and voilà: A delicious shoulder of Paula Deen with a red wine sauce. Best served hot over a bed of rice. Bon Appétit!

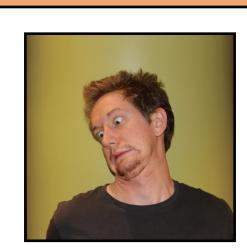
Yield:

Serves family of 40



"I'm actually the resurrected form of the only real witch burned in the Salem Witch Trials. This explains my constant sense of revulsion towards anything and everything."

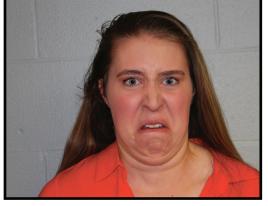
-Douglas Lee



"Be my friend." -Michael Hogue



Chelsea Velaga is probably asleep right now. If not, she is most likely eating a burrito and/or refreshing her OkCupid page. Follow her on Twitter, LinkedIn, and PornHub.



The writing duo of **Mary** and **Beth Schatzman** have been working together ever since they met in L.A. last spring. They are pleased to be a part of *The Slant*.



"In 1990 Satan dared God to create a person funnier and more sexually potent than himself. God obliged and that Christmas God descended to earth to impregnate a young Mary Jean King. 9 months later, **Dan King** was born."



"This one goes out to all mah fallen homies. R.I.P." -Almaz Mesghina