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## Student Finds Innovative New Way To Answer The Age-Old Question 'How Was Your Break?'

By GEORGE LUBITZ

WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK – With the spring semester only a day away, I met with Skidmore student and local genius Roland Parker at his home to discuss his seemingly overnight fame—a fame which was gained by something as simple and everyday as a Facebook status.

Roland was about to start his second semester as a Junior, and he couldn't help but feel anxious about his return. Namely, he says this anxiety was borne from a question he

would soon have to answer. "Every time you run into someone on the first couple of days, they always ask you 'how was your break? What'd you do?'" and I'm just so tired of it. I don't wanna have to say the same answer over and over again to a billion different people. So I made a Facebook post."

Roland's answer to this problem took form as a Facebook update. In it, he detailed the key moments of his winter break; moments from celebrating his Aunt's birthday all

the way to working at his local coffee shop to make a few extra bucks. "It was like a preface," Roland told me, "so that anyone who I'm friends with from school could see what I was up to and wouldn't have to ask me once back on campus."

Roland's status was put to the test when we rolled up to Skidmore the Sunday before classes. He unpacked his car and, feeling hungry after a long drive, made his way to Dhall. We entered the bustling cafeteria with giddiness and an-

ticipation. A few half-assed head nods and a two unanswered "hellos" later and there we were, sitting in a red side corner booth. "So," I asked him, "what do you think?"

Roland looked up from his chunky mashed potatoes and flat Dr. Pepper and said, "Things are looking pretty good so far." He looked out at the sea of happy students and returned to face me. "No one has asked me how I'm doing...I think I'd call that a success."

## Freshman Lies About Taking Stairs in JoTo to Seem More Fit

By QUINT TURNER

"Oh, you guys work out every other day to stay healthy? I don't even have to try, since I get a real workout by walking up eight flights of stairs every time I head to my room," said freshman Sean Avery to his roommates.

Avery lives on the eighth floor of Jonson Tower, a fact that he constantly reminds everyone he meets of. When asked to say something interesting about himself at his first meeting of his seminar on the globalization of capitalism, he

said "I live on the eighth floor of JoTo, and I walk up those stairs every. Single. Day. I think I know what hard work means."

Yet the truly interesting thing about Sean is that, while he does live on the eighth floor of "JoTo," he takes the elevator to his triple. This all started when he met his varsity athlete roommates, Shawn Thornton (lacrosse player), and Corbyn Knight (baseball). Avery grew very jealous of their physical prowess, as he has never played organized sports, but

always has wished he could.

"Suitemates would always knock on my door for them, but since they were so busy working out with their team, they were practically never in. After a while, it really got to me. I had to make my own reputation," said Avery.

Thus, the stairs. Avery says that, for the first week, he definitely did take the stairs, but now he takes the elevator.

"I mean, who, realistically, was going to ever find out about it? If somebody I knew

saw me taking the elevator, I'd simply tell them 'I'm treating myself today'. But, I think it's time to come clean. I sincerely apologize for lying to everyone all this time. It wasn't right, and everyone could tell it was blatantly untrue. I mean, look at me, the freshman fifteen have hit me hard. I promise I will never do it again," said Avery.

Avery plans to major in government and go into politics.

## RA Floor Meeting Leads to Giant Orgy

By GILL HURTIG

As the new semester has officially arrived, many changes regarding room and board have taken place. Some students have moved out of their dorms to the apartments, others have transferred, and London freshman have arrived, chomping at the bit to get settled in their new dorms. As a result, many RAs have taken it upon themselves to assemble floor meetings in order to aid unfamiliar faces.

Jennifer Tobin, McClellan's third floor resident assistant, had reportedly noticed a large drop-off in attendance at these "mandatory" meetings. She ex-

plained to reporters, "I needed some way to make these meetings more interesting." She continued, "I thought to myself, what is the thing college students are most intrigued by?"

In short—sex.

Throughout the day, third floor residents noticed something just a little bit off about Jennifer's attitude. One freshman said, "Yea, Jennifer put a bunch of condoms and lube outside her door that day. I guess I just thought that was her encouraging all her residents to stay safe this weekend." Reports also claim that in the closing of her email—

entitled "Meat and Greet"—Jen added a winky face, seemingly for "sensual" effect.

As the meeting began, residents awkwardly mingled together, unaware of the fact that in fifteen minutes, homework wouldn't be the only "rough" thing about their night. This would eventually become apparent as Jennifer started the meeting by saying, "Let's go around in a circle and say our names, graduating class, and favorite sex position." Needless to say, residents were surprised, as one student choked on the banana she was handed at the beginning of the gath-

ering. After this exercise, Jen suggested another activity involving the "exploration of each others bodies." Every resident cheered ecstatically, evidently all either very sexually frustrated, or anatomy majors.

In the end, Jen confirmed that attendance was sure to rise at these meetings, and that she may recommend the tactic to other RAs. The best part, Jen exclaimed, was that McClellan's first and second floor residents were not disturbed by the orgy, as they were too busy responding to the ongoing fire alarm.

## **Government reroutes lead-contaminated blizzard through Flint, Michigan**

### **By GAGE WILLAND**

Two weeks ago, the Northeastern United States was hit with a massive snow storm, which surprised many Americans who expected this winter to be a mild one. While said blizzard has passed, many residents of Flint, Michigan were surprised to learn that they were hit with a lead-con-

taminated blizzard as part of a governmental cost saving measure. Residents astonished to find Flint covered in a thick layer of brown snow, due to the contamination from the river. "I woke up one morning, expecting to see the city covered in white snow, but it looked like the sky took a gi-

ant shit all over us," local resident Justin Jones stated, "How fitting." The residents of Flint were understandably upset about the situation, but the local government did provide an explanation. "Public funding has been tight in recent years. We couldn't afford to provide expensively-purified blizzards

that NYC gets," Michigan Governor Rick Snyder said, "We had no idea that drawing our yearly snowstorms from the Flint River would have such a negative effect on the public health." Regarding the fact that local government buildings imported fresh snow, Governor Snyder had no comment.

## **Doug Gives Head... Lines.**

### **DOUG PATRICK**

#### **Students Complain Winter Break Was Too Long**

Seriously doe.

#### **Longboarders Petition for Buildings to Be Further Apart**

Get it? Because there's literally no practical reason to longboard anywhere on campus.

#### **Why the FUCK Don't We Have a Syllabus Week?**

We gotta get L!T

#### **SkidNews is Still Racist**

Lol.

#### **Remember when Dhall Took Salt Away, but then Gave It Back?**

Pussies.

#### **Lol at How Meatless Monday Lasted for Exactly One Mondays**

But, seriously, sorry about that Bryn.

## **Global Warming Denying Student Struggles to Come Up with Reason for Extreme Winter Temperatures**

### **By EMMA BERNSTEIN**

For the majority of Skidmore students who have experienced an east coast winter before, the fact that it is February and 50 degrees is pretty shocking. About this time last year Case Green was covered in a majestic layer of snow and we were well into cuffing season. But alas, we are in what we believe to be the middle of winter and actually getting tan. No need to cuff yourself to someone else to keep your temperatures up when you're breaking out your fan from September to keep cool. Most students are attributing these outrageous temperatures to the excess greenhouse gases in our atmosphere slowly but surely warming the planet, but few students believe otherwise. Yes, even at our exceptionally liberal liberal-arts college, we do have

some climate change deniers. "It's a natural process!" "The temperature records are just unreliable." "We can't predict anything for sure." All claims that can be heard coming from the mouths of the 1% - that is, the 1% that do not believe climate change is real.

The Skidmo' Daily sat down with Ted Powell, an enthusiastic climate change denier, to discuss his reasoning behind the high temperatures that have graced us in Saratoga this winter. As an unbiased paper, we wanted to get Powell's side of the argument. Though Powell's opinion is not the most popular on campus, that does not mean it is not valid. We asked Powell, "if climate change caused by the input of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere is not

causing these record-breaking temperatures, then what is?" Powell's answer? "Just because two things are related does not mean that one causes the other. There is no real proof that CO2 is the cause of these temperatures." We understood his point but then brought up that there is no "proof" throughout science. There is however evidence and theories that can explain that evidence. The overwhelming evidence and sophisticated models developed by scientists point to the fact that the release of CO2 and other greenhouse gases is the reason that the temperatures this year have escalated. "Actually, there is no evidence of significant global warming," exclaimed Powell. After hearing this, we showed Mr. Powell a few studies and trend analy-

ses that showed how the rise in greenhouse gas emissions and rise in temperatures this winter are not just coincidental.

We sat there while Powell scanned the documents looking for weak links, but the more he read and did not find any, he grew frustrated. Shuffling through the papers he had printed out from various conspiracy websites, Powell became exasperated and suddenly rose from his seat and rushed off down the hall muttering something about having to use the bathroom. We waited for 15 minutes before realizing he was not coming back. There you have it. Climate change is the reason it's too warm for your on again-off again hook up to commit to you.

# Student Unsure if Professor's Wink Was Unintentional, or if This is Start of New Affair

By DOUG PATRICK

Becky Stanley claims she was "just minding her own business" when her professor (may or may not have) come onto her. After answering a question about an author's use of exaggeration and referring to it as idiom, the professor remarked that, though everything she said was intelligent and correct, what she was really referring to was, of course,

hyperbole. Then he winked. For the last two days, Becky has been contemplating the weight of this wink. Her friends have spent countless hours and text messages analyzing and overthinking every bit of this little encounter.

"Well, he is pretty hot..." One of her friends said.

Another claimed that she would "totally bang any

good-looking, hip, thirty-something."

Becky, however, is still unsure. But she better figure it out soon because she will be attending her professor's office hours to discuss a paper. And, as we all know, student-professor relationships can make or break an office hours' encounter.

It's still up in the air whether

or not this professor goes out with a bang.

Skidmo' Daily reached the professor for comment. He does not have a Becky Stanley in class because she's not a real student, and this professor doesn't exist because the Skidmo' Daily isn't real. Everything's a lie.

# Three things "Only 90's Kids" Will Remember About 2015

By PAULINE DENT

Let's face it: 2015 was a boss year. Bernie Sanders made his debut. Same sex marriage was legalized. And Netflix and Chill became a thing. But real talk. "Only 90's Kids Will Get This" articles were one of the worst phenomena of 2015. For some unknown reason kids who grew up in the 90's think they're the only ones who remember koosh balls, gel pens, and tamagotchi pets.

According to yahoo answers, to be a "90's Kids" you must be born between 1985 and 1993.

So in honor of this genera-

tion, here are 3 things "Only 90's Kids" will remember about 2015.

1. Unemployment: "90's kids" range from 30 to 22 years old and in this economy many of them don't have jobs relating to their college degree. But don't worry, only you guys will remember bus-sing tables and having 5 room-mates.

2. Old age: The first wave of "90's kids" turned 30 this year. Rest as-

sured you guys are the only ones who will experience turning 30 in 2015. Ever.

3. Loneliness and desperation  
Your tamagotchi has died. You're 30, single, and have no idea what you want to do with your life. Not to mention your biological clock is ticking and the dating pool is shrinking. You've binged watched all the 90's series and are desperately awaiting for the day when "Boy Meets World" makes its appearance on Netflix. Basi-

cally you're a mess.

So to all you "90's kids", enjoy your yogurt with sprinkles and jelly sandals. Hopefully these things give you solace. But remember that all us "00's kids" had that shit too.

[NOTE TO READERS: Us "00 kids" are well aware of the fact that this will be us in a few short years. But we're not going to be annoying as f\*\*\* and pretend that we were the only ones who enjoyed the toys of our childhood.]

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