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## Stanford Dispels Accusations

The Office of Public Affairs Responds to Recent Criticism Surrounding FMOTQ, Band, and Frat Life

By **MOBAN SNAFF**

What started off as a relatively quiet quarter has more recently evolved into a climactic bout. Just as Green Library began to swell with students preparing for finals, the intensity of Stanford's political climate became increasingly turbulent. In the past few weeks, drama has erupted surrounding everything from beloved traditions, namely Full Moon on the Quad, to general course requirements.

"Let's face it, Full Moon on the Quad is a debauchery orgy of interclass kissing and does not belong on Stanford's Campus," said David Enos, a representative from the Office of Public Affairs. "Stanford needs to end this tradition as soon as possible, if we wish to remain among the most elite universities in the world. We're hastily trying to defund the event, in order to give the student body little time to fight back. Stopping FMOTQ all together will take several months, but cutting off its funding is a good start."

"You would be surprised how much the event costs in the first place. A few years ago, Stanford bought burritos for the entire affair, but since then, I believe we've catered with donuts. The food, along with the music, ambulances, rent-a-cops, and gallons of mouth wash, ends up totaling nearly \$300,000 every year. Stanford has a lot of expenses and this just isn't what we should be throwing our money at. Wouldn't it make a little more sense investing in something with higher returns, like

computer science or football?"

Enos concluded with this statement: "We administrators are not monsters. We are not parsimonious nor demonic. We are simply adults who know what's best. You may protest and accuse us of malfeasances, but ultimately, I will sleep well tonight, for I know I am correct. And that is the difference between you and I."

Marc Tessier-Lavigne, when confronted with pleas to end the trend of Stanford becoming "less fun" was shocked that students were not aware that Tessier-Lavigne was hired on the basis of his revolutionary 10-point fun-sucking proposal. Leaked documents have shown that the points range from renting out co-ops as a space to train drug dogs to limiting Hoover Tower trips to elevator rides that do not go all the way to the top. Tessier-Lavigne claims "fun-sucking" has been the university's number one priority for nearly twenty years now and he is quite dismayed that the "brilliant" student body he was once excited to work with is, in fact, blithely unobservant. This legislation will come into action Sept. 2016, when Marc steps into office.

Although the University, when on a witch hunt, guises their motives as noble, their intentions are often entirely driven by money and reputation. Although they may say stopping a certain event or punishing a certain organization is meant to curb negative behavior, the speed at which they dampen fun becomes faster as the media becomes more aware of whichever scandal sparked their attention in the first place.



Moban Snaff/The Stanford Daily

Student-led research on campus trends indicates that mental health and sexual assault reform would happen at a much faster rate if television networks were able to sensationalize these matters, like when the Band brought out that cow during the halftime show, forcing Iowans to confront their own identities. Like Enos said, the administrators are not "monsters," rather they're more concerned with investors and dinner parties. Quirky traditions don't fuel Stanford's 22 billion dollar endowment, a dozen or so rich people do, and this baker's dozen doesn't give a fuck if you're 18, never had your first kiss, and are really looking forward to getting it on at FMOTQ.

Richard Brannon, Director of the Office of Public Relations, echoed this sentiment in the following statement he sent to the Daily: "I thought you kids were supposed to be smart. Don't you notice a trend here? Immediate and serious action is only taken when it works towards purifying Stanford's brand or makes bank. Just last week, we cloned Mehran, so now we can churn out twice as many CS106 students. I am pretty sure that's the class that gets them hooked. More CS kids pretty much means more cash, our research has shown. It's Keith's turn next."

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Courtesy of Tristan Navarro & Scott Mutchnik

### EXECUTIVE SLATE Vote For Us, Dear God

It is about time to recognize the backbone of Stanford University: graduate students. They are much more committed to Stanford. You think getting into Stanford once is impressive? Some of them have gotten into Stanford twice, and many spend more years of their lives here than undergraduates. Yet they have little to no say in campus politics. They have rightfully become distraught and disengaged. We, Tristan Navarro and Scott Mutchnik, are prepared to fight for the rights of Graduate Students, despite being undergraduates ourselves.

Stanford, just this month, filed an amicus brief against graduate student unionization. It is not right that a university, figuratively swimming in billions of dollars, expects its most important population to spend up to eight years in near-poverty, eking out a meager existence compared to those who *go-out-into-industry* or *get-rich-quick*. Studies show that unionization has only positive benefits. Navarro/Mutchnik believes that they need a voice so that their pleas can finally be resoundingly heard.

We want to be that voice.

We will develop widely-distributed infographics, with beautiful typography, that are easily-accessible. They will contain info about some new legislation we would like to propose, including the Stanford Climate Plan, a comprehensive weather control system. Another new rule we are considering will place a curfew on undergraduate students, to ensure that graduate student TA's are not forced to hold Office Hours at ungodly hours.

If elected, we will continually veto any bill that does not directly affect the graduate population. We will be stubborn and unforgiving. We imagine the process of deflating undergraduate funds and influence will take quite sometime, so the student body will not need to worry about keeping up with any new legislation for a while.

Everyone needs to simply come to terms with what we are saying. Undergrads have CS106A. Grads have groundbreaking and paradigm-shift-inducing studies that generates millions of dollars in corporate research grants. Undergrads are vicious in droves. Grads are an intelligent and proud people.

Regardless of whether or not you are aware, the graduate uprising has begun. Submit now, or regret it later.

### POLITICS

## Stanford Petitions for Statehood

By **STINGRAY MARTIN**

The number of Stanford University's achievements is staggering, including a 5% acceptance rate, a \$22.2 billion endowment, and the award for most on-campus gyms. Yet Stanford seeks to add a new accomplishment to the list: formal statehood as recognized by Congress.

According to President John Hennessy, "Considering the magnitude of Stanford's contributions to the world, statehood has really been a long time coming." Unfortunately for Hennessy, Congress is approaching the situation with some reservations, including concerns surrounding the need to redesign the American flag to accommodate a 51st star.

"51, as everyone knows, is an asymmetric number," said Senator Jim Inhofe, R-Oklahoma. "More importantly, 51 stars will throw everything off balance and I don't think Europe, North Korea, and the like will take us very seriously if we have a malproportioned flag. Betsy Ross is dead anyway. What are we going to do? Dig up her dead body and prop it up next to a sewing machine?"

In response to the university's petition, Congress considered transitioning Stanford into a self-governing commonwealth, similar to Puerto Rico. Stanfordians would receive rights akin to those of a proper state, but the American flag would not require modification.

Although this was a genuine attempt to meet the university halfway with its demands, Hennessy argued that "a commonwealth wouldn't be taken very seriously, now would it? We aren't just some island floating about in the middle of *god-knows-where*. We're Stanford, for crying out loud. We are at the heart of the Silicon Valley, the cultural and technological Eden of society. I am pretty sure one of our guys invented the fucking *iPhone*. Look, we're going for the whole enchilada."

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Stanford University

An artist's representation of Meyer Green as if they were God, looking down.

### INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM Learning to Love Meyer Green

By **KRUMBO VON RUTH**

Oh, Meyer Green, it is very difficult to imagine the campus without this beloved pit. It is one of Stanford's most famous landmarks, second only to Condoleezza Rice's secret war balcony at the top of Hoover Tower. The University insists that Meyer Green has been there for as long as anyone can possibly remember, and we must love the voluptuous ellipse as much as it loves us. The Stanford Thought Crime Department has a reputation of capturing and disposing of anyone who asserts otherwise. No other buildings, structures, or installations have ever stood in that spot. That is something we as a student body must come to accept. Or must we?

Last week I was working in my office when a small *\*shrrk\** rustled from near the door. I went to investigate and discovered a plain manila folder with a small calligraphic "MTL" written upon the upper left corner. I was, of course, quite intrigued. I returned to my desk and spread the folder's contents across my coffee-stained workplace. The first page was a wrinkled sheet with some ornate

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# UNIVERSITY NEWS

## STATEHOOD

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A second solution discussed by the Senate Democratic Caucus called to simply eliminate one of the fifty states, either through violent eradication or one state absorbing another.

Senator Dick Durbin, D-Illinois, suggested Delaware as an option, explaining, "Illinois manufactures soybeans, and New York specializes in credit default swaps. Connecticut has many office buildings, and Pennsylvania has a thriving pretzel industry. Delaware's only unifying and compelling narrative, on the other hand, is that it was the first state to ratify the United States constitution."

Durbin continued, "Just because they were first, doesn't mean we need them to stick around. In fact, the general trend is that things die and go away when they are old. It's science. Let's face it, the fact that Delaware is still around is most likely a clerical error."

Vice President, and admitted Delawarean, Joe Biden called on America to refrain from jumping the gun on the matter of Del-

aware's statehood. "Delaware has made a lot of important contributions to the USA. Namely, me. If anything goes down, I just need time for me and my family to pack our bags. A simple heads up is the least you could give the goddamn Vice President of the United States of America."

President Hennessy responded to the issues concerning the flag's aesthetic with the following statement: "We are not trying to be Puerto Rico no. 2. We honestly couldn't give a shit if 51 stars isn't as visually pleasing as 50. Our flag isn't even symmetrical in the first place. The stars and stripes aren't aligned and there is an obtrusive blue box lingering off-center. Besides, 51? 52? 53? These ain't even numbers. They're dust particles. You wanna know a real number? 22.2 billion."

Some have criticized Stanford's petition for statehood, notably Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos, who cautioned, "When you're granting statehood to Stanford, you're granting statehood not only to the computer science students, but to the English and math students as well. Just something to think about." Although critical of Stanford, Bezos has petitioned for his own statehood.

"Do you even know how much wealth I've amassed? How many products I've shipped?" asked Bezos. "Do you?" he shouted. "With that in mind, you should be grateful that a single U.S. state is all I'm asking for. Actually, you should be thankful that I am asking at all. I can't believe I still find myself begging for favors when I have armies of bladed delivery drones at my command."

Expectedly, this recent trend has been a popular subject among pandering presidential candidates. Most have embraced the new wave of statehood proposals. "States' rights are human rights, and human rights are states' rights. And fundamental to human rights is the right to declare statehood for all worthy entities—human, school, and company alike," said former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton in a stump speech on Wednesday.

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump admitted he liked the idea so much, he "might drop out of the race and try and become a state" himself. "My body, a state," Trump gurgled repeatedly for three consecutive minutes during last week's disaster of a Republican debate.

## ACTIVISM

### Co-op Student Staffs Create Labor Union

By SCOOTY LAMBOY

After exchanging a string of heated emails on the "coop-chat" mailing list, the student staff of Stanford's varied and diversified co-operatives decided to form a labor union to protest student wages and combat the terrible fist that is Stanford's administrative bureaucracy.

Twenty-three students from Columbae, Enchanted Broccoli Forest (EBF), 576 Alvarado Row (XOX) and Synergy met to discuss collective bargaining strategies in their upcoming meeting with Stanford Residential and Dining Enterprises. Residents of Hammar skjöld, Terra and Kairos chose to sit out the initial meeting and are instead focusing on "self love".

Nationwide, graduate students at Columbia, NYU and other elite institutions have been organizing into labor unions for collective bargaining rights, adequate medical coverage and job security. This outcry in student activism has affected undergraduate students as well.

"Tensions haven't been this high since we decided to ban bananas," claimed one EBF resident. Another member of the EBF community said "the banana incident really wasn't really that bad. The coyote fiasco was much much worse. Some guy who lived in the house tried to raise six coyote pups in his room. Too many residents were allergic, plus the coyotes were aggressive and refused to clean up their dishes. Their mothers would lurk around the building in search of their offspring. Everyone was very afraid and it was a dark time."

Columbae's "Theme Manager," a volunteer position responsible for enforcing the current year's theme, seeks salaried employment for their rigorous party planning efforts. Synergy's primary marijuana dealer and the "Brew Master" of EBF are requesting medical insurance.



Mr. Trebek holds a degree in philosophy from the University of Ottawa and has been a host of the syndicated television show Jeopardy! since 1984. Courtesy of Alex Trebek

## GOVERNMENT

### Trebek to Replace Hennessy

By COUCHE ELMO

Following last weekend's final round of deliberations the Office of Presidential Selection (OOPS) announced its decision to have George Alexander 'Alex' Trebek to replace John Hennessy as president of the university.

During our interview with Erica Montell, a representative of OOPS, she assured The Daily that the presidential selection process used was "rigorous" and "mostly accurate." The process occurred over a two week period, where 120 commissioners met in the basement in Wallenberg deliberating without wifi nor windows.

There they went through several rounds of candidate discussion and voting procedures. "We had a ballot, and the commissioners casted their votes one-by-one," said Montell. "We voted four times a day every day until we reached a two-thirds consensus. If no candidate had two-thirds of the votes, the ballots would be set aflame." After two weeks, the supermajority of commissioners decided on Trebek.

Many, including Hennessy himself,

are confident Trebek will bring strong leadership to the position. "Here is a man with extraordinary knowledge. Knowledge of both the humanities and sciences," commented Hennessy. "He knows what he's doing, he brings the heat. He looks good."

Provost John Etchemendy remarked that he "[admires] Trebek" very much and that he was very pleased at the outcome of the presidential conclave. "It's not every day you get to work for the smartest man on the entire planet."

This decision has also come as a surprise to many. "I'm not sure anyone saw this coming," commented Glenn Boyd, an undergraduate studying Physics. "I've always just thought of him as the man who asks twisted questions in front of the wall of blue screens." Another undergraduate, Joanna Stevens hissed, "The man is from Canada."

But what agenda does Mr. Trebek have planned for the university? We are able to report what we learned from our interview with him, however Trebek proves to be a man of few words. "The finest academic and research institution in the United States," he said. "A progressive center for cultivating the minds of the next generation of leaders." When asked to elaborate, Mr. Trebek's eyes gleamed, and he replied, "What is Stanford University?"

## CAMPUS DINING

### Arrillaga Dining to Serve Only Legumes

By DIGGY KOOPER

Effective immediately, Arrillaga Dining is going legume-only.

The decision follows a vote by the ASSU Undergraduate Senate, some members of whom have seemed almost ghoulishly fixated on the idea of a dining hall that would serve only legumes.

Because legumes aren't meat, Arrillaga will still be vegetarian and vegan-friendly, as well as kosher by default. Unfortunately for fruitarians, they won't be able to find much to snack on, unless their fruit-based diets also include legumes.

As for beverages, soda is unavailable, and coffee beans aren't in the legume family, but soy and almond milk are on tap. There will also be water soon, extracted from the juice of legumes.

Just as before, the dining hall will offer two entrées at every meal. While both will be prepared from legumes, the two entrée options will never feature the same legume, which will accommodate those luckless individuals allergic to any of the following: alfalfa, clover, peas, beans, lentils, carob, peanuts or tamarind. If a student is allergic to more than one or more of these, he or she might have to go somewhere else.

Stanford has recently invested in a large legume conglomerate, which would explain the sudden change in menu.



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## NEW LEGISLATION

### Salamander Overlords Demand Wifi Signals Be Turned Down

By MAGNET SLUMBERG

This past Friday, the Salamander Overlords that reside underneath Lake Lagunita demanded the wifi signal strength be turned down in every building within a quarter-mile radius surrounding the lake.

This comes as a surprise, considering the Salamander government has not reached out to Stanford University since the 1990's. Their last ominous demand required Stanford to stop filling Lake Lagunita with water. The man-made lake was seeping into a nesting chamber and hindering the development of thousands of Salamander children.

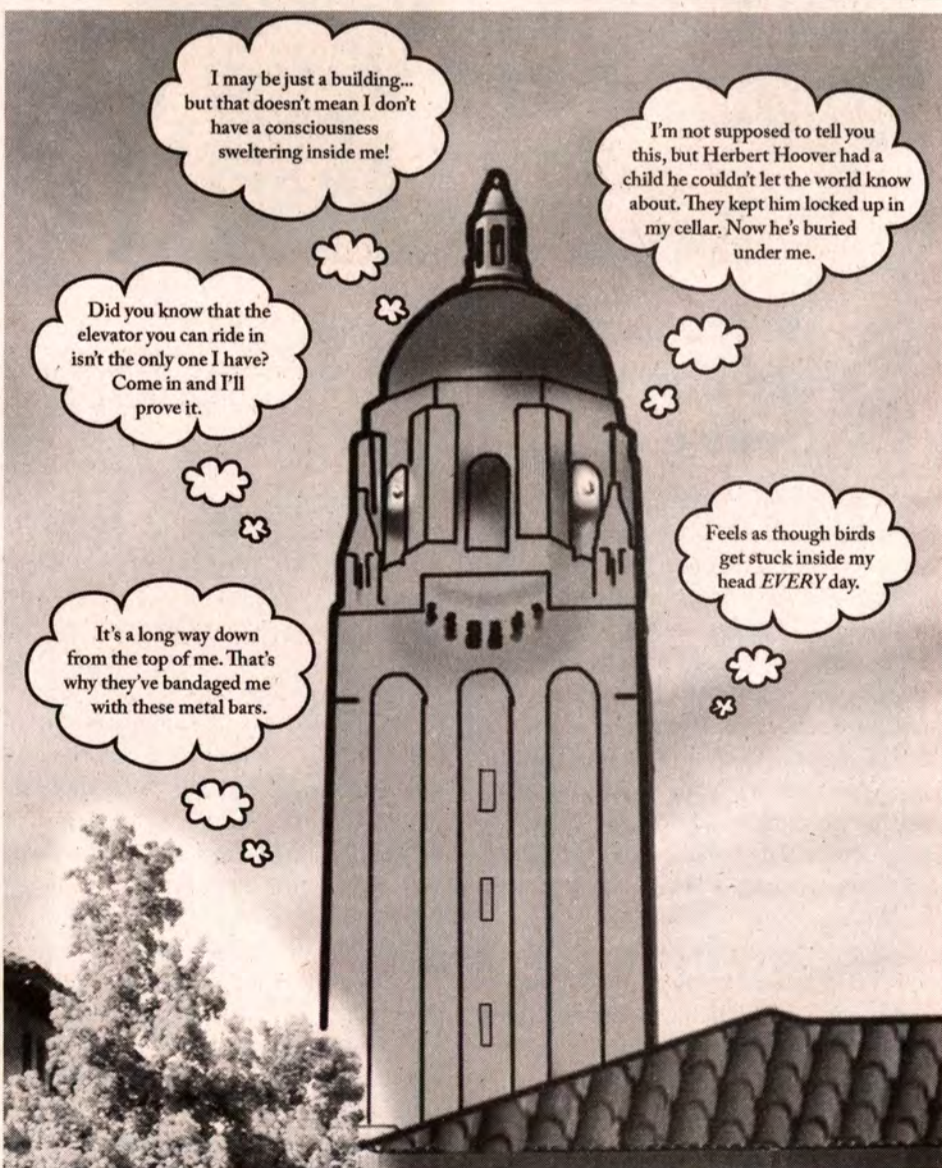
As everyone knows, the Salamander people are not to be trifled with. The University initially did not give much attention to the Salamanders' request. Subsequently, dozens of students disappeared from campus, and many of the crime scenes clearly indicated a Salamander was responsible

for the kidnapping. The slimy trails they leave is remarkably distinctive.

Since then, Stanford has learned to respect the Salamanders and their precious land. The University established the Stanford Salamander Alliance (SSA) committee and it is now generally accepted that the Salamanders are the sole rulers of campus. They are our overlords and are to be revered.

As for the decrease in wifi strength, the University is likely to make a statement in the next few days, informing students of this policy's exact details. Students who live along the lake are encouraged to visit the 24-hour room in Lathrop Library if their diminishing wifi impedes their ability to do work, or more importantly, Stanford sanctioned research.

The Salamander's motives are enigmatic, however, Neko Schmidt, the president of the SSA, stated, "The last time the Salamanders made a demand of this magnitude, they were attempting to protect one of their egg chambers. I believe the wifi is affecting the incubation process and that they see this necessary measure to protect their offspring."



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**TECHNOLOGY**  
**Stanford IT**  
**Disappoints Everyone Yet**  
**Again**

By MITCH SUCCUBUS

This weekend Stanford University “suffered an apparent breach” in its network. The cyber-attack was launched from overseas according to an email sent out by the Vice President for Business Affairs and Chief Financial Officer Randy Livingston. Unfortunately, the university does not quite know the full extent of the breach or whether it will happen again.

Livingston’s email outlines the stolen information and possible explanation for the intrusion. It reads as follows:

“Members of the Stanford Community,

*It pains me to inform you that Stanford suffered an apparent breach in its network last Saturday evening. While most of you were out guzzling beers and running amuck, terabytes upon terabytes of your precious information was stolen from our servers. The full extent of the attack is not yet well understood, although we can guarantee you that enough of your data was stolen to justify feeling afraid and defiled.*

*The list of the stolen information includes many unsettling items such as SUNet usernames, passwords, IQ, credit card info, nipple color, weight, and GPA (all examples of standard statistics SUNet maintains for each account holder). The list continues to grow as our investigation progresses.*

*Stanford’s IT Services hypothesize that the hackers are located overseas. They believe the perpetrators are trying to create personality profiles based off of Stanford*

*students in order to program hyper-realistic robotic children. However, this is only speculation. They could actually be up to something much more sinister. The evils of this world know no bound.*

*You placed your trust in myself and my staff’s hands and we failed you. We poured blood, sweat, and tears into Stanford’s online security defenses, which were ultimately futile. We are worthless to you. I will release updates as we conduct further research, but I would not get my hopes up. In the meantime, I recommend that you shred your credit cards, your microwave, and sand off your fingerprints. There is no telling the outcome of this regretful event.*

Forlorned,  
 Livingston.”

Universities all over the world combat millions of cyber-attacks every year, although this intrusion appears to have resulted in a particularly large amount of stolen data. Stanford received criticism after implementing two-step authentication in response to a previous, less-serious information breach, but it is now clear that this security measure was not enough.

Associate Vice President for IT Services Bill Clebsch issued a short follow-up statement claiming that “it may take years of security improvements over some period of time to regain confidence in the security of the network.”

There is currently talk of security features involving subdermal microchip systems and hefty leg bracelets with GPS. An advanced system where students have their biological retinas replaced with temporary security-enhanced retinas will be in use by 2024, according to President Hennessy. These new technologies will cost the school approximately 4 billion USD.



**NO FUN**

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You know what, speaking of classes, how about just no more GERs? It’s a free for all. We’re done negotiating with a bunch of self-important kiddies over whether Aristotle is as important as Pablo Neruda, especially when we just want you all to be engineers.

Actually, I think I am onto something. This *laissez-faire* thing sounds like it could be pretty profitable. On the other hand, our meticulous, but ultimately poorly thought

out, system does offer us quite a bit of control over students’ day-to-day. It would be hard giving up that raw might. Just thinking of the control gives me goosebumps. I like that feeling. It’s this pure lust for power that gives meaning to my life. It feels like home.”

As it appears, Stanford’s bureaucracy is as callous and indifferent as ever. Their attempts to dispel any accusations seemed dismissive, yet, we should be thankful they even acknowledged our pleas in the first place. May we be at peace knowing our dear faculty derives such a sense of pleasure from their work.



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**NEW BUILDINGS COMING SOON**  
**Computer Satellite Campus**  
**Coming to Sunnyvale**

By SOUPY GOOPY

The Bay Area is engulfed by a housing crisis, and Stanford is no exception. As on-campus housing becomes increasingly scarce, students are being pushed off campus in droves. Oak Creek, an off-campus apartment complex, houses many of Stanford’s upperclassmen. Kara Lewis, the founder of a support group for students placed in Oak Creek, sat down with us to talk about the toll that housing scarcity has placed on the student body.

“It’s so isolating, Stanford tells us that we aren’t good enough to sleep on their venerated ground and it makes you wonder. Why am I not adequate? Where did my parents go wrong?” Mounting evidence suggests that students pushed off campus are increasingly plagued with feelings of regret, inadequacy, and mild heartburn from being forced to cook their own food.

Developing parallel to Stanford’s housing crisis is an interesting social phenomenon. Stanford students who are not majoring in Computer Science (CS) are experiencing escalating social friction with the CS majors. As social circles continue to segregate across lines of CS and non-CS majors, we can describe the trend as nothing other than sowing the seeds of sectarian violence. Non-CS majors feel increasingly frustrated by the social ineptitude of Silicon Valley’s self-proclaimed golden children.

“I was just studying in Tressider and I asked him if he could move over. He sat

there with his jaw hanging open for almost 3 full minutes until he finally wrote a script that fed me generic and barely socially acceptable responses,” explained Stanford senior Sarah Truman of her most recent encounter with a computer science major. We could not reach a CS major for comment as we are not sure any of them are aware that the Daily exists.

Rodger Whitney, executive director of Stanford RD&E Student Housing, has proposed a solution to Stanford’s housing crisis that he feels may address both lack of space and social tensions. Whitney has rented out 7 buildings in the heart of Sunnyvale, a booming metropolis, to create a satellite campus for Stanford computer science students. Whitney has even proposed custom-made pods in which the students can be shipped safely and with minimal human contact.

“We don’t want to destroy their sense of self, we just want to address looming problems in our community.” The computer science department has responded enthusiastically, insinuating that having all the CS majors in one place may minimize distractions, increase time spent conducting research, and allow CS students to adequately cultivate the “God-among-men” mentality that will prepare them for the modern tech industry. Opponents of the satellite campus argue that it will exacerbate the housing crisis for Sunnyvale residents and further Stanford’s role in gentrifying the Bay Area. Whitney responded to critics with a catchy and convincing rhyme: “What they call gentrification, we call innovation.” Stanford is slated to move forward with the plan, citing Whitney’s response to critics as “adequate”.

**FOOD AND DRINK**  
**Chipotle Launches in**  
**Tressider Union**

By TRISH NAILER

Those of you who still have yet to fulfill Stanford’s diversity course requirement are in luck. Stanford is opening a Chipotle in Tressider Memorial Union, bringing opportunities for easy 3-unit classes.

The surprise decision to give Chipotle a coveted space in Tressider came after another rejection of Ike’s Place, a once beloved on-campus sandwich eatery that Residential & Dining Enterprises (R&DE) decided to remove.

Shirley J. Everett, Senior Associate Vice Provost of R&DE, explained, “President Hennessy really did not like having to wade through Ike’s thick and girthy line during his daily walk from one side of the engineering quad to the other side of the engineering quad. That’s why he decided not to renew its lease. He also has a lot of money personally invested in Chipotle, but he assured me that barely affected his decision if it affected it at all.”

Marc Tessier-Lavigne released a statement claiming he was “in favor of letting the students play a role in the restaurant selection process”, but “utterly powerless until September 2016.”

An anonymous computer science co-term, provided the Daily with the following email Hennessy accidentally left open on a public computer in Green Library. The email is addressed to future president

Tessier-Lavigne and from current President Hennessy and explains why Stanford was so eager to take on a Chipotle franchise:

“Marc, Look,

*I don’t know how things work in Canada. I know you want the students to be happy, but that’s not your job as president. The students will not appreciate this university if they are given everything they want. You need to be tough. Tough as nails. If I come up to you, and sock you in the stomach, you don’t wince. You look me in the eye and say, ‘Thank you very much, please hit me thrice more.’*

*That’s exactly the sort of mentality the Chipotle name stands for. Toughness. Plus, I’ve got a lot of money riding on Chipotle. Their stocks are plummeting, ‘cause of some scandal concerning the E. coli-ridden lettuce they sprinkle atop all their meaty bowls. It’s the damn liberal media to blame. So if I don’t do something, no one will.*

*It’s a Stanford President’s version of selecting a Supreme Court Justice and there is nothing you can do to take that away from me, Marc. This is my legacy were dealing with.*

Smell you later,  
 Johnny H.”

The Daily tried to reach out to Ike’s Place and Chipotle for a comment, but neither responded to our requests.



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# ARTS & LIFE

## CORN CRAZE Ethanol Huffing Sweeps Stanford

By SERGIO MONTICELLI

It's time to forget jello shots and Molotov cocktails. A new party craze from the Midwest is sweeping Stanford: ethanol huffing, the snorting or "vaping" of corn alcohol.

When asked to comment on the latest trend, Kyle Chaff '18, self-avowed participant in the Stanford "corn scene," responded, "I feel the burn! It's like drinking 10 beers in one breath!" The statistics bear him out. An increasing number of students are filling their nostrils with pure uncut ethanol, imported directly from states including Iowa and Nebraska. At the beginning of fall quarter 2015, less than 1% of Stanford students reported trying or considering trying ethanol huffing. In the latest survey conducted by the Daily, the number rose to 15%. "Every day I hear about so-and-so getting a fresh batch of eth'. Eventually you decide: if Stanford students are doing it, it's got to be safe right?" Chaff

concluded.

"Aww Geez Louise, it's just corn!" is what you may find yourself thinking. However, the ethanol fad is not as harmless as it may seem. Ralph Castro, Associate Dean of Students & Director of the Office of Alcohol Policy and Education, issued a warning to students on the dangers of ethanol huffing during a speech last Thursday:

"Many people have had their lives ruined by ethanol huffing. You start out huffing in social situations, but sooner or later, you'll wake up butt-naked in a corn field. You drove out to some corn field in middle-of-nowhere at midnight in a last ditch effort to get your hands on some precious eth'. However, you were so high out of your goddamn mind that you crashed your car. The farmers that owned the field called the cops and now you're arrested. Time to spend the rest of your life toiling away in a for-profit prison. You best stick to shucking



Courtesy of Harry Husker

Ethanol extraction is an extremely volatile process. Often, small critters, such as mice, are crushed up into the corn. Huffing ethanol is essentially the same as huffing dried mouse remains.

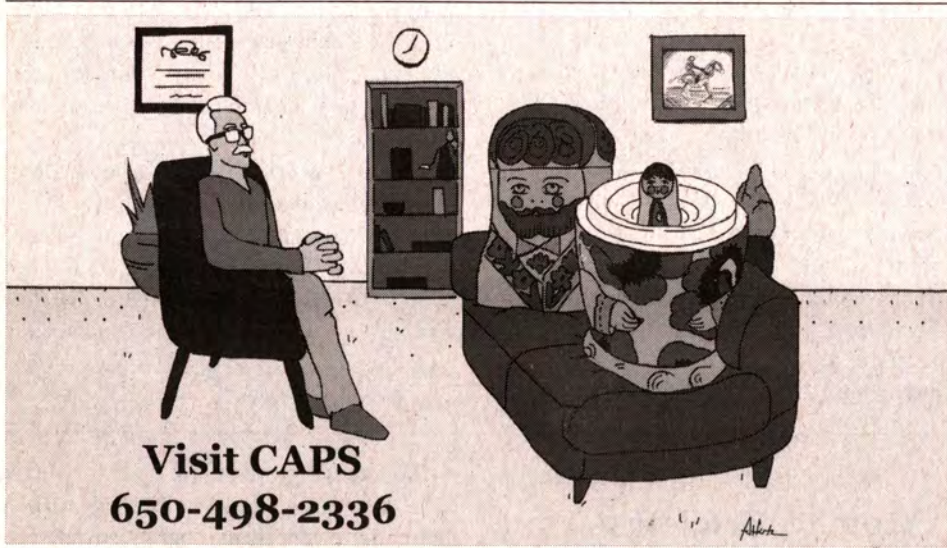
corn, not huffing it."

"Come to one of our Cardinal Nights events instead," Castro offered with a crack in his voice. "Tonight we're playing Pit, the commodities trading game, and Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 3 (the PlayStation 2 version). One student is planning on bringing glowsticks."

Prominent members of the corn community had criticisms of their own. "We all did crazy things in college," said

Harry Husker, president of the Iowa Corn Farmers' Association, "but we really wish that members of the Stanford community would show some respect for our product." Despite his displeasure, Husker conceded there was little he could do about the trend. "Besides," he bumbled, "I'm from Iowa. What do I know?"

Students who find them selves suffering with addiction are encouraged to visit CAPS or Vaden Health Center.



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### NATURE

#### Permanent Petting Zoo

By UThER BRITe

In an effort to combat plummeting morale, Stanford University is planning on opening a permanent petting zoo in Autumn 2016. This is the result of a partnership between the Stanford Equestrian team and the experimental veterinary laboratory tucked away on the bottom floor of the Biology building. Admission will be free for Stanford Students. "The petting zoo will cultivate a relaxing environment for Stanford students and will furthermore provide a considerable amount of valuable research data," claimed Michael Schubert, Stanford's Director of Unethical Siences and Eugenics.

Students will also have the opportunity of enrolling in a 2-unit course, "BIO 244A: The Ethics of Touching Animals". Students will attend an hour long petting session every week, followed by a discussion concerning the ethics of owning other living beings. Snacks and refreshments will be served throughout the course. The menu will consist primarily of meats.

The Stanford Petting Zoo will be home to many animals ranging from horses, sheep, and rabbits to more exotic animals such as shrunken dolphins, sentient plants, and subjects left over from the Stanford Prison Experiment.

All human-animal interactions will be monitored via a two-way mirror. Any unauthorized contact with the animals calls for immediate expulsion.

### PROFESSOR SPOTLIGHT Paleontologist: "I love dinos"

By DODGE KERPOPOLES

How did we find out that dinos are Dr. Dennis Bird's favorite animal? Easy – he told us.

"I love, love, love, love dinos," says Dr. Bird, a Stanford Professor of Geological Sciences. "I like to brush their bones."

Dr. Bird spoke to us while he prepared for a lecture on dinosaurs last Thursday. The talk afforded a rare opportunity to hear the incredible story of the giant lizards that walked the prehistoric earth, as told by a confirmed dinosaur lover and addict. Over two spellbinding hours, Dr. Bird told us about a day in the life of a paleontologist, how he uses a special shovel to dig for bones, and what he does with the bones when he finds them.

The professor also passed around a fossil for the audience to hold. Once the fossil made it back to him, he shocked the audience by revealing that it wasn't a dinosaur fossil, but a fossilized piece of dinosaur dung! You might think that's gross, but for Dr. Bird, it's all in a day's work when you're studying dinos.

Did you know one dino Dr. Bird didn't always like is pterodactyls? In fact, he used to think they were scary. But now, he thinks they're funny. Definitely not his favorite, but they're better than nothing!

You might also be surprised to learn that Dr. Bird doesn't like *Jurassic Park*. I know, I was shocked too.

"I was looking forward to it," he explained, "but it was boring." Dr. Bird feels like the movie spent too much time showing people and old computers instead of dinosaurs. He prefers *The Land Before Time*, since, in his opinion, it's "all about dinos."

At the end of the lecture, the professor shared a sweet story about friendship and science. Last fall, Dr. Bird bought a T. rex mask to wear on Halloween. It covered his head and neck, letting him look out through the mouth between the animal's sharp teeth. Although scary in appearance, the teeth were made of soft felt! He was going to save it for a costume party, but he just couldn't wait that long.

"I wore the T. rex mask to school," he says. "Before I got to class, I thought that people would make fun of me. But everyone stood up and clapped when they saw me in the mask, looking like a real dinosaur."

Every day since, his students have called him Dr. Dino. It's a nickname he appreciates.

You can catch Dennis Bird's dinosaur talk again this Wednesday night at 8:00 PM in the History Corner – or anywhere else you might happen to run into him. "I'm really into dinos," he tells us with a shy smile. "I never, ever, stop thinking about them."



The Stanford Daily

This is a photo taken of President Hennessy from 1999 in Vienna. He is the gentleman under the arrow.

### KNOW YOUR SCHOOL

#### Stanford History 101

By DUCKY KNOWSBEST

In this 1999 photo, University Provost John Hennessy (indicated with arrow) is seen celebrating an underground transaction with a gang of Viennese *Strolche* (German: "rascals"). According to multiple affidavits, Hennessy had just agreed to defund the campus entomology lab, then allow a *Strolche*-owned bug liquidation firm to dispose of the lab's millions of bugs. These bugs are crushed into an illegal euphoriant paste abused widely in many German-speaking countries.

In return for Hennessy's favor, the well-connected *Strolche* were to "facilitate" Stanford's controversial purchase of a local low-income housing project in Vienna. Hennessy had long sought to acquire the real estate, remove the buildings and their poor, and re-purpose the land as a pleasure-den and hyper-vacation megaplex

for Silicon Valley's wealthiest individuals. It is clear that Hennessy saw the intoxicating bugs as the key to unlock his wildest fantasies.

When arrested by local police with a suitcase full of bugs and questionable documents, the timid Hennessy quickly turned informant. The Austrian government rewarded his whistle blowing. All charges were dropped, on the condition that he leave the country and never return. Hennessy was sent back on a medium-sized boat. Upon repatriating, Hennessy broadcasted a tearful statement of remorse over the campus's earthquake alarm system, hoping to regain the sympathy of the faculty and student body. The gambit worked, and Hennessy was named President the following year.

*The State Department still cautions Stanford students not to visit Austria due to the likelihood of murder. If students do intend to visit Austria, we advise they do not bring any Stanford branded clothing.*

### Take "ARTSTUDI 154QX: The Performativity of Mental Instability" this spring

Terms: Spring | Units: 3 | Grading: Letter (ABCD/NP)

Students will participate in a quarter-long performance art project exploring topics of mental instability. Embodying individuals deviating from social norms in both behavior and appearance will be the primary focus of the class. And we don't just mean the kind of social anxiety that TAPS and Slavic Studies majors experience during the Fall Career Fair. Think you might crack under the pressure? Well, that's the point. It's going to be truly enriching.

### CAMPUS LIFE

#### New Study-Spaces and Simulations to Come

By CABS EASTER

In order to allow humanities students to experience the unique sensation of majoring in a STEM field at Stanford, various engineering and science departments have started an initiative to create study spaces that emulate the feeling of earning a STEM degree.

"We understand that the humanities at Stanford are struggling to get students to major in their departments," said Hubert Poole, current Mechanical Engineering professor. "Constructing a new Art building, teaching humanities students how to use computers, and holding liberal arts career carnivals were all moderately successful attempts made to appease students worrying that majoring in a humanity may 'not be worth the time and effort'. We respect that. However, we would like to make an attempt of our own. We want humanities students to experience the perspective a STEM major, so they do not feel as if they are missing out anymore."

Several STEM departments will be providing themed alternative study-spaces designed to provide students with an immersive environment, where they can experience what it would be like working in a STEM field.

"For example, some study spaces resemble the interior of a space ship. Students will get to study in an actual pilot's seat, watching space debris go by and hearing all the beeps and boops. Sometimes the study-space shakes to simulate turbulence. I know some people are working very hard to create a 'zero-gravity' study setting," described Poole. He hastily added, "The students will get to study whichever subject they prefer inside, of course."

Other study-spaces will include sanitary ballpits, well-furnished rooms with Persian rugs, ornate wooden tables with neatly stacked piles of 100 dollar bills, and even "laboratories" complete with beakers of every shape and size filled with fantastic colored fluids.

There will also be virtual-reality stations that give students a preview of the many satisfactions of a STEM life. Kent Johnston, of the Biology Department, described one simulation currently in the design process: "When [the simulation] is complete, even History majors will be able to experience the joy and fulfillment a doctor would get from delivering a child."

Study-spaces and simulations are scheduled to be unveiled early during the 2017-2018 school year. They will be free to students and open to the public for \$10 per ticket or \$50 for a season pass. Discounted tickets will be available for the elderly. The profits will go towards their respective STEM departments.

# OPINIONS

## MEYER GREEN

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handwriting reading: "It runs deep." My curiosity was further inflamed and I began to furiously sift through the files.

The papers were composed almost entirely of photos of what appeared to be the same building from a dozen different angles. It was a tall, looming hulk of an edifice, and I couldn't recognize it at all. And yet... it featured the same beige walls and terracotta roof as the legally required architectural style for all Pizza Huts and Stanford University buildings mandates. But what was it? I scanned the pictures again, trying to find some clue to get my bearings straight. I did in fact recognize the area around this strange building, but I could not believe what I was seeing. The building's surroundings were strikingly similar to the Meyer Green area. Impossible, I thought. I decided, for the sake of our beloved Meyer Green, that I would investigate these bizarre, slanderous images.

The next day I roamed the revered field in search of answers. I needed to find solace in the opinions of my peers. I needed somebody to reaffirm that Meyer Green

had always been there for us, that it had never not existed. I approached dozens of students with the same question: "Has our sensuous ritual ditch always been here?"

People responded generally with statements such as, "Meyer Green has always existed," "We Cherish our Meyer Green," or "Sounds like somebody needs to visit the Pacification Center." I became aggravated. None of this gave me any solace! The folder still haunted me, and with each bemused or ignorant expression I met, I became more frantic! I had to know... I had to be convinced that the strange phantom building was just some sick trick, and that Meyer Green has always existed.

I sensed somebody watching me. I turned toward Coupa and, indeed, the woman behind the counter was staring at me, shaking her head with disapproval. I lunged towards the coffee shop and stumbled up to the window. The people I cut in line indignantly yelled comments like "Meyer Green would not approve!" or "the Green sees!" I sputtered at the Coupa lady, "What do you know?!"

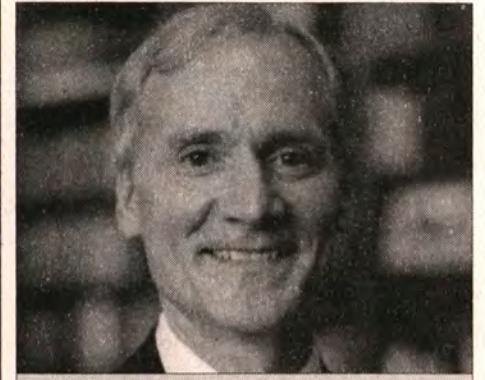
She stared at me with eyebrows raised. "It's just a damn park," she said. She paused and looked at me as if she were hesitant to complete her thought. Finally, she muttered, "I liked the library better."

No sooner had the words left her lips

than three men in dark suits armed with assault rifles burst into the kitchen behind her and lifted her into the air. I watched hopelessly as the figure carried the Coupa lady through the door and out of sight. The waiting customers screamed in horror, "Save her, Meyer Green!" I felt a sudden pang of dread, which sent me sprinting away from the cafe. Hot tears filled my eyes. Why did the lady say "library," of all things?! I ran to the first place I could think - my office. But my anguish was not over. Just as I stepped into the darkened room, a dense object slammed into my head and I was knocked out.

I have no idea how long I was out, but I remember having extremely vivid dreams where I was strapped to a chair in a dentist office. However, instead of a dentist, or even a dental hygienist, there was a television mounted directly in front of my face.

Regardless of my silly concussion-induced nightmares, I am glad that this happened to me. When I woke up, I was back in my office and those nefarious papers were gone, replaced by a singular image printed on official Stanford University letterhead. It was a picture of the lovely Meyer Green. I knew, looking at that beautiful university-sanctioned document, that everything would be okay. Meyer Green would protect me.



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### YOUNG ADULT NOVELS: A SHORT RAP

*Yo, you know, fuck what's non-canonical  
That's barnacles  
Look, Chronicles of Narnia was an alright book  
At best, I must confess*

*And, as far as young adult novels go,  
Lord of the Rings  
Reigns far supreme, in both plot and depth  
Put it to rest, I must confess*

## PRO: KEEP BRIAN ALIVE Do Not Murder Me

By BRIAN WHISK

My name is Brian and I wish to advocate in this column for a topic that is very near and dear to me: why I should in fact not be murdered. I am against being exterminated and would like to present three primary arguments as well as a brief pre-emptive rebuttal argument to illustrate why you should be too.

My first point is that no man should be assassinated *just like that*. This isn't right! You don't just see people running around getting killed off because they aren't tall enough, or because they didn't win enough debate rounds last year. Have you? The answer is no. You haven't seen this or that Stanford student minding their own business just to be done in with a murder. I shouldn't even have to explain why this is unfair, but I cannot stress enough that people are not supposed to be murdered *just like that*, even though Nathan would suggest otherwise.

My second point is that, frankly, I should not be poisoned or maimed, because I have dozens of worthy qualities that would make my disappearance from the world a real shame. I am kind, I am considerate, and I clean up after myself. I am thorough, I am rigorous, and I never burp. I always excuse myself to wash my shoes in the bathroom before I go into a nice carpeted room. I never swallow my own spit. I draw in my free time and I wrote a short story that you can read for yourself and stop taking Nathan's word for it that the writing is bad and cloying and warrants my demise. I am an exceptional man in these respects actually, but even if I'm not, even if I'm not... I'm still at the very least a NORMAL man. And if you believe that normal men should be murdered, well, you must have skipped over my first paragraph where I proved that they shouldn't be.

My third and final point, which I hope, oh my God, proves to you that I deserve to live this life until I die a natural and totally unplanned death, free of the evil influence of Nathan and his cynical friends, is this: there are a dozen-or-so people I interact with, and my death will likely be a negative experience for all of them. My RAs, classmates, and professors would be subject to weeks of questioning,



Courtesy of Brian Whisk

Pictured: the exceptionally normal Brian Whisk. He wears glasses and uses the computer.

and they are already such busy people. My parents would be horrified that their average son could be so quickly and easily destroyed. Not to mention, our justice system is already clogged up enough, and doesn't need my own gruesome murder taking up time that could be spent on other more important things. God forbid the terrible image of my own mangled body ends up on the five-o'clock news. *Children watch that*. I am not about to embarrass myself in front a bunch of kids.

Now, taking the opposition's side, I suppose I could imagine for a second that someone would want to end my life because I am a worthless man. I am a waste of special space which could otherwise be utilized by a more productive man. Or perhaps I am a drain of resources like food, shower water, or energy. Nathan may gloat and grin and tell you that this is an excellent reason to terminate a man, but I would offer a contrary opinion. I take up barely any space at all. I am fairly small. I do not talk loud and I do not grab at people. I realize that I haven't been perfect and of course I do take up some space, but you see everyone can always improve. I will stick to myself and eat very little. I will hide when I see anyone and will only use milk and food that was going bad anyway. These are promises I can make and I've never broken a promise. Remember, I can only keep a promise if I remain among the living.

Dogs are not allowed on campus! Anywhere! If you see someone walking their dog, politely demand that they leave campus ASAP. Hennessy is allergic to dogs and this is a very important rule to him. If he catches you with a dog, he makes you fight the dog.

Protect yourself from the swine flu. The swine flu is the number one killer on Stanford's campus. "Piggy fever", as the youths are calling it, runs rampant during the hotter months of the school year. Make sure to invest in plenty of anti-hog yard fixtures. Alternatively, you can spend your energy avoiding the snakes instead. You have to choose one. You will eventually succumb to either the flu or snakes, so it's best to excel at resisting only one.

Make of these tips what you will. God forbid you find yourself in one of these sticky situations without being prepared. These are dangerous times.

## CON: END BRIAN Murder Brian

By NATHAN KEELE

I am Nathan, and today it is my thesis that Brian Whisk should be killed sooner rather than later. I hope to persuade you, my reader, by carefully considering the claims of my opponent, and hopefully victim as well, Brian.

First, Brian tells you that "no man should be assassinated *just like that*" ("Do Not Murder Me," 2016). What Brian neglects to mention, however, are the many cases throughout history of people getting murdered *just like that*. Consider for example the murder of Julius Caesar. Julius was a Roman statesman who was famously killed in Shakespeare's play "Julius Caesar." No one expects a royal figure to get killed *just like that* out of the blue. However, Brutus did in fact murder Julius Caesar *just like that*, unlike Brian would attempt to lead you to believe.

Onto my second point, Caesar would strongly disagree with the idea of being killed. Yet does this mean Caesar was correct? No, it doesn't, and that's exactly why Brian's argument against his own demise should be rendered invalid. Indeed, wouldn't anyone feel this way? Brian is a questionable party in this manner considering his own obvious bias. I would like to note that my stance on killing him is not biased and should thus be the only side considered (or at least seriously considered).

## TROUBLE IN PARADISE The Hypocrisy of the Fundamental Standard

By SALAMANDA GOF

When you rest your sweet head on your pillow at night, what are the last thoughts to cross your mind? Of course, I know the answer to this question. First you thank the Constitution of the United States, and second you thank the Stanford Fundamental Standard. Stanford's Fundamental Standard is the all-pervasive ideological safeguard that keeps this campus together. At the height of political turmoil and infighting between student groups, we can at least rest easy knowing that the Fundamental Standard binds us together in principle and character.

And so, dear Stanford, this is a desperate student's plea that you rectify the hypocrisy within this revered document before everything falls apart. Here, I will outline for the benefit of the Tessier-Lavigne First Order and the entire student body the Daily's earnest couple of objections to the fundamental standard.

First: The Fundamental Standard includes "Computer Violations" among the litany of bullet points it forbids.

Although Stanford is clearly a proponent and harbinger of the Singularity, we decry the University's prioritization of

It's time for my third and most important piece of concrete evidence: Brian's shortcomings as an individual. Although Brian would expectedly disagree, I find his writing is bad and cloying. He is normal with no qualities that add to our society. As Maslow's hierarchy of needs shows, people such as Brian, who only need basic necessities, have less potential than people like me, Nathan, who, in addition to having several excellent ideas for blogs, have even talked to my friend about doing the coding for the blogs, since I would like to learn how. Although Brian, self-proclaimed keeper of promises, assured us he would take up less space, every man must occupy at least some. If Brian were to continually get smaller in order to take up less space, he would eventually perish, which would contradict his sickeningly desperate plea for a longer lifespan in the first place.

Brian thinks that every person, simply because they are a person, has a right to die in a totally natural and unplanned way. According to this line of thought, it would follow that it is unfair for another person to take away the life of the first person. While this reasoning is logical, it does not apply to our specific predicament, for ultimately, I don't think Brian qualifies as a person in absolutely every regard. Look, I understand he is *pretty much* a person, but I refuse to round up. I hope you will agree that someone, namely me, must carry out the eradication of Brian's being anytime ranging from the immediate to near future. Although I will settle for the distant future.

computer life over human life. Communication with computers is imperfect, and humans have no way of knowing if their computer truly feels violated. Because of this, it is more likely than not that Stanford administrators violate computers on a daily basis. Yet, undergraduates will bear the brunt of arbitrary prosecution.

Second and most importantly: in the same litany of bullet points, the fundamental standards bans "threats," when The Fundamental Standard is ITSELF a menacing threat to the Stanford community. First, the Standard THREATENS that "students ... may be subject to discipline at Stanford University." Sounds like a THREAT to discipline me if there ever was one. Then, just when you thought it couldn't get worse, the document decides to really hammer home the THREAT by closing with a section in which it THREATENS students with formal warning, community service, and - even worse than death - expulsion.

At all costs, the Stanford administration should strive to preserve the safety of its students. And, it is the job of the student's to tell the administration when they aren't doing that. These blatant threats are a hypocrisy. The vague insertion of "computer violations" as a blanket cause to expel anyone is pure madness. To accept these malfeasances is to accept that we don't deserve Tessier-Lavigne's personal love and all the blood in his body. Never.

### ADVICE

## Very Important Stanford Safety Tips

By MURILEGUS SACRARIUM

Stanford is full of pickpockets. Try walking through Old Union without having 10 people try and take all of your money. Here's a quick safety trick to dupe those worthless pickpockets! Fill your pockets with baffling and dangerous objects before leaving the house. We recommend peanut butter and razor blades. No pickpocket wants a handful of that!

Don't walk around at night! Stanford is *extremely* dangerous at night. A slew of wild animals and miscreants begin "The Prowl" at 7:00 PM sharp every night. Don't talk about "The Prowl." Every upperclassman knows about "The Prowl," but will refuse to acknowledge it.

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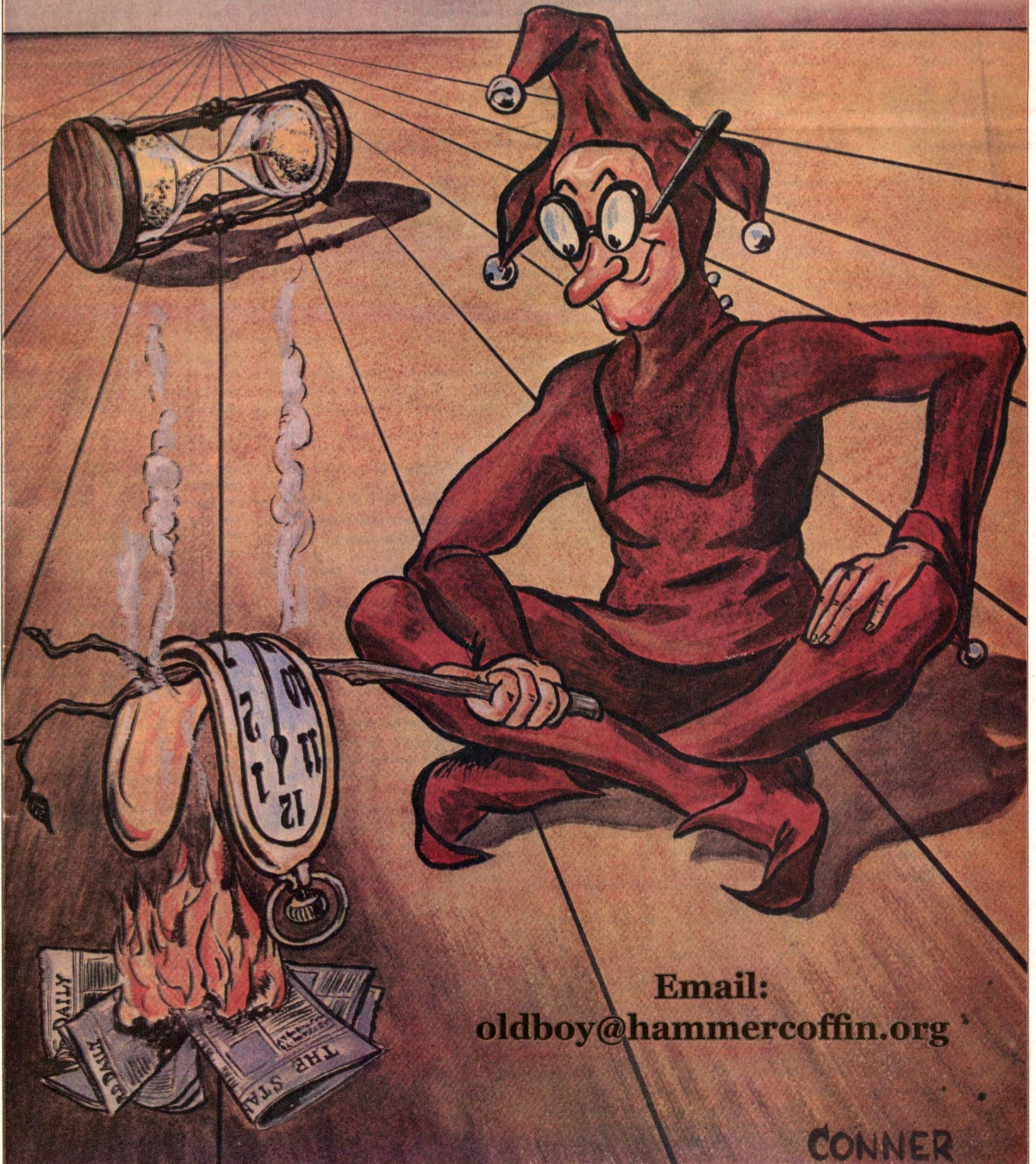
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