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It's a bunny with an umbrella, okay?  
Shut up.

## Kim Jong-Il set to deliver next Snyder Lecture

BY SHORT MAN, BIG NUKE  
Compensating for something

After landing his private hot air balloon yesterday on the lawn outside of the Gifford House, University President Lawrence Bacow announced that North Korean leader Kim Jong-Il will deliver a Snyder Presidential Lecture sometime next fall.

"We wanted somebody controversial, somebody who could make Larry Summers look like the Pillsbury Doughboy. Not that he doesn't already," Bacow said. Although the announcement was met with some confusion from the community, Bacow assured everybody that the topic of the speech will not be remotely offensive.

"Does Kim Jong-Il hate America? Yes. Is he a maniacal short man with a nuke? Sure. But that doesn't matter. I invited him here to speak about his real passion: the theme of 'roneriness' in epic poetry that he explored in 'Team America: World Police' [2004]," Bacow said. "It's a little known fact, but he's a really sensitive man who just couldn't say no to the chance to fly in my hot air balloon."

Still, not all members of the community were placated by these

assurances. Associate Professor John McDonald, still riding high on his success in protesting the Summers speech, decided to unveil a new mechanism of lecture-related subterfuge. "I'm going to encourage all students, in an effort to peacefully make their positions visible, to engage in a game of nighttime hide and seek," he said. "Otherwise, I'm encouraging them to go to the lecture and remain standing. There's no way that anybody will be able to see that little man speaking if people are standing."

The speech was made possible through the efforts of Institute for Global Leadership Director Sherman Teichman. "Basically, I know the leaders of every country in the free world. You might know that. I've brought them here for lots of fantastic bloviation sessions," he said. "But basically, I got tired of them, so I decided to start collecting evil dictators as my friends. I made that decision right after I invented the Internet. And the concept of free doughnuts. I also happen to be the tannest man alive. Do you think I'm sexy?"

Tufts Community Union President Mitch Robinson applauded Teichman's efforts to bring diverse viewpoints to cam-



DAILY FILE PHOTO

Larry B. and B-Reit, chillin' with the villains.

pus. "I just wanted to point out that this is another example of the Senate being responsive to students' needs. Communication is important to us. Kim Jong-Il will be speaking. Speaking is communicating, so we'll take credit for that," said Robinson, who upon further questioning admitted that the Senate had absolutely no role in

bringing the speaker to campus. Although the event has the potential to lead to violent protest, Tufts University Police Department Captain Mark Keith said that his department isn't concerned. "Our prime task right now is confiscating pot from stoners. We like to make fun of them and try to sell them things to munch on."

### Hurt dick hand keeps Fergie from a-workin' on her fitness

Stacy Ferguson can no longer live up to a promise made in her hit "Fergalicious."

According to sources close enough to Fergie to call her Stacy, the singer's hand was severely wounded when that dude who can't spell "tasty" impaled her with a giant candy cane following an altercation in Las Vegas.

"God damnit man, you done made me hurt my dick hand!" Ferguson squealed. She was due up in the gym later that day.

"He's my witness!" she claimed, but her witness has since agreed to testify against her in a high-profile perjury case set to begin next month.

She took consolation in her strong personal conviction that she ain't promiscuous.

"That shit is fictitious!" she exclaimed.

This latest incident has exacerbated an already-tough year for the singer, who is also under investigation by the FBI for alleged terrorist threats to bring down the London Bridge. Authorities believe the song indicates Ferguson's desire to blow up the landmark every time a certain man "comes around."

## King evicted from on-campus housing

BY WREN'S RODENTS  
Awesome Suitemates

Director of Residential Life and Learning Yolanda King received a rude awakening yesterday when she was evicted from her on-campus house. In a standard update of the housing guidelines, King included a clause stipulating that only full-time faculty members can receive housing on campus.

Only days after the new version was published last month, students approached the administration to argue that King is not a full-time employee, so should be stripped of the housing that she currently has. A final decision was announced yesterday by University President Lawrence Bacow.

"I never thought I'd have the opportunity to say this, but Yolanda King is the Mark Foley of Tufts. She screwed over a lot of kids and now she got defeated by her own legislation. Man, am I happy to find an excuse to get her off campus," Bacow said.

The official decision also involved input from the Tufts Community Union Judiciary (TCUJ) and from King's colleagues. Throughout the arguments, King argued that she was in fact a full-time employee.

"It became clear after a while, though, that playing with LEGOs and repeatedly asking your colleagues to take you to see 'Marie Antoinette' [2006] does not constitute full-time work," TCUJ Chair Dan Hartman said.

Despite the decision, King's colleagues remained worried that she will still try to sneak into on-campus dorms, especially Sophia Gordon. "She's a big fan of the waterless urinals," one of them, who spoke on a condition of anonymity said.

According to Bacow, King's current house will go to members of the class of 2010 who were waitlisted during this year's lottery. "Justice is sweet. Almost as sweet as Adele's chocolate chip cookies," he sighed.

## ACU says that Primary Source members are 'Republi-can'ts'

BY MISS UNDERSTOOD  
Dirrrty

Are Jumbo Republicans Republican enough? Some people don't think so.

The American Conservative Union (ACU), a national conservative group that provides funding and technical support to young patriots around the nation, has begun an audit of conservative groups, particularly in the nether regions of New England. Tufts has emerged as a particularly damning example.

ACU representatives will be following around so-called campus conservatives and monitoring their activity over the next month. American flags and other displays of patriotism will work in auditees' favor, while "suspicious" gestures, like liberal-sounding coughs and saying hello to homosexuals on campus, will count against them.

The outlook for Tufts' conservatives, investigators say, isn't good.

"These people are taking on the name 'Republican,'" said Tom DeLay, the head of the commission and a distinguished alum of the U.S. Congress. "More like Republi-can't."

DeLay further explained his concern that the pervasive liberal environment on the Medford campus was "oozing, like corrosive acid, like a gluttonous, mutating cancer. With gangrene."

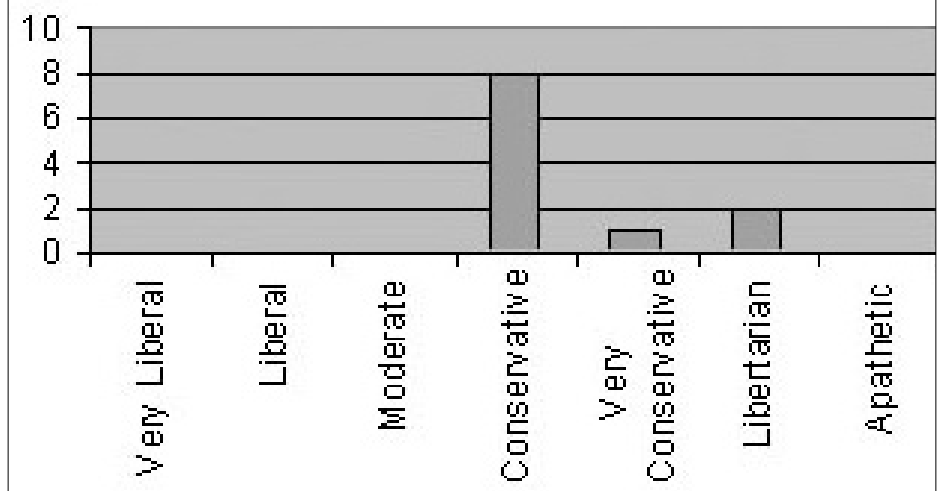
His evidence is beyond compelling. "First, they decided to go to school in a foreign country," DeLay said. "I mean, Massachusetts. Really."

The ACU conducted a survey of political affiliations listed on Source members Facebook.com profiles, with disappointing results.

"Extreme conservatives are severely underrepresented on-staff," DeLay said.

One also can't help but be troubled by the Libertarian presence. "It's this that we're really terribly concerned about," DeLay said. "Once they minimize government, how the hell are we going to provide the outreach to preserve the sanctity of marriage? Or our

### Primary Source Masthead: Political Affiliations



TUFTS DAILY GRAPHIC

\*Facebook listed political affiliations for 78.3999@5%\* percent of The Primary Source masthead on April 1, 2007.

firearms rights?"

The most troubling results, however, chronicle how the Source and the Republicans have failed to fight hard enough against the onslaught of unholy things taking place on campus.

"See, they have just done too little against that godless, leftist newspaper," DeLay said, tension evident in his voice. "We won't be happy until the newspaper offices are running with urine. If the Source members had any balls at all, every last reporter there would have pissed his pants by now."

The Republicans have also done too little against the culture of indecency and promiscuity. "I mean, they write an article denouncing the Sex Fair every year, but it's time for some real action," DeLay said. "It's time to go in there with the BB guns and pop the

condom balloons already."

Not to mention that the Tisch College and Bias Education and Awareness Team still exist.

Tufts Republicans and Source members have, of course, denied the allegations, and are cooperating with requests from auditors. But some feel the audit is going too far.

"I only walked through the Sex Fair, I didn't even inhale," Tufts Republicans President Mellow Yellow told in testimony to the commission, according to the report. "I was just getting my chicken fingers and French — I mean FREEDOM — fries in the campus center."

DeLay looked at Yellow and shook his head. "Constant vigilance," he said. "A Real Man — a Real American — would starve. Or eat Slim Jims."

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## Source begins work on new Christmas album

BY SKIB MARK AND CASH MONEY  
Daily Slavedriver and Ho

Get out those jingle bells, Jumbos — the holiday season is making a comeback.

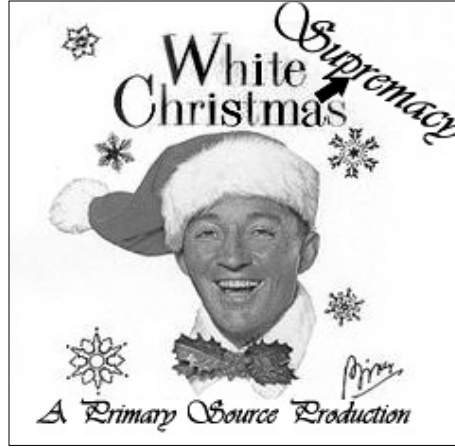
While most of campus is devoting its free time to enjoying warm weather and sunlight, members of Tufts' conservative journal The Primary Source have been focused on thoughts of eggnog, snowflakes and ethnic cleansing as they begin work on their new Christmas album to be released this December.

The album, tentatively titled "A White (Supremacy) Christmas," will feature a series of rewritten Christmas carols to follow last year's surprise chart-topping single, "O' Come All Ye Black Folk."

"We thought there was a real niche out there for racially offensive Christmas music," Primary Source Editor-in-Chief Doug Kingman said. "And for that, nobody can serve Tufts better than The Primary Source."

Tracks on the album will include new interpretations of time-honored hits with titles such as "O Wholly White," "Rudolph the Red-Skinned Injun," and "We Thlee Kings of Olient All," along with the more comical, "Grandma Got Run Over by Diversity."

"It's still in preliminary stages, but we're really proud of the work we're doing," former Source Editor-in-Chief Allison Hoover said. "I think it's important to include people of all religions and nationalities in the Source's celebration of Christ's birth."



The Source hopes to feature that paragon of women's rights, Bing Crosby, on their album.

Source editors said they hope the album will spread "the Christmas spirit" to "all of the heathens" on campus. They plan to distribute free copies of the album at Goddard Chapel, Hillel, and the New Initiative for Middle Eastern Peace (NIMEP) weekly meetings.

But the Source's new album isn't just about good music. In line with the Christmas holiday's focus on giving, the organization will be donating its profits to the people who really need them: white, upper-class college students.

The donation process will be a joint effort with the BU College Republicans, who earlier

this year created a Caucasian Achievement Scholarship to recognize the efforts of traditionally-overlooked white students who had overcome their vast wealth and majority status to reach early success.

The Source will create a new foundation, Tufts University Campaign for Uni-versity, to make sure the proceeds from the album are distributed unequally to the narrowest student contingency possible.

"We want to show that the Source is committed to Uni-versity at Tufts and on college campuses nationwide," Kingman said. "We're committed to having a student body that represents everyone from white to beige, from off-white to eggshell, and everything in between."

Future plans of the Source include a petition for a new Men's Studies major, tentatively called "World History," and Caucasian-themed culture house to be named "Houston Hall." They are also planning a trip to Western Europe so that students can "appreciate true diversity in all of its forms."

But for now, the Source remains committed to helping their readership of over-privileged white students, who currently suffer without access to butlers or maids.

"That, in our view, is the most important part of this project," Hoover added. "We hope to see this album functioning like a doorman, stoically guarding the already-open doors of opportunity for middle-class white students."

## Lucky student gets first hand job experience

BY SKIB MARK  
Daily Slavedriver

When junior Lonica Mewinsky first applied for a prestigious political internship as an aide to New York Senator Hillary Clinton, she knew it was a long shot. What she didn't know was that the experience would bring her first hand job experience as she worked "intimately" with the former first lady and Democratic presidential candidate.

"To be honest, I never expected I'd be able to do something like this with Ms. Clinton," Mewinsky said. "I was surprised when I found out it would even be possible."

"Well, not that surprised," Mewinsky added.

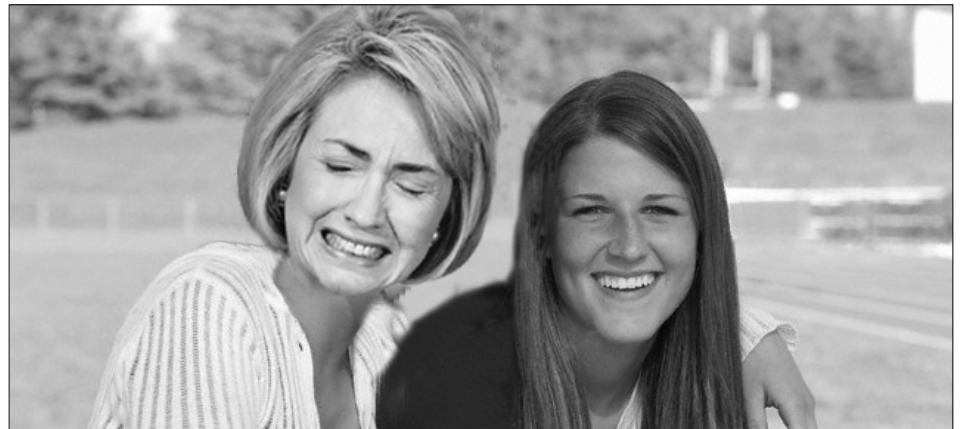
During her two-month internship, Mewinsky became familiar with Clinton and Clinton's staff, which she said was both "impressive" and "exciting."

"Hillary has such a large and powerful staff, it was intimidating just to be in its presence," Mewinsky said. "I had never worked with a staff before, but by the end of the internship, I had really learned how to handle it."

According to Mewinsky, though Clinton is often viewed differently as a female candidate, deep down she is just like any male politician.

"Don't look at her any differently just because she wears a skirt instead of a suit," Mewinsky said. "Because underneath that skirt she has all of the equipment necessary to follow in the footsteps of her husband."

Getting to Clinton's essential core, however, isn't easy. Mewinsky said working with Clinton took a lot of patience. "When I began working there, I think I was really rubbing her the wrong way," Mewinsky said. "I kept getting



HILLARY'S PEOPLE

Mewinsky really knows how to get Hillary's vote under her skin. Her soft, supple skin."

But in time, Mewinsky was able to prove herself to Clinton.

"She was really hard on me at first," Mewinsky said. "But with a little elbow grease and a good attitude, I was able to get the job done, and eventually she softened up."

After that, Mewinsky said, the two were like peas in a pod. "She told me she really appreciated my efforts — that she had been 'touched' by my enthusiasm," Mewinsky said. "It made me happy to know I'd made her feel so good as a member of today's youth."

When the internship came to an end, Mewinsky said she was a bit disappointed.

"I was a little surprised the experience had ended so quickly," Mewinsky said. "To be honest, I had expected [my time with] Hillary to last a bit longer, and when we finished, I hardly saw it coming."

In the end, however, she was pleased with the outcome, and proud to have been a part of Clinton's life, even for that short while.

"She invited me to come back next summer, and told me I could 'file her report' anytime I wanted to," Mewinsky said. "She was oddly formal about it, but I knew it was much more meaningful."

But for Mewinsky, it is time to move on, with countless new experiences under her belt. She said her future endeavors may include anything from charity work with the Catholic priesthood to public relations work for popular musician Michael Jackson. Either way, she knows she's gained immeasurably from her internship with Clinton.

"College is all about learning, but internships are all about gaining skills," Mewinsky said. "I'm so glad my first hand job experience was with Hillary Clinton."

## New study shows college students may be in college

BY MR. BURNS  
Fucked a Senior (Niiiiice!)

A new study published by the National Institute for Obvious Studies (NIOS) shows that college students are at the greatest risk of attending college. In a survey, 2,000 college students were asked to respond to the question: "Do you attend an institute of higher education?" The overwhelming response to the question was, "yes."

The poll, which had a margin of error of 2 percent, found that 98 percent of college students polled did, in fact, attend a college or university. The study also found that college students had equally high levels of college attendance, regardless of what college they attended. NIOS Director Robert Anderson says that he was surprised by the results.

"I, for one, could never have imagined that so many college students went to college," Anderson said. "Frankly, I think that this is a

much more widespread problem amongst college students than anyone had realized."

"College," a condition associated with lack of sleep, high stress and excessive consumption of alcohol, affects nearly 15 million people in the United States alone, with more people joining the ranks of the afflicted every year. The millions of people who suffer from college have found that it comes to take over nearly every aspect of their lives, leaving them unable to live their lives as they did in high school.

Jake, a Tufts sophomore who asked that his real name not be used due to the personal nature of his condition, admits that he has attended college for the last two years.

"At first I thought it was nothing," Jake said. "I thought that I could go to college and maintain some semblance of my old life. But I was wrong — it turns out that I really do go to college, and so do all my friends!"

Dean of Student Affairs Bruce Reitman

was found in a state of paralyzing shock upon the release of the study. "It is rare that I come across information so disturbingly pertinent to our campus and the role that the administration attempts to play within it," he said.

Reitman worries about the implications of such high levels of college student attendance for Tufts. "This problem is gnawing away at the very foundation upon which this fine institution rests. The people who founded this school were not college students. Jumbo was not a college student," Reitman said. "He was an elephant."

NIOS, which has released such shocking studies as "Underage Drinking Found to Occur on College Campuses" and "College Students May Get Less Than Recommended Eight Hours of Sleep," is currently at work on two new reports. The first will attempt to determine the religious affiliation of the Pope, and the second will explore the shitting locations of bears.

**GOLDDIGGER REVIEW**

## Anna Nicole Smith is resurrected from dead, confuses Christians on the week before Easter Millions of men nationwide pay respects with their own 'ressurections'

BY HOWARD K. STERN  
Disputed Baby Daddy

Early this morning, multiple sightings of Anna Nicole Smith confirmed that the soft-core porn star/old man enthusiast/PETA activist/dead bitch was resurrected through an experimental revival procedure using massive quantities of silicon. Provisions in her last will and testament specified that the procedure was to be performed if her recently born daughter's biological father was not determined before her death (even though she left out any mention of who should indeed inherit her Howard Marshall millions). The revival surgery can only be performed if the corpse is composed of over 75 percent silicon, and ironically Smith's double Y-sized breasts made the process possible.

Smith's public statement thus far has been that she decided to overdose in order to meet more wealthy octogenarians in the afterlife. However, after reflecting for a few months, Smith decided that her daughter's well-being was more important than maintaining an interesting, not to mention lucrative, post-mortem sex life.

Medical reports reveal that after the procedure was performed, Smith's breasts started growing at a continuous rate and have yet to stop. Two hours after her speedy recovery, Smith signed a contract with Playboy, hoping to earn the title of Playmate yet again.

As for the various paternity cases concerning her daughter, Smith has decided, as compensation for the contending fathers' confusion and heartache over the matter, to bear each one of them a child, each complete with a million dollar trust fund. She maintains, however, that the frozen sperm of Howard Marshall fathered Dannielynn. It appears that she had an extensive conversation with Marshall in limbo that left her certain. Apparently Dannielynn has her grandmother's nose.



MY COMPUTER'S HARD DRIVE

Upon hearing of Anna Nicole's miraculous rebirth, Pope Benedict XVI interrupted his Palm Sunday mass saying he needed to have a chat with God.

Even after being re-born, Smith's endeavors for animal rights have not faltered and PETA is thrilled to have their certainly most open spokesperson back in action. She has promised that if she dies again (and fails to become immortal by becoming completely silicon) she will become the prime spokeswoman to God against killing animals — ever.

One should not forget that animals do not burn fossil fuels or spray Aquanet, and therefore allowing them to live forever and eventually eliminate the entire human species will stop global warming. Al Gore is prepared to address Congress with an anti-killing of animals EVER bill in support of this environmental cause.

The state of Texas is thrilled with the resurrection of their most reputable citizen (apart from George W.). All across the state, cities have declared that rodeos in Smith's honor are to take place from sun-up to sun-down every day this week.

So far, the country is in an uproar. Men have even talked about dying their own "eggs" for Easter in honor of Smith's second coming. Women everywhere are rushing to the plastic surgeons for breast implants after hearing word of how the resurrection procedure makes such massive gazongas possible. Hopefully the Tufts community will not be too affected by the unexpected event — although, Somerville is erecting (hehe) a statue of her next to Mr. and Mrs. Davis.

**GALLERY REVIEW**



MRS. BACOW

Bacow laughs as he considers the possibility that he is talking into a giant robot penis.

## Bacow's tags of himself have lost all street cred

BY THE MOONINITES  
Supreme Masters of Moon Journalism

President Larry Bacow was briefly questioned by TUPD late last night after he was found spray painting tags of his face onto the library roof. It was originally believed that the tags were done by students, and it is still unclear whether Bacow had been behind them all along or if this was a copy-cat crime.

"It was actually really awkward," Sgt. Mike Hoolihan said of the questioning of Bacow. "He kept telling us he wanted to be treated like everyone else, but whenever we'd ask him a question he'd start yelling, 'I'm sorry, I thought this was America. Freedom of expression anyone?...' It was weird." No charges were filed.

Since the incident Bacow has become increasingly reclusive, issuing cryptic messages from the Gifford House. "We're bringing real art back to campus. Have you seen Jumbo? Disgusting — unless you like uninspired gray paint and crumbling plaster. And if I gave them money for a new sculpture, they'd spend it on some abstract 'art' that looks like a jungle gym made out of scrap metal," Bacow wrote in his message to the Tufts community. Bacow signed the e-mail, "This is the ghetto revival, Hallelujah holla back," a puzzling reference to hip-hop artist John Brown, a contestant on VH1's "The White Rapper Show."

Sources inside the Gifford House, who wish to remain anonymous due to Bacow's newly acquired manic disposition, have said that the president is working on a new public art installation for the library roof that will replace Jumbo as the school mascot.

"He calls it 'The Larry,' and, well, it's like Michelangelo's 'David,' but, you know, it has the president's face instead," the source said.

Changes in Bacow's behavior were first noted when OneSource employees discovered the president in the basement of the Granoff Music Center after hours.

"It was him and [Deputy White House Chief of Staff] MC Rove, working on some sort of hip-hop project," Sgt. Hoolihan said.

MC Rove, real name Karl Rove, has been under much political pressure lately, but still enjoys acclaim in the music world, working with the D.C. hardcore punk band Bush's Bad Brains. "The E-Kon-omist, I mean Larry, saw my rap at the Correspondents' Dinner last week on YouTube and said we had to work together. I came up to Medford and he played these slammin' beats, like sort of like a Timbaland thing going on, but with that outer-space Neptunes vibe. He just was letting the tape roll and rockin' these unbelievable rhymes bar after bar," he said.

Dean of Students Bruce Reitman assured students that Bacow would soon return to normal. "President Bacow is just passionate about art and wants to make sure the campus continues to have a vital artistic community. We should be proud to have such a talent living right here among us. And don't worry, I'm sure he'll be back to normal and shutting down frats before you know it."

Bacow was not available for comment, but did inform the Daily that the E-Kon-omist and MC Rove mixtape will be dropping by Commencement, and the two may headline Spring Fling if MC Rove is not indicted.

**PHONOGRAPHIC RECORDING REVIEW**

## The Kidz Bop kidz shit all over top-40 for the eleventh time

BY TITS MCGEE  
Contributing Daily Staff Editorial Bored Writer

The Kidz Bop series started a few years ago with the idea that kids love pop music, but that songs like "What a Girl Wants" are

**Kidz Bop 11**  
The Kidz Bop Kidz

★★★★★★★★

God Help Us All

too complex in their form for the supple ears of America's children. Their attempt at infantile accessible popularistic sonic-ness is inprecariouly banal.

I would start getting pretentious now, but you're probably not enlightened enough to understand what I'm saying. So let's put it this way: despite the series' couple of gold records, if someone gave me the latest "Kidz Bop 11" I would take out a pocket knife, turn the disc into a ninja star, and throw it at their face.

You might be tempted to skip over tracks 1-18, which would bring you to the only track worth listening to, "Chicken Noodle Soup." This is not because it sounds good — no, the whole album is garbage. Rather it features small children rapping about the substance, which is slang for heroin (trust me;) with police sirens in the background. If these kids are not arrested for being fucking horrible rappers, the sirens are surely a glimpse into their lives 10 years in the future.

Track 20 — yes there are 20 tracks (God help us all) — is the kidz's take on "Here it Goes Again" by OK Go. One can only hope the kidz now do what they saw on YouTube and try to dance on treadmills because they really need to be put out of their misery.

It would put me at ease to know that



ANSEL ADAMS

In ancient Sparta, if a boy showed a liking for Kidz Bop music, he was left in the wilderness to die.

this album was recorded in a sweatshop in China, because I would really hate to think of American children lacking as much soul as they demonstrate in their rendition of Gnarl Barkley's "Crazy." Adding to the disgust, at approximately 1 minute and 23 seconds into the song, "Kid Number Seven" chimes in a half second late. Mr. and Mrs. Jones, I think it's time to reconsider having any more kids. Little Billy is enough of a drain on our society.

Astoundingly, having a dozen peppy kids who are all hopped-up on frosted flakes shout along to Snow Patrols "Chasing Cars" doesn't make it any less painfully boring than the original. I really can't believe it; they even suck at singing terrible songs. Plus, the so called "Girl Number Two" on the track isn't fooling anyone. His decision to play jump rope at recess and put on mommy's makeup is his own business, but the credits should reflect he's nothing more than a boy

singing in falsetto. No worries, little guy, the kids will stop picking on you in high school ... err ... college ... err ...

The choice of "It Ends Tonight" by the All-American Rejects is especially infuriating. You can't introduce emo at such a young age — you have to wait until at least middle school, when they have had sufficient time to be picked on and turned into outcasts. Plus, emo-from-birth kids don't have the same kind of cred as those who discover it later in life, and nobody wants to be picked on by an emo kid. That would be like losing a war to Canada; there's no point in going on living.

So you must agree by now that this album is worse than genocide. If you buy this album for yourself, I hate you. Pretty much the only reason to buy it if you're not on your way to a NAMBLA jerk-a-thon would be to insult someone. Like, hey bitch, you cheated on me? Well fuck you, here's "Kidz Bop." Choke on it.

## INSIDE THE RED SOX

# Sox win season opener, but disaster strikes

### Three dead, one hurt as team improves to 1-0

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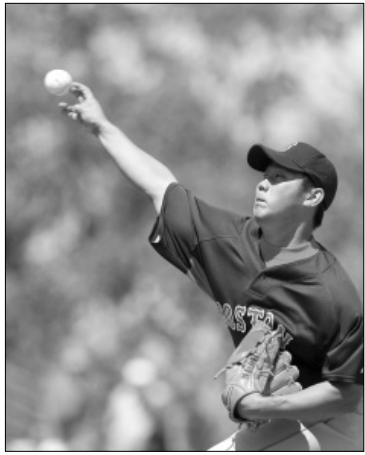
It was a scene straight out of the grotesque for the Boston Red Sox today, as their once optimistic season hit an abrupt and horrifying roadblock.

In a dazzling debut for Daisuke Matsuzaka, who struck out the first five batters he faced, the righty headed into the sixth with his team ahead 2-0. That, however, was when the unthinkable occurred, as an enormous winged insect creature reminiscent of a moth descended onto the mound, snatching up the unsuspecting Japanese hurler and sending most of the sellout crowd into hysterics.

The clear April weather at Fenway was a far cry from the despair on the field below. Fans and players alike scrambled in fear, with screams of "Mothra, Mothra!" peppering the crowds.

From the stands, team owners John Henry and Tom Werner, alongside general manager Theo Epstein, watched in silence as their \$52 million investment flew off into the sky in the talons of the now confirmed Mothra. With no legal recourse, the three were entitled to commit the traditional Japanese ritual suicide of hara-kiri, as stipulated in Matsuzaka's contract.

"We all knew Dice-K was a risk when we signed him," Henry said with his final breath. "Some might call it hubris, but no team has ever won a cham-



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Daisuke, we hardly knew ye.

pionship without spending a hundred million dollars on a single player. And we'd rather this than having to see him in pinstripes."

To add insult to injury, J.D. Drew's right arm literally fell off during the commotion. Although his contract is now voided with the team, the loss only further confounds manager Terry Francona. Francona was optimistic following the game, however.

"Listen, a win is a win, and that's good," Francona said. "That's what we set out to do. It wasn't easy, but it ended up good. At least it wasn't Godzilla."

Matsuzaka (1-0) was placed on the 60-day disabled list immediately following the game and will remain there until his whereabouts can be determined. Jonathan Papelbon was credited with the save.

## RANDOM SPORTS NOBODY CARES ABOUT

# Federer, Woods to compete in decathlon for world's best

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In an announcement that delighted both sports analysts and fans across the globe yesterday, Roger Federer and Tiger Woods agreed to compete against each other in a decathlon of varied pointless sporting activities, in an attempt to settle once and for all the question of who is the world's best male athlete.

The world's No. 1 men's tennis player and winner of 10 Grand Slam titles, Federer will square off against the world's best golfer in Woods, who has won 12 major titles himself, in a series of events designed to test a wide variety of useless athletic skills. The events will include archery, shuffleboard, table tennis, miniature golf, bass fishing, go-cart racing, Madden 2007, croquet, luge and Connect Four.

An international committee of esteemed sports officials spent hours deliberating which activities to include in this battle of sports superstars. Federer and Woods approved the list and will begin rigorous training for the highly anticipated exhibition of inane pseudo-sports in the near future.

At a joint press conference following the announcement, the two explained the motives behind holding such a contest.

"We were at Tiger's house [in Orlando, Fla.] watching 'Billy Madison' [1995] on TBS," Federer said while deftly twirling his racket for effect. "Not surprisingly, we got into another one of our arguments about who was more dominant. I calmly explained to Tiger once again that I have won nine of the last 13 Grand Slam events while he has only won four over that same stretch."

"That's true," Woods interject-

ed, half-playfully, half-seriously nudging Federer to the side of the podium while bouncing a golf ball of his pitching wedge, reminiscent of his Nike commercial that aired several years ago. "But then I pointed out that I have spent over 400 weeks as the world's best golfer, while he has only been the best tennis player for a measly 165 weeks."

"Anyhow, during a break in the argument we noticed that the scene with Billy and that guy from 'The West Wing' and 'Studio 60' was on," Federer continued. "You know, the one where they agree to have an academic decathlon to see who wins Billy's father's hotel business. Surely you remember that scene?"

"And so it hit us to do the same thing," Woods said. "A decathlon of random events to decide once and for all that I'm the best. It worked for Billy and that evil guy ... 'Hey Roger, what day is it?'"

"I don't know ... October? God, we love that movie," Federer added with a hearty laugh.

Although basing a question as important as who is the world's most dominant athlete on an idea taken from a 1995 Adam Sandler comedy about a 27-year-old repeating grades 1 through 12 might seem a bit misguided, Federer and Woods reassured the assembled reporters of the decathlon's utility in settling this burning issue.

"This has arguably been one of the most crucial questions in the sports world for the past several years," Federer said. "I mean, come on, Tiger and I owe it to our fans and followers of sports worldwide to settle this matter. It's time the people know who is the undisputed better athlete."

"And when you're really honest with yourselves, what subject has been first and foremost in the athletic world?" Woods contin-

ued. "If you really stop and think about it, it's the issue of me and Roger vying for title of world's premier and most awesome athlete. Nothing else comes even close. And what better way to decide it than through a hodgepodge of random competitive hobbies?"

The inclusion of miniature golf and table tennis left many with raised eyebrows, since both sports are merely smaller versions of both athletes' respective sports. Federer and Woods, however, were quick to dispel any misgivings.

"We figured that having mini-golf and table tennis on the schedule of events would give everyone the chance to see how actual athletic talent can be totally dumbed down into a non-sport," Woods said. "Plus, it gives us as players the opportunity to see how we might stack up in a real competition. For instance, Roger would never come close to out hitting my drive, but could he knock a putt through the windmill? Probably not, but ... maybe."

"Yeah, and while Tiger could never return a serve of mine, perhaps he could sneak a tricky spin return past me on the table," Federer continued. "Though the chances of that would remain quite slim."

When asked about what would happen if the two find themselves at a 5-5 tie upon the completion decathlon, Federer and Woods said that they had already made plans to deal with that eventuality.

"If we do split in the events, we'll settle it the only fair way we could think of," Woods said. "A walk-off judged by David Bowie."

"Zoolander' [2001] was on right after 'Billy Madison,'" Federer added. "It was a double-feature."

## DECISION 2007

# Oden names longtime friend Conley as his running mate

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In an unexpected move, Ohio State freshmen Greg Oden and Mike Conley Jr. have ensured that they will extend their basketball political futures to the professional level. Following the Buckeyes' 67-60 defeat of Georgetown on Saturday night, Oden officially named Conley his Vice-No. 1 Pick candidate.

With the two longtime Lawrence North High School (Ind.) and AAU Spiece Indy Heat teammates locked in as running mates, they immediately become the overwhelming favorites to win the Buckeye Party's nomination. Senior Ron Lewis and junior Jamar Butler will rightly run a campaign based on their own basketball political experience, but they will likely be little more than a blip on the radar in Columbus.

"This is the greatest political tandem since Bush-Quayle, baby!" ESPN chief basketball political correspondent Dick Vitale told the Daily. "Even though I have no idea what this means, this is one slam-bam-jammer of a move!"

Vitale makes an interesting point. Two players have never run on a ticket before in the NBA Draft, and the implica-

tion of Oden and Conley Jr.'s move is somewhat unclear. While it would be unquestionably be a boondoggle for any pro team to acquire both Oden and Conley Jr., current league draft rules do not make it legal to draft two players with a single pick.

For the players, this is a mere technicality.

"[NBA commissioner David] Stern changed the rules to keep us from getting into the draft straight from high school," Conley Jr. said. "Spoiling our dream for two-straight years would be a direct violation of our First Amendment rights."

"That's exactly the platform that we're running on," Oden said. "We believe it's a mere technicality that pro teams can't draft two players with a single pick, and we're fast-tracking an amendment through NBA Congress to resolve this issue. Mikey Junior and I are a two-thirds vote away from never having to be separated."

While such an entity as NBA Congress has not been shown to actually exist, the two Buckeye stars are nonplussed.

"They'll never take my Greg away from me!" Conley Jr. said.

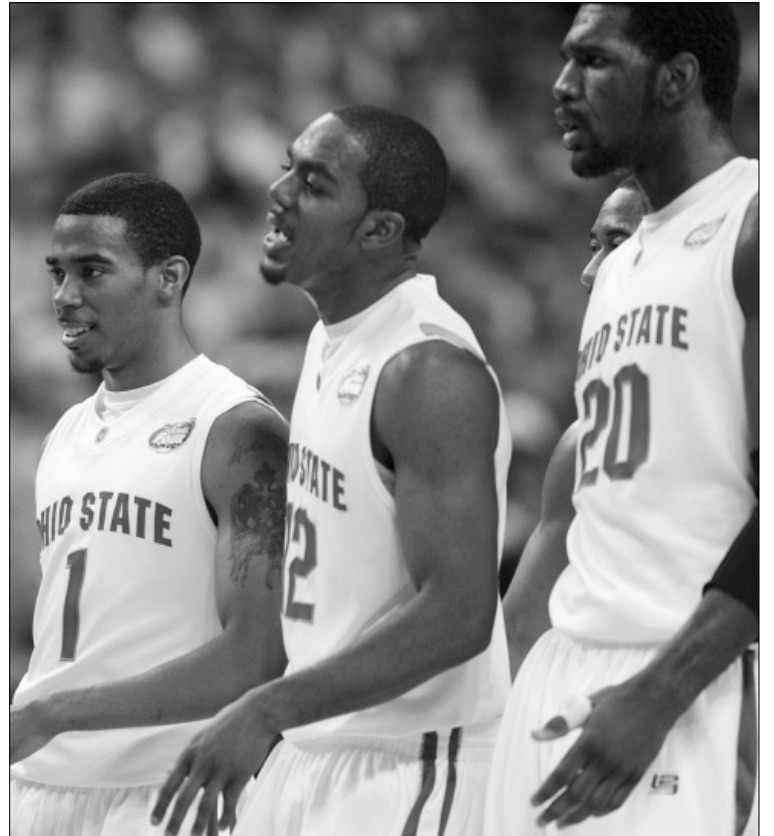
Those running against Oden-Conley Jr. have already

turned Decision 2007 into a smear campaign.

"It's clear that Greg Oden and Mike Conley Jr.'s political alliance is nothing more than two teenagers unwilling to come to grips with the fact that one day, they will be driven apart," said John Thompson III, Georgetown head coach and spokesman for the Jeff Green-Roy Hibbert campaign. "The Buckeye Party's campaign is the most childish NBA Draft campaign of all time."

Curiously silent on the campaign trail is Ohio State's opponent in tonight's national title game, the Florida Gators. Following up on reports from the blogosphere, Vitale has speculated that much of this is a result of infighting between the two strong tickets rumored to be vying for the Gator Party's nomination. As of now, the Joakim Noah-Taurean Green campaign is in a statistical dead heat with the Al Horford-Corey Brewer ticket.

"Ohio State University learned its lesson when its PTP'er quarterback Troy Smith went into the BCS title game without a running mate, baby!" Vitale said. "Now, with the Buckeyes united and Florida's Oh-Fours bickering amongst themselves heading into the game, Oden and



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Top basketball political analyst Ron Lewis consults with Ohio State freshmen Greg Oden and Mike Conley Jr. regarding their upcoming campaign in the 2007 NBA Draft. Either that, or he's helping them plot their assassinations of David Stern, Dick Vitale and Joakim Noah.

Conley Jr. can't be stopped in 2007! Sensational! Fabulous! Fantastic!"

Before Vitale could be asked exactly what he meant, his head exploded.