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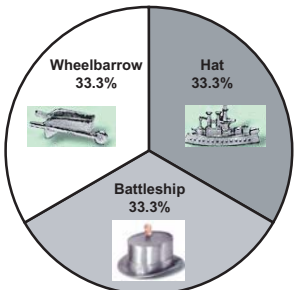
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RANDOM NONSENSE POLL QUESTION

Pick a Monopoly Piece



LITTLE WOLF RANTS ON... POKER

Are Those Pocket Twos Or Are You Just Happy To See Me?

By: Jeff "little wolf" Benshetler

The great Kenny Rogers once sang, "You got to know when to hold 'em, know when to fold 'em, Know when to walk away and know when to run." So, me being the gambling novice I was, I tried to apply this logic to the final Stouffer poker tournament of last year. Sure, I've played poker before, online and in real life, but this was the first time with serious money on the line. So anyway, we're going around, I'm playing pretty conservative, trying to hang in as long as I can. The cards come my way and I decide to play this one (10, 9 Suited. Not a bad hand). Flop comes with a Queen and another card suited, plus another 9. All right, four in the flush, I go for it. Turn card is dealt as an Ace. All right, still have a chance at the flush so I stay in for the River card, hoping I can turn the flush. I was dealt a stab in the heart, a King of the wrong suit. But wait, I thought, I'm holding a 10 through Ace straight. Great hand, so I go all in, hoping to drag someone else in too. Player next to me decides to call. So here I am, laughing internally as everyone else folds. We show our cards and both of us claim the winning straight draw. Alas, both of us forgot what we were holding. Indeed, neither of us had the straight, but he had the high pair, Kings to 9s. My first actual gambling experience ends after only an hour as a smashing failure.



Beam me up to your Royal Flush

The Lesson: Make sure you know what you're holding before going all in.

Who Wants to Study in England?
 UK Thourons Fellows Night
 Friday the 24th, 8pm-9pm
 Felicity's Place, 7th Floor Mayer
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Add **stouffertribune** to your AIM buddy list! Do the Random Nonsense Poll Question!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Seeing as that no one wrote a letter to the editor for the second straight edition, I am going to have to make up more stuff.

**THE NEXT TRIBUNE MEETING!
TUESDAY SEPT 28th AT 7PM in the ANNEX!**

STUFFER BY THE NUMBERS



- 75** SPF of the sunblock GA Mike used on his head after getting it shaved
- 1.30** Price, in dollars, of SEPTA tokens for sale in the House Office in D-Section Stouffer
- 17** Time, in minutes, that sunday's brunch ran out of food after Stoufferites inhaled about 45 pounds of products
- 10** p.m., as in the time everyone should come on Wednesdays to the Nichols' apartment in F-Section for cookies, coffee, and milk
- 3** Is a Magic Number, according to School House Rock

HOUSE *office*
NOW OPEN!
D-Section Stouffer

S 11-11
M 2-11
T 11-11
W 2-11
R 11-11
F 11-7
S 11-7

\$1 Movie Rentals | \$1.30 SEPTA Tokens | Stamps | Snacks | Fun

2001: A Space Odyssey 8 Mile A Few Good Men A League of Their Own Air Force One All About Eve American Beauty Austin Powers Austin Powers: Goldmember Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me Being John Malkovich Big Daddy Big Lebowski Black Hawk Down Blade Runner Boiler Room Bottle Rocket Braveheart Bridge on the River Kwai Brotherhood of the Wolf Caddyshack Casablanca Chappelle's Show (1st season) Chinatown Citizen Kane Count of Monte Cristo Dr. Strangelove Dumb and Dumber E.T./1982 release E.T./2002 rerelease Edward Scissorhands Empire Strikes Back Forrest Gump Glory Gone with the Wind Goodfellas Goonies Graduate Grapes of Wrath Grosse Pointe Blank Hoosiers It's a Wonderful Life Last Samurai Lawrence of Arabia Maltese Falcon Mona Lisa Smile Moulin Rouge Mr. Deeds Notting Hill O Brother, Where Art Thou? October Sky On the Waterfront One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest Patriot PCU Princess Bride Psycho Rain Man Return of the Jedi Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves Rollerball Rudy Scarface Shawshank Redemption Shrek Singin' in the Rain Sleepless in Seattle Some Like It Hot Something's Gotta Give Sound of Music Star Wars Sunset Boulevard Swingers Tears of the Sun Tootsie Top Gun Under the Tuscan Sun Usual Suspects Wet Hot American Summer Willow Wizard of Oz Zoolander

EDITOR'S RANT

I Love A Good Massage and Sugar Cubes
By: Corey Hulse

'ello folks. I am currently sick right now. And I don't have any tissues, so I keep using the paper towels from the bathroom. Let me tell you, there is clearly no aloe in these paper towels. I hope this issue of the Tribune finds you in good spirits. You've officially knocked out two weeks of class. Congrats! It only goes downhill from here. Speaking of downhill, you know what would be cool? Going down to Clark Park when it snows and sledding down some of the hills they have there. Sweet! Except lots of people bring their dogs down there, so there might be dog poop. But it will be fun. Do you have any dayquil? I have like 300 pages to still read tonight and it's midnight. I love this place.

THE STUFFER TRIBUNE

The Stouffer Tribune is a bi-weekly publication created by the residents of Stouffer College House that is delivered fresh to your door every other Tuesday. But this time it was delivered on Wednesday. I think I might like Wednesdays more, so it might change to Wednesdays in the Future. So how are you doing? Classes going well? Mine are a pain. So, the next meeting for people who want to do stuff will be on Tuesday the 28th at 7pm in the Annex.

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LOTS OF ACTIVITIES COMING YOUR WAY

Brought To You By Stouffer Steering. Steering, It's Not Just For Cars Anymore!

On-Going Events:

The Real World Series Nights (Tuesdays @ 10pm)
Friday Night Movies (Fridays @ 8pm)
West Wing and Wings Nights
Intramural Sports: Soccer and Flag Football

One-Time Events (don't miss out):

Trip to Franklin Institute: Titanic Exhibit (Sept. 24)
Sleep Program with Dr. Terri Weaver (Sept. 28 @ 6:30p)
Apple Picking (Oct 10)
Green Day Concert (Oct. 29)
Board Game Night
Monday Night Football on the Stouffer Patio
Study Skills Program

MEETINGS: 9:30pm, Tuesdays

**Note: at this time, not all events have times and locations so keep an eye on your email for the complete details of these exciting activities.*

SO YOU WANNA EAT MEXICAN IN PHILLY...

Burritos In 1920 Commons Hardly Qualify As Food, Let Alone Mexican

By: Eva Marie Harris

I have eaten at practically every Mexican restaurant in the greater Philadelphia area. That's right, I've even ventured to Trenton in search of decent Mexican food (hint: it doesn't exist in New Jersey). See, in 'Bama we have good Mexican restaurants (seriously!) and I miss it. So, about once a week, a friend of mine and I will continue our quest for edible Mexican food. Consider yourself warned, most of it sucks. The following is the list of places I've been--the not terrible (which does not mean that great), the bad, and the indescribably horrible. And, no, I'm not reviewing Copa II or Mad4Mex.

Indescribably bad:

Taco House (12th and Pine, I think) - You won't see it advertised. Locals speak about it often, though. It's small and surrounded by houses. And it's terrible. On our visit, I crunched down on two chicken bones, and my friend found something resembling a rock in the guacamole.

Taqueria La Veracruzana (9th and Washington Ave) - Don't ask. Just plain awful.

El Ray (South Street) - The restaurant is NOT clean.

Bad:

La Lupe (Italian Market) - Nothing horrible was found in the food, but it still sucked.

El Fuego (2nd and Market) - Stick to Qdoba.

Tequila's (16th and Locust) - Overpriced and not that good. Go there if you want to drink overpriced tequila, but other than that stay away.

Las Locas (19th and Market?) - Overpriced, bad food. Definitely some chewy matter in the chicken that ended up in my napkin.



The Not Terrible:

12th Street Cantina (Reading Terminal Market) - it's just open during the day, but it's actually quite good. Don't expect anything too fancy or overly authentic, but it's better than Taco Bell and comparably priced.

El Azteca (7th and Chestnut) - Expect plenty of drunk Penn students, especially on the weekend, bringing their own Tequila for the restaurant's Margarita mix (which isn't all that great, but will get you sufficiently soused, quick). Pretty good food and huge menu.

El Vez (South 13th) - It's Stephen Starr, so it's glitzy and resembles a casino. Drinks are great; the food is just so-so, but the atmosphere can't be beat.

Johnny Mananas (Ridge and Midvale) - You can't take the El there, but the food is good, the drinks are fresh and awesome, and the service rocks. Not much of a college crowd, but a nice eclectic neighborhood mix near Conshohocken.

Mexican Post (1st and Chestnut) - Tex Mex, basically. Not bad, but not great.

Zocalo (36th and Lancaster) - It's in West Philly, it's upscale and authentic. Great homemade guac, and excellent homemade sangria.

Rio Brava (Wash. Ave) - Good seafood and cheap beer. Never ask for them to alter a menu item. Ever.

Lou's (South 33rd on Drexel's Campus) - Yep, Taco Lou opened a restaurant. It's pricier than the cart, but good. Ceviche is especially yummy.

EUGENE KIM'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURES

Dude, That Was One Great Wall

By: Eugene Kim

What Eugene Kim did this summer:

Aside from working at a tax consulting firm in Los Angeles and playing copious amounts of golf, I traveled to China (Shanghai, Beijing) to visit Shirley, and had a very interesting experience in Beijing. I shall recount the tale now:

So I was walking along the streets of Beijing with Shirley, and the locals all seemed to be looking near the bottom half of my body. Thinking it was my pen 15, I strutted about happily until this friendly local came by.



friendly local: "Hi round-eyed westerner! The leader is great! Would you like to see the great wall?" I of course, have beautiful Korean eyes (not really round...), so I didn't agree with him on the first part. But I did want to go see the great wall! So Shirley and I hopped a ride with him and he took us to a remote part of the great wall. He said "put these on" and so we put on these poncho things. I asked him what they are for and he said they would keep the blood off of my nice western shoes and pants. I had a cool Penn shirt on but started talking about Penn State's first team and I ignored him (could explain lower Chinese applications...) Then he told us to get on the conveyor belt and said "at the top, the majestic leader awaits you." We agreed, and so took the ride up to the top.



Such SEXY Eyes!



Suddenly I was grabbed by two very scrawny Beijing locals with very strong backs and tossed into a pot. I proceeded to squirm and scream for help while Shirley did her best to help me:



GASP!! EUGENE IS STUCK!!!

Will he be reduced to a slow and painful death atop the great wall of China? Will he at least get to see the Great Leader before dying? Will Shirley's Eagles top the NFC East this season? To be continued... xD



VIDEO GAMES ARE FUN

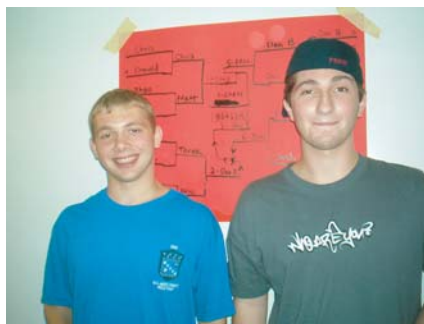
Especially If You Throw In Free Food

This past Saturday the Stouffer Video Gaming Club hosted the first ever Super Smash Brothers Melee Tournament. Wow! I know you're excited already. The Hurricane Formally Known As Ivan forced the tournament to be held indoors in the Mayer 2nd Floor Lounge. GA Mike was kind enough to buy everyone a round of Pepsi.

There were sixteen combatants who entered. First, a round robin was held to determine seeding, then the brackets began. The three young Nichols children graced us with their presence, with Tanner refusing to answer to any name except "Bart Simpson". Upon viewing the sheer beauty of the graphics in one of the stages Joshua Gonzalez remarked, "It's so beautiful. We shouldn't be fighting, we should be holding hands and singing."

Donald Canavaggio earned the 16th seed with a terrible performance in the round robin and was promptly taken out by Chris De Simone, the 1st seed. The finals led to a predicted battle between De Simone and Dan Berger, the 2nd seed. However, in the upset special of the night, Berger defeated De Simone in a fight for the record books. "It was a lot of fun," said Berger. "Everyone should come out next time. Remember, it's just a game." De Simone remarked, "I couldn't have lost to a better player."

Everyone was thoroughly entertained by the event. Even David Dai's unsuccessful attempt to take Ice Climbers all the way through the tournament brackets garnered a laugh or two. The deal is, get involved in Stouffer House Activities because they are really really ridiculously fun.



Champion Berger (left) and
Second Place De Simone (Right)

WHO LOVES THE UK?

Here's Your Chance To Study In Merry Ol' England!

Interested in studying in the UK? Want your questions by 100% genuine UK students who are here at Penn as Thouron scholars? Then come by Felicity's apartment (Mayer 710) on Friday Sept 24th between 8pm and 9pm for a chance to have an informal chat with a real live UK native... Refreshments will be served.

FRIDAY SEPT 24th
MAYER 710 8pm-9pm



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HOUSE GUIDE!



ALBERT EINSTEIN QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"An hour sitting with a
pretty girl on a park
bench passes like a
minute, but a minute
sitting on a hot stove
seems like an hour."*



WHAT'S HAPPENIN' IN STUFFER?



In this time of high tide for politics, we know that there is one thing at that Penn that you can count on:

BEN TAYLOR for PRESIDENT

The Stouffer Tribune fully endorses Mr. Taylor as a fine, foxy young man who should be the President of the Class of 2008. Elections for freshmen are coming up soon, so get on PennInTouch and VOTE! Let's put a Stoufferite in the White House, err, Houston Hall!!!

COOL THINGS STUFFERITES ARE DOING

In this issue, we honor our student athletes. These are the people who bleed red and blue in the name of Penn in all sorts of sports beyond just the football and basketball we all know and love. So, we present to you the Student Athletes of Stouffer College House. Support your housemates in these endeavors! The problem is we don't have anyone's last name for this list. But, here it is anyway...

- Ice Hockey (club)-** Jeff
- Tennis-** Mindy
- Cross-Country-** Anne Garland
- Track-** Anne Garland and Akilah
- Squash-** Elizabeth
- Golf-** Meg
- Volleyball-** Meredith and Frannie
- Wrestling-** Nine Guys, all of whom we don't know the names of, but we know that there are nine
- Sprint Football-** Andy
- Lacrosse-** Rachel, Sarah, and Esther



"The first big event is the Volleyball tournament that Penn holds this coming Saturday and Sunday. I'll be sending out an email to everyone later in the week, but this is a great event because there are four different games to choose from (and fit into the schedule): Saturday at 3 and 7:30 and Sunday at 12:30 and 5:30" ~ GA Jeremy