



“WE GOT THA FUNK”

95% of hypocrites agree: “We are not hypocrites”

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PRINCETON, NJ—According to a recent Gallup poll, a vast majority of hypocrites don't think they're doing anything wrong—on the contrary, according to most hypocrites, hypocrisy is your fault.

A whopping 95 percent of all hypocrites interviewed openly denied their own hypocrisy, the largest recorded amount of irony since every liar in a 1997 CNN poll claimed to be telling the truth. 73 percent of hypocrites also went on to criticize some or all of the questions on the Gallup survey, and/or the human administrators of the poll for lacking the self-knowledge to comment on hypocrisy at all.

Soon after the poll first appeared on the Internet, the Hypocrites' Association of America (HAA) issued a five-star press release claiming that “there were no absolutes” and asking that the public “look in the mirror a little bit before opening their mouths.”

“Stop overreacting!” screeched HAA President Jim Slocumb in an emergency press conference on Tuesday. “I don't know why anyone would get so emotional about a

dumb survey! Jesus Christ, people, will you just relax?!”

Directly following this outburst, an HAA press agent tackled Slocumb to the ground, kicked him in the kidney, and demanded that he “lighten up.”

Indeed, Slocumb's contradictory response is indicative of what has come to be expected from the HAA. The group first took shape in 1973, when it was formed by several distinguished hypocrites who were tired of “all the superfluous organizations that offer unwanted opinions on various issues.”

“You're saying we're liars, but it's about time you stopped putting words in our mouths,” Slocumb spat at reporters after recovering. “You think you know us so well, but we know you better.”

“Don't you kids ever do what I'm about to do,” he added, taking a shot of whiskey and lighting a cigarette to calm his nerves.

In a related story, President Bush once again vowed to bring “swift, strong justice” to “bullying nations” who insist on maintaining their weapons of mass destruction.

Apple Announces New iPatch for Pirates

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TOLEDO, OH—At a convention here last month, Apple Computer, Inc. unveiled the latest version of its newest product, which, according to insider information, will be out just in time for the Valentine's Day shopping season. Following the hugely successful iBook and iPod, Apple plans to release the updated iPatch for general pirate use.

Steve Jobs, President of Apple Computer, announced at a press conference that these “new, updated super-slim iPatches will once again redefine and revolutionize what a digital iPatch should be.”

“With our iBooks and iPods, we're really only reaching a small part of the population,” said Apple spokesman Bud Tribble. “With our new iPatch, we'll be able to tap into a whole new market: the pirate market.”

The iPatch measures only four inches in diameter and fits comfortably in the palm of your hand. It also fits around your head and over your eye, then slips easily into your pocket—and into your life.

The leader of the union Pirate Elegies to Gone Limbs and Eternal Gain (PEGLEG), responded to Mr. Tribble's statement. “Due

to their busy schedule of pillaging towns and plundering the seashores, pirates don't often have the chance to check their e-mail. They don't even have time to browse the music libraries on iTunes. We are glad to see that Apple recognizes this, and is finally taking strides to make its technology available to pirates.”

The new iPatch will be made of thin plastic, making them even lighter than the older felt version. Drake Stede Dampier, captain of the Old Gentlemen Dog, was thrilled and excited after receiving an early prototype from Apple. “These new patches don't itch as bad. The old ones often made my cavernous eye socket water. Plus, the old ones would always slide down at all the wrong times, like whenever I was pillaging or plundering.”

Apple will offer the iPatch in a wide variety of colors and styles. The basic model will be jet-black, with bandwidth capabilities of 25-35 cm, thanks to Apple's progress in the field of elastics. However, Drake Dampier plans to upgrade to a superior model. “I want to upgrade to the 40GB model, because



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Captain Longshanks shows off his new iPatch.

it's purple. And also because they throw in a carrying case, a docking port, and a pushpin to hang the iPatch from. I like that kind of flexibility in an eye patch.”

Apple hopes the new iPatch will revolutionize the way pirates live and work. Captain Drake Dampier, under extreme duress, said, “I think the iPatch is ‘booty-ful.’” He added that he loathes pirate puns. Also in development are new devices for snipers and optometrists, tentatively termed the iSight and the iBall.

Sated, Godzilla Abandons New Haven

Yale Students Remain Bravely Oblivious Throughout

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Yesterday, Godzilla, noted Japanese nuclear-radiation victim, stopped his murderous rampage, let forth a loud, satisfied burp, and trudged away from New Haven. This much-longed-for exit brought to a close the most destructive United States monster attack since the Boston Mothra Massacre of 1982. Lasting five weeks and causing the destruction of thousands of homes, the attack marked the most momentous, strife-filled period in New Haven since the recent strike by Yale's labor unions.

"We can only hope and pray that, unlike the strikes, this sort of monster attack will not occur with ominous frequency," said a visibly shaken Mayor DeStefano at a press conference. "Fortunately, we have received word that Godzilla will be busy for many moons dueling with the enormous and terrifying robot Mechagodzilla. For now, we can only mourn for those we lost and turn forward to rebuilding, recovery, and the gubernatorial elections."

Throughout the attacks, Yale students maintained a courageous attitude of complete ignorance. Tim Ruiz '06, when questioned of the attack, said "Look, I don't really have time to talk with you about movies. I've got to get to section and then plan for my life-changing community service summer fellowship."

Godzilla's terrifying atomic firebreath leveled many areas of the city, including Wooster Square, East Rock Park and the historic Red Light district. Told of this, Julia Yu '05 mused, "Hmm, I thought I noticed something a little different when I ran up East Rock yesterday. I guess it might have been that the monument was



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Godzilla prepares to strike Harkness Tower, which, until recently, was the world's tallest free-standing stone structure.

ablaze and the locals were screaming frantically. But, you know, I was listening to the Dandy Warhols on my iPod and I always zone out when I run. Oh well."

While Yale students stayed heroically shrouded in unawareness, many New Haven officials have tried to find the silver lining in this cloud of monstrous attack. "Though Godzilla's attacks were horribly tragic, we can only pray that there is not a sequel and look to the future," said Ward 12 alderman Ray Milton. "For instance, as New Haven, a proud All-America city, continues its 'The City of the Future, Today!' campaign, we will have to deal with fewer ghettos and projects, many of which were completely razed in the attack."

The attacks even garnered national attention. President Bush offered his sympathies to the victims and vowed swift, fierce revenge against Godzilla and his

ilk. "This tragic instance of international terrorism must not be tolerated. We are prepared to take military action against Japan if they insist on harboring terrorists like Godzilla and Baragon. Also, we have initial reports that al Qaeda may be hiding the giant lobster creature Ebirah in Iran or Syria. Or, um, North Korea."

While most Yalies were strong enough to remain benighted, some zealous activists succumbed to cognizance. The Yale chapter of the International Socialist Organization plans to have a candlelight vigil in solidarity with their slain, oppressed New Haven brothers. "This attack is just another instance of the ruling powers, in this case tyrannical monsters, targeting and exploiting the working class," said socialist Todd Caswell '04. He concluded, "Note that President Levin's house was only moderately singed."

Yale Freestyle Dueling Association's naked party "not such a good idea" in hindsight

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Members of the Yale Freestyle Dueling Association, commonly known as "those guys who hit each other with foam swords on Cross Campus," reached new heights of social awkwardness yesterday in the aftermath of their first ever naked party.

"We were just trying to fit in," cried member Winston Neederdorf '07. "I don't know why it went so horribly wrong."

Naked parties have a long tradition among Yale students. Most of these events are simply relaxed gatherings of friends that occasionally degenerate into sexual debauchery.

"I guess we were hoping for *some* debauchery," Neederdorf admitted. "One of our goals for the party was to raise awareness of our mission statement: 'To supervise extra-nonsensical activity at Yale.' And what's less sensical than gratuitous nudity?" He paused and waited for a reaction. "Um, anyway, as it turns out, the whole situation was just plain awkward. All of the boys stood on one side

of Cross Campus and that guy who looks like a girl stood alone on the other side. Oh, and we were all naked."

Many Duelists took solace in the fact that the failed party was not as disastrous as the Yale Anti-Gravity Society orgy, where, ironically, no juggler was able to maintain an erection.

For some Duelists, however, the party's failure was a rude awakening. "So that's why all the guys insist on fighting with those enormous foam swords," said ex-Duelist Tammy Price '07. "At least I still have my membership to the Yale Toy Rifle Association."

Despite this setback, Yale Freestyle Dueling Association social chair Mark Franklberger '05 has high hopes for the organizations next event: the club's first-ever "power hour."

"I made a killer mix of songs from the *Lord of the Rings*, *Star Wars*, and *Star Trek* soundtracks," said Franklberger. "A shot of vodka every minute for an hour? I am so ready."

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