**The Leverett House Newsletter**

**WEEK OF OCTOBER 20—24, 2003**

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**The Chickwich Challenge**

Leverett’s own P.J. McCann is currently the sole contestant in an epic match-up of Man vs. Meal known as the Chickwich Challenge. A hypothetical argument with his blockmates regarding the theoretical limits of human chickwich consumption has resulted in a legitimate competitive eating opportunity for McCann. If he can successfully manage to consume at least 100 dining hall chickwiches in the month of October, his blockmates will all have to buy him chicken sandwiches anytime they go to Wendy’s or McDonald’s until November 1, 2004, one full year from the end of the contest. McCann, whose preferred mode of consumption is the double decker, provided this update on his progress: “I have started to fall a little behind pace, but with the advent of the George Foreman grilled-chickwich-cum-Chicken-Parm innovation [using chicken cheese and tomato sauce from the spaghetti] my quest has been revitalized. Although the light at the end of the tunnel is not yet visible, I am confident I will see it some day and will be enjoying free Spicy Chicken at Wendy’s for the rest of the year.” As of Day 14, McCann has reached a total of 39 chickwiches consumed.

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**Is This A Town in Massachusetts or a Type of Cheese?**

**Goshen**

**CORRECT ANSWER ON REVERSE SIDE**

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**Grabbing the Apple**

**YOUR WEEKLY RODEO PIC**

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**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:**

**HUPD: 5-1212 Response: 5-9600**

Leverett Emergency Cell: 429-3311

**Mental Health Services: 5-2042**

**ECHO: 5-8200 UHS: 5-5711**

Room 13: 5-4969 Jenny: 867-5309

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Got something to say, buddy?
Contact Bryan & Chris at
news@leverett.harvard.edu
by Friday evening for publication
in next week’s issue

Police Pull Drunk Bird

Police in Germany caught a crow that had been attacking pedestrians by getting the bird drunk on schnapps. One woman fell to the ground when the large black bird swooped down on her in Dortmund. A seven-year-old girl was also attacked, police say. Officers tried to bait the bird with cat food, and the animal lost its sense of direction and could be caught,” police said in a statement. “It is now sleeping off its hangover at a local animal protection charity.”

Underwear Can Detect Heart Attack and Call Ambulance

Dutch scientists have developed underwear that calls an ambulance if the wearer has a heart attack. The Philips Research Laboratories in Eindhoven has developed bras, vests and pants that register and analyse the wearer’s heartbeat. The sensors are linked, via wireless technology, to a mobile phone which automatically makes contact with an alarm centre or an ambulance in an emergency. Director Karel Joosse told Algemeen Dagblad: “They are so easy to use, the patients wouldn’t realise they are wearing special underwear.” Mr Joosse says the system is designed to help cure more people at home rather than in hospitals, and expects it to be widely used in Holland and Germany within two years.

Shuttleboy 3.1

Wish there were a quick and easy way on fas to find out the next few shuttles leaving the River, Quad, Yard, or any other location on campus? Shuttleboy 3.1 is the latest version of a UNIX program accessible on fas.harvard.edu (and ice and nice) that allows you to check quickly the schedules of Harvard University shuttles. Not only does Shuttleboy allow you to view the full schedule of shuttles between specific origins and destinations, it also allows for customization, so that you can save time looking up your favorite routes’ schedules.

To try it, log into fas.harvard.edu and type exactly the following at the fas% prompt:

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~malan/pub/bin/sb3setup
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Then, hit Enter or Return and log out. Whenever you log in thereafter, you can run Shuttleboy simply by running

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sb
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at the fas% prompt!

ANSWER: IS THIS A TOWN IN MASSACHUSETTS OR A TYPE OF CHEESE? (SEE REVERSE SIDE FIRST)

The Town of Goshen is a rural community in western Massachusetts in the Berkshire foothills. Now over 200 years old, the town has been successful in maintaining its rural integrity despite being within commuting distance of several colleges and cultural areas and development pressure that this implies. Goshen has been a vacation area for 100 years and enjoys the presence of scenic lakes that are the central attraction for a state forest and for private cottage areas.

Showdog Showdown

Black Lab '90-'91-'93 NFC-AFC

Candlewoods Sir Tanks A Lot.

Chinese Astronaut Admits HeCouldn’t See Great Wall

China’s first astronaut has blown a myth by admitting the Great Wall of China cannot be seen from space. There was only one question on the lips of journalists after Lieutenant-Colonel Yang Liwei emerged from his capsule, reports The Times. ‘Is it true that you can see the Great Wall of China from space?’ asked an eager television interviewer. Yang answered: ‘Erm, no.’ With those two words, he dispelled the myth that the 1500 mile wall is the only man-made structure visible from space. But his answer came as no surprise to Nasa, whose astronauts have said for decades that all can be seen is the white of clouds, the blue of the oceans, the yellow of deserts and a few green patches of vegetation.

The Student/Teacher Meal Plan

You are welcome to continue a classroom discussion or simply get to know a teacher better over a meal in the dining hall. The student/teacher meal plan allows you to invite a teacher to join you for a meal (and interesting conversation, of course). If your guest is a Lecturer, Preceptor, or TF, bring him/her to the checker area to fill out a meal card before you dine. Professors, Assistant Professors, Associate Professors, Professors of the Practice, Senior Lecturers, and Senior Preceptors may use their ID at the checker area. The beginning of the academic year is a good time to think about how the student/teacher meal plan can fit into your plans. There is no charge to participate.

KRISPY KREME DONUTS!

The Women’s Ultimate Frisbee Team is selling KRISPY KREME DONUTS at $6 per dozen. The donuts will be delivered on Wednesday, October 29. Email achwang@fas.harvard.edu with your order if you would like to pre-order Krispy Kreme donuts!

Krispy Kreme

DONUTS

vs

Border Collie OTCH

Heelalong Chimney Sweep, UDX, AX.

Champion

Can Sir Tanks A Lot retain his title for yet another week? Submit your vote to news@leverett.harvard.edu. May the best dog win.