THE SECRET ROOMS OF MCKINLOCK

Now that the second semester is totally underway and we’ve all lived or eaten in McKinlock Hall for months, you probably think that you know the newly renovated building like the back of your hand. Wrong! Everybody’s favorite hall is chock-full of obscure rooms and common spaces that nobody ever seems to use. Here a just a few of these unknown areas:

1. The other music practice room. You might be familiar with the music practice rooms in the basement, but did you know that there’s one on the fifth floor? That’s right, between rooms D412 and D415 is a small, but soundproof, room for Leverett’s resident musicians to practice their art.

2. The sink. There’s a large washbasin in the hallway of B2 entryway. It was placed there by the wellness tutors in order to encourage hygienic handwashing practices—so come by and wash your hands whenever you want!

3. The squash courts. Leverett residents involved in IM squash probably already know about these, but they can be found in the second basement.

4. El Teatro Biblioteca. This room is a performance and community space specifically designated for Spanish-language performances! You can find it by turning right where you’d normally turn left to get to the Library Theater.

5. The zoo. Ever wonder what’s beneath those manholes in the courtyard? If you’re daring enough to go down and see for yourself, you’ll find that there’s a wondrous room filled with all kinds of exotic animals and plants, immaculately maintained by a dedicated team of groundskeepers.

6. The time machine. This is right next to the squash courts in the second basement. Try not to create any time paradoxes by attempting to travel back to the first World War in order to save the life of George Alexander McKinlock Jr.!

7. The laundry room. Believe it or not, you don’t need to make the trek to the towers to do your laundry! There’s a convenient laundry room, complete with washers and dryers, right next to the Rabbit Hole common area in the basement!
Senior thesis writers eager to look back on this moment with rose colored glasses

Senior thesis writer Gabe Ferrero-Rocher is eager to turn in his final major academic achievement in college, spend a few weeks trying not to think about it, and eventually reflect back on this time in his life as if it were something he actually enjoyed.

“I’m just really looking forward to letting out a big, nostalgic sigh when I tell my kids what a great time I had working on my senior thesis, one day,” Ferrero-Rocher told the Hare Today in an exclusive interview. “It’ll be great. I can’t wait to see the look in their eyes when I tell them how much I relished the opportunity to really throw myself into a singular academic pursuit for a sustained period of time,” he said, fidgeting slightly. “It will be great to think back to when I truly believed I had a future as an academic. I just have to create that memory first.”

The senior history of science concentrator isn’t alone. Many seniors admit to waking up and realizing that the true value of a senior thesis lies in the ability to brag about it one day.

“Yeah... I can’t say I would do it again. But I’m certainly glad I’ll have the chance to tell people I did it,” said Clintock McSotheby, a senior history and literature student. “It’s miserable *now*, but just wait until I can bring it up at bar-b-q’s and PTA meetings later. It’ll be great.”

Future friends and family members of Sotheby reported that they were “Thrilled. Totally thrilled” to hear about Clintock’s college experience, again.

Mystery Movie Quote:

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Goodfellas

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Last Week’s Answer:

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