**Hare Today**

**LEVERETT HOUSE NEWSLETTER**

**WEEK OF MONDAY, 11TH Oct 2005**

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

HUPD: 5-1212    UHS: 5-5711  
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Mental Health Services: 5-2042  
FAS Computer Services: 5-9000  
Response: 5-9600  
Room 13: 5-4969  
ECHO: 5-8200

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**Artists Erect Giant Pink Bunny On Mountain**

An enormous pink bunny has been erected on an Italian mountainside where it will stay for the next 20 years. The 200-foot-long toy rabbit lies on the side of the 5,000 foot high Colletto Fava mountain in northern Italy’s Piedmont region. Viennese art group Gelatin designed the giant soft toy and say it was “knitted by dozens of grannies out of pink wool”. Group member Wolfgang Gantner said: “It’s supposed to make you feel small, like Gulliver. You walk around it and you can’t help but smile.” And Gelatin members say the bunny is not just for walking around - they are expecting hikers to climb its 20 foot sides and relax on its belly. The giant rabbit is expected to remain on the mountain side until 2025.

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**MPs Use Umbrellas In Parliament**

Romanian MPs had to use umbrellas in parliament after rain started leaking through the ceiling of the newly renovated building. Debate was disrupted as MPs wiped down their desks and changed seats to get out of the rain. Some of them blamed former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu for the poor quality of the Palace of Parliament, one of the world’s biggest buildings. But others said the company which earned “big money” for the renovation works was responsible. The building’s main architect, Anca Petrescu, said more than 30 hours of rain brought more water than the drainage system could handle. Often identified as the symbol of Ceausescu’s megalomania, the 6,000 room building was built by 400 architects and 20,000 workers between 1984 and 1989. It was recently renovated and changed into the headquarters of Romania’s Parliament.

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**Sundays this semester, 9PM, Leverett SCR**

HoCo Meetings! Go see how Leverett’s Co makes Leverett the best Ho. Is that too risqué?

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**Tue Oct 11, 8.30-10PM, Leverett Masters’ Residence**

MONKEYBREAD! Monkeybread, monkeybread, monkey-monkey-monkeybread... I’ll stop now.

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**Fri-Sat Oct 14-15, 8PM, Bright Hockey Center**

An Evening With Champions; for the Jimmy Fund, $7.

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**Mon Oct 17, 5.30PM, Leverett Dining Hall**

Sophomore Dinner. The ambience will be anything but sophomoric.

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**Tue Oct 18, 9PM, Leverett Dining Hall**

HoCo Movie Night! (Please vote for Mean Girls).

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**Fri Oct 21, 6.30PM, Leverett Master’s Residence**

Leverett Chamber Music, followed by a dessert reception. Boy I would love to receive some dessert first listen to those performances first.

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**Mon Oct 24, 5.30PM, Agassiz House (Radcliffe Yard)**


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**Coincidence? We think Not.**

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**Brothers Fined for Keeping “Pet Ghost”**

A village council in eastern India has fined two brothers for keeping a pet ghost. Iswar and Haripada Murmu, of Akshapur in West Bengal, were accused of owning a ghost after one of their wives died. An exorcist summoned by villagers claimed the brothers’ pet ghost was “responsible for a recent outbreak of disease in the locality”. Village elders said they were bringing evil to the village and fined them the equivalent of £360, reports the Deccan Chronicle. The paper reports that the brothers had to mortgage their agricultural land to raise the money. They now risk losing everything unless they can pay the money back within two months. District magistrate Mukul Sarkar said: “I will immediately inquire into the matter and if there is any truth to it, the district administration will take the necessary action.”

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**Which Movie is This From?**

One-Night Standee: Would you say you’re completely full of s**t or just 50%?  
One-Night Stander: I hope just 50, but who knows.
CRIME WATCH

FROM THE HUPD
CRIME LOGS

9/29/05, 2:14 pm: Officers dispatched to take a report of a past suspicious activity. Officer arrived and determined that a skylight was damaged by the bell tower. (Ed: Damn those violent pieces of architecture.)

9/30/05, 11:16 pm: Officers dispatched to a report of two individuals spraying graffiti on the lot. Officers arrived and determined there was no graffiti in the area and that the individuals turned on the sprinklers. (Ed: Did they wash away the graffiti?)

BRIE RATES PUBLISHED IN POLICE BULLETIN

Authorities in an Indian state have ordered an enquiry after a bribe rate card was published in a police bulletin. The rate chart in the Calcutta Police Gazette listed amounts to be paid to jail officials for services to prisoners, reports Hindustan Times. It revealed that expensive liquor could be had for £2.50 and mobile phones for services to prisoners, reports Hindustan Times. It revealed that expensive liquor could be had for £2.50 and mobile phones could be used for £1.25. An embarrassed West Bengal government has now ‘censured in writing’ Detective Chief Gyanwant Singh and is now investigating whether other members of his editorial team could be held responsible. Home Secretary Prasad Ranjan Ray said: “The publication of the bribe rates was not a mistake, but a deliberate act to malign the image of the force.” But he added that the government would not take any further action against the police officer because of his good record.

DOG REGISTERS TO VOTE

A New Zealand man succeeded in registering his pet dog to vote in the country’s general election. Peter Rhodes sent his Jack Russell terrier Toby’s application form to the election authorities signed with a paw print. And he gave the dog’s occupation as rodent exterminator. The animal was duly registered as Toby Russell Rhodes in the Otago constituency and sent a voter’s card but did not try to vote in the polls. Mr Rhodes, of Queenstown, said he was protesting over “bureaucratic nonsense” he had encountered while trying to divide his land for development. Electoral Enrolment Centre national manager Murray Wicks told the Otago Daily Times: “It’s an offence, and whoever’s done it will be in the hands of the police.”

A THEFT MOST FOWL

Indian police have put a man who allegedly stole five chickens from a top magistrate on their ‘most wanted’ list. A special team was set up by Banswara police to trace the thief who stole “four hens and a cock” from the house of chief judicial magistrate Rajinder Singh Bankawat. The Statesman of Calcutta quotes a source as saying: “As the residence of the chief judicial magistrate is in a secluded place, the thief found it easy to steal the hens and the cock. “A policeman on duty was sleeping when the incident took place.” Officers of the force swung into action after the local bar association asked for the culprit’s immediate arrest. They also asked for armed policemen to be appointed to stand guard outside of the homes of judicial officers. Police spokesman Abhay Singh said: “We are confident that we shall arrest the thief soon.”

WOMAN, 71, PULLS CAR WITH TEETH

A 71-year-old woman has pulled a car for 65ft - with her teeth - in China. Wang Xiaobei performed the stunt with a car weighing more than a tonne in Jinan, Shandong province, where she lives. She attached one end of a heavy rope to the car and wrapped a handkerchief around the other end before biting on the rope. Mrs Wang said she had been practising feats of strength with her teeth for more than 30 years. She has previously managed to carry more than 300 kilo bucket of water with her mouth, and also a bicycle.

AND THE ANSWER IS...

Just one of the spot-on one-liners from this summer’s Wedding Crashers (2005), where John Beckwith (Owen Wilson) and Jeremy Grey (Vince Vaughn) are a pair of committed womanizers who sneak into weddings to take advantage of the romance in the air. John ends up falling in love at the season's biggest wedding, and finds himself at odds with fellow-cad Jeremy. You’ve gotta watch it; it’s hilarious.