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SafeRide Driver Purchases Alcohol for Student, Makes Her Wait an Hour to Get It

By Andrew Schneider

EVANSTON - A SafeRide driver was recently arrested for delivering alcohol to a minor. According to court documents, the minor in question placed a call to SafeRide at 9:30 PM, and a driver was dispatched approximately 50 minutes later with spirits in hand. According to university officials, such wait times are not uncommon for students using school resources to get wasted.

"SafeRide drivers may take hours to accomplish minutes' worth of tasks," Northwestern spokesman Al Cabbage explained, "but when you're strand-

ed on Noyes in dire need of a drink, SafeRide will always be there for you."

Cabbage then made further headlines with the announcement of SafeRide Lite, a new fleet of cars dedicated to reliably delivering alcohol to patient students. Representatives of *The Flipside* were invited for ride-alongs to see the new drivers in action. I had only been in the car for about a minute when the driver received his first order.

"Got a female student for you at Simpson and Maple," the radio operator issued. "She called an hour ago, but then I started playing Solitaire."

"Vodka or Rum?" the driver asked as he rifled through a fully-stocked cooler in the backseat. He seemed shocked to hear that she only wanted a ride back home.

"I'm a very 'scenic' driver," the driver spoke as we leisurely ambled towards his destination. "I like to show riders the best Evanston has to offer while they're puking in my car. If I fall slightly behind schedule, I think it's a small price to pay." The street corner came into view.

"Aw, shit, she's already been mugged."



In other news, A Shepard Hall CA has been arrested for selling Adderall to his residents, but only to those who agreed to attend a "super-fun" fireside on body image awareness.

Where Are They Now? The Fucksaw

By The Fucksaw

Hey, it's nice to see you all again. I've been pretty busy. In and out, you know. As I always say, when life gives you lemons, penetrate them.

I'll be frank with you. I wasn't that happy with how they treated me in the media, being new to Northwestern and all. It was like all these parents spending \$200,000 on their children's educations had never seen a high-powered vibrator before. I was so pissed I vibrated the sun a little to speed up molecules and whatnot, which of course caused the winter to be warmer -- all just to unfreeze the ice rink. Suck it, Morty. I've been poking my head here

and there. I got in John Shurna's head for the second half of the Michigan games, I had to find a new fraternity after I had to depledge Lodge, and I've generally been doing my usual thing with Mayor Tisdale's logic.

I haven't bothered helping with all the construction on campus. Sorry.

I went to Europe, rented a swank apartment, drank a lot, spoke a little bit in a different language, jerked off, and occasionally went to class. So yeah, I studied abroad.

But yeah, it's been pretty chill, as far as fucksaws go. As I always say, rev up your engine, because you never know what you'll be in the thick of next.

Local Middle School Holds "Stand Awkwardly in the Corner" Marathon

By Sam Gutelle

EVANSTON - A local Evanston middle school has issued its response to Northwestern's Dance Marathon. With the fundraiser right around the corner, the school board has decided to organize a Stand-Awkwardly-In-The-Corner Marathon to benefit the B+ Foundation.

This esteemed charity, chosen by the local PTA, helps fund childhood cancer research, a cause the middle schoolers described as "ugh, whatever, mom." Students were asked to raise money for the charity, but fundraising efforts were minimal as the participants prepared for the event by sitting lazily on the couch while playing Halo and rolling their eyes whenever their parents walked in.

The marathon will have 10 blocks, each of which will highlight a different manner of avoid social contact within a large school gym. The first block, known as the "dude, this sucks" block, will involve awkward wallflowers scoffing at the event and sneering. During block 4, the fruit punch block, students will be required to spoon out at least one cup of fruit punch from a communal bowl while simultaneously avoiding in-

teraction with all other groups at the table. The corner-stander who makes the least amount of eye contact with his or her peers will win a Stand-Awkward-In-The-Corner Marathon tote bag. The event will finish with block 10, the "man, Rebecca Holliday has such nice tits" block, where the girls will all dance with each other in the center of the stage while the boys look sullen on the sidelines and figure out creative ways to hide their boners.

In response to this event, a local elementary school will have a "K-thru-4 Bouncy Castle Marathon." High attendance is expected.

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Silent Film Star Fails to Accept Award Silently, Oscar Retracted

By Rachel Beal

LOS ANGELES — Jean Dujardin, the star of the Oscar-winning silent film *The Artist*, committed a career-crippling faux pas on Sunday night when he spoke while accepting his Academy Award.

The audience at the ceremony watched in shock as the supposed Frenchman bellowed his acceptance speech and proclaimed his *JOIE DE VIVRE!* to the very rafters of the Kodak Theater in what can only be described as a Brooklyn accent. A mortified Natalie Portman shrunk behind the back of the 8ft tall Oscar statuette on stage left—viewers were disappointed when she did not later re-emerge as the black swan to frighten her Best Actress successor—and outside, Ryan Seacrest screamed girlishly. (Seacrest later argued that he thought the offensive sound had come from the ghost of the dead dictator whose ashes Sasha Baron Cohen had dumped on him earlier in the evening, Seacrest was still in the process of removing the ashes particle-by-particle from his Henry Ford tuxedo when the spectacle transpired.)

It seems that actually speaking may prove a career-ending mistake for the

formerly promising and questionably French actor. “I was just expecting his voice to be a little more like a Parisian James Earl Jones and a little less like Fran Drescher,” said Melissa McCarthy, who’d been stiffed earlier in the evening for her drastically underappreciated performance in *Bridesmaids*.

Other audience members found the actor’s voice too caustic to even continue listening and left the theater. “Now someone else will know how this feels,” yelled *Tree of Life* director Terrence Malick as he flung-wide the theater doors and burst on to Hollywood Boulevard.

Given the widespread disapproval of the entertainment community, the Academy made the decision to retract Mr. Dujardin’s award early Monday morning and instead present it to George Clooney. “Our first thought was to just give it to Meryl Streep,” a spokesperson told *Flipside*, “but we figured two in one year might be pushing it.”

Most upset about the event was former Oscar winner Colin Firth (*The King’s Speech*, 2010), who was so shocked by Dujardin’s decision to talk that he st-st-stuttered through his presenter’s monologue.

Greece Produces More Gyros, Not Enough Euros

By Katie Prentiss

ATHENS - In a recent miscommunication, Greece sent 100,000 gyros to Germany to avoid debt default. After confusing the delicious pita wraps for the currency, the Greeks remain unashamed.

“We heard the chancellor needed a payment, but we didn’t understand why she wanted to be paid in gyros,” Prime Minister Lucas Papademos said. “After giving it some thought, however, I got it. I have never said no to a lamb sandwich.”

The souvlaki industry was suddenly under a lot of pressure to complete this task in such a short amount of time. Still, being the most capable sector of the Greek economy, the meat producers pulled it off with ease.

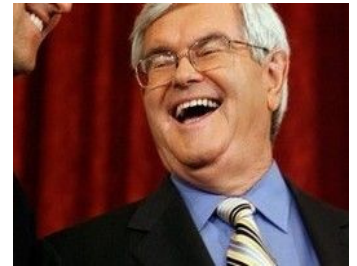
“Luckily, cucumbers were on sale at the market, so the tzatziki garnish wasn’t an issue. My godmother’s aunt’s brother’s cousin is a butcher, so he pitched in for meat,” said gyro-maker Yianni Papadoupoulakis.

The government is now scram-

bling to make up for their error. They are hoping to turn this mistake into a positive solution.

“Really, Germany should just pay us for all those gyros,” Papademos said. “They were made possible by the world-famous Greek work ethic, and they deserve to be eaten and paid for. Then we can just use those Euros to pay *them* back. Problem solved.”

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Italian Cruise Ship Runs Aground on Massive Stereotype

By Andrew Gresik

GIGLIO, ITALY- Italian Coast Guard incident reports released exclusively to the *Flipside* have shed new light on the true cause of the Costa Concordia disaster. While the official reports have supported several theories (ranging from the sudden appearance of a beautiful woman on shore to repeated ship-to-shore telephone calls from the captain’s mother) as to why the ship ran aground and sank, transcripts from police interviews with Captain Francesco Schettino suggest otherwise. Twenty minutes into the interview, Schettino appears to have broken down, admitting that the reef, which the ship eventually hit, had “challenged him”. The transcript continues as follows:

POLICE: The reef. . .challenged you?

SCHETTINO: Si! It’s like the other car at the stop sign. It is supposed to stop, not me.

POLICE: Sir — you’re saying the



reef should have moved for you?

SCHETTINO: Of course, again with the stupid questions! I even honked at it. And on top of all that, I think it said something about my mother!

POLICE: Again, sir, let me remind you that we’re talking about a reef here.

SCHETTINO: Basta! I’ll call Mama; she’ll explain it to you.

When asked why he abandoned ship before all of the passengers had made it to safety, Schettino claimed that it was lunch time and he thought he smelled pasta on shore. Formal charges are expected soon.

Note: All names and stories are fictional, unless public figures are mentioned. This is SATIRE!