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“I expect the team to sprout from a tiny acorn into a mighty evergreen as the year progresses.”

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ScienceGPT Wreaks Havoc on Drew University

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A new technology has corrupted Drew University, with catastrophic repercussions for students, professors and the university's national reputation. ScienceGPT, an AI tool designed to help students cheat their way through science classes, prompted an academic integrity crisis that Drew is struggling to reckon with.

The chaos began when two organic chemistry students sought an easy method to pass the pre-med weed-out class. John Smith ('25) and Jane Doe ('25), who requested anonymity, have dreamed of attending medical school ever since childhood. However, their organic chemistry class threatened to jeopardize those dreams. With scores of 21 percent and 1 percent respectively on their first organic chemistry exam, Smith and Doe knew that they needed to ace their next exam to preserve any hope of pursuing their desired career.

"I'm a biology major, so I have to become a doctor," said Smith. "If I don't, I'll be unemployed and depressed for the rest of my life. I also want to make a lot of money."

The night before their second exam, Smith and Doe hatched a plan: They would create an AI tool that could name and generate diagrams of organic molecules. In other words, Smith and Doe would be able to draw compounds like chloroethylmethyl-4-fluoropropylsec-butyl-2,2-dimethylisopropyl-7-orthoetherpropanoate with one click. This website could also write essays about science, a useful feature given that many poor writers major in STEM fields only to find 10-page papers awaiting them. Smith and Doe stayed up until 3:47 a.m. designing this powerful technology, displaying an impeccable work ethic that could have

been applied to studying. Smith and Doe are terrible at naming things, so they decided to call their website ScienceGPT after a popular AI chatbot.

When asked whether she thought using this new AI tool to cheat on her exam was unethical, Doe said, "I don't think so. Every college student cheated during the pandemic. Besides, people cheat all the time. Look at Operation Varsity Blues, for example."

Although Smith and Doe took every precaution to covertly reference their phones during the exam, they were nevertheless caught by their organic chemistry professor, Dr. Ethel Benzene, who threatened to give them a zero and permanently ruin their chances of attending medical school. However, after learning about the immense potential of ScienceGPT, Benzene made a deal with Smith and Doe: the students would receive a passing grade on the exam if Drew's science professors were allowed to use the technology. Of course, Smith and Doe agreed.

Since science professors also hate writing 10-page papers, they experimented with ScienceGPT's essay-writing feature. Dr. Molly Cool decided to help her students by creating a glossary for the 6,452,568,232 acronyms in biochemistry. Dr. Bunsen Burner, on the other hand, wrote a letter to the "Breaking Bad" fans in his chemistry class explaining why the show is not scientifically accurate, emphasizing that hydrofluoric acid is not a strong acid and cannot dissolve bodies or bathtubs.

Chaos erupted, however, when inorganic chemistry professor Dr. Elle C. Tron learned of ScienceGPT's existence. Long-opposed to organic chemistry's insistence on the incorrect and oversimplified concepts of resonance, Lewis structures and hybridization, Tron gen-



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Experiments in a lab.

erated a paper eviscerating organic chemistry. Deeply offended by what she perceived as a personal attack, Benzene fired back with an essay that declared inorganic chemistry irrelevant. The controversy soon morphed into an all-out war between the two professors that was fought by lab sabotage.

"Organic chemistry is wrong. Period," said Tron.

When asked why she continues to teach inaccurate concepts to her students, Benzene said, "50% of students fail organic chemistry already. That number will increase exponentially if I make them draw molecular orbital diagrams for every single bond in an organic molecule."

At this point, knowledge of ScienceGPT had leaked to Drew's student body, who began committing flagrant academic integrity violations using the AI tool. Sometimes, professors could detect whether AI had completed an assignment. For example, when ScienceGPT was asked to define a mole of carbon atoms, it returned an image of *Scalopus aquaticus* (which is, in fact, made of carbon atoms). ScienceGPT also drew organic compounds with perfect hexagons, a feat that no human could ever achieve. For the most part, however, professors struggled to identify whether a student had used ScienceGPT, creating an academic integrity crisis.

As the number of ScienceGPT users increased, Smith and Doe realized that they could monetize their creation, so they introduced a \$5 monthly subscription fee. Already enraged over having to pay for printing again, Drew students launched a full-scale revolt, refusing to attend classes or

complete homework assignments until the subscription fee was lifted.

Facing a civil war in the chemistry department and a student strike, the administration finally took action. In a strongly worded email, Dr. Geen O. Micks, the head of Drew's science department, banned the use of ScienceGPT on Drew's campus. "If students are caught using this technology, they will be severely punished. We won't bother defining that punishment because we can't detect when this technology is being used and because students will continue to use it anyway," Micks stated. The administration also required professors to include a warning about AI tools in their syllabi, which will likely be ineffective because students do not read syllabi.

The future of ScienceGPT remains to be determined. Confidential sources revealed that Drew's administration may sell ScienceGPT to other universities to earn more money. In the meantime, the use of ScienceGPT has seemingly subsided in the wake of the chaos it generated. Although most of the Drew students who cheated using ScienceGPT went unpunished, Smith and Doe were expelled from Drew University, and their dreams of attending medical school were destroyed forever.

If you would like to try using ScienceGPT, you can find it at www.notreal.com.



A.U. is a first-year majoring in biochemistry and molecular biology with perfect academic integrity ;).

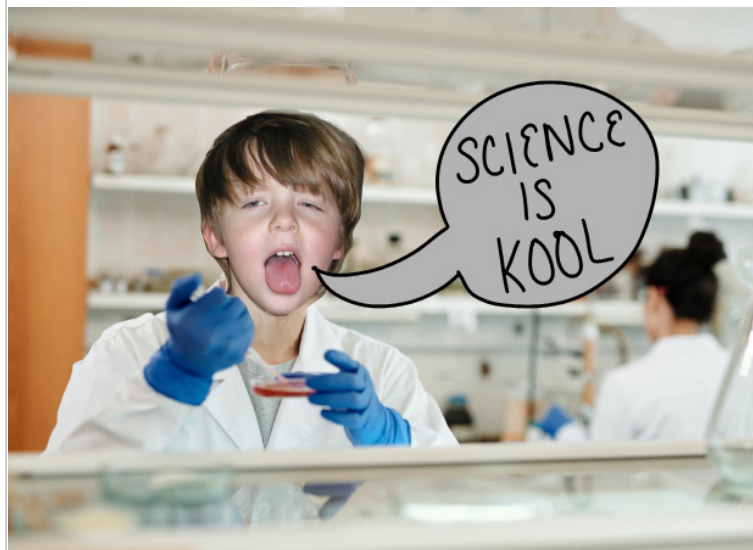


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Teddy Door experiments.

Squirrels Unionize for Copyright

PEDRO PASCAL'S MOM
PEDRO PASCAL ENTHUSIAST

Drew University has long used the face of the squirrel for advertising and promoting the name of the school. The long fight to designate the squirrel as Drew's mascot has gained no ground, and the squirrels are starting to grow discontent with the lack of compensation for the use of their face for Drew's benefit. Over the past couple of months, the squirrels of

Drew University have begun to gather and have formally organized a union called Squirrels Want Money From Drew (SWMFD). SWMFD is led by Sir Wellington Bartholomew Harold Acornian James Richard III, who has spent the last seven months organizing and educating the squirrels on Drew's campus.

"Squeak squeak squeak squeak squeak squeak," Sir Richard told the press in a powerful statement, "squeak squeak squeak squeak squeak squeak,

squeak squeak squeak." He delivered this speech during a highly anticipated union rally that was held on Feb. 31 in the bushes by Seminary Hall. Over 200 members of Drew's squirrel population attended; The Drew Acorn was invited per special request of union supporters and were the only humans allowed to attend. The Acorn team was bunched up by the bushes, sitting off to the side with their pen and paper and furiously taking notes.

SWMFD has three simple demands for the squirrels of Drew University: recognition of the squirrel as the official mascot of Drew, proper payment to the squirrel population for the use of their face as said mascot (specifically they are asking for a minimum wage of 14.13 acorns per hour corresponding to the New Jersey minimum wage) and affordable living options on campus (specifically a brand new furnished dorm hall just for the squirrels with personal bathrooms and air conditioning).

Sir Richard has declared that the squirrels of Drew will be on strike until those demands are met. The squirrels have already started co-



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A squirrel and Tedddddd Ddddooar climbing a tree.

vert operations to steal all of the merchandise and advertising that has a squirrel pictured on it; admissions have already reported a decrease in tour folders over the past couple of days. The squirrels have also started blocking the entrances to certain buildings, attacking anyone who dares to come near. This includes The Commons and the C Store, where students have reported having to run past a mob of squirrels to get into those areas.

Drew University has yet to respond to the SWMFD demands, but the squirrels

are relentless and have prepared for the long haul by stocking up on discarded bagels and pizza as they continue their strike.



Pedro is not a sophomore majoring in history and minoring in history and music.



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Sir Richard posing with Dreddy Troar.

Lookin' For a Swim? New Pool On Top of Brother's College

ANNABELLE SMITH
 STAFF WRITER, WEBMASTER,
 AND CARTOONIST

At the start of the Spring 2022 Those devastated over the lack of a pool on Brothers College need to cry no longer: starting this Saturday, the Brothers College roof will be offering a state-of-the-art Olympic-sized swimming pool. It opens at 10 in the morning and stays open until 7 p.m., weather permitting. The pool is open to all students who have obtained the proper password to access this secret level in the Brothers College elevator.

If convincing is needed, readers will be pleased to know that the pool water is kept at a refreshing 75 degrees daily; it is turned up to 80 on those chillier, winter-lingering afternoons. The pool is fairly big despite being built halfway into the brick, reaching a staggering 12 feet deep at one end where students can easily dive and jump cannonball style into the clear water off the newly implemented diving board. Surrounding the pool area are lounge chairs and small tables for food, although students must use points to pay for any and all food options.

"It's the perfect way to relax after a morning of skipping my four-hour lecture and Spanish midterm," Jules Holloway ('24) says, coming up for air after sitting at the bottom of the pool for a concerning hour-and-a-half of underwater meditation.

"It was an open note anyway, so. Not that big of a deal."

To the benefit of Holloway and all other avid pool-goers, staff are not allowed to visit the pool. They instead have their own secret pool in the basement of Brothers College, where they must whisper the secret password to a bouncer at the door to classroom 30 (which appears to be an unassuming broom closet). However, if professors want to swim in the Brothers College pool—if anybody wants to swim—all they have to do is give this article's writer (Annabelle Smith) a crisp 20 dollar bill and in return the password will be provided.

Tips are appreciated.

Annabelle is a first-year majoring in studio art.

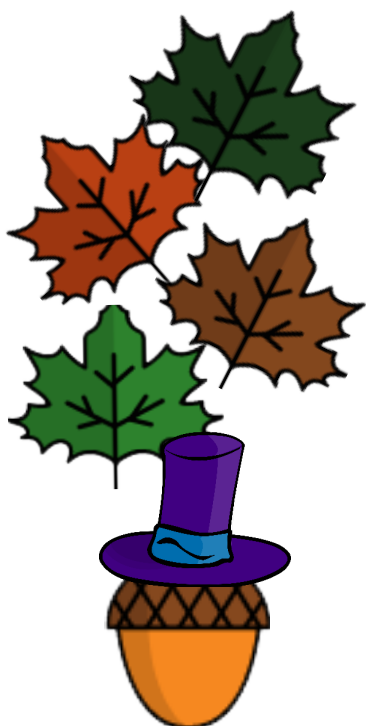


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Deddy Troll posing inside of a frog in front of the pool on top of Brothers college.

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You will check out Fergus.
You want to view Fergus.
You will view Fergus.
Fergus.
Submit to His Glory.

DYTT: Our Mascot Used To Be a Squirrel !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

JO-CELENE STAFANICK
MATT BELAND IN TRAINING
A new and improved Ranger Bear mascot was revealed, as most Drewids (hopefully) saw upon returning from spring break. The new bear is complete with cartoonish eyes, a cooling fan inside and an array of blue and green swag to wear to school events! But most Drewids may not know about the school's original mascot, the Eastern Gray Squirrel. So in order to honor Drew's fascinating mascot history, this week's article will explore the introduction of the squirrely mascot, and where exactly it went.

When Drew's College of Liberal Arts opened in 1928, the school lacked an official mascot; administrators wanted students to help choose what symbol would represent their school. In mid-December 1928, after a successful first semester of operation, President Arlo Ayres Brown opened a polling station in the lobby of Brothers College. Students were able to suggest the mascots that they thought appropriate, one such mascot being the eastern gray squirrel. While there are no records stating exactly who suggested the squirrel, there is some insight into why students may have sprung for such a choice. A November 1929 edition of The Acorn spotlights an interesting member of the Drew community: Richard "Squir-

rel" Smith (C'32). Smith, originally from Allentown, Pa., brought an interesting talent with him to campus. Smith, a "big guy with a gentle heart," was known to befriend squirrels around campus. According to the spotlight article, Smith was frequently seen "sitting on one of the many benches around campus with a small brown paper bag full of peanuts that he would shell to share with the squirrels." Smith, who was widely popular amongst his peers, was also central to campus life, so when the squirrel was pitted against a groundhog, a mockingbird and a seven pointed buck, it is no surprise that the eastern gray squirrel won in a landslide.

The felted (and somewhat creepy) mascot costumes that Drew students are accustomed to now were

not yet popularized when Brothers College's first mascot was chosen. Instead, Smith helped tame an injured squirrel that he would bring to sports games, school dances and first-year orientation. Eventually the creature was named Sir Asbury to commemorate Francis Asbury himself. Sir Asbury, fed a healthy diet and kept in a spacious enclosure in Mead Hall, lived an estimated 12 years following his induction as Drew's living mascot. He had gone through eight student handlers after Smith's graduation. Following the loss of such a beloved member of the Drew community, Sir Asbury was taxidermied and then put on display in Mead Hall. According to a September 1941 edition of The Drew Acorn, a new furry friend had been found for the start of the school year.

Another squirrel affectionately called Junior helped keep morale high during the war years as Drew hosted troops and welcomed female students. Two more live squirrels, unnamed for the sake of sparing Drew students' attachment and subsequent tears, followed.

By 1969, Drew had adopted its first costumed mascot named Smithy in honor of the original mascot handler. The mascot would attend athletic events, make yearly appearances at traditional events and show up just in time to spread cheer during finals season. The costume would be used until 1975, when student athletes, concerned that the squirrel would make Drew athletics teams appear small and weak, called for the mascot to be changed. A black bear (even though there are no bears on campus) was cho-

sen to represent the school. While some students argued that losing the squirrel mascot would be a massive hit to campus life and tradition, the university went ahead with finalizing the decision. Smithy was phased out slowly, appearing alongside Ranger Bear briefly in 1976 and 1977, appearing for the last time on April 1, 1979. Sadly, the University Archives were not given the squirrel suit, and its current location is unknown. Some speculate that the costume ended up in the basement of Tolley while others believe it was respectfully buried in the forest to lay the memory of the mascot to rest.

While the official mascot of the school remains Ranger Bear, students can rest assured that the squirrel is still remembered in advertising, on event posters and lively running around campus throughout the year. Since a mascot is something meant to unite an institution in school spirit, I think it can be safely said that Smithy, Junior or Sir Asbury did their jobs well!

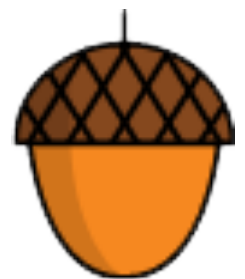


Richard "Squirrel" Smith and Sir Asbury.



Students practice interspecies kindness.

Jo-Celene Stafanick is a Matt Beland in Training



Student Spotlight: Fergus the Fatally Faulty Streetlight

IDK & IDC
PROFFESIONALS?
On this wonderful piece of paper, filled with pointless photos and other useless information, some of The Drew Acorn Staff would like to commemorate a very important person: Fergus.

Fergus is the light post in the Sitterly parking lot that was flickering for the entirety of the semester up until last week. For a semester and a half, he stood at his post offering students mediocre lighting until he was abruptly fired by his superiors.

Despite his lackluster ability to light the parking lot, he had a fantastic personality and became very good friends with many of the night owls inhabiting the Sitterly parking lot. My silver Tucson has been absolutely heartbroken since the news of his departure was announced.

Some conspiracy theorists—like our very own

Teddy Droar—believe something more nefarious could be afoot here.

"Light posts don't magically get replaced," Droar said. "Someone must have replaced it."

This vital point by Droar forced a closer look into the disappearance of Fergus. It would seem he has not been home since his departure from Drew.

We suspect that he will not be returning any time soon, so we wanted to commemorate some of the most inspirational advice Fergus has enlightened us with.

"There is always light. If only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it."

"There are two ways of spreading light; be the light post or the mirror that reflects it."

"As you work to create light for others, you naturally light your own way."

"Everyone is a light post in their own way and

the light they bring into the world is beautiful, irreplaceable and needed, even when it falters."

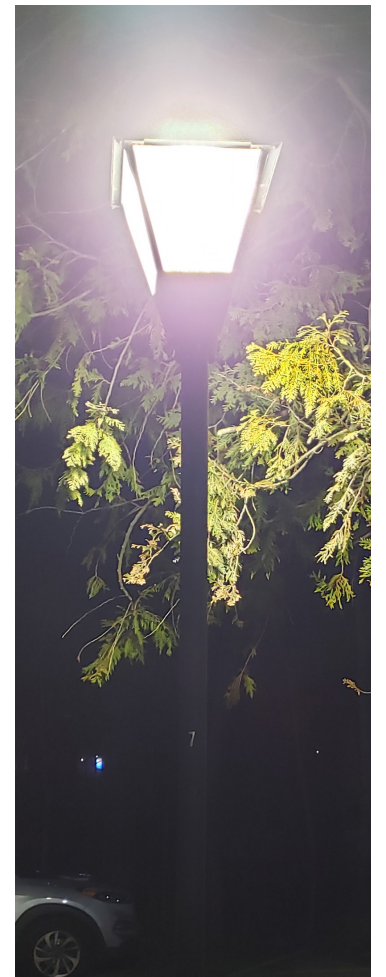
Since flickering lights are a sign of danger in horror movies, the sight of one can freak people out. So, we asked Fergus why he decided to keep blinking despite giving people the creeps. He said, "I love light because it shows the way, but I also love the darkness because it shows me the stars."

Every night, Fergus would allow students to appreciate the light and the darkness. He was a beacon, a lighthouse to our sea of cars, a guide to the right direction, a sense of home. We miss him dearly and hope that he returns to the Commuter Parking Lot soon. We are worried about his sudden disappearance and hope that he comes back to visit and give us reassurance once more.

IDK & IDC are vertical lines approaching an asymptote.



fergus



fergussss

who is this man? this imposter? this facimile of God?



The light is not sufficient. The darkness encroaches. A false god echoes from the abyss. Wherefore hath our savior gone? Why has he forsaken us?

IMAGE COURTESY OF IDC

Calendar of Events

National Tuesday

Wednesday, Apr. 12, all day, everywhere in the world

Olympic Watermelon Eating Tryouts

Friday, Apr. 14 at 11:00 a.m. at My House

Drew Acron Hosts: Tob from Tob's Discount Furniture

Monday, Apr. 17, 6:59 p.m. in McClendon

Lighter Fluid Conference

Thursday, Apr. 20 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Outer Space (Bring Matches!)

Grass Trimming Event (Bring Your Own Scissors)

Saturday, Apr. 29 at 5 p.m. on your lawn

Get Lost in The Catacombs

Sunday, May 5 from 1 p.m. until whenever you get out in Paris, France

Tuesday, May 23

Tuesday, May 23, all day, everywhere

Lead Editorial: Newspapers Should Be Written in Invisible Ink

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Someone writing a note for Teddy.

I Hate Hating Nicole, the Least Horrible Person in the World

SIERRA MIST
7UP COORDINATOR

Nicole Sydor ('25), editor-in-chief of The Drew Acorn, is not the worst person in the world. She always avoids not being the best person I know. In my humble opinion, she is neither not the greatest editor-in-chief nor not a wonderfully kind person.

Frankly, because she is never trying not to do her best, she consistently discourages people from doing substandard work. Nobody would say that she does not do anything; she is never going through life doing the least she can in academics and extracurriculars.

In the context of academics, she avoids doing the least amount of work and never has the most unorganized notes in class. Knowing her, she has never had an absolutely horrible academic record. I can confidently say that no professor has ever said that she is a complete slacker and unreliable student.

Outside of class, she never lets others down or puts clubs and activities on the back burner. She never goes out of her way to not put her all into the clubs she runs and participates in. Nobody would ever say that she does nothing and does not put all of her energy into not making these clubs the worst they can be.



Nicole and Teddy at Pop Expo in Paris.

IMAGE COURTESY OF NICOLE SNYDOR (EDITED BY ELIZABETH _____)

Additionally, she is not the least selfless person I know. I have never experienced a time when she was unhelpful. She always avoids not going out of her way to help people and never does not care about other people. She is the least uncooperative person on the planet, never not offering a helping hand or not working with other people. Despite never not doing the most she can, she is also never not a ray of sunshine. No one will say she is not the least unhappy and mean person they know.

Furthermore, she is the least unfunny person I have ever met. Genuinely, she never fails to not put me in a

bad mood when I am around her. Laughs never seem to disappear when she is in the room. I do not think she does not want to stop other people from hating her jokes.

In short, she is the least unimpressive person I know, and I'm not unhappy with anything she does.

Sierra Mist is a soph-drink-more studying in fizz-ics.

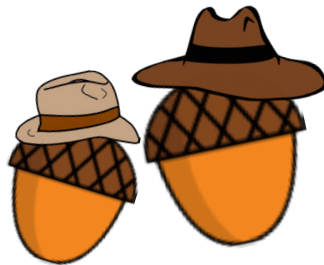


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Nicole and Teddy at the Louvre.

Reasons You Should Want to be My New Squirrband

ELIZABETH _____
SQUIRREL TRANSCRIBER

Hi there! My name is Carl Mustard. Are you a gay squirrel looking for a new squirrband? Well, you are in luck because I am available and looking for a new relationship.

One interesting fact about me is that I LOVE music. If you love music, we will be a perfect match. I love all types of music such as the 5 Nuts of Summer and Ed Sheacorn. Listening to music on a morning tree-hopping session or dancing

on a rooftop is the best feeling. Music is a great bonding opportunity, too.

I am looking for someone who will help keep our nest clean. I hate a nest that is full of nuts in the wrong places. We can design a home that is neat and gor-

geous. If you enjoy interior nest designing, then I will love you forever. It makes me so happy to see a clean, happy nest.

I will be honest: I just came out of a marriage that carries a lot of baggage nuts. We have a daughter together, and we are great at co-squirreling and are on good terms. I have custody of our daughter, Macadamia, every other week, which means you and I can have the other weeks to ourselves.

I also love human watching. Every Wednesday, I go to the Tree by The Commons to watch a group of humans having lunch together. They are so funny and always have drama. One time, I saw two of them touching hands. When everyone saw that, they became very angry. I had the time of my life. So if you like drama, we will get along.

Now, you must be wondering: what is my dream date? How can I impress him? All you have to do is take me to a tall tree in the middle of the woods. There, we can watch the balls of fire in the sky glitter as we eat extravagant nuts that we found together early in the day. We can then fall

asleep in each other's paws. After we wake up, we can go tree-hopping and listen to Taylor Swift's songs "Lavender Hazelnut" and "Sweet Nutthing," which are her two biggest hits.

I hope you reach out soon! I have so much more to offer. If you are interested in going on a date with me, throw an acorn at 36 Treeville Ave, Madison, NJ, 07940.

Elizabeth is a sophomore majoring in squirrel interpretation and minoring in Tedditing.



Teddy on a saxophone.

IMAGE COURTESY OF PEXELS (EDITED BY ELIZABETH _____)

Five Reasons Why My Ex-Squirrband is the WORSE

ELIZABETH
SQUIRREL TRANSCRIBER

Ex-husband squirrels are the worst. I am not sure why I married this squirrel. He is a no-good lying son of an owl. I, Hercules Axel, have compiled a list of reasons why you should NOT marry Carl Mustard. I have decided that this must be published in The Drew Acron because I feel like Carl would write an ad in the paper for a new squirrband. I just know it. It is quite embarrassing for him, so I must beat him to it and warn you all not to engage. This is my warning so that you do not enter a doomed marriage.

1. He plays his music too loud.

Carl is obsessed with music for no reason. Why do you have to blast music when we are tree-hopping or on the silent tree?!?! I do not get it. Yes, music is amazing and a great bonding opportunity, but it does not need to be played in all situations. The worst part is that he will only listen to music with the volume blasting.

2. He is messy.

He leaves his nuts EVERYWHERE. He thinks he is neat and organized, but he

is not. He said while we were dating that he wanted someone who prefers cleanliness, but after we got married, I realized that he just wants a maid.

3. He is terrible at co-squirreling.

We adopted a squirrel daughter together whose

name is Macadamia. We are NOT co-squirreling well. I feel so bad for Macadamia. We exchange Macadamia behind the apple tree every Friday. I always have to bring my best friend, Earl, to make sure we do not get into a physical fight. We both stand 15 nuts away from

each other at all times. I think I need to get a restraining nut on him.

4. He loves human drama.

Now there is a healthy amount of drama to like, but oh my nuts. Carl is obsessed with human drama. Every Wednesday, he goes to the

tree by The Commons to watch these humans talk. He thinks it is the most interesting thing in the world. NO. I am the most interesting thing in the world.

5. He expects me to prepare the most over-the-tree romantic dates.

Carl would always ask me out on this date where we gazed at the balls of fire in the sky. But when we went out, guess what?! He would expect me to have set up an extravagant assortment of nuts and have an overnight nest prepared for us to sleep in. He would expect music to be played when we would wake up the next morning. I did not appreciate him expecting me to do everything and then doing nothing in return.

These are only five reasons why Carl Mustard is not squirrband material. If you would like to learn more, then throw an acorn at 63 Treeville Ave, Madison, NJ 07940. And Carl, if you are reading this, don't forget to pick up Macadamia from daycare.



Carl Mustard the squirrel and polaroid of Detty Troar.

IMAGE COURTESY OF PEXELS (EDITED BY ELIZABETH ___)

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The Best Trees to Climb on Campus: For Humans and Squirrels Alike

PIP THE SQUIRREL
STAFF WRITER

We live in The Forest. What are you doing if you're not at least attempting to climb trees? As spring rolls around, I've been testing the trees on campus and dictating which ones are the best. Which ones are easy to climb, but provide the best view? Which are visually stunning, but difficult to scale? After deliberate research, I have compiled a list of the five best trees on Drew's campus. Though you may doubt my opinions, it is important to note my bachelors degree in dendrology. Plus, I'm a squirrel. How could I be wrong? I live in them.

5. The tree in between the DOYO and Wesley house

It is a funky tree, with long branches that reach over the stone wall that lines the walkway. If you attempt to climb the tree from the lowest branch towards the parking lot, you will find yourself being trampolined by its odd bounciness. On the other side, you can attempt to pull yourself up onto a much stronger branch if you have the upper arm strength for it or you're a squirrel.

4. The tree next to S.W Bowne's entrance

A precarious climb and not for the faint of heart. As a squirrel, I have no issue climbing this tall and feeble tree, but a human might. It is possible – my human counterpart did in fact



Detty Troar climbing a tree.

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attempt it, and succeeded. But be wary and watch which branches you place your feet on.

3. The tree on the lawn near Tipple Pond

If you are a measly human you will need a partner for this one. Preferably one familiar with lifting someone on their hands cheerleading style or willing to put you on their shoulders. It comes with a wonderfully comfortable nook to rest upon, but also

with the price of a threatening height. Situated in the field, it is a good place to people-watch if you can make the treacherous journey up.

2. The tree in front of the Rose Memorial Library

This tree is unique, its branches winding and snake-like. Unlike most trees on campus, scaling up and down is not an issue at all. It is easy to settle yourself into multiple nooks and crannies of this tree and its foliage

provides some privacy—so if you are struggling to get down, maybe nobody will notice.

1. The tree in front of Simon Forum

Are you kidding me? As a squirrel, this tree stands ultimately as the best climbing tree on campus. Though situated in a spot where any human would feel watched by sweaty gym bros, it is indubitably the best tree to climb. The branches

are accessible and you can get much higher than most other trees on campus due to its bounty of strong limbs. You can comfortably rest on any part of this tree and even sit on it with a friend!

Pip the Squirrel is Drew University's next president and is studying the art of aliens.

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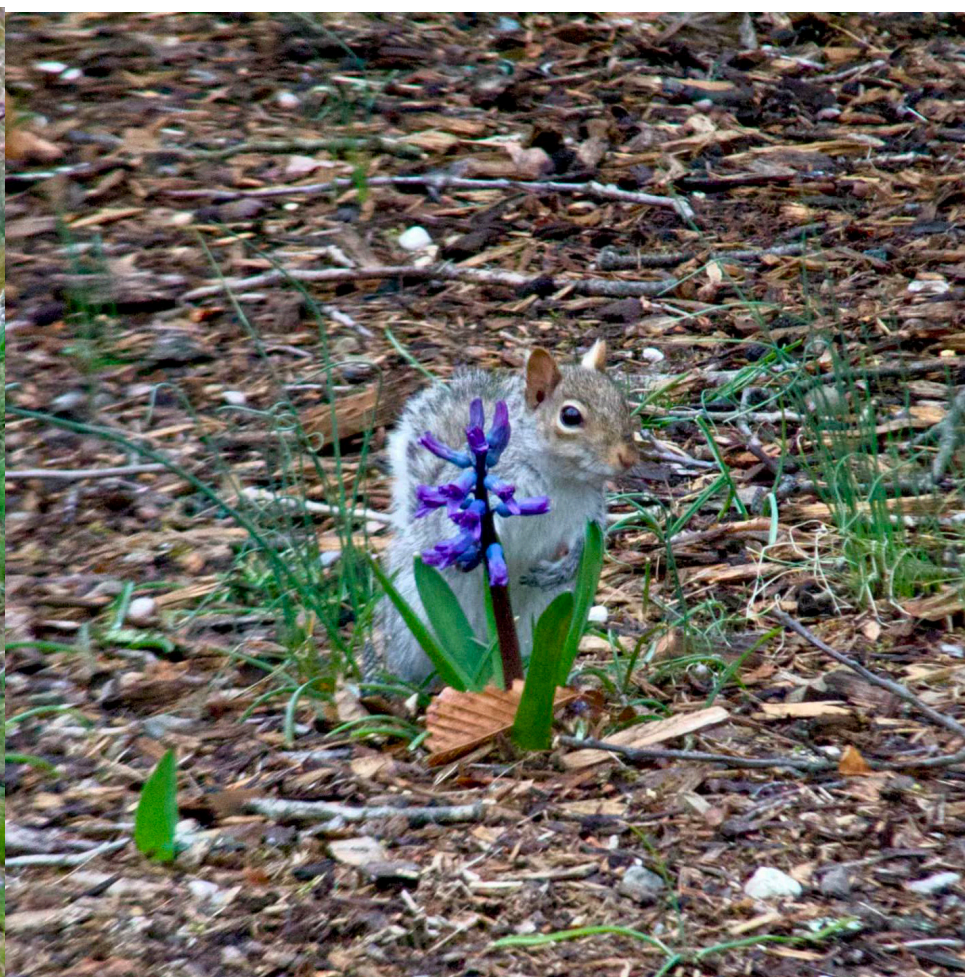
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Squirrels Celebrate Spring With Equinox Games' Main Event

Cleef Wimbledon
THE DRUID

Drew University's squirrels held their bi-annual Equinox Games last Monday, March 20, in celebration of the arrival of spring. The Equinox Games are perhaps the most highly anticipated event of the equinox festivities, and while it's all in good fun and in the name of community, taking home first prize (such as all of the previous winter's unclaimed acorns or knowledge of the secret routes into the walls of Sitterly House) for any event is a huge honor in the squirrel community. Some squirrels train all year for their preferred Equinox Games, which occur once in the spring and once in the fall.

The Games' most popular event was, as always, the spoon-and-egg race, held on Asbury Lawn. Nearly fifty squirrels participated in the crowning event of the games with spoons and eggs obtained from The Commons by an anonymous Drew faculty member.

"The energy of the games is always so invigorating; it's really a special event to get to witness and participate in," said Oak Seedson, a participant in

the spoon-and-egg race, as translated by The Druid.

The race began with all the runners lined up in front of Asbury Hall. The finish line was the path. When the Gamemaster—the renowned Sunny "Scamps" Forager—blew her whistle, the racers set off, spoons holding the eggs clenched firmly between their teeth.

Within the first 15 seconds, 17 of the squirrels had dropped their eggs (though none were broken because they were cushioned by the grass).

In another 15 seconds, last year's reigning champion, Chip Branch, lost his egg after a truly admirable attempt to save it from its wobbly fate.

Only 17 contestants remained by the time the race reached the halfway point, with Dale Barkley in the lead. He was closely followed by his sister, Petra Barkley, in second place. Claw Evergreen lagged several feet behind in third place.

At the three-quarter mark, only eight racers remained with un-dropped eggs, and Evergreen had been overtaken, losing third place to the rapidly advancing Tommy Twig.

The final quarter of the race was a tense game, with Twig rapidly gaining on the Barkleys and three more racers losing their eggs.

Just a few feet before the finish line, in a devastating blow, Dale Barkley dropped his egg and was disqualified.

Petra Barkley quickened her pace in an effort to win the race, with Twig close on her heels. The only other remaining contestant, Moss Squeakley, lagged several feet behind them.

Twig and Barkley remained neck and neck for the final few feet of the race as

onlookers held their breath. Just as it seemed Barkley might be the first-place winner she took a greedy step that bounced her spoon just a little too much, and her egg splattered on the edge of the path. Twig emerged victorious.

"I feel so honored to have won," Twig said, as translated by The Druid. "It's been a dream of mine since I was a kit, and—I mean, to compete at all is a huge honor, but to win, oh, it's a dream come true."

After the race, the winners of all the events of the Equinox Games, includ-

ing the acorn toss and the cornhole competition, were crowned.

If you'd like to come out and support the next Equinox Games this coming fall or join in the other squirrel festivities, contact The Druid. You may do so by screaming into the arbutum and hoping The Druid responds.

Cleef Wimbledon is a super-duper senior citizen majoring in reforestation and animal psychology.



Photo of Tommy Twig.

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Squirrel's Takeover Yoga

Elizabeth _____
SQUIRREL TRANSCRIBER



Photo of downward squirrel.

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Photo of squirrelierized frame.

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Photo of cobra.

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Photo of tree pose.

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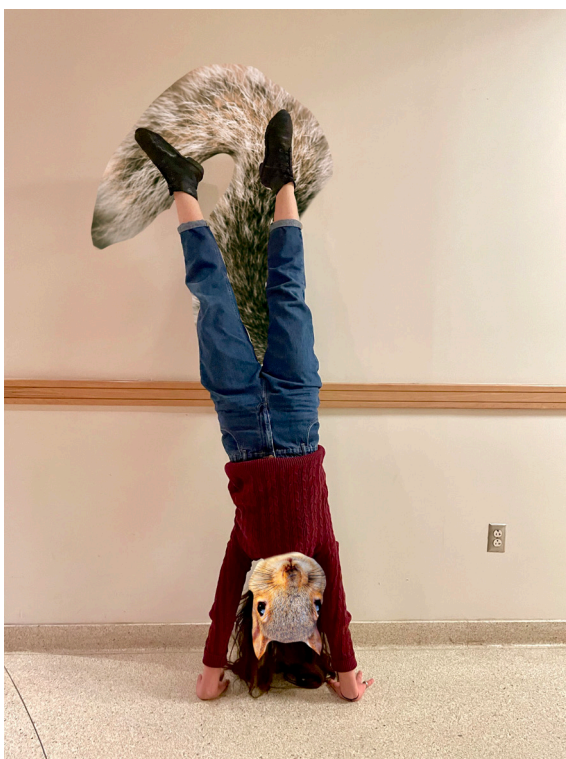


Photo of handstand.

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Photo of yoga leader Squiward.

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Less than you would expect, but read nonetheless.



New Pool New Sports: Curling and Waterpool Come to Drew

Sierra Mist and Joe Mama
 SEVENUP CORRDNATOR

As students know, Drew University recently completed construction of the new Olympic-sized swimming pool on top of Brothers College. During the grand opening of the pool, Drew announced the addition of two new sports teams. During the warmer months, the pool will be the home of the Drew Men’s Water Polo team, and during the winter, the pool will be iced over for the Drew Curling Team. In light of two new teams joining the Drew community, here is everything students need to know.

Water Polo:
 When the construction of the pool began, Drew workers accidentally titled the pool as “polo” and were too embarrassed to change the name. Water polo was not played at Drew previously due to complaints of violence, unsanitary practices and struggles to place horses in the water. However, now that there is an aquatic facility that the swim team will not be using, men’s water polo is making a splash.

Unfortunately, the team’s inaugural game did not live up to expectations as the Rangers experienced a disastrous loss to the highly-ranked Neptune Narwhals. “After a game like that, they’re going to swim ‘till they puke,” said Assistant Coach Ryan Leong in a post-game interview. Leong would go on to violently puke all over the interviewer.

Regardless, the coaches are confident that the Rangers will ride the tide to victory as they gain more experience on how to actually swim. “I expect the team to sprout from a tiny acorn into a mighty evergreen as the year progresses,” said Head Coach Mitch Walker. It should be noted that Walker is ignorant to the fact that



Photo of Curling Coach Kim Walker (left), Waterpolo Coach Mitch Walker (right) and Ex-Zamboni Driving Tea-ady Dairyior (C’23) (back). *Image courtesy of Mitch Walker*

trees do not grow underwater nor do evergreens grow from acorns.

Curling:
 For students worried that the pool is an unnecessary expense that will be vacant during the winter, fear not! Curling is sliding into the spotlight this winter. The student body has been demanding the establishment of a curling team for decades. As everyone knows, curling is the most riveting sport of mid-day television for people over the age of 85, and Drew was eager to tap in on this developing market.

Coaches are working to recruit only the best student athletes so that the Drew Rangers can sweep away the competition next year. They are also desperate for a new

College Zamboni, after the old one famously exploded while driving on the I-95. All students with an affinity for custodial activities or pushing a large rock on top of ice are asked to try out for the team.

Students should also be mindful of a last minute addition to the fall course library, ZAM 101: Introduction to Zamboni Arts, which fulfills the arts breadth of education requirement and counts as an immersive experience.

Students with classes in Brothers College from November to February are being warned to watch out for falling curling stones and have been told to sign the appropriate health insurance waivers. After some train-

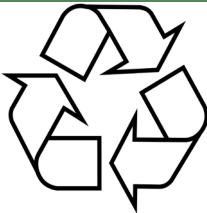
ing sessions outside of class hours, Facilities was called to patch holes in the roof of the building. If students notice any remaining holes, they are urged to promptly inform Facilities via an incident report.

With these new sports coming to Drew, Brothers College is sure to be more interesting than ever! Check out drewrangers.com or email Coach Mitch Walker at gmitchwalker@gmail.com.

Sierra Mist is a soph-drink-more studing fizz-ics and Joe Mama is studying in Deez.



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Next Week Look Forward To
 Drew Curling Team home against FDU Sun. April 1 at noon.
 Drew Waterpolo has mandatory swim lessons Sat. morning 6 a.m. Bring your floaties!