



## HEADLINES



Groundhog Sees Its Shadow, Forecasts 6 More Weeks of 75 and Sunny



1035 Residents Lose House, Will Appeal Next Year

## Arts Corner: “There’s No Way That Photo Was Taken in February”

On Thursday morning, February 2nd, Sophomore Henry Mathis allegedly pulled out his iPhone and took what is certainly—if it is, in fact, real—one of the most powerful photographs of the decade. Mathis’ picture featured the Main Quad lit by some pleasant morning sunshine, a picture he uploaded to Facebook with the caption “can’t believe it’s February.” The picture immediately went viral, stunning thousands and stirring controversy worldwide. “It’s faked. I can tell,” reported a Cornell student on his tumblr account, “I know what February weather is like, and this simply isn’t possible.”

Art critic Johannes Sveru, a curator and art historian at the San Francisco Institute of Art, overheard his colleagues converse about the



photo and rushed to his office to investigate the phenomenon himself. “I was totally blown away at first,” Sveru told the Flipside in an exclusive interview, “but after subjecting the photograph to the harshest of scrutiny, using a combination of carbon-14 dating and Photoshop zoom techniques, I just can’t verify that the this picture was taken in February.”

Though the controversy and general incredulity is still very palpable, Mathis is sticking by the authenticity of his photograph. Whether or not it actually is February in the picture is up to the viewer to decide, but all agree that the world has never seen anything like this before. (Foucart)

## KING JONG-UN STARTS E-HARMONY PROFILE, SEEKS “PASSIONATE, WELL ROUNDED SOUL MATE”

Since being declared supreme leader of North Korea after his father’s death, Kim Jong-un has become the number one bachelor in all of North Korea. This week, Kim Jong-un personally made a public profile on the dating website e-Harmony.



His dating profile offers a unique glimpse into the world of his enigmatic and controversial lifestyle and leadership. His answer to “What are the five things you cannot live without?” states “a strong cup of coffee, reassuring nods, a good back-rub, all Radiohead albums, and prison camps.”

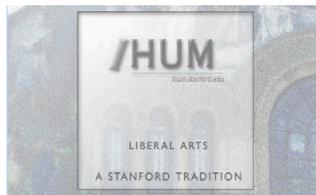
A majority of his profile pictures are of him and his deceased father at Six-Flags, and he has uploaded over 200 videos of adorable puppy huskies. Kim Jong-un has also

issued a public announcement that his top national priority is to secure a loyal and dutiful wife.

His 50-page application has been made available to several college campuses, Stanford included, and applications can be picked up in the office of Stanford Women in Business starting this Friday.

The application requires over 15 references and specifically states that his future wife must be “able to bleed tears of rejoice and drink massive amounts of Hennessy cognac.” (Collison)

## DECISION TO EUTHANIZE IHUM SPARKS CONTROVERSY



IHUM used to be a thriving forum where students sparred and matched wits, a place where students could break bread with such intellectual giants as Nietzsche and Marx. But starting a few years ago, everything changed. IHUM theses became vague and supporting evidence faded away. Attendance fell and Facebook usage in lectures rose. Soon, IHUM was a husk of its former self, and Stanford administrators have made the difficult decision to pull the plug.

However, this move ignited a firestorm of protest across campus. IHUM kids past and present have picketed White Plaza with signs, bearing slogans such as “Half-hearted Powerpoint Presentations

are Signs of Life!” and “I Need My External Validation!” One IHUM advocate likened the program to Odysseus in Homer’s *The Odyssey*, “during whose long absence many young suitors assumed him death and courted his wife, only to be disgraced upon his arrival, in disguise, which is a recurring motif throughout the epic poem...” and went on as one by one everyone stopped paying attention.

But Dr. Hofferwitz, the physician in whose care IHUM has spent recent years, disagrees. “The occasional non-B grade you see coming out of this program is just the random firing of synapses in an already dead brain. They are meaningless, like the discussions we hear during IHUM sections.” Hofferwitz continued. “Although, when prodded, IHUM may produce a metaphor or a quote from Machiavelli’s *The Prince*, these are just knee-jerk reactions, no more. The best we can do now is to end its suffering and give it the rest it deserves.” (LaVan)

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