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4 Ways to Reinvent Yourself in College

Have you ever heard that old adage that the best way to be happy and accepted is just to be yourself and express who you are truthfully? You've heard that, right? Bullshit. Here are the only four acceptable personalities you can have at college:

1. Cool Tricks Johnson

Cool Tricks Johnson is the undisputed king of sick flips and rockin' bits. Watch them go: They're doing a cartwheel on the great lawn, they're doing pull ups clinging to the ODB breezeway, they're parkouring up a wall. Cool Tricks Johnson can kickflip anything: A skateboard, a longboard, a hoverboard, a surfboard, a bordeaux, the Board of Trustees. Look, up there, on the roof, is that Cool Tricks Johnson? Of course it is.They scaled the wall using only two Commons forks, one clenched between their teeth, one between their buttocks. If you want to be Cool Tricks Johnson, you need to start now. Drop this *Pamphlette*, and do a somersault over it. I mean it. You won't get anywhere unless you're serious. Do it now.

2. Felicity With the Strange Boil and Otherwise No Medical Conditions

Felicity WSBONMC wins friends by being kind, outgoing, and constantly referencing the unexplainable growth emanating from her person that has thus far baffled medical science. She makes a point of letting everyone know that her boil is not a symptom of any other condition or disease, going so far as to point out that she has never even had a cavity and that her vision is a perfect 20/20. In conference, she will say things like, "I think Hammurabi has a point because, as I've learned from having a large, discolored boil that constitutes one of the greatest mysteries in modern day medicine…" This delights her classmates and professors. Being Felicity With the Strange Boil and Otherwise No Medical Conditions is a highly sought-after personality, for obvious reasons.

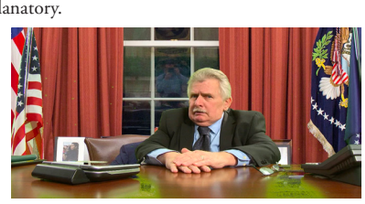
3. Joe Estevez

Most students who come to college wind up being actor and producer Joe Estevez. If you end up being Joe Estevez, you will have had a multi-decade career on the stage and screens both large and small, starting when you provided uncredited voice-over work on *Apocalypse Now* (1979) to fill in for your brother, Martin Sheen, after his heart attack. Most of your work in film will have been in the B-Movie genre, starring in such films as *The Roller Blade Seven* (and its two sequels), *Toad Warrior* (alternate title: *Hell Comes to Frogtown III*), and, of course, *Werewolf* and *Soultaker*, both of which would be featured in popular episodes of *Mystery Science Theater 3000*. No stranger to comedy yourself, you'd now be working as a fictionalized version of yourself in Tim Heidecker and Gregg Turkington's Adult Swim show *On Cinema*, and as the President of the United States in that show's spin-off *Decker*.

4. B'Akkaleth, the Exiled One, the One from the Deeps of Zythbatri, whome Time Forgotteth and the DEVIL Himself Fears

This one is pretty self-explanatory.

Please pick Joe Estevez. President Davidson's way cooler than that other guy. - ED



by JJ

The *Pamphlette* Wants Your Jokes!

Hi everybody! It's everyone's favorite pseudo-literate and semi-porous editors, Jack and Anthony. Whether you're an innocent new reader or a hollow-eyed groupie sucked into our cultlike following, you probably have some funny ideas bouncing around in your head that are every bit as good - or, let's be honest, probably better - than the ones we put in this issue. And that's a good thing, because guess what?

WE NEED MORE WRITERS!

Wanna know a secret? We LOVE guest articles! So much! Literally any funny thought expressed in at least 150 words! We dream about getting guest articles! Jack's therapist has warned them about how much they love guest articles! The State of Oregon has declared Anthony a danger to forestry reserves because of how much they love guest articles! So send them in! If you've ever thought something funny and thought, 'heh, that could be a funny *Pamphlette* article,' then make that happen! Worried that your topic is too weird or not funny? You did read the article up above that's basically copy-pasted from Joe Estevez's IMDB profile, right? It's way easier than it seems to make somebody (and by somebody we mean US, the editors) laugh, so give it a shot. If you've got an article ready to share with the world, or if you think you have something funny but you need a little help, or even if you're just bored, shoot us an email:

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We want to publish your article! We want to help you write your article! We are very friendly and you should join us...join us...join us...join us....join us...

by JJ & AB

You're a First-Year at Activities Fair. Can You Find a Club that Shares Your Love of the *Pamphlette?*

A *Pamphlette* Choose-Your-Own-Adventure

It's Activities Fair. You're a wide-eyed first-year, excited to meet new people, discover new interests, and fangirl out over the Reed College *Pamphlette*, your favorite satirical publication in the whole world. Around you are tables for a wide variety of student clubs and activities. You know exactly what you're looking for: The one that loves the *Pamphlette* most. Explore Activities Fair, but be careful – there's a 28% chance this adventure could end in your death!

To start with the RUGBY table, go to #1
To start with the REACTOR table, go to #2
To start with the CHABAD table, go to #3

#1: You go to the Rugby team's table. They are all way bigger and more muscular than you, which is intimidating. But they are also all extremely drunk, which takes away from the intimidation factor. Working up your courage, you walk up and ask, "Hey, you all like the *Pamphlette*?" Just then, someone yells "Offload!" A rugby ball hits you in the face, at which point everyone standing around the table tackles you and you die.

BAD LUCK! GO BACK TO START AND TRY AGAIN

#2: You approach the Reactor table. The student sitting at it has webbed hands and a second head growing out of their neck. Remembering to be welcoming of diversity, you smile and ask, "Do you appreciate the comedic stylings of the *Pamphlette*?" The first head says "Yes", but the second head says "No" and they begin arguing. You step away to give them some privacy.

To try the CHABAD table instead, go to #3
To get a snack from the GRILL, go to #4
To walk in a RANDOM direction with your eyes closed, go to #6

#3: You approach the table run by the Reed chapter of Chabad. As you sample some delicious challah, you ask the Rabbi, "Did you know that the *Pamphlette*, the world's greatest satirical newspaper, is published right on this campus?" The Rabbi replies, "I don't read the *Pamphlette* much, because I'm busy studying and teaching people about the Torah." This type of bullshit is why you never go to synagogue anymore.

To get a snack from the GRILL, go to #4
To walk in a RANDOM direction with your eyes closed, go to #6

#4: Exhausted from your search, you drift towards the delicious smells of the grill. As you tear into a vegan sausage, one of the Student Body reps asks you, "Why are you crying?" Wiping away the tears, you say "Because this sausage is really spicy, and also I can't find any clubs which love the Reed College *Pamphlette* as deeply as I do." The SB rep points towards the other side of the Quad. "Try that table over there," they suggest, "That's the one you're looking for."

To unthinkingly TAKE THE ADVICE of the politician, go to #5
To walk in the EXACT OPPOSITE DIRECTION, go to #7
To walk in a RANDOM direction with your eyes closed, go to #6

#5: You find yourself at a table which says "Reed College *Quest*". All the students there are reading newspapers while smoking cigars and wearing monocles. "Are you all immersed in Reed's own eighth world wonder, the *Pamphlette*?" You ask hopefully. They all break into derisive laughter. "We are serious journalists," chides one of the editors, whose voice sounds exactly like Dame Maggie Smith. "We don't have time for such lowbrow nonsense."

To express your disgust by getting as FAR AWAY from them as possible, go to #7
To walk in a RANDOM direction with your eyes closed, go to #6

#6: Really? After we warned you to be careful and everything? You fall into the Canyon and die. Now go back to the start and this time, show more regard for your own safety mmmkay?

GO BACK TO START

#7: Exercising the skepticism and creativity that make a great satirist, you strike out on your own and walk off in the exact opposite direction. You find a table that says "Reed College *Pamphlette*". Leaning over the table towards the stunningly attractive editor sitting there, you ask "Can you read nothing but the same *Pamphlette* article over and over for a week and still find something new to love?" The editor flashes a dazzling smile and replies, "Sitting around reading old *Pamphlette* issues and giggling to myself is my idea of a good time." You look deep into each other's eyes, and that's when the making out starts.

CONGRATULATIONS! You found the *Pamphlette* (and maybe true love with one of our editors) and you averted the horrible death that awaits 28% of students at Activities Fair. We could use someone with your ingenuity and tenaciousness here at our humble paper!

by AB