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A Note, From the Editor-in-Chief: What a LIFE, huh? Sometimes I feel like I'm reporting on the same 24 hours, over and over. Sometimes I even feel like the headlines from 70 years ago keep coming back. I think the Ghost of Reactionary Politics Past is visiting me again because I keep forgetting what he tries to teach me. I was so busy being a ghost with him I got reported AWOL for this Production cycle. If you contributed to The MQ this issue, thank you. If you'd like to get involved with our next issue, there's another ghost with me who says you can join us at The MQ's weekly meeting at 6 p.m. in Half Dome Lounge. He seems pretty ahead of his time.

Bye, Theo

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We, the LIFE Editorial Board, gather here today to congratulate and commemorate these LIFE journalists on their recent recognition by the Central Intelligence Agency's Extralegal Excellence Apparatus for their valiant reporting on US foreign policy: Des, Naomi, Julia, Janice, Erica, Dylan S., Abby, Claire, Cole, Carlos, Amir, Amit, and Justin. They will be missed.





I wanna be on the team! Howdy!

As a longtime contributor and (in my opinion) beloved columnist for this fine paper, I have to say, y'awl have been doing a mighty fine job as of late. However, I reckon y'awl could be doin' a lot better by having me on as a permanent member of the staff. I bring my delightful interviews to you all at no cost to you, and with your resources, just imagine what I could do. As a solo act, I've already interviewed such prominent figures as prolific writer, JD Vance, blood enthusiast Brian Johnson, and I've even got an interview with the man I've selected as the next pope cooking right now! (No spoilers!) I'm a real gumshoes type character, and I think y'awl'd be real mistaken to not have me on! I've got myself lots of qualifications, such as....

- An investigative mind
- Connections with the rich and powerful worldwide
- A network of ingenious tools for "investigative" purposes Untraceable fingerprints A real Can-Do Attitude!

Thank yawl so much for your consideration! I expect to hear back from you receeceeal soon!!!! - Melvin McQuerey

#### Cool New Topics!

Hello MQ editors! I've been a big fan of your paper for many days, and I love it! However, I think there might be a topic you haven't considered covering yet. As a UCSD student, it's a real issue that I think affects a lot of people, and I haven't seen you talking about it nearly enough. The issue in question is parking! Why don't you ever write about parking? There's just so much to say about it! You can talk about how hard it is to find parking, how it's crazy how they got rid of S-spots, how parking tickets are expensive, and so much more! I don't think anyone else has ever had this idea before. Do you think you could do that?

And if you don't like that idea, maybe you could talk about housing! This is also something I don't see a lot of articles about. Like, maybe you could say something funny about how hard it is to get housing, or something about having crazy roommates or something? These are just some cool ideas off the top of my head, I'm sure you could think of something else. It's a big problem, and I'd love to see some awesome satire about it!

And if THAT isn't good enough, you could maybe even make fun of Chancellor Khosla! There's just so much untapped potential. Thank you for reading this, and I hope to see these fresh and cool concepts in the next issue!

#### - Reed Hardly

Hello editors of the Muir Quarterly. I am newly unemployed and it's all your fault! Trying to replicate the success in the story that you all published in your paper, I too, tried to take a rock out and threaten my boss. Unfortunately it seemed that I had made a mistake. My boss had not killed me in a past life, instead, it was her twin sister that had killed me. A twin sister that had not reincarnated even in the same country as me or my boss, but who reincarnated in a bustling town in Guangzhou, China. The shock of this revelation

### You know what you did.

To whom it WILL concern.... Long time reader, first time contributor, and I just have to say. I have NEVER. In ALL MY YEARS as a reader of this paper been SO shocked, SO HORRIFIED at something that you people let slip by, either by malice or by ignorance, or some little combination of both. I struggle to even say what it was, as it was so utterly horrific to bear witness to. Let me just say this: you know what you did. You KNOW what you did. And so do I. And it is UNACCEPT-ABLE. And you will NOT let it happen again. Starting now, you have THREE OP-TIONS. Got that? THREE. 3. Can you count that? Good.

OPTION ONE: You print a full retraction. Not even for THAT issue, but for everything you've ever printed. Every stinking issue, all the way back to 1988. Let the people know that you are ashamed of it all, all of your failures, let them know JUST how far you've fallen, and tainted the sacred foundations of this hallowed publication.

OPTION TWO: FIRE ALL THE EDI-TORS. Clearly, you don't know what you're doing at all, and this paper would be better served by COMPETENT people. People like ME. I am VERY SMART. I know ALL the words. And YOU? You know NOTHING.

OPTION THREE: Send me money. A lot of money. Your budget for next year? GONE. In MY HANDS. You can't handle that money, and therefore you SHOULDN'T HAVE IT.

Those are my demands. Actually, on second thought, they're no longer options. You've got to do them ALL. Or else..... I WILL NEVER READ YOUR PAPER AGAIN! Consider your next move carefully..... my balls are in YOUR court now.

- Your worst nightmare.....



Soy Ink and Vegan Paper?

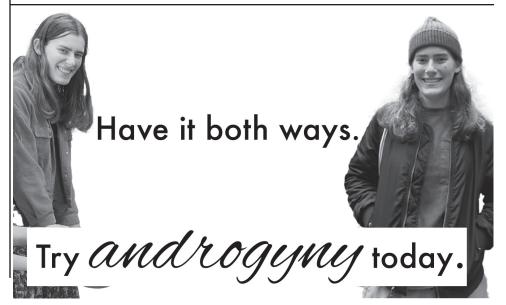
I started reading The MQ like a year ago because some of your people told me it was made with soy ink and vegan paper, so obviously I was under the impression that I would be doing a service to the environment by reading this instead of like, a real newspaper or something.

So for the past year I've been burying every issue in my backyard when I'm done with it (I'm trying to start composting because I'm in my clean girl saving the environment era y'know). But now I don't know if you guys were lying to me or what because my garden is like, overflowing with paper, and I don't really know what to do about it because now I'm kinda in

threw me off my rhythm and allowed her to push the big red security button on her desk before I could make another move. I am writing to you to urge you to make this right. How do I regain my place on the corporate ladder?

- From the Grindset, Tret (not Trent)

the habit of burying the newspaper in my backyard. So. It's not like I'm going to stop. But at the same time, I can't go outside anymore without stepping into a pile of MQ. Help? - Crunchy in Clairemont



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# Quarter Century in Review

To faithfully assess society's performance in the first quarter of the 21st century, we brought on LIFE reporter and self-proclaimed "transatlantic prophet" Chip Offblock to share his thoughts on the present day, the moderately immediate past, and the up-andcoming beyond. Based on his findings, it's anyone's guess as to whether we've learned anything at all from our Golden Age ancestors.

Greetings and salutations, whenever you are! Good decade, noon, and night. This is your transatlantic prophet coming in with an exclusive retrospective onnnn *you*! That's right, it's time to look back on the first 25 years of what *will* be our golden millennium, then celebrate how *you've* been contributing to the glory of mankind. Because you *have* been engaging with the world state like duty calls, haven't you? Politics, punishment, pestilence, puns. Let's take a moment to take it all in.

### Slip out of stress, all while you sleep! Lucid Dream Coaching

Everyone was watching from the class $\lambda$  January 20, 2009, a day that would gð When a Facebook event about storming room, the bathtub, and the streets when down in the annals of history as the Area 51 was posted, an unprecedented the planes hit the towers and the world good ol' U.S of A let a black man take two million people would show their fell apart. Or, at least, our world. The over the Oval Office, marking the end interest. Everyone would speculate skyline of our beloved Big Apple was\ of bigotry and the start of America's Enabout what novel experiences would be ripped from us as ash fell, and the beaulightenment. Society would be healed gained from sexual relations with aliens iful nation our fathers built was shat. From the scars of the past, and those and how fiction's greatest heroes would tered. The world watched in agony as our born in modern day would be birthed inspire the way to get around security. tiful nation our fathers built was shatshining city on the hill crumbled, send  $\lambda$  into a post-race world where the only  $\lambda$  Anyways, on the scheduled date of Sepnut vou won't be awake for vou will be simp and delightful. Your dream will be a dream ing shock waves through the Earth itself minority would be the smallest minor tember 20, the raiders reigned victorious ill be simply asleep but the sleep will not be ity: the individual. President Barack over the Air Force as they hiked through From Burma to Rhodesia, our brothers' e a dream of a dream of a dream but yc e will not be sleep it will be lucid and eam but you won't be awake for you t hearts broke with us. 9/11 didn't just Hussein Obama would unify both the Nevada desert and hosted a few mudevastate the world, it devastated us. At sides of the aisle and create a prospersic festivals nearby. The idea that "they id and delightful. Your dream will be I be simply asleep but the sleep least one of you has to know (or know ous, equal America, a testament to the can't stop all of us" would permeate all success that was the great experiment. throughout American society - and l be a dream of a dream of a drea of) somebody who died in the tragedy will not be sleep it will be lucia Nothing has ever been the same. We And by God, ever since then, America not just online! The great success here but you won't be awake for you has only been in the upturn, harbor will never forget. And neither will you!\ made people wonder if they could try nd delightful. Your dream wii ll be simply asleep but the ing a society that soars beyond the again and take back our country while e a dream of a dream of a

ideal that "all men are created equal." we're at it... like at the Capitol building? *Yer will not be steep in a* 

Who can forget 2020, the year of sour-/In 2025, the very life blood of our wonder-/ So, when exactly will this species stardom dough bread and familial bonding? It/ful youth would be rescued from jeopardy come to fruition? Thank you for asking, sure was a total blast! To celebrate the when TikTok was brought back. For the 12 dear readers; as your transatlantic prophet, turn of the decade, you joyfully de-/hours that the platform was banned, you/ I can tell you that our glory will finally cided to embrace all kinds of new hobwere probably completely lost on what to do come to fruition this millenium, once the bies, from home gardening and paint-/with all this extra time you had. But thankgreat and noble human race has successing, to vlogging and podcasting. How/fully, now you can continue to shift your fofully colonized the Milky Way Galaxy. nifty, that society as a whole all found/cus from your head to your thumbs (because When humans are flung to the far reaches its creative side simultaneously. On that's where the real political activism lies!). of the stars, the forward march of progress top of that, neighborhoods nationwide Of course, don't use TikTok willy-nilly! Your will finally match that which our great nawould give plenty of praise to to their content is sure to reach the most people possi- / tions have been missing for so long. Gone well doctors and nurses. Those cool/ble as long as you avoid a certain set of words. / will be the days of plague, poverty, and suf-

cats must've adored it when you loudly or ideas, or perspectives or, or — look. Just / fering; no longer will you or anyone else banged pots and pans for them each watch what you say, okay? Even if "shadow- have to deal with bastards in their phiand every night. Ah, we all miss that banning" can't really hurt you! You basically losophy class who never respond to their blissful year. Humankind really came live in the Golden Age of political activism Insta DMs. Yes, indeed — according to my together and just loved each other, and where everything is at your fingertips, you calculations, society will return to what every aspect of life now is better for it, should feel lucky to be alive during this time our forefathers always desired it to be.

# As of 2025, humanity's greatest achievements and most grievous failures have been quantified below.

What We Did Well	Areas of Improvement
Cancel Culture	Mental Health
Sillybandz	Lmnop
The Common App	Roman Numerals
Groupon	Socratic Seminars
MSG	3-in-1 Body Wash
The 9-to-5	Agriculture
Hand-crank Windows	Cat Memes
Goths	Elevator Pitches
Nightcore	Paper Straws
The USB-C Port	Print Media
Goths (Visi)	Terms and Conditions
The Acquisition of Canada	The Québécois

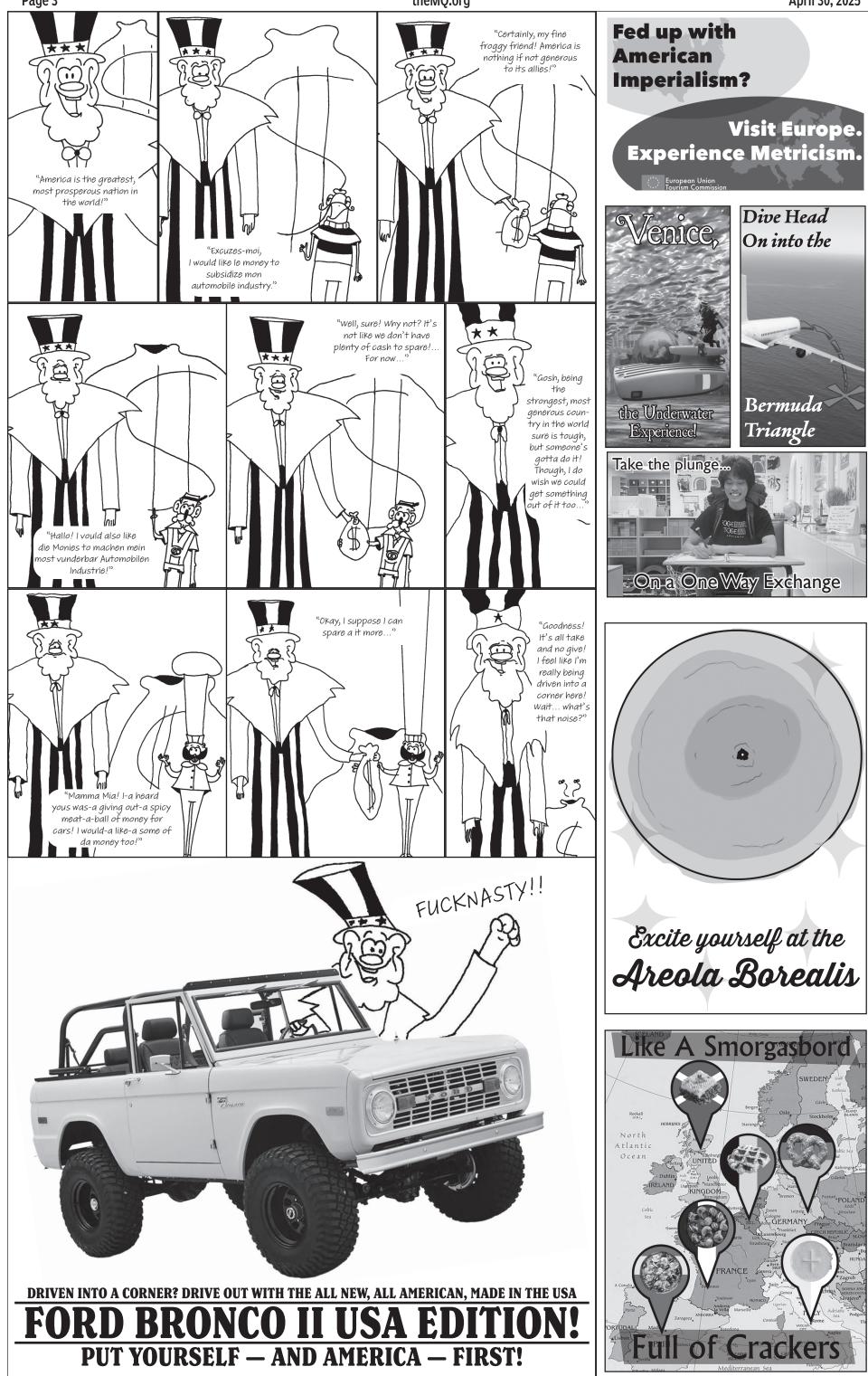
The most eagle-eyed readers may notice that the two sides have a net impact of 0 — meaning the anthropocene is stable for now, and will remain so for years to come!

Clock into work, look at your screen, flip through some pages, look at your screen, knock at the walls, look at your screen write a few memos, and paste them to your screen... inside the

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### FOR THE BEST CHANCE OF HITTIN' IT BIG, BET ON THE **COMPETITIVE EDGE**



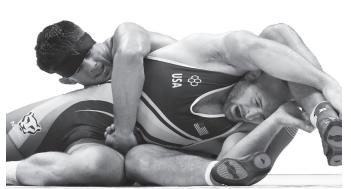
"Of course I remember YOU! You're the man who paid using your winning 6-leg parlay from *the Competitve Edge*."

- NO OVERSIGHT
- NO LIMITS
- ALL FUN

# JOIN NOW AND CHECK OUT



### What's The Play? Upholding American Exceptionalism



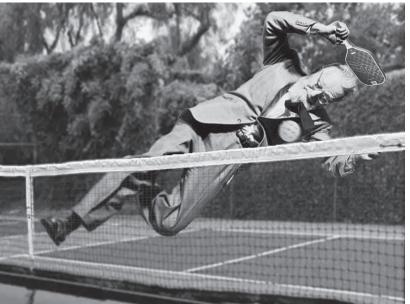
American dominance is perennial, and nowhere is that truer than on the sports field. We've sent out the biggest, fastest, strongest, and most badass athletic specimens out into the world with our flag — and the logos of accompanying sponsors stamped onto them. But we now face a brave new world where we must confront the fact that our hard-fought victories are being diluted by loser countries inflating their records through inferior sports like table tennis, Greco-Roman wrestling, and breaking.

We'll be examining three sports that will be added to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics to make sure Team USA keeps up the domineering performance we expect out of it.

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As pickleball sweeps the nation, America's world-class athletes seek to prove that they are indeed the best. The International Pickleball Federation (IPF) grew to 70 member countries in its two years of existence, and while no longer American-led — to the chagrin of many — the IPF still broadcasts feats of American teamwork, dedication, and paddling on the world stage.

Countries seeking to join can begin by following the American example of reallocating the space of outdoor public basketball courts to host three pickleball courts each. They're much more space-efficient and would draw opportunistic athletes to those neighborhoods a better crowd to boost local economies. And who can deny the strength of a community formed by the young, the strong and the wise from among the physically fit, coming together for a worthy cause? Entering the fast-growing world of pickleball is a national boon, and we can expect to see many more countries pursue these American team values. Strength in numbers within the IPF is definite grounds for the Olympic Committee to finally the knee now that's called democracy.



## HOBBY HORSE RACING

Hobby horse dressage, or hobby horsing as the pros call it, is the next big sport phenom Americans have been dominating all throughout the globe. Despite its unfortunate start in the Nordic regions of Europe, good ol' red-blooded Americans have begun to climb the rankings of this wild and reckless sport. For those who abstain from lucrative sport gambling, hobby horse dressage works exactly as one might expect: fully grown adult men (and women) compete for a blue ribbon in intense horse dancing



using homemade hobby horses, defined as sticks with horse heads attached to them. The largest league, the American Association for Hobby Horsing (AAHH), has been working on improving and spreading hobby horse-ery and American sentiments worldwide with its new Mission About Spreading Horsery (MASH) program. AAHH has allocated one quarter of their yearly earnings to funding MASH missionary trips to underdeveloped nations in order to share with them the American love of hobby horsing, with AAHH officials planning the first mission trip to England in the Summer of 2027. Any patriot who knows what's good for them should keep their eyes out for the Spring 2028 International Hobby Horse Dressage World Championships to see our God-loving American patriots leaping through the skies on their hobby horses -

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American dominance in sports is nothing new. At any given moment, the US is world champion in at least 31 of the world's 30 largest sports. However, the US' dominance is threatened by one thing: weird sports like handball or rhythmic gymnastics that are just simply un-American. To combat the invention of sports designed to keep the common American down, we must introduce American sports - the most American of which is football - back into the Olympics. Football exemplifies what makes America such an amazing country; players showcase extreme work ethic and perseverance, and the game today prioritizes physical fitness and mental agility. The man who can get three concussions in one game and stagger back onto the field asking for more is a man you would be glad to have in the bunker next to you when the shells are falling. Any country looking to toughen up its populace suffering from the weakness that is Generation Alpha should look no further than instituting a mandated football program in its schools, building up their best and brightest for an uncertain tomorrow.

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# Brooke Bailey's Guide to Trad

# A Day with Brooke



5:15 a.m. – Afler her norning skincare ritual, Brooke prepares a healthy breakfast of home-baked granola bowls for Brick , and the kids. Her man tra is to give it to them ngus - whether that is raw milk, raw meal, or raw vegelables!



7:30 a.m. - Before beginn while raising them to be loya hardworking patriols.



11:30 a.m. - While her hildren have lheir recess, Brooke and her book club get logelher in her back garden studio for their daily Pilales and Bible study. Brooke leads the congre galion in building hand strength and flexibility – all to strengthen their "mommy solidarily" and lheir failh.



12:45 p.m. - Afler an eventful morning, il's time for a ight, plant-based lunch to fuel the rest of the day. After filming a TikTok of herself making the meal, Brook serves up a hearly salad of roasled beels, lettuce, and artichoke, lopped with scoops of goal cheese.



2:16 p.m. – Afler finishing lhe day's studies. Brooke loads her kids into the MINI Cooper and drives to her local Amish com nunity to pick up her weekly 16 llons of raw, unpasteurized goal nilk – a must-have for her morning kin care rouline and her hungry



4:05 p.m. – Brooke alhers her daughlers lo neal prep dinner and leach them how to make sour dough starters while the boys play outside. Brooke all an instilli <sup>f</sup>raditional values in her oung ladies.



6:23 p.m. - As Brick returns from work, Brooke and the irls are whipping up a slorm in he kilchen. Wilh a blissfully nalernal pep in her slep, she maternal pep in ner step, she lays oul a nourishing five-course meal just for her strong, hard-working husband.



8:00 p.m. - Afler dinner, Brooke devoles herself to wiping down the granite counterlops until they gleam. She then gets started on breakfasl. Tonighl, she's letting the dough rise for lomorrow's French loast. While Brick begins his Fanlasy Foolball drafts, Brooke lenderly lucks her four kids into bed. Once her children are asleep, she can spend lime for herself, but it's never as fulfilling as what she does for Brick and the kids. The work of a homemaker is never done!

Nothing beats the glow of raw goat milk. My favorite beauty sup-plier is our local Amish uity — I use their dairy to make my Instafamous toner and apply it after my garden snail mucin face wash. It's also perfect for our biweekly family enemas!

# Upholding Trad with Beauty

Beauty comes from the inside! That's why I craft my own toiletries from the chemical-free, organic lavender and winter green I grow in my modest half-acre patio.

Ladies, skip the gym — deep-cleaning the house on your hands and knees becomes a full-body workout when you also have to rein in your unruly busband. Let your apron fly!

Everyone should know you are the picture of virtue. Nothing is more attractive than modesty! I like to read through the Bible at least once a day with a cup of organic Earl Grey. I wouldn't want Brick to think I'm some barlot!

Children are quite bad for your complexion, so bere's a little tip to all my mommas out there: American Wagyu beef tallow. It slides right into your pores and keeps the kids busy with soap and candle making.

And finally, the secret to my inner beauty? A daily dose of pride. No, not that one. It's about looking like you have your life under control. I swear Brick can't keep his hands off of me!

# The Happy Family



# Interview with Brooke Bailey

LIFE Correspondent Dan Stewart braved the cold winds of Brentwood, L.A. and fought through the thorny brush of the Baileys' front-yard rose garden to get an exclusive interview from the prolific "tradwife" influencer.

When my firstborn Marleigh entered preschool at the Little Tots Preparatory Academy, I quickly realized the American public school system didn't align with our family values. Her teachers would feed her processed, chemical-filled applesauce packets during snack time, but my Marleigh is on a strict, vegan, gluten-free, nochemical diet! Only locally farmed apples for my baby! Additionally, I had... issues with the curriculum. I don't want anyone pushing grown-up, political ideas on my children – I don't want my Marleigh to feel out of place just because she's not a "they-them"! - and homeschooling lets me have complete control over what my children are learning. Instead of worrying about them being exposed to dangerous ideologies, I can make sure they learn humility, love, and pride in their own heritage. Just this morning, Marleigh and little Aryana read about wholesome family values in Little Women, while Gunnar and Adonis learned about the voyages of the great Christopher Columbus. Then we ended the day with some of their favorite PragerU Kids videos.

I truly believe that my body is a temple, so naturally I nourish it with all-natural fuel! My family only eats organic produce grown and harvested in the United States. Each morning I bake my children's toast with home-ground cracked wheat, and churn

raw milk sourced from our local Amish community into unsalted butter. I garnish with homemade jam; a new flavor each morning from berries picked from my garden, and with absolutely no sugar added! Instead, I use raw, organic agave nectar. My commitment to my children's health goes beyond the food we eat: I like to let my littles go barefoot, so I tend to shy away from using chemical-filled commercial cleaners. My secret is to use a mixture of organic orange peels and distilled white vinegar to keep our humble home sparkling and aromatic. My husband and I refuse to rely on Big Pharma to keep our children "safe" by sabotaging the beautiful immune systems that God gave them. After all, would you vaccinate the Sistine Chapel?

> People in my comments section are always trying to tell me that being a tradwife is oppressive — but what could possibly be oppressive about my life? I am beyond blessed to wake up every morning and have the privilege of making my husband's breakfast and lunch before sending him off to provide for our family. All the while I get to spend my days with my precious babies. Knowing that my kids will always have nice, homemade meals, and that my husband will come back to a clean house and a cold beer gives me a bigger rush of fulfillment than completing my Bachelor's degree in Business Economics ever could. The traditional family is under attack in America, and it is up to us brave men and humble women to fight for

American values. Unlike other women who betray their natural, feminine instincts and abandon their sacred motherly and wifely duties to go to work every day, I am answering the highest calling a woman is asked to fulfill - nurturing her household and serving her husband.



### **Fredwick Lamplace Talbot** Doctor at BYU Idaho

**Vaccines**: some may call them lifesaving medical marvels; others rebuke them as poison force-fed to the populace by Machiavellian governments. What are they, really? We may never know, as these little vials are full of mystery — and possibly dark magic. How could a small bit of liquid prevent disease without being poison, magic, or something far more devious? The journalists and intellectuals of the world must shed light upon these secrets and lies, for true red-blooded Americans deserve to know the truth.

Technicians and scientists work in a covert lab to research and develop vaccines for a myriad of diseases. An especially suspicious-looking reprobate (Fig. 1, left) scribbles arcane musings in a notebook. These writings will soon be locked away in an undisclosed location, as the information contained within is too horrific to be exposed to the public. When vaccine research does see the light of day, it is intentionally obfuscated and written in some archaic script. The surplus of fancy words blind the masses to the truth of these baleful concoctions - that they're full of putrid preservatives and appalling additives. The preservatives are no doubt there to keep the microchips running while they wait to be foisted upon an unwilling subject. Even worse are the paltry attempts at "science education," also known as indoctrination. According to the organizations that disseminate these doctrines, the American public is apparently not to be trusted with things like complex scientific research and informed, reasonable decision-making.

Trial and error are crucial parts of scientific exploration. More often than not, vaccine science tends to fall on the error end of the spectrum. Vaccines have long been known to cause adverse side effects, and scientists diligently work to add more of them every year. A printed-out memo can be found in every pharmaceutical lab detailing this year's trendiest side effects and which vaccines pair best with them. In this lab (Fig. 2), the memo includes acute respiratory failure, growth of extra limbs, and a condition called "pink eye of the soul." Perhaps inspired by their research, a scientist observes a vial while pondering the status of their karmic debt. Chit-chat about one's spiritual state is often heard in labs across the country as scientists try to reconcile their chosen career with their God-given American patriotism.

The most malicious part of Big Pharmaceutical is, of course, the pushing of their product. Vaccine distribution mainly happens in hospitals and clinics across the country, like the one shown here (Fig. 3). These places are heavily intertwined with Big Government, which sets laws and regulations about who must be inoculated. This folie a deux often means that hardworking, freedom-loving American citizens are forced to make an unimaginable choice: submit to the government's control, or be excluded from huge aspects of life such as jobs, schools, and select Hooters locations. This grisly image is repeatedly painted with no end in sight, despite infringing upon everything this country stands for: freedom of bodily autonomy, freedom to participate in "sun's out, guns out" without a bandage marring your arm, and freedom to question the tyrannical authority that threatens the very fabric of our nation.

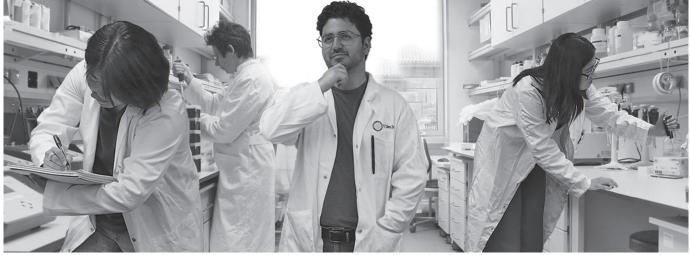


Fig. 1 These "scientists" are mucking about, touching random shit in their science lab. Why the fuck are they doing that?



Fig. 2 Here we see some woke liberal "scientist" concocting the chemical sludge they want to inject into our children's veins.



Fig. 3 Get a load of these guys. This is where our tax dollars are going, folks



# Universal Healthcare: The Great Red Deception

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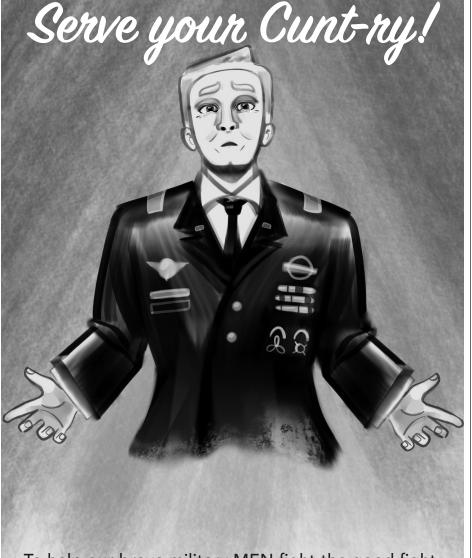
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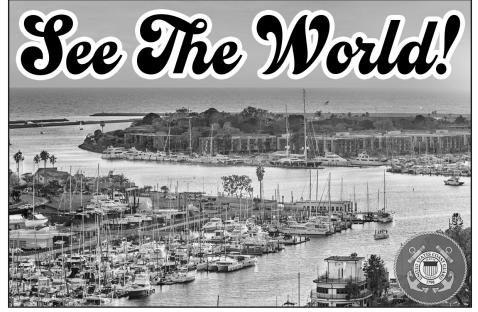
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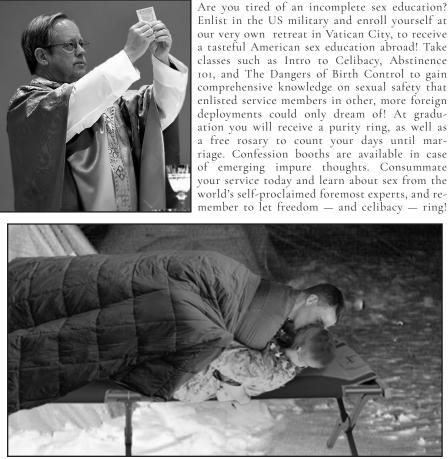
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Have you been thinking about beautifying your standard of living by enhancing your natural features? Relinquish those desires for the benefit of our American ideals and freedoms. We need you to ration makeup and other beauty products so that our great American spies — regardless of gender—can seduce our enemies and extract highly valuable state secrets! The more successful agents carry out their missions, the faster our numerous wars will be won! Meats & Eats

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### Artist Spotlight: Colt Apropo



Colt Apropo, pictured during a photoshoot for his album Carnatic Desires

With the release of his second album, *Carnatic Desires*, Colt Apropro established himself as a trailblazer in the indie pop scene. With his trademark "East meets West" musical style, which draws inspiration from classical Indian music, Apropro has redefined the genre and opened listeners' ears to a whole new subcontinent of music. We sat down with Apropro to discuss his journey, from growing up in Indiana, to touring the world at 19 years old.

Apropro was first exposed to classical Indian music at a young age, when his childhood friend's mother played it in the car while driving him to a movie. "The whole time I was sitting in the theater, I couldn't concentrate on the film at all, I was just thinking about the funky sounds I had just heard. Beneath the awful arhythmic racket and alien shrieking, I sensed a kernel of gold just waiting for a fresh face to come along and bring their music into the 21st century."

After the first taste, Apropro dove into exploring the genre with enthusiasm. "I wanted to learn everything that I could about Indian music, so I immersed myself in it. I spent that summer listening to all the greats; The Beatles, Coldplay, even John Coltrane, though I find him a bit out there. With all of these great sources of traditional Indian music, and the primal shrieks and moans from that fateful car ride still ringing in my ears, I started writing my first songs. Obviously, I couldn't get my hands on any of the weirder Indian instruments growing up in Arizona, but I could plug my guitar into my laptop and simulate them well enough. I ran into a bit of a wall after my de-but single, "India, Nah Indiana," as the lyrics just weren't flowing. That's when I decided to get some exposure to real Indian culture."

Apropro embarked on what he calls a "journey of enlightenment" to Artesia, California, whilst visiting relatives in Los Angeles. "While everyone else in the family was having fun at Disneyland or Venice Beach, I was having a life-changing experience in Little India. It was everything I could have dreamed of and more! I met so many Indians, it was honestly a bit overwhelming. I immersed myself in their food, eating delicious, but spicy food like chicken tikka masala, butter chicken and naan bread and even bought some traditional Indian clothes. They had so many colorful togas, but for some reason the saleswoman gave me a funny look when I bought them. I guess some people are still racist in this day and age. After I made it back to Indiana, I was writing nonstop.'

As the interview drew to an end, Apropro looked towards the future. "I think it would be really cool to finally commit and go interact with some real Indians after going on my world tour and sharing their music with so many other people. Hopefully, I'll make it to New Jersey, but until then I will have to make do with rewatching my favorite Bollywood movie, *Yesterday*."

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### High Technology Will Save Music by Mira Dobe We've come a long way since through the very beast we seek to sponsor, Scum Monkey! Scum the touch of a button, Gemini has

We've come a long way since the days of the talk-box and the MOOG, and with every passing year, there is more and more space for music to cover. Right now, countless possibilities lie in wait for any troubadour or troublemaker looking to tickle ivories or slap bass, as the ever broadening tools and techniques of the 21st century open the frontier of aural auspices. Wrought loose from convention and constraint, we find ourselves faced with an ever expanding soundscape we can never hope to chart, let alone chart with. It's a numbers game and we're losing. With every passing moment, the chance to cover the realm of possibility that music has to offer gets further and further from our reach. How can we profess to love this art form when we have no hope to know its fullest extent, to find the truth hidden in its completeness. In our imprudent avarice, we never deigned to see the abject fate we set out before ourselves, nor that with every sonic pace we take, we proceed deeper into our own proportional ignorance.

Nevertheless, it is upon this altar that we can find our own deliverance from our profligacy. It is

through the very beast we seek to slay that we can impose our will upon the fertile, unseeded, grounds that we will seize our vengeance. Finally, we can complete music, and hang our laurels upon its fruit. We shall sup upon the bounty of our labors, and pick the ripest figs of our aural pasture. When we lay bare the complete possibility space of music, it shall remain only for us to suckle at its ripe carcass, our very own Elysium, mediated by supple Sennheiser open-backed oracles. With the complete set of all possible sounds in every measure laid bare before us, there shall be no more cultural Rubicons to cross, the entirety of human expression shall be realized; the unknown driven from our bounteous shores, the truth of the human condition laid bare in the topology of the form. Simple homotopy of our Eden shall make clear the very essence of human creativity, the soul given form, agency, in its frequency space.

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# Album Recall: LIFE reviews the best of the best that you've forgotten



### Global Warming by Pitbull: 2/2 Hemispheres

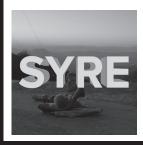
In the early 21st century, it was commonly believed that the world would end come 2012. Party music was reaching a peak, as were global temperatures and carbon emissions. Mr. Worldwide, the king of mind-meltingly droll EDM-pop, created tunes to play as you black out to block out the existential dread of unavoidable, impending doom. He raps about sex, women, sexy women, and having sex with women, accompanied by sexy guests such as J. Lo, Enrique Iglesias, and Christina Aguilera. As the world burns down around us in 2025, the album is just as relevant as ever. Pitbull and his collaborators are the band playing on the sinking *Titanic* that is the world as we know it.

So join us! Just one weekend this year for a destination getaway. Trade the rat



### Rise and Fall of a Midwest Princess by Chappell Roan: One and ½ / 2 Thumbs Up

With an explosive entrance to the scene two years ago, the upbeat melodies of Chappell Roan's *Rise and Fall of a Midwest Princess* prove that pop is back in a big way. Roan brings an air of mystique to the music industry, rejecting all norms by refusing to let fans and foes photograph her whenever she goes out in public. Her boundaries, which she "insists upon" after multiple "encounters" with "paparazzi," have rocked the music world and show no signs of stopping, reminiscent of the upbeat melodies of "HOT TO GO!" and "Naked in Manhattan." But, one must ask how Chappell could truly be a "Femininomenon" if the world isn't up to date with what she's up to at all times of the day. And if a loyal fan of her saccharine melodies can't receive her guidance on romantic relationships or deeply nuanced political discussions, then frankly, this Midwest princess… may have already fallen from grace. However, with more upbeat melodies and lyrics that show the parts of her soul she keeps most secret, her next LP could be one for the ages.



### SYRE by Jaden Smith: Bronny James / Justin Trudeau

Jaden Smith's album *SYRE* masterfully delves into the political and economic state of the world. This project is an introspective and down-to-earth metacommentary on the industry and the self — specifically, himself. The instrumentation caries alt-trap/hip-hop/folk/ Detroit-techno/progressive/psych-rap undertones, while the lyrics explore topics ranging from Martin Luther King to the Kamasutra — in the same song! — demonstrating the decadent range of his commentary. Smith is a mastermind of leaving things up to interpretation. In "L" he sings, "Girl, I'm Martin Luther, Martin Luther King / Life is hard, I'm Kamasutra-ing," mystifying the average listener beyond belief and solidifying his genius. He levels himself with various other legends as well, saying, "K. Dot is comin' out of me," providing an interesting and thought-provoking visual. As he's said in an interview with BigBoyTV, he doesn't like hanging out with people his own age, and is one of the few young artists still "keepin' it real" in America today.

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### Madonna as Critic, Caretaker, Cradle: An Odyssey Through the Artistic Impetus

by Madonna



Disgusted by The Discobolus, Madonna withdraws red lipstick from her purse and writes horrifying obscenities along the statue's disk in various languages. Once finished, she proclaims she was "inspired to beautify this ugly statue" to express "the emotions [she] felt when [she] heard Elton John was gay."



Marveling at its simplicity, Madonna journeys to a hut in rural India to observe Warli art. She is intrigued by how, with a total lack of training, people were able to create these detailed paintings. She brought her own paintbrush from home and adds her own little figures to the wall while locals look on in shock — assuredly in awe of her natural affinity for it!



Madonna admires the walls inside the Queen's Chamber while exploring the Great Pyramid, Puzzled by the abstractness of Pablo Picasso's Guernica, Madonna tries looking at her handprint leaving a damp mark on the dusty limestone walls. Beside her stands her the painting upside down to see if she can parse more meaning from it. "Didn't this guide, a Cairo native and fourth-generation pyramids guide, looking on disapprovingly. guy abuse all of the women in his life?" she scoffs, flipping the painting right-side up.



Madonna, "Queen of Pop," turns her gaze towards the physical manifestation of humanity's greatest question — is it art, or is it just an upside-down urinal? After a fifteen-minute odyssey into the all-knowing cyberspace, she re-turns as an amateur auteur. Now, to her trained eye, Marcel Duchamp's piece, Fountain, with the symbols "R. Mutt" inscribed on it, stands as the pinnacle of the deconstruction of utilitarianism and aestheticism. From "urinal" to "fountain," Duchamp's piece has since transcended nonsense to become muchsense. The singress shared that, with her augmented keenness for art, she also sees

the societal value of Fountain. Indeed, no longer will this urinal be "for the boys" only, as girls who visit the exhibit may also witness its greatness. They will even be encouraged to use it, as this is a piece of interactive art. Their urination will hencely bring gender equality through what Madonna terms "pee equality." The "Queen of Pop" proudly announced that, "Now that I am a veteran art critic, I will be crafting a song and it will feature Fountain by Monsieur Duchamp in the music video!" as the crowd cheers and the staff look on in confusion. "It'll be out next Friday," Madonna continued. "Remember to buy the single... I mean, to enjoy the art, everyone!"





Entranced by Frida Kahlo's 1944 painting, *The Broken Column*, Madonna whis-pers, "What an icon, making yourself the subject." Pausing to look up at Kahlo's face, she then utters, "The proportions look off, but I think that corset makes up for it," while tracing over Kahlo's back brace with her oily fingers.



On a night much like this, I found myself in repose, unraveled in my sitting room, swept away by a current of growth yet unbeknownst to me. On the telly I could see my children growing up in front of my very eyes, and as my tequila sunrise crested its horizon, so too did I cross the threshold of understanding. Basking in the light of realization, I saw with utmost clarity that art is the mirror-sheened void into which we may cast our despair, and that we are but reflection. My children, each a fully ripened fruit, have grown to become art in their own right; and as the artist who sculpted these artists of the next generation, I soon came to understand the gravity of my appointment. I held within my hands the power to reinvent myself and carve a new path forward as the voice of a generation yet to be, the art critic for the future yet to be drawn. Cleaving my Red Sea in twain, I set out from my summering in Turin, and took it as my raison d'etre to explore the full possibility of what art can be. In the weeks and months to come, I took it upon myself to engage in all the fruits of the orchard of human expression. I made it my being to sample and speak the truth of the whole of the creative enterprises of our humble

Earth, such that my guiding hand could elucidate the art within, and bring it to my children. Not the children of Madonna Louise Ciccone, but the children of art, of the Earth, of MADONNÁ. Roused from my waking slumber, I broke my intellectual fast in the breadbasket of Europe: the German river valleys. It was here that I found myself in the Greek district of the city itself named for the fictional city fea tured in Xenophon's teachings. Therein I found the Pergamon Museum and the opportunity to bring my studies to a head. to allow for free discourse between myself and the art at hand. It was in this edifice that as I embraced Germany's own Meydan Mosque. In our conjugation, we made one another

real. Along every grain of the masonry, I could feel Germany itself speaking to me, it was as though the Western Tradition revealed itself through me. The words that exited my body came to redefine me and awaken the profundity of my spirit anew. Though all my humble voice could muster was a whispered, "I know you're Mother, land," my soul in its ecstasy found itself tapped into an unshapen faith that I knew must follow this arc of my life. The very voice of humility and charity spake to me, and ordained that I stay the line and share my voice with the world through the lens of art critique. Invigorated with new sight, I found who must have been the curator reduced to tears by mere sight of the sublime. I bid him rise and placed my hands upon his cheeks, where the clay dust from my hands mixed with his tears to purify him, much as the Rhine's silt filters out the woes of Berlin. I only wish I could have dwelled in this place, yet my calling drew upon me once again, and bid me to seek the art of the very frontiers of humanity

Though this brief soirée was but the first of many arts suborned to MADONNA, I knew I had yet greater roads to walk. My subsequent weeks and months were spent seeking the apices of art; I contended with the plain frankness of the Dadaists, and took Warli art into my own hands as its Dehlian progenitors neglected her. In an act of love, I

Madonna Louise Ciccone in her Turin summer home, contemplating simply the greatest of her hits with a dire resolve



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hand-washed Kahlo's portrait, such that she could shine resplendent in her manicured posture. I breathed in the clean air at Guernica, and felt Picasso's vision suffuse me. The words I delivered in those moments I cannot repeat here, for it would not do justice to the arts discussed, nor to the artist who spoke those words. While I cannot detail the whole of my whirlwind experience of the artist's sampler, I will recount to you my experience in the Argentine rurality of Salta, where I met the children of Llullaillaco. In this delightful, capital township, I was acquainted to these children, much like my own, who now found themselves to exceed their feeble forms. Their legacy has been cemented in their sacrifice, through their will they have risen above the confines of physical form and delivered art to their masses. The chrysalis of their tomb evoked the shell of personhood we must cast off to pursue enlightened dialogue with the essential form of art. I must cast off.

Soon thereafter, my sojourns brought me to the very edges of the earth, and the verge of humanity. I set out to escape the crushing pulse of Cairo, the beating heart of Egypt, and voyaged to the caverns below the Great Pyramids

in Giza. Walking through those depths, I became enraptured by the beautiful cave drawings adorning the walls of this place. The raw primacy of their form was my muse, drawing out my words until they exceeded my mere form, spilling out in shapes for which I cannot do service with any language still known today. It was in this momen that the invisible hand of art itself uided my own, leaving its mark on history, just the same as the families of the Chauvet-Pont-d'Arc Cave. This consummation of art, my commune with prehistory, serves as a reminder of all the raw creation needed before true art could coalesce, and I carry that knowledge with me n this: my ultimate undertaking.

Allow me to elaborate, for to sequester is to withdraw, and in my

creation and redefinition of art, I cannot help but feel that I have done a disservice in the sequestration thereof. I find myself having created art upon all these inspirations of mine, creating meaning of whole cloth, and yet I have committed a grave sin. In my reinvention of art I have robbed you all. For now I find that MADONNA is art. Not Madonna Louise Cicconi, but MADONNA. And I, like my namesake, cannot be held to private eyes, cannot be made to privatize. Art is made for an audience, and I cannot condemn its profundity to resound within me, nor should it be mandated to live as mere backdrop to my life. t is this that brought me to my terminal understanding. If I am of art, and hence, art is of MADONNA, I cannot reside behind Turin's shroud. Let us do away with the ivory tower; no art should be condemned to reside in shadow. I shall cast myself unto the public eye, and cast myself in resin to remain forever in your gaze. I shall in my unlife bring life to my public. It is with heavy hand that I - being of sound body and mind - entrust myself, the final art piece, to the auspices of the Museum of Modern Art, in the vain aspiration to bring to you all I have learned.

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