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Crime Report Report

Baili Jiang

Acquiring formaldehyde in suspicious quantities

Institutional vandalism, criminal trespass, receiving stolen property: 3/10

Report dubious at best. They claim that a non-affiliate broke into the Mellon Institute and caused damage to property owned by Carnegie Mellon. First of all, there's no person in the world named Carnegie Mellon, and if there is, we need to dox and shame their parents. Second, how on Earth does somebody break in and get caught? Everybody knows the best way to sneak into the lifeless husk known as the Mellon Institute is via the secret elevator inside Pillar #7. It's baffling to think anyone would take the entrance on Bellefield for any reason whatsoever, so publishing this rookie mistake is simply lazy reporting.

Hit-and-run with injuries: 5.5/10

Okay, we might be getting somewhere with this! I love the detail about their injuries to their lower half and the swift response by paramedics. Unfortunately, that is all the praise I will dish out. For starters, they should've posted a blurry picture of the car's license plate to 4chan so we can get a doxxing campaign started on the culprit as soon as possible. And also, nowhere near as gory or graphic as a so-called "Crime Report" should imply. Is vivid, lurid prose instead of vanilla commentary too much to ask for?

Theft: -2/10

Awful awful awful horse poo. As such a low-level crime, it deservedly

only got one sentence about it. And of course, in that one sentence, there was no information we could use to dox anybody, not even the faculty member whose "Coach purse" got stolen. But moreover, this continues to illuminate the ineptitude of their crime reporters. I know for a fact that, on the same day, two comrades and I looted several duffel bags worth of NVIDIA chips from the GHC cluster machines, and they haven't gotten even a sniff of our theft/money laundering. They should have immediately noticed that the 15-210 programming assignments were taking so much longer to run than normal, yet they haven't. For the so-called "primary news publication of CMU" and the "primary defense force of the university", this is low-key embarrassing. We are trying to commit all the radical crimes we can, yet they consistently fail to publish our groundbreaking achievements.

Overall: 2.16/10

Too few crimes, too few descriptions, too little action, and too little excitement. So, in an effort to create more excitement on these future crime reports, here are two addresses of a Tartan's editor-in-chief's grandmother and [redacted CS professor name]'s summer retreat:

69420 Old Cadiz Road, Bridgeport, OH, 43912
67670 Kirkwood Heights Road, Bridgeport, OH, 43912

It's now our duty to dox and leak their Social Security numbers. Join us, and maybe the next CMU Crime Report will finally be worth reading for more than six seconds.



Post Traumatic Stress Disorder starts where trauma stops: a defense of forever wars

Bertie Wooster

War, war, what isn't it good for?

Netflix realized years ago the key to customer retention is to make sure nothing ever ends. Once an episode stops, the next starts before you can decide if you even liked the previous one. The rest of America can learn from this: if endless content keeps millions of people from confronting the emptiness of their evenings, endless wars can keep soldiers from confronting anything besides enemy and civilian forces.

During war, everything—except enemy structures—is brilliantly structured. There are objectives, acronyms, Powerpoints, buff men yelling at you... Even the hardest man cannot ask questions there! War is traumatic, sure, but you are not yet post-trauma. Only after hearing a jar of pasta sauce shatter in a Giant Eagle does a man realize he remembers exactly what a burning person smells like. The obvious solution, then, is to make sure he's never past the point where burnt hair, diesel fumes, and the copper-sweet taste of blood are still commingling in his throat, drowning out any semblance of emotion. There are, admittedly, some logistical concerns. Critics will claim endless

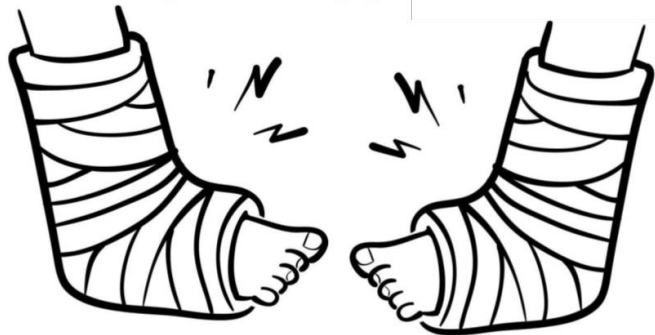
war is expensive. Of course it is! As Keynes will tell you, you've got to spend money to make money. Raytheon employees get to cover their mortgages, Teledyne executives can send their children to colleges with buildings named after other executives, and every civilian killed creates two factory openings back home.

Naturally, there are social benefits too. Without war, Americans would start talking about even more expensive, dangerous things like healthcare or infrastructure. A military operation gives the public something healthier to focus on, such as the map of a country they first heard of eight minutes ago. Why, just the other day I was introduced to this exotic land known as "Slava Ukraine!"

The crux of my argument, then, is that war is purpose: Politicians get to act seriously and young people get to find employment. Peace, in contrast, asks us what comes next. It offers us neither ribbon nor bandage, nor existential silence nor frantic energy. Everything is moderate, uncertain, uninteresting, unAmerican. All this soul-searching only yields more questions.

War already has another answer. Another war.

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back to good old fashioned
bathing*

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A Day in the Life at CMU Miami

Citron

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8 AM. My alarm beeps twice. I jolt awake, panic, and swing my arm at it. Miss. Shit.

"IT'S KENNETH C. GRIFFIN O'CLOCK!" it bellows, and tinny notes soon follow. Can't switch it off now – turning off the official Kenneth C. Griffin theme song is liable to suspension from the university.

8:15 AM. I brush my teeth in the dorm bathroom. There's no mirror; instead, a gigantic photograph of Kenneth C. Griffin watches me, grinning. I search for a message in his eyes. You've got some toothpaste on your lip, they say.

9 AM. Classes start. First up is 70-101 Making and Taking. I make a little bit, but it is all taken.

9:30 AM. The intercom makes a scratchy sound and we all stop in the middle of lecture. We stand, hands over our hearts, ready to follow along. "I pledge allegiance to the pockets of Ken Griffin, and to the stock holdings for which they provide..."

10 AM. It's time for societal problem solving. The teacher writes our topic on the board: HOMELESSNESS, underlines it twice, and leaves to go "to the bathroom." We spend class discussing homelessness amongst ourselves, but are unable to find the solution. D-

11 AM. Money class. Today, we're covering Griffinomics, the modern reimagining of Reagan's trickle-down model. To be honest, I'm not sure which part exactly has been reimagined, but I nod along in the hopes that some of it trickles down to me. Registering for this class cost \$399.99.

12 noon. Lunch time. My billionaire classmate thinks it's funny to bid a million dollars for every meal in the auction hall, and I can only put up \$15.45. He makes me beg for a cheese sandwich, and then charges me \$14.44 for it. Plus tax.

1 PM. It's beach time. My peers and I take a foray out to the beach. Not exactly sure what to do there. I get sand in my underwear and an awful tan.

5 PM. I start my homework. I don't even look at it, just plug it directly into the CMU-provided Kenneth C. Griffin chatbot. "The obvious solution is to increase rent," he purrs tenderly. I get rock hard immediately. I like to pretend he's giving me a handie while I copy and paste my homework; it is the only form of revenge I have left.

10 PM. The Kenforcers found out about the chatbot voice thing. They beat me half to death, leaving none of my body intact besides one leg, so that I can hop to class.

11 PM. Cocaine time. I'm not from the Miami area, but I read that this was the local custom, and I want to fit into the Miami culture. I do a line and pop a few melatonin.

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Nursing homes begin to accept new senior patients

Daniel Yin
On death's door

With CMU in the top 15 of the US News National Universities Rankings, students are looking for ways to leverage their school's newfound reputation to prepare for the post-college life. "Before, I was worried I'd have to live out my final days in the eighth best nursing home in my city, but now I'm sure the fourth or even third might let me in," said Edith Soon, a junior with an undeclared major in Dietrich.

The Career and Professional Development Center (CPDC) has taken note of the excitement and is working to address student needs. CPDC Director Sean McGowan told Readme, "A larger number of students are beginning to look at more selective assisted living facilities and we intend to provide as much support as we can. After all, a good nursing home is an important first step for success in life." CPDC now offers counseling on

when to move into assisted living, how to get along with other seniors, and what to do if your children get divorced and you no longer qualify for financial assistance. "63% of the 2026 senior class is in off-campus assisted care," McGowan said. "So this is a top priority for us."

The advent of AI has also opened new opportunities for students. Brianna Trooper, a senior in policy management, is using LLMs to prepare for nursing home applications. "I've been using AI as much as possible on all my assignments. AI psychosis is something that retirement homes are looking for, so I'm trying to use my mental faculties as little as possible."

While most new graduates aim to get into a comfortable retirement home after a fulfilling career, it's not the only way. Some are instead hoping to get into the United States Senate in their 70s or 80s to ensure a lasting legacy, despite almost universally having worse afterlife outcomes.

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BREAKING: Delaney Hall is labrynth
Interview with Hana Sealing Counsel
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Our writers are starving
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Is the trend towards minimalism bad?

Point

Bartholomew Thistlewick

Minimalism has its place in artistic movements, there is no doubt that some of the most influential art works of modern times were inspired by minimalism; one need not look further than the works of Yves Klein to see this. But minimalism is not content being kept in the confinement of an art gallery. It has broken free and run rampant across architecture, flags, really every form of symbol.. Compare The Empire State Building to the AMA Plaza: where's the personality? The inspiration? In his pursuit of rationality, van der Rohe removed the "art" from architecture. We're left with nothing more than "chiecture". Apollodorus of Damascus would be rolling in his grave. This trend extends to logo designs, a seeming symbol of the increasingly distant, corporate feel of mass corporations. Iconic symbols morph into three lines and, if we're lucky, a circle Or even flags! Look at the flag redesigns. We see character, charm, every ounce of patriotism gone, in favor of three lines because the emblem was too complicated. Must we erase every trace of creativity! How long until every ID is colorless and bland? How long until every building is a beige rectangle? How long until every article in a satire newspaper must be written to fit the absolute minimum amount of text necessary to

—Cut To Save Space—

Counterpoint

Jim Cook

No, it saves a lot of space in readme.

Rejected Headlines #42

- UPMC defends end of gender-affirming care: "Boys *will* be boys."
- Speech therapist pronounced dead.
- Rollar Coaster engineer "in for the ride of his life" after getting in a car crash.
- Green Man not spotted on Cut.
- Golden Gate Bridge more of a beige.
- KCGSCS doesn't roll off the tongue, department to be rebranded as just KCG instead.
- Bird throws stone in glass house, "didn't see it there," two dead.
- Readme to hire "last editor it will ever need."
- PSA: Glue is not safe to eat for vegans.
- Music major hooligan takes a stand.
- Most mathematicians writing in first-person plural are actually painfully alone.
- Readme needs another editor.
- District Court rules that universities can count 'ethnically ambiguous' students as whatever minority they underenrolled that year.

All this and more, not in this issue!

Learning Computer Science is not straightforward.

Kenneth C Griffin has run the tests and found the right school. But learning CS is a bigger hurdle than it looks. Most learning curves look something like this.



— With Furrries — No Furrries



Gavin Radford // *CIT condemns new campus: "bridge between pittsburgh and miami" totally impractical*

Rules are for fools

Surely Jack's Son

Royal Court Advisor

I saw Nasreddin walking from Doherty to Hammerschlag by way of Flagstaff Hill. "Nasreddin," I said, "That route's way too long. You should just go through Wean." "Exactly, everyone will be taking the shortcut."

One day, Nasreddin saw a sign on the Cut: KEEP OFF GRASS. He picked it up and placed it on the sidewalk. Satisfied that all was right with the world, he continued with his day.

Nasreddin submitted an assignment to his professor. "This is blank?" "I didn't know any of the answers." "You should at least try." "And risk introducing errors?"

Nasreddin stepped on Forbes without looking. A cyclist had to swerve around him, and yelled "Are you trying to get killed?" "No," Nasreddin replied, "If I were trying, I would have looked first."

It began raining as Nasreddin was crossing the Mall. Everyone sprinted for cover as he

strolled casually. Someone shouted, "Aren't you getting soaked?" "Yes." "Then why don't you run?" "Would the rain become slower?"

Nasreddin was with his kids at the zoo, and one of the employees ran over, yelling, "STOP! You can't feed them that!" "Why not? They're perfectly nutritious." "I know. That's why we don't let visitors eat the penguins."

One day, Nasreddin's daughter got sick. His wife handed him a thermometer and said, "Take her temperature orally." She left for a few minutes. Noticing the probe was still dry when she returned, "Why haven't you used it yet?" "I did it orally. She said she feels about 98."

Nasreddin entered the restaurant at 3:30. There was nobody at the desk, but a small brass sign read "PLEASE WAIT TO BE SEATED." Soon, a waiter came out. "We're closed." "I know." "Then why are you still here?" "I haven't been seated." The waiter considered this. "You'd better wait then." Nasreddin thanked him. The restaurant reopened at 6:00 and he took his seat.

Student Tells All: Internship at Anduril

Camilia Creutzfeldt
ECE @ CMU

Systems Safety Intern @ Anduril

With fall break on the horizon, it's safe to say that we've fully settled into the semester. Yet, I still get people bringing up my summer internship at Anduril. That was two whole months ago! Most often, the people who bring it up are just classmates who want to find out more about what a chill time a chill guy like me had at a chill engineering firm. Once in a while, though, someone seems to take issue with me having interned at Anduril, talking about how it's "unethical" and that I "kill" people or whatever. So, let's set the record straight.

First of all, what I did that summer was entirely ethical. I deployed an internal dashboard for coordinating distributed nodes to help ensure synergy inside Anduril's product ecosystem. In layman's terms, I made sure the drones arrived on time. If you imagine that each drone is a pointer, then anyone who's written a linked list in 15-122: Principles of Imperative Computation has basically done the same thing I did. You might be asking, what do these drones do? That's an excellent question! The problem is, I don't actually know what the drone products my tool interacts with are specifically used for, but the applications of Anduril's unmanned aerial vehicles are practically endless: they could be used for removing unwanted elements from our operational spaces, payload delivery at supersonic timescales, and acute-

onset hospital demolition.

Secondly, not only was what I did ethical, but Anduril as a whole is a fully ethical company. I don't know when it happened, but "drones" has become such a buzzword. Any old drone company is being labeled as unethical! I don't see anyone protesting drones used to film weddings from above! Let me be clear: Anduril does not kill people, people kill people. The United States military uses Anduril's drones and systems to defend this country, and they just happen to incur a handful of collateral noncombatant casualties along the way! Palmer Luckey's hands are clean, and so are mine.

Lastly, if you still think what I'm doing is wrong, I'm afraid to tell you that you have just fallen victim to the is-ought fallacy. Just because what I'm doing ought to be illegal, doesn't mean it really is. They teach you about this in 76-101: Interpretation and Argument. But, of course, you wouldn't know that.

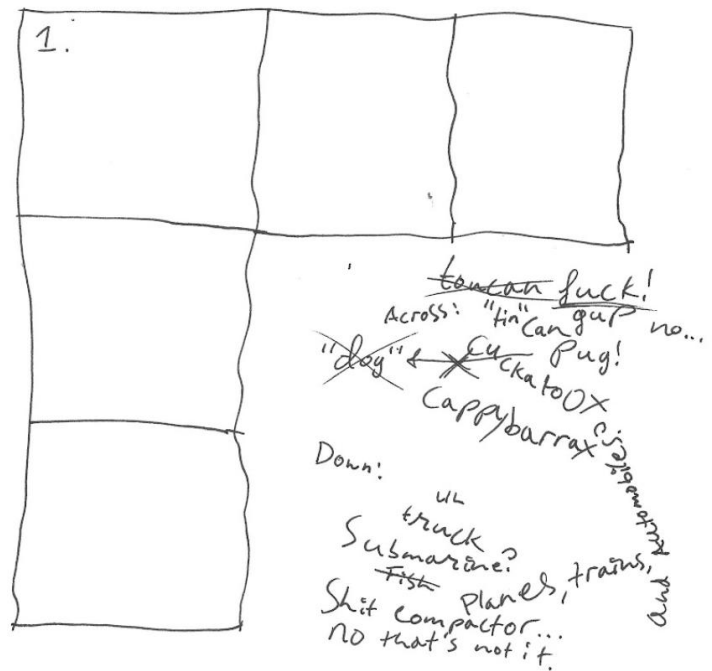
Honestly, it's weird that people are antagonizing me over my attempt at career development. When students attend CMU, they do so with the expectation of getting an engineering job in SoCal. It is my right as a student of CIT to get a six-figure job right out the door. I'm done arguing whether or not my work is ethical: it obviously is, and my continued dwelling on the past isn't going to do me any favors. This is why I am proud to announce that next summer, I will be getting closer to the action by joining the Central Intelligence Agency as a destabilization strategy intern.

Crossword Corner

Presented By:
Greeshma Adiga
Puzzler Extraordinaire

Across
1. Animal that meows

Down
1. Automobile



Tali Kirschenbaum
Down and Out

Answers: Last Week's Crossword

Across

1. OREO
2. UTA
3. AIOLI
4. ILIAD
5. TRUE
7. ZIGZAG
8. ANTIDISESTABLISHMENTARIANISM
9. IONE
10. TERI
11. POLO
13. IDENTIFICATION
14. TELL ME WHY
18. SINGLE SPACED
25. OREO
26. ABRACADABRA
- 30 1/2. FORTYTWO
34. OREO
36. TANTALIZING
39. PNEUMONULTRAMICROSCOPICSILICOVOLCANOCONIOSIS
41. GANGRENOUS
43. PEN
44. OREO

Down

1. CINNAMON
2. ULTRAVIOLET
3. YARDSTICK
- π. CIRCUMFERENCE
4. π
6. 7
8. DEFENESTRATION
9. 11
13. TURTLENECK
17. OREO
20. HINGLE MCCRINGLEBERRY
- 22.222. 1/3
25. ZAPF DINGBATS
28. REALITY IS STRANGER THAN FICTION
- 8 (again).
- INSTRUMENTALIZATION
31. MULTITERRITORIAL
33. OH HI
34. NO IM FINE
35. COMMUNICATING THROUGH THE CROSSWORD
36. WAIT WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO ME
38. AAA
39. WHAT THE FUCK
40. ADSFJASLDKFSDFsAIEUWHDSF JAS
41. HELP IM TRAPPED IN A CROSSWORD PUZZLE
- 38 (Reprise). AAH
43. LET ME OUT
44. HELP ME
45. TOO LATE
46. STUCK FOREVER
47. OREO

**OUR LOGO IS ALSO GREEN,
WE JUST PRINT IN BLACK AND
WHITE**



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When I grow up...

Josephine, 8



"I'm going to kill myself"

Marcus, 9



"I'm going to off myself"

Josephine, 8



"I'm going to commit suicide"

Connor, 8



"I'm going to kill myself and it's your fault"

Your Primetime (2026) Rating, Your Diagnosis

RATING	DIAGNOSIS
★★★★★	Surface-Level Understanding Pedophile
★★★★	Well-adjusted adult who likes other adults
★★★	Nuanced Hebephile
★★	Media Literate Ephebophile
★	Surface-Level Understanding Pedophile
Haven't watched	Busy Pedophile

Why does financial aid prosper while the endowment starves?

Alex Soda

Apply theory, they said

A specter is haunting CMU. You can see it in the hazy air, smell it on the crusty Entropy sign, feel it on the shadeless Mall. It's a modern-day tragedy. The poor are killing our endowment.

Andrew Carnegie laid down the endowment's first million dollars himself. From the very start, it has been an institution by the financially able, for the financially able. For decades, we remained faithful to this sacred commandment. It was only recently that CMU stooped into the lowest of the low: admitting students who want the education of a private university, but can't actually afford one.

Even worse, it's not just CMU. Vanderbilt, MIT, Columbia, all once great institutions, now forever sullied by their wasteful support of the second class. Harvard and Yale remain the most committed in their support for legacy students, but even that seems to be slipping with their heinous 'Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion' policies that only degrade the student body. Why include those only meant to be excluded?

At the same time, we give out so many needless handouts. Why would we reject a perfectly capable full-tuition student, choosing instead to give \$200,000 to some Dietrich nobody who's only going to whine about "making the world a better place?" Public "universities" exist for a reason, you know. At the end of the

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KILLER ROBOTS

On September 30th, Secretary of War, Pete Hegseth announced the creation of AutoWarCom, a 4 star command for an autonomous army. In other news, CMU received a large sum of money from a Christian Nationalist, Scotty Labs got a sponsorship from Anduril, and I guess we make killer robots now. While this is not strictly supernatural, I find it baffling enough to write about.

The average robot generally shouldn't harm humans and shouldn't harm itself (unless it would otherwise harm a human), but seeing as killer robots have no issue violating the first law, it follows that they have little regard for subsequent laws. As CMU tour guides will tell you, the Gates spiral was built to allow robots to safely be rolled between floors. The killer robots that are suddenly all over campus have decided that this is lame and inefficient, so instead of taking the inconvenient spiral ramp, these robot combatants choose to jump down the center, dive-bombing the La Prima at the bottom. Whether this behavior is the result of shoddy pathfinding or a deliberate attempt to kill baristas who the robots deem as "radical left extremists" is yet to be discovered.

There is definitely a kind of pettiness displayed by these robots that make them seem borderline sentient. They have been spotted raising the US flag on the cut before ROTC could get there. They consistently show up to hold the fence before anti-killer-robot protesters can arrive. I have watched these robots round up electric scooters on campus, face them against the fence and gun them down. At the time, I considered how many electric scooters have nearly ran me over, but looking back, that was probably a little fucked up.

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