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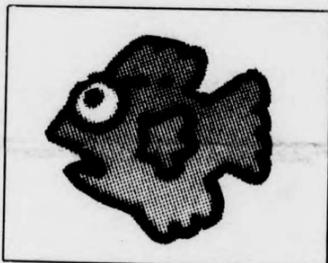
MASCOT ELECTION QUESTIONS

- 1) What is the biggest issue on campus?
- 2) Do you think Excalibur should be involved in broader political issues that aren't specifically related to students, for example, hibernation?
- 3) What qualities and experiences will you bring to the job that will make you an effective mascot?



MOUSE

- 1) The biggest issue is the lack of available cheese on campus. What's most disturbing is what they try to pass off as cheese in the cafeterias.
- 2) Hibernation is such a personal issue for most mammals that I don't think a paper has the right to take a stand and influence its readers, or, I should say, its nesters.
- 3) In terms of being a mascot, I fit the requirements. I'm very well read. I'm cute and fuzzy and have big brown eyes. I'm ferocious when backed into a corner, but a fair judge. I can chew my way through a cardboard box and am excellent at cracking open sunflower seeds. And, I never get sick.



FISH

- 1) I believe the populous population of peckish Pelicans on campus is perturbing, personally.
- 2) Hibernation, no. Alliteration, always. *Excalibur* needs to extensively expand its excellent editions to include all-encompassing alliteration in its presently tiresome text and heavy headlines. I believe the fabulous features editor, Happenin' Howard Kaman, almost attempted to incorporate intelligent alliteration in his feisty features, but, unfortunately, his innovations were completely quashed.
- 3) I have excellent *Excalibur* experience from the perilous past. I am able to alliterate with the best of the best, I can cliché at a moment's notice and I look good in blue.



PELICAN

- 1) The lack of large salt-water ponds. And, may I just say that if my fellow candidate the fish is not careful, and it isn't against election rules, I may eat him for lunch.
- 2) Absolutely. Although, as a pelican, I do not hibernate, I believe my friends the mammals have a right to control their own bodies, and so *Excalibur* has to lobby for warmer and fuzzier hibernation facilities.
- 3) I stand up on one leg for what I believe in, and only sit down in water. I am honest, straightforward, and my cousin is a stork.



PEREZOSA

- 1) *Excalibur* has the biggest (and best) issues.
- 2) One political debate often overlooked by the mainstream media is the cultural differences between three-toed and four-toed sloths. I have advisors on my election team from both camps. Also, I am not a sexist; I believe in equal food rations for male and female sloths alike.
- 3) Numero uno yo soy una perezosa bilingual. Si! Es muy importante en este universidad. I can hang upside down from a clothesline and I am not carnivorous. I also was the director of York's "Just Say No to Nancy Reagan" campaign. I have never posed for a photograph with Prince Charles. I never eat until I throw up, so I would not be an embarrassment at official dinners.



BEAR

- 1) Aside from the lack of honey, I'd have to say that the most important issue on campus is the lack of cave space in Central Square. I'm going to have a sleep-in with all my bear friends to protest.
- 2) Hibernation is an issue very close to my heart. Although it has been covered thoroughly on Gerardo, there still seems to be a lot of misunderstanding on the subject. Hibernation is a very personal thing. Although some bears believe in a straight six month snooze, others prefer to cat nap in class. I personally can sleep anywhere. I believe that *Excalibur* should respect the individuality of the average bear.
- 3) I am warm, gentle, soft and loyal. I've worked on an extensive anti-forest fire campaign and I can tie my own shoelaces.



CHIPMUNK

- 1) For me, the biggest issue on campus is hibernation. Hibernation is an issue which affects us all. Although I am obviously not a . . . well, you know, I don't . . . what I don't do, I believe that what an animal does in the privacy of its own cave is its own business. In fact, some of my best friends are . . . what we're talking about, and I don't hold it against them. In fact, it has given me a greater insight into the problems of hibernatorial species. I mean, think about it: because the government is cutting back on unemployment insurance benefits, seasonally awake species are being discriminated against. It makes you think, doesn't it?
- 2) Haven't you been paying attention to what I said? Alright . . . alright, forget I said that. I don't want to give anybody the idea I'm arrogant or obnoxious or anything. Other issues? Sure. I also like baby seals, Easter seals and airtight seals. Is that good enough?
- 3) I've had years of experience burying nuts in the ground. And, I'm not arrogant or obnoxious or anything. Well, I'm not! I don't have much experience with *Excalibur*, but I like to think that the experience I do have has taught me a lot . . . well, actually, I don't have any experience with *Excalibur*, but I like to think that that experience has taught me a lot. Umm . . . I think my lack of experience means I can bring a breath of fresh air — you know, new perspectives . . . umm, did I mention that I've had years of experience burying nuts in the ground?

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RULES FOR VOTING

1. Put a check or "x" in the box next to the name of the candidate of your choice. Ballots with more than one mark will be disqualified unless they are very amusing.
2. Mail your ballot or drop it off at the Excalibur office, 111 Central Square, by 12:01 am, April 1, 1990. Results will be printed in the April 5 edition of Excalibur.
3. All decisions of the Chief Rodent Officer are final.



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