

## Bacon Worship

*Everybody’s doing it*

Recently on campus, students have noticed that a cult has sprung up worshipping “Bacon”, the bronze pig statue in Wood Hall. Students have been stopping by in the middle of the night to leave offerings at Bacon’s trotters. Such offerings have included aspirin, cans of Red Bull, and prized highlighters. Adherents believe that Bacon blesses those he favors with prolonged caffeine, alleviates hangovers, and smites those who ask stupid questions two minutes before the end of class. It is unclear when exactly this worship began, though those who believe in the Ineffable Bacon contend that He has been worshipped from the dawn of time, or at least since the dawn of case law and hangovers.

This new prevalence of “Bacon the Bronze Pig” worship has created tension with Lewis & Clark’s long-established sect that worships “Bacon the Food Product.” Although both groups have asked the college for reasonable accommodations, these accommodations apparently require excluding the other group from campus. The campus diversity committee has called to create a sub-committee which will determine whether or not to create a sub-sub-committee to address the issue.

*-That Guy*



## Scales of Justice: “Arrrrr!”

*New Training Program Focuses on Pirate Skills*

In an effort to enhance the reputation of Lewis & Clark Law School as an institution that offers meaningful, real-world experience to its students, the law school dragon boat crew, Scales of Justice, has taken up pillaging riverside areas as part of pre-season training. Although some in the school administration initially suggested that the dragon boat crew focus on dragon boat racing’s historic origin in China and Taiwan, this idea was quickly scrapped in favor of talking like pirates and drinking a lot of beer.

The Scales of Justice crew consists of one person tied to the dragon head on the boat, sixteen people with paddles who sometimes shout, one person up front who shouts frequently, and one person in the back who shouts the loudest. In addition to the new pillaging assignments, crewmembers train assiduously throughout the year, sometimes making bad puns and lawyer jokes for hours at a time.

So far, pillaging activities have been modest in scope. The first raid, under the supervision of several experienced attorneys, consisted of running a dragon boat

onto the ground in Tom McCall Waterfront Park and sneaking packets of saltine crackers from the Newport Seafood Grill. The victorious crew then celebrated with “grog” at a nearby bar and came back to the waterfront to find that their boat had been towed back to dock by helpful people with blue lights. Despite this minor setback, supervising attorneys and crew members declared the raid a success.

Further assignments are likely to involve increased grog skills and responsibilities. In fact, said one supervising attorney, the crew may have done well enough on its first assignment that the next one would consist entirely of grog-related tasks.

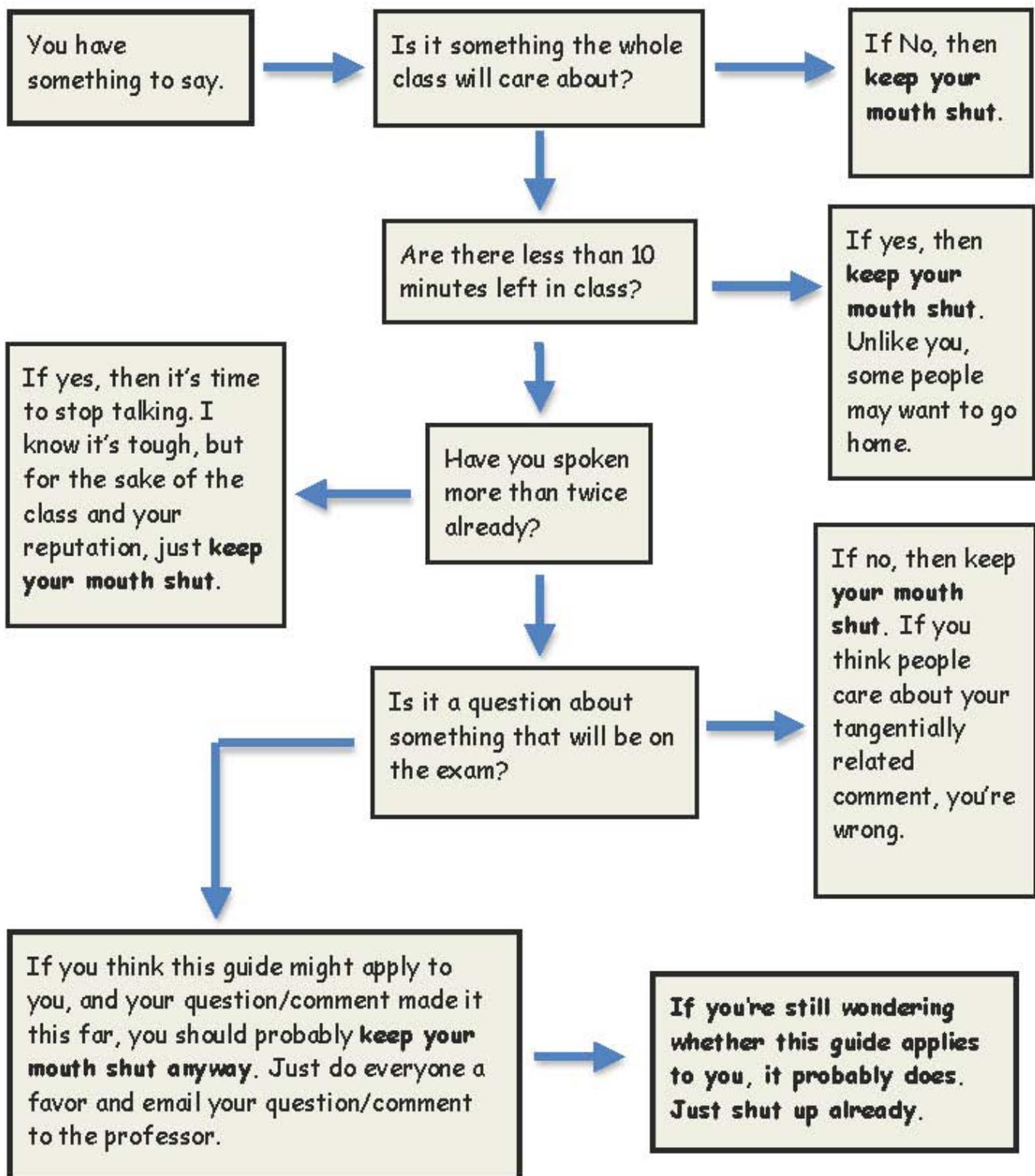
Other piratical activities may also be assigned. When asked if ship-to-ship dog-fights were in the Scales’ future, the crew indicated that it might work its way in that direction, taking it slowly.

“You kind of have to, “ said one Scaler, “when your top speed is around seven miles per hour.”

*-Sports Editor*

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## Guide for Gunners, Pt. 1 - Resisting the Urge to Hear Your Own Voice



## The Offer

Girl & boy offers, flying through the air,  
Meeting an offer here, rejecting one there.  
One day a boy offer asked a girl offer out,  
But the answer came back, at best round-  
about.

The boy's self-esteem plummeted with  
dejection,

Mistaking her flirting for total rejection.

The girl thought she accepted the date that  
was offered,

As he silently rescinded the date he once  
proffered.

Distressed then was she, arriving for the  
date,

Finding only a note - too little, too late.

The lesson in contract, in law, and in love,  
When balancing interests, place clarity  
above.

-Amanda Bruen

Take heart!

Apart from your eyes going  
cross and forgetting to floss  
(and to bathe, and to toss  
out the things in your fridge  
growing mildew and moss),  
you will make it! You'll find  
that although you're behind  
in every outline and around  
every corner's a contract  
to sign, and your eggshell-thin  
skull is a ticking time bomb,  
you are calm. Inexplicably so.

This just goes to show  
you should drink up more  
coffee, and buy up more books!  
And get a hard look at yourself  
in the mirror - you should be  
more stressed! You should  
find yourself rather foolishly  
dressed and putting your Crest  
on your toast and your jam  
on your brush. And in the dim  
hush of the night you might hear  
wee voices that whisper  
"there's nothing to fear" -

But don't listen, for tragedy's near!  
A mere tort away, you despairingly  
say. And then comes the day.  
The hours will fly and you won't  
want to die and you won't even  
cry. You'll think - I actually knew  
what to do! Let's go have a brew!  
Let's update the queue and watch  
streaming Netflix until we are  
blue! But then you remember  
you still have test two...and then  
a few more...

So, what you're in for?  
You actually haven't a clue.

-Erin Duncan

## Waning ambition

Not changing the world,  
merely reading casebooks and  
succumbing to debt.

-Natalia Burke

## World-Wide Volkswagen Corp. v. Woodson

Fuel tank explosion aside,  
Jur'sdiction could not be applied.  
The car was mobile,  
But contacts: not global,  
In Tulsa, the case was untried.

-Chenyu Wang

## Professor Quotes

"They're going to sue over due process  
only if they don't like the outcome. Peo-  
ple only care about the procedure if they  
don't like the outcome. If you get an "A"  
on your exam, do you care if I read it?"

- Bill Funk

"Human nature doesn't apply here in the  
Pacific Northwest."

-John Bogdanski

"Cats are bad. They are smarter than us,  
and they're evil."

-John Bogdanski

"If you put [the Blazers'] managment's  
brain in a bird, it would fly backwards."

-John Bogdanski

"There's actually a course in dental  
school where dentists are taught to hate  
the IRS."

-John Bogdanski

"Leona Helmsley: what did she go to jail  
for? Well, because she's a bitch."

-John Bogdanski

"Be wary when a law firm tells you that  
you get to travel in your job. It most likely  
means that you get to go somewhere else  
to sit in a warehouse and read hours worth  
of documents."

-John Parry

"A tort remedy could consist of dam-

ages for the loss of enjoyment of life...  
But don't try to use that against your law  
school."

- John Parry

"Of course I won't call on anyone who  
is brave enough to look me in the eye."

-Henry Drummonds

"What if I picked up a pool stick and  
threatened to hit you with it? This hap-  
pens all the time. This is what happens  
on Saturday nights."

-Henry Drummonds

"Maybe if I can get my hands on a lot  
of X...I don't know how to make a lot  
of X...who else knows how to make a  
lot of X...maybe they have a patent on  
it, and that means that they are probably  
selling lots of X...I should probably stop  
saying X."

-Lydia Loren

"Are you ready to say 'Hustler For-  
ever'?"

- Doug Newell

"Kinda going downhill: romance, drugs,  
Ross Perot."

- Doug Newell

"I should have invited one or two of  
you up here to see the sea of blank faces"

-Jennifer Johnson

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-The "Editor"

## Lawyer Jokes

***Because you don't hear enough of these from your friends***

Q: Why won't sharks attack lawyers?  
A: Professional courtesy.

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Q: What does a lawyer get when you give him Viagra?  
A: Taller

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Q: What do you call 1,000 lawyers chained to each other at the bottom of the ocean?  
A: A good start.

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You Know You Need A New Lawyer When...

- The prosecutor sees your lawyer in the hall, and they high-five each other.

- During your initial consultation he tries to sell you Amway.

- He tells you that his last good case was a "Budweiser."

- He picks the jury by playing "duck-duck-goose."

- During the trial you catch him playing his Gameboy.

- Every couple of minutes he yells, "I call Jack Daniels to the stand!" and proceeds to drink a shot.

- He frequently gives juror No. 4 the finger.

- Just before he says "Your Honor," he makes those little quotation marks in the air with his fingers.

- Whenever his objection is overruled, he tells the judge, "Whatever."

- He giggles every time he hears the word "briefs."

- He keeps citing the legal case of *Godzilla v. Mothra*.

- He begins closing arguments with, "As Ally McBeal once said..."

## Internet Usage Policy

*To ensure that the use of internet is properly regulated, concerned members of the student body have drafted the following proposal.*



### POLICY ON THE USE OF LAPTOPS, CELLPHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES IN CLASS

#### Preamble

The use of laptop computers in class is intended to allow students to take notes and perform other functions directly related or not related to classwork. The use of laptops, cellphones, or other devices for other purposes may or may not help the student's ability to concentrate on and participate effectively in the class. It has been a long-standing practice for students to use the internet in class when the professors are off-topic or boring.

#### Article I

Internet usage provides students with a productive way to spend time in class when the professors are doing a poor job of teaching the material or other students are holding up the lecture with needless contributions. IT IS HEREBY DECLARED that a professor is not allowed to be ineffective at what they do without the express permission of the students. If such ineffectiveness occurs in violation of this policy, students may use the internet to become productive members of our society by completing other tasks.

#### Article II

The school expects every professor to comply with this policy as a matter of courtesy and professional responsibility. Individual student members have the responsibility to take active steps to enforce this policy and to impose sanctions for its violation. Such sanctions may include critical responses in the Letter of the Law. If a student member intends to take active steps to enforce this policy and to impose sanctions for its violation, the student member must notify the professor via email during the period of ineffectiveness in class. Professors are considered to be on constructive notice if students are using the internet or other related devices during such period of ineffectiveness.

#### Article III

This policy does not preclude the professor from reasonable ineffectiveness due to hangovers, too much partying, or other legitimate reasons, preferably humorous ones that must be disclosed to the class prior to lecture.

