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POTUS reveals new policy

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On Monday of this week, President Obama gave an official statement mandating new gun control policies, microbead bannings, planned parenthood funding, and, of course, a new invite-only sleepover policy. The president takes a firm stand stating, "I will no longer be entertaining guests who did not receive an Evite directly from me, especially those who want to use my trundle. All Evites can and will be verified based on my text-art Gmail signature. I know that rules have been more lenient in the past, but it's unreasonable for you to expect me to have enough sleeping bags for everyone."



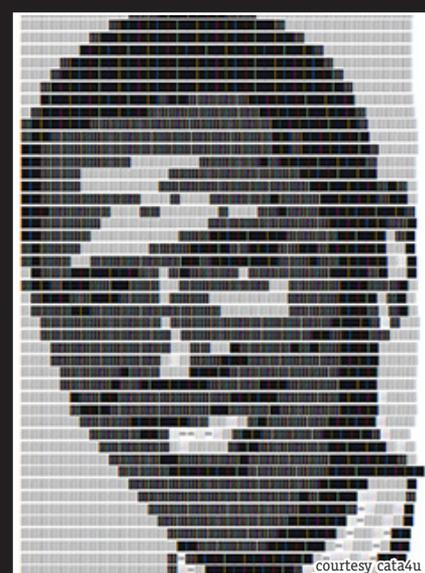
Obama and Vice President Joe Biden have been having a "slumber party marathon" for the past week according to White House Communications Director Dan Pfeiffer. Said marathon was intended to continue late into next week, but has been cut short by several "interruptions." Inside sources disclose that Obama's twitter holds clues to the abrupt end of the arrangement. Tweets include, "waiting for you-know-who to fall asleep first, then the real party begins," and "@theRealDickCheney, I love when I have to pause 'She's The Man' over 20 times." Using an algorithm devised by Homeland Security, experts have concluded that the sleepover was terrorized by one Dick Cheney, former Vice President under the second Bush Administration.

Sleepover etiquette in the US has rapidly transformed in recent years. Some have adopted an Open Door Policy, allowing neighborhood friends to waltz in and out of the event as they please. On the other hand, sleepover conservatives do not tolerate self-invited intruders and often resort to the first amendment right to protest. One account of Obama's recent Raspberry-

Lips-themed overnight party detailed Obama's reluctance to keep his cool upon Mitt Romney's arrival at the meticulously planned and already-paid-for event. Obama left the oval office, where makeovers were being conducted, and headed to the Lincoln Bedroom with two close friends; they spent the rest of the night playing truth or dare and secluding themselves from other guests at the party. Obama countered criticisms, noting, "I was just really tired, ok? Also, I didn't buy him a party favor bag, so Michelle said I had to give him mine." This anti-social demonstration confirms the private sector opinion that federal slumber parties are becoming increasingly exclusive. Unpopular man John Boehner complained, "I miss the days when you had to invite the whole class to a birthday party."

To prevent future confusion, Obama divulged his ideal slumber party plans in the State of the Union address. Family friend to the Obamas, Bill Clinton gives us his insight saying, "I know that B wants to keep things traditional. You know, safety-first pillow fights and bed sheet tents are still on the docket, but I doubt that he'll have any time for Just Dance or any Wii nonsense."

The polarization of sleepover hosting techniques is tearing this nation apart. Americans can only hope that the upcoming election will bring a new front runner into the executive office, someone who can actually think of "Would You Rather" questions and who knows that MASH is no laughing matter.



"Dead" celebrities tell all

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Oxiclean guy: Yeah he has a name (Billy Mays), and, shockingly, a heartbeat too. This "dead" celebrity faked his heart attack to get out of the cleaning supplies advertising business. Mays felt his resumé was too congested with big-name-cleaning-products and that the only way to get away from advertising and onto Broadway would be to kick the bucket and burn his social security card. Now, that may seem a little drastic to some of you, but Mays claims that the catcalling of, "it gets the tough stains OUT," in the streets only worsened with each release of Oxiclean ads (that plagued every commercial break in the late 2000s). "One time, a TSA agent wouldn't let me through security unless I recited the line. I missed my flight and still had to say it."

Mays' escape from the spotlight drastically improved the quality of his life: he now spends most of his time shaving his signature beard (which grows at a dangerously fast rate) to avoid recognition. When he isn't in front of a mirror, he spends countless hours memorizing the lines to the movie "Rio 2" for what he called "personal reasons" and checking rejection emails from Broadway casting directors. Mays has no current love interest and has been desperately trying to escape his free lifetime supplies of carpet bleach Oxiclean, which somehow keeps ending up at the many locations where Mays seeks refuge.

Abraham Lincoln: "The tall guy with the hat... blah, blah, blah. How about loving husband? How about high school football star? How about CrossFit God? How about literally anything else I've done? I'm tired of being called 'the tall president' or 'the one with the hat,'" says Lincoln about his fake assassination. Aside from his belittling nicknames and distinct physical features, Lincoln faked his death because of the overwhelming pressure that he felt while reconstructing the United States. "It's like I've got half a nation who hates me, half a nation who loves me more than my wife. I've got Mary bitching in one ear, none of my pants fit, AND, on top of all of that, I've gotta reunite a broken country?"

Lincoln recounted how difficult the fake assassination was to pull off. From the hundreds of Abraham Lincoln auditions he held to the convincing John Wilkes Booth to pretend-shoot his stand-in,

and coming up with a valid excuse to miss theater night with Mary, it was a nightmare. Though Lincoln had hundreds of lookalikes ready to play the part, the audition process took a while because he really wanted someone who "got his look." He ended up casting a 7'4, 23 year old, bodybuilder named Marco who wore the hat, played the part, and ultimately helped the 16th president escape his term and start a new life as a professional basketball player.

Michael Jackson: Before he became a solo artist in the early 1970's, the King of Pop got his start in his family's band, the Jackson 5. Throughout his life, Jackson continuously moved the world to feet with his popular hits, and kept it there with intriguing glimpses of his secretive yet fascinating personal life (like making his children wear masks in public). In 1993, Jackson allowed Oprah Winfrey and her viewers into his home for a special performance, tour, and his first-ever live interview. During the interview Jackson revealed that his lack of a normal childhood had left a hole in his heart and made him long for the joy of a carefree childhood; hence, a full-scale amusement park in his backyard.

It was his abrupt death from an overdose that shocked the world and warranted lots of anger from fans directed towards Jackson's then-physician, Conrad Murray, who had prescribed the dangerous drugs. But what fans don't know is that the good ole King of Pop was tired of the constant spotlight and invasions of privacy, so he made his escape the night of June 25, 2009.

Jackson now resides in his hometown of Gary, Indiana in his newly renovated childhood home, reliving the childhood he forfeited to tour with the Jackson 5.

Jackson's three kids and eight siblings are all aware of his location and current preoccupation with reliving his childhood. Paris, his 17 year old daughter, frequently picks him up from kindergarten, where he is just now getting the hang of the "finger painting thing." Jackson's younger brother Randy says, "It's just annoying now. You don't see me joining little leagues because I didn't get to hit my coach in the crotch with a baseball when I was seven." Randy's interview was cut short when Jackson pulled at Randy's pant leg and begged to be held. After many failed attempts to hold Jackson comfortably on his hip, Randy dropped his older brother and refused further questions.



Schneider leaks film rewrites

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What ever happened to Nick? No, we don't mean your old friend Nick from preschool who sniffed Sharpies; he is most definitely in prison now. We are talking about Nickelodeon, the popular children's TV network that has brought us classics like Spongebob, Jimmy Neutron, and the Fairly Oddparents. Nickelodeon owes much of its success to Dan Schneider, the wacky and goofy creator of hit shows like Zoey 101, iCarly, and Drake & Josh. We can attribute the decline in Nickelodeon's quality to the gradual disappearance of this great man. How so? Frankly, he has spread his talents to other areas, namely film, in search of a more prestigious award than the Kid's Choice Award blimp. Here are some highlights from scripts of his latest works outside the Nickelodeon sphere:

Star Wars Concept Script: (Before they chose Abrams, Schneider was contacted to draft a script for the newest installment of Star Wars.)

Han: Rey, Finn, it looks like someone took out all the weapons on board. Anyone got ideas?

Finn: Two words. Butter. Sock.

Rey: Sorry, ya boobs, I got to floss my toes.

Han: Doesn't anyone care about this fight?

Quick, into the transport!

The three of them hop onto an ostrich wearing a bow-tie, each putting on their protective waffle hats and applying ointment

Titanic: (In light of the 100 year anniversary, James Cameron asked Schneider for fresh new dialogue.)

Rose: I knew the ship would sink! My bra told me a ghost story just the other night forewarning me that this would happen!

Jack: We'll never make it out alive. All that's left to do is paint our heart's deepest desires. I just need some brown paint and I'll paint the best darn meatball you've ever seen.

Rose: Jack! We don't have time to paint. That idea just

got R-E-J-E-C-T-E-D rejected because that's the dumbest thing I've heard in my life.

Jack: My mom thinks I'm awesome!

Flight: (Originally thought to be too emotionally heavy a movie for child audiences, Schneider wrote a more family-friendly take on the terrifying scene.)

Captain Whitaker: This plane's goin' down, Copilot Evans. Evans!? Uh-oh, Katerina, our copilot just passed out. What do we do?

Flight Attendant Katerina: Want some snacks? We got a jumbo shrimp and nachos with special sticky cheese in the cupboard. There's a grapefruit, too, and I got some sugar in my pocket. I can look up some whale sounds if you want.

Whitaker: No! How're the passengers doin' out there, Katerina? Are they scared?

Katerina: They seem to be okay, but I'm gonna have to give a hamster CPR.

Whitaker: Okay. I just have to comb my moustache and we'll get to work.

Hunger Games: (Amandla Stenberg, who plays Rue, was afraid during the filming process, so Schneider rewrote a few lines to make her more at ease.)

Rue: Katniss, we could try and look for Peeta. Maybe he sent us a message through squirrels or mockingjays; he could be trying to look for us.

Katniss: Yeah, 'cause when I see a squirrel, the first thing I do is check its tail for messages! We should help ourselves before we help Peeta, Rue. Wait, what are you doing with your head in your bag?

Rue: It's cool in here, and it's really hot outside.

Katniss: You're drinking out of a water bottle! You've had water this whole time, and you haven't shared any of it with me! Well, I have just enough water for one more tongue dip, and you're not getting any of it.

Rue: Whatever. Water's not as good as Blueberry Blix.



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Skywalkers unveil pic



Awkward Family Photo: A family's bond spans galaxies