

## **Editor's Note**

## The Athenian Drinking Game

Need a fun game so you don't have to work so hard to socialize next time you're at a party or hanging out with friends? Of course you do; being social is exhausting. Well, look no further than this article!

The list below will work with any recent Athenian issue and any beverage. (As a responsible publication that would never dream of suggesting anything scandalous, the *Athenian* recommends a nice glass of water, or maybe fruit juice if you're feeling wild). Just pick up a magazine and read from the beginning to the end—and feel free to add in your own rules if ours aren't getting you hydrated enough.

If you see	Then you should
An awesome cover image	Drink in its beauty (plus some of whatever's in your Solo cup).
A lame cover image	Admit it's actually awesome, and see above.
A Listicle	Drink!
An obvious pseudonym	Drink!
A graphic that's just a stock image with a CWRU-related logo added on	Drink!
Us making fun of the Observer	Drink and/or make yourself a newspaper hat.
A ridiculous made-up name in an article	Say your favorite candy and then whatever you're drinking. Congrats, now you have a ridiculous name too.
"Babs"	Take a sip for our commander-in-chief.
A typo	Drik!
School officials coming to reprimand you for playing a forbidden drinking game	Set down your drink and continue casually reading this fine publication.
An article that doesn't make you laugh at least a little	Drink until we're funny.

Bonus round: Take a sip for every person you know on the Executives/Contributors lists. If you take at least one, drunk-email Athenian@case.edu; clearly you should join your friends on our staff. (If you don't know any, email us anyway; then you'll know one!)







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## Russians excluded from Olympic sex parties

Dalia Zullig

According to Kremlin sources, in addition to being banned from the 2018 Winter Olympics because of doping, the Russian Olympians who were allowed to compete have been subsequently banned from the post-competition festivities held in the Olympic Village.

One of the organizers of the sex parties, an American athlete who asked to remain anonymous, said that the Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR) were banned for legitimate health reasons.

"Broskie, with all due respect, I banned the Russians from the parties because I can't risk the doping," the American said. "I don't know what they're carrying, man."

One OAR recounted that every night she would see the other Olympians go to a certain part of the village and not return for a while. Of

course, she had to laboriously force open the iron curtains that the village organizers installed on the OARs' windows, first, which made the sight all the more disappointing.

"At first we thought the Americans were just having regular parties," said gold medalist figure skater Alina Zagitova. "But then we realized that the sounds we were hearing don't come from a regular party.'

Semen Pavlichenko, a male luger from Russia, said that he realized he was not invited to the sex parties when he walked past the other Olympians' rooms in the Village.

"When I pass by the other competitors' doors, they all have little baggies on them," he said. "One day I got curious, so I went up to the door and looked through the package. It was a bag full of Olympic-themed condoms and the address for where the party was that night. I was furious, especially because I knew who lived in that room, and he is hot. Sorry, Putin."

When emailed about claims, Russian President Vladimir Putin initially responded to our reporter via text (though we so do not want to know how he found out her phone number so quickly). It read, "When asked to elaborate, ne asked whether we had seen the picture of him shirtless on a horse, then texted it to us a couple times just to make sure.

"Look at those pecs," said Putin. "Clearly, the Russians are not being excluded for lack of sexiness. Thus, I can only assume that this is an intentional insult to our great nation from the whole world, but mostly America."

### Ten common party snacks, ranked from worst to best

Paul Palumbo

#### 10. Vegetables

Nothing screams "I'm here to forget my responsibilities and go wild" like a tray of celery sticks.

#### 9. Anything that cannot be eaten with hands

Unless you feel like cleaning up A LOT of spilled pudding.

#### 8. Funky flavored snacks

It's understandable that the host wants to get rid of all their "Coffee and Tuna" flavored chips without throwing them away, but that doesn't make it ok.

#### 7. Leftovers from the last party They're probably fine, but there's a reason nobody ate them before.

#### 6. Anything described with the word "homemade"

It could be delicious, but it's up

to you whether or not you want to take that risk.

#### 5. Regular-flavored potato chips Boring but reliable, nobody's least favorite treat.

#### 4. Pizza

Yes to pineapple—fight me.

#### 3. Catering

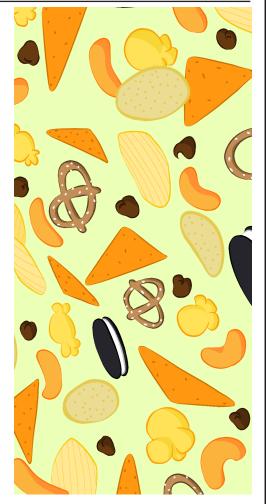
You know it's something special when the hosts bring Jimmy Johns to the party.

#### 2. Pretzels

Somehow everybody forgets how good pretzels are until they're staring at them.

#### 1. The hearts of your enemies

A fine snack for any occasion, but especially fitting for the night of a celebration.



## Monologue of a shy partygoer

#### Leticia Dornfeld

You might have a hard time finding me at the frat party. I know which corners to hide in so I'm not in the way. I'm either on the far end of the couch or at the corner of the room where all the wall outlets are. I might bring a portable charger with me, but I'll hide it in my pocket so I have an excuse to be near the wall. If I'm feeling particularly sheepish, I'll go find a closet to ball up in. If I'm brave, I'll sit in the bathtub with the curtain drawn and the door closed. The risk of having someone slide the curtain over to throw up a full stomach of vodka and Four Loko all over me is completely worth it. It's a story funny enough to be a good conversation topic.

Everyone has those, but not

me. Everyone knows what to talk about, but not me. I don't know any of these people, so I can only ask three questions: What's your name? Where are you from? What's your major? The second question has potential, but the longest bout of small talk I have gotten from that was 60 seconds. She and I were from totally different cities, and she didn't know much about the sports teams in her hometown when I asked. And then it was silent.

That's what followed every time. Silence. She'd give an answer, and we'd kinda look at each other and nod. The music blasting from the other room made the silence less heavy, but still noticeable. She'd move her eyes off to the side for a

second before looking back at me. Maybe she was just as nervous as I am—or maybe she was wondering why she started talking to this weirdo in the first place. So then I searched for something to say, but nothing good enough came up. Then, with a curt smile, she said, "Well, see ya around!" and quickly escaped before it became more awkward.

Why did I come? I only know one person here. I wish my other friends didn't have midterms to study for so they could be here. Maybe I should've just stayed in and watched something on my laptop. I could talk to my online friends, too. I wish they were here. What're they doing now? You know what? I'll go check on them. I hope no one's in the bathroom.



### University administrators purchase party yacht

### Party on Wade Lagoon leads to traffic disruption, noise complaints

Alexandre Tilly

Barbara Snyder is one of the most successful college presidents in Ohio, making nearly eight hundred thousand in 2017 (according to anonymous sources). Currently rumors are floating around that she used some of that money to buy a yacht for a party. There has since been major speculation as to how she could have afforded the boat.

"She received a good amount of compensation this year, but she couldn't have afforded it without some outside help," our source states. "She required the aid of several others: high ranking employees of John Carroll University, Cleveland State University and other Cleveland universities. Several other donors contributed too. It's as if they have a joint bank account for planned events such as this one."

Our source states that there might be a potential merging of CSU, John Carroll University and Case Western in the near future, which would be called the Cleveland University Coalition. A small amount of the savings account for this project, nearly four million dollars, was used to purchase a four-hundred-plus-foot yacht for a single use: a massive rave party that occured on the evening of Feb. 16.

Snyder and the other high-ranking members of the coalition put the yacht in Wade lagoon around ten that evening, opting to avoid Lake Erie all together. There were many noise complaints in University Circle due to the party, and some car accidents near Wade Lagoon. Even the Cleveland Orchestra refused to play Mozart's 40th Symphony.

"There was just this loud noise that never stopped," said Conductor Bernard Labadie. "We stopped playing because it was so intolerable. I don't know much about what people call dubstep music, but I thought I heard Darude's 'Sandstorm."

Though it was difficult, our source infiltrated the party and told

us all that it was not all that different from other parties that a typical college student would attend.

"There was loud music and a good amount of alcohol," they said. "The only thing that differentiated this party is that evidence of the event—which ended at 5 a.m.—was not found, with the exception of a single blue tie."

Cleanup was swift, as the the

University Circle police simply removed the yacht from Wade Lagoon and moving it to Lake Erie. President Snyder called in sick for work the following day, but most attributed this to the flu.

At this time, Snyder has declined a request for comment. Much more disappointingly, she also declined a request for an invite to the next yacht party.

## 15 Unique Party Themes

#### **Nate Brinkley**

- 1. Illuminati Night Where everyone is a skeptic and the punch is maybe not punch.
- 2. Steampunk Masquerade You may be wearing a whole bunch of metal on your face, but at least the top hat is cool.
- 3. Discontinued Operations Sit around and think about what it would be like if you were playing the game "Operation."
- 4. Ghost Hunt What a boo-tiful idea. Drink until you can feel a presence.
- 5. Comedy Club Battle your friends for the Joker Cup so you can yell "Batmannnn!" without people judging you quite as much as they normally would.
- 6. Time Traveler's Union Perfect for creative costumes, but very difficult to work out a time and place.
- 7. Killer Night Good for Halloween and full moons. Dress up as your favorite homicidal maniacs and stalk the night. (Please note that the *Athenian* is not responsible for any legal and/or mortuary fees.)
- 8. Cops and Robbers The old classic relationship in party setting. Bonus points if you get a real cop or robber to show up.
- 9. Movie Set Night Pretend to be actors, producers, cameramen to live up to the big dream. Pause the entire party every few minutes in order to make minute changes to your apartment's lighting, and only one person is allowed to talk at a time.
- 10. Paris vs. London Who would win in a fight, Paris Hilton or London Tipton? Now's your time to find out.
- 11. Murder Mystery "Someone is Murdered," now find out who did it. Team up with your local prosecutor and throw this party the day after Killer Night!
- 12. International Crisis Dress up all fancy, pick a crisis (or create your own) and party out a solution. (UN Rules of Procedure not required)
- 13. Ancient Civilizations The ancient civilizations had some style. Go back to a time when communication was limited to grunts and arm-waving.
- 14. Custom Arcade While playing video games isn't really a party per se, it's sometimes as close as we can get at Case. Throw a party with this theme to lure out your gamer recluse sweetheart.
- 15. Sunset Revelry The setting sun is always beautiful. Bring out your oranges, reds and purples to have a simple taste of natural beauty. Crying in awe is required at all times.

## Rager Held For Extra Credit

**Emily Tyszka** 

Thanks to the input of several professors and SIs, last Friday night saw a record turnout at parties across campus. Classes such as MATH 122 and CHEM 106 have started to offer extra credit for attending parties, and as a result, rager attendance has skyrocketed.

It was all the doing of James Scott, an SI for MATH 122, who reportedly got the idea while preparing for a physics exam one Sat-

urday morning.

"I had been working for hours, but was still unable to understand the problem set," said Scott. "Then it hit me—there had to be a better way to get good grades other than hard work! After years of academic misery, I wanted to leave behind the possibility of a better future for the next generation of CWRU students."

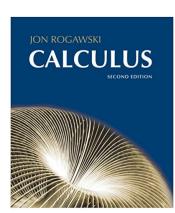
After a quick talk with the head of the departments of Mathematics, Applied Mathematics and Statistics, James' idea was not only accepted, but was also quickly adopted by other departments, including Chemistry and Mechanical Engineering. Last Friday saw the implementation of the extra credit program, resulting in a massive turnout at unofficial student events across campus.

"It was so much fun to finally get out of my dorm for once!" said freshman Sally Dierdrickson. "I got to the party, typed my Case ID into the computer, had a shot and was able to go home within 15 minutes, knowing that I no longer had to worry about my extra credit grade for Chem!"

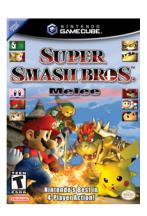
Like many students, Sally's stay at the party lasted under 20 minutes, most of which was spent waiting in line to check in. This, however, was nearly double the 2017 statistic for average minutes spent partying per week among Case students. After increasing party attendance by 120 percent, last Friday's extra credit opportunities have been hailed a success by many.

Going forward these departments intend to expand the program to further increase student involvement. Sources report that, in the future, MATH 122 SIs will require students to do a sick keg-stand to earn their extra credit, while the Chemistry department hopes to supply additional credit to students who can win a round of beer pong against the CHEM 106 professor.

## CWRU Party Starter Kit









"I'm a BME Pre-Med"



## How to tell a party from a get-together

Lady Charlotte

While you may think that paying your own bills, washing the dishes and showering in the morning before work makes you an adult, attending a "get-together" is what really seals the deal. But what exactly is a "get-together"?

You want to show up in your new cocktail dress, but is that socially acceptable? Do you show up an hour after the event is supposed to start? Do you pregame it? As you begin to hyperventilate, you realize that *The Athenian* has the guidelines you need.

• If the event starts at 7:00 p.m., it's a get-together. If you show up at 9:00 p.m., you've missed the event.

- If the average BPM of the playlist is less than 100, it's a get-together.
- If other people are wearing themed clothing, it's a party.
- If the population density of the area is less than three people per square yard, it's a get-to-gether.
- If, upon arrival, your friends are already drunk out of their minds, it's a party.
- If the event is not on Hessler, it's anyone's guess.
- If you end up standing around for ten minutes waiting for peo-

ple to arrive, it's a get-together.

- If leaving the event warrants a visit to the Den, it's a party.
- If the overall noise level does not exceed 130dB, it's a get-to-gether.
- If the food provided includes sliders, it's a get-together.
- If there is food provided, it's a get-together.
- If Becky walks in with an empty bottle of wine, it's also anyone's guess.
- If EMS is called to your event, it's a party.

## Fraternity calls police on own party

William H. Shideler

CLEVELAND, OH - Friday night started like any other: with flashing lights and blaring music on CWRU's Fraternity Row. Soon, the flashing lights and blaring sirens of cops encircled the house of Phi Rho Tau, Epsilon chapter (the PRTE fraternity). The night ended with a police interrogation of several PRTE brothers in connection to heinous criminal charges.

The accusations include soda drinking by brothers and some really bad dancing by party guests. The police were so concerned that one of the party guests was going to get a cavity from all the soda they consumed that EMS rushed them to the University Hospitals Dental Clinic for an emergency teeth cleaning.

While it was originally reported that some "haters" called the police, it was later discovered to be Carlile Samoa, the chapter president. Samoa reportedly called the police out of his disdain for brothers drinking soda in the house. Known for drinking nothing but

"Very little compares to the brotherly bonding of being dragged away in a cop car together..." -Phi Rho Tau National Organization

water, and claiming anything else tastes bad in comparison, Samoa advocated that the fraternity ban all sugary drinks from the chapter house. While he regularly purchases soda for brothers—including the soda consumed on the night of the party—he always looked down on the fraternity's party-throwing.

Finally, on Friday, Samoa had

enough and sought to end the activities that encouraged others to enjoy themselves in the company of brothers. Instead, he argued, the chapter should focus on more important things, like discussing their own relevance in a society that discourages the institutional discrimination that fraternities are known for.

While the local chapter has yet to offer a statement to the press and declined to comment, the National Organization of Phi Rho Tau has presented *The Athenian* with a statement, reproduced below.

"Very little compares to the brotherly bonding of being dragged away in a cop car together—the caller actually did the accused a favor. Furthermore, it is unlikely that these men will face charges; fraternity men are rarely held accountable for their actions."

## Hey my man, did you hear about the new party rules for Greek Life? It's gonna be legitness.

#### Karol Kalinski

Oh hey, what's up dude? Bunch of us tried to throw a rager last week and it was laaaame as fuck, man. It was supposed to be the best party of the semester—so good that we even invited Babs and everything. She got there and was like "good Lord this is so shitty." Someone later leaked her emails, and a bunch of them said stuff like "Imao my provost, this party is so over, should have come to the hookah lounge with u instead."

Good news though: in a display of empathy, Barbara Snyder signed off on some new rules for Greek Life parties, and by Greek Life I mean fraternities because for some reason we agree that parties are a patriarchal thing. The Party Edict of 2018, as it has been called, consists of four rules aimed to "improve lit-eracy rates across campus."

#### We're Bringing Crack Back

One big reason why people don't favor University Circle as a soiree destination is the relatively low prevalence of crack-cocaine. Case policymakers have decided to impose a mandatory

crack-smoking quota at all parties in the campus area. In 2018, campus staff and faculty will come together to end the drought, partnering with the chemistry department to produce some truly great crack. The remaining quantity of crack will be sourced locally from nearby neighborhoods, in an effort to "keep it local" and "give back to the community."

#### **No More Talking About Class**

Partygoers' tendencies to talk about their classes infuriated Babs perhaps more than anything else. She aims to turn this into a conversation topic of the past. Under the new policy, students who mention anything remotely academic at a party will be subject to an Academic Integrity Board hearing. Students found guilty will face grade-related penalties, and will be offered no additional crack.

#### **Higher BPM**

"The BPM has been too damn low," Snyder tells us. From this day on, all DJs must adopt and maintain a min-

imum of 200 beats-per-minute in all their playlists and live mixes. Event planners feel that this will provide an increased sense of energy at parties. Furthermore, it should compliment the crack quite nicely.

#### Jersey Turnpike 2.0

In line with Case Western's spirit of innovation, several students majoring in "Dance" (a practice that Case's party experts seemed largely unfamiliar with), have devised a dance technique that is to be used as Case's new signature move. The move involves two partners. As one person stands motionless, reading a particle physics textbook, the other bends over provocatively, rubbing their buttocks on their partner. The contorted student continues to bend, folding into themselves infinitely until they have become nothing more than a dot. The student of physics shouts in ecstasy as he realizes that he is dancing with a model. The crowd chants the CWRU motto, "Think Beyond the Possible." In truth, it may not be possible. It may just be the crack.

### National Anthem replaced by "Party Rock Anthem"

#### Alaina Lisanti

At the request of many who felt the previous national anthem was outdated (and given the many protests during sporting events), the United States government opened an online poll to vote on a new anthem. Results were close, with Miley Cyrus' "Party in the USA" as the runner-up, but eventually hiphop/electronica duo LMFAO's 2011 hit "Party Rock Anthem" was chosen as the ultimate victor.

Results for the poll were announced by blaring the new anthem through speakers across Washington, D.C., prompting thousands to stop what they were doing and stand at attention, saluting their flag and the infectious party-staple tune.

Countless users took to social me-

dia to weigh in on the decision. Overwhelmingly, the feedback was positive, save a minority of old people on Facebook who complained.

"The national anthem has lost all its meaning!" posted Jim Jimmerson. "What is this garbage kids are listening to these days?"

"My grandpa doesn't know what he's talking about," Jim's grandson Jeff Jimmerson weighed in. "The new anthem is LIT! #EveryDayImShuffling."

The reactions from the NFL and other sporting organizations were also fairly positive. When the first bars of "Party Rock Anthem" sounded through the stadium at the Rams vs. Browns game this past Sunday, play-

ers decided not to kneel in protest, but, rather, to enjoy the danceable grooves of the song. Athletes on both teams were spotted dancing in place with hands over their hearts out of respect.

A spokesperson of Congress tweeted of the poll results: "This is the best decision the American people have made within the last decade. If only every citizen displayed equal enthusiasm for midterm elections!"

As for the duo behind the hit? LM-FAO's RedFoo and SkyBlu are over-joyed that their message of partying, letting loose and having a good time has been chosen to embody the spirit of America, which, at this time, could certainly learn a thing or two from the group.

## Studying vs. partying: a side-by-side comparison

Jessica Chalas

#### **STUDYING**

- -BYOB (Bring Your Own Book)
- -First thing you think of: procrastination
- -The only instance you'd ever choose a classical playlist
- -Success = finishing the assignment at 11:59pm
- -Leads to passing
- -May result in parental praise
- -"Shh!!" is a sign of focus

#### **BOTH**

- -Participants may pass out from drug overuse
- -Usually ensues late at night -Ends with coma-like sleep
- -Drinking of various questionable liquids is involved
- -Imbibing unhealthy finger foods is involved
- -Morning-after amnesia is common
- -Feelings of "Never again, I will change my habits" ensue, though rarely come to fruition

#### **PARTYING**

- -BYOB (Bring Your Own Beer)
- -First thing you think of: pregaming
- -The only time you'd ever be drunk enough to enjoy dubstep
- -Success = waking up indoors
- -Leads to failing
- -May result in disownment
- -"Shh!!" is a sign of doom

## New course will teach basic party skills

#### Paul Palumbo

Case Western Reserve University has announced that it is adding a class to its curriculum to instruct students in the ways of partying. The class will cover a wide range of topics, from planning your own party to enjoying the parties of others, and it will be available to all students starting in the fall semester.

"We've got a bit of a reputation problem," says Case administrator Wendy King. "People who are visiting Case think that it's too stuffy, too boring and isn't any fun at all. They walk the campus and see crying and sleep-deprived students and worry about the future of their social lives. Prospective students want their college experience to be more exciting. If Case students learn how to throw a proper rager, that will fix everything! Soon Case will attract party people from all over the country."

She's not entirely off-base. Last year Case was voted as having the "Quietest Hootenannies in the Midwest" and received second prize for "Highest number of students at their homes on a Saturday Night" (first prize went to a knitting seminar for septuagenarians). In addition, the Ohio Governor noted Case as having "The lowest amount of alcohol purchased per resident in the State of Ohio." He even gave Barbara Snyder a trophy, which is not displayed because of the aforementioned "trouble attracting students" thing.

"It sounds terrible," says Junior Wilson Kent. "Like these teachers are going

to be able to tell us anything about how to have fun! I don't want to hear about how to do a keg stand from somebody who goes home to a loving wife and two children. It's gonna be all 'drink in moderation' and 'be home before one a.m.' and that kind of nonsense. We aren't going to learn a thing! It would be better if they just gave us less work to do. If we had time, we could totally figure out how to party by ourselves!"

This class will include several student-proposed topics such as "How ok is it to buy a lot of bad beer instead of the good stuff?" and "How do you tell your host their music taste is terrible?" The instructor for the class will be Professor Andrew Wilkes-Krier, a visiting expert on the art of partying.

## 1. How many friends do you have?

- A. Friends? Plural?
- **B.** A tight-knit group of a few people who like or tolerate each other
- **C.** So many! (But they don't know and/or hate each other)
- **D.** I have matched with many people on Tinder
- E. Do NPCs count?

#### 2. What's the budget?

- **A.** I'm blowing all my birthday money!
- **B.** My roommates are chipping in to get food and drinks
- C. New York bar mitzvah
- **D.** Whatever I can find under the seat of my car + CaseCash
- **E.** 20 gold plus whatever I can get for these artifacts

## 3. Where is this party happening?

- **A.** Off-campus
- B. SRV
- C. NRV
- D. An RV
- **E.** Up to the DM

## 4. How do you feel about people you don't know showing up?

- **A.** No, that would throw everything off! \*hyperventilates\*
- **B.** Eh... only if one of my friends will vouch for them
- **C.** As long as they increase the average hotness of the party, it's fine
- **D.** The more, the merrier!
- **E.** No Chaotic-Neutrals!

## 5. Do you have a desired ambiance?

- **A.** Tryna keep it classy
- B. No, as long as there aren't any freshmen!
- **C.** We're collecting noise complaints
- **D.** Just this side of a stomach pumping
- **E.** Caffeine and twizzlers are all that really matter

## 6. Do you want people to dress up?

- **A.** Yeah, this should be blacktie
- **B.** OMG WE SHOULD TOTALLY HAVE A COSTUME PARTY
- **C.** Anything but clothes!
- **D.** Ew, no, that's lame
- **E.** I've always kind of wanted to LARP but it seems like a lot of effort...

## 7. Should people be able to have deep conversations at the party?

- **A.** Gosh, I hope so; I invited my crush
- **B.** Nah, the whole point is to get a chance to unwind
- **C.** Nope! That means the music isn't loud enough.
- **D.** Yeah, why do you think I made all these brownies?
- **E.** Roll for charisma

## 8. Is this party for a special occasion?

- **A.** A friend's birthday
- **B.** Just wanted to hang out with some friends
- **C.** Yet another stolen Pagan holiday
- **D.** I need an excuse to booze up
- **E.** Well, the king initially recruited us to defeat the supernatural incursion in the northwestern highlands of his kingdom, and then we (... 30 minutes later...) so yeah, that's our origin story! What was the question again?

## e is right for you?

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#### **Mostly As: Irony Party**

You don't party all that much, but now that there's an occasion, you want to do it right. Unfortunately, your budget is tiny and your goals are outsized. Instead of despairing, lean in! Be clever about your money-saving techniques—use 70 percent off on-sale party supplies from holidays that have already passed, and have a Mardi Gras / Valentine's Day / New Year's / Saint Patrick's Day extravaganza. Buy inexpensive snacks and give your simple drinks pretentious names, and get everyone a personalized invitation (even if it's just on lined paper with elaborate doodles done during your huge lecture class). The kitsch may be all that you can afford, but let it inspire your creativity. At the very least, it's a decent conversation starter for that special someone you want to impress...

#### **Mostly Cs: ABC Masquerade**

Your goal is to have the most obnoxious and stereotypical party possible, which means you need to invite a lot of people who don't like each other all that much. Rather than rethink this plan which could in no way possibly go wrong, literally mask it. Tell everyone the theme is Anything But Clothes: Masquerade Edition, and then make sure the music is too loud and the punch is too strong for anyone to catch on to the underlying tension and drama. Pick songs with a lot of bass drops, convince your friend to loan you the excessively expensive speakers they blew their co-op paycheck on, rock out in your makeshift toga and Centurion mask and pretend everything is okay. You're convincing everybody.

#### **Mostly Bs: Retro Night**

You want a get-together with the friends who you might not get to see that often, and all your roommates are on board. Your plan is to laugh and relax without any drama, but you're worried that people won't have enough to talk about outside of classes and school. Consider cobbling together a retro night. Tell people to come in silly costumes, borrow your friend's vintage console, bust out some board games and cards and come up with a playlist of your favorite classic songs. You can cap off the night marathoning 80s films and mocking the huge hair until your friends doze off, then chase them out with a rousing rendition of "Never Gonna Give You Up."

#### **Mostly Ds: Blacklight Party**

You want this party to blow people's minds, and you have the controlled substances to do that. But how can you get the proper ambiance in your unremarkable living accomodations? Buy a blacklight! Tell your guests to wear neon clothes, decorate your paraphernalia with neon paint, and put away everything sharp. Make a psychedelic playlist and prepare to be captivated by your own hand. (But please please please make sure you clean your apartment beforehand—everybody would rather not think too hard about why your couch is lighting up like that.)

#### **Mostly Es: D&D Party**

Your party should be a mixture of alignments and character classes. Try to construct a group that has a wide distribution of skills and abilities that will be mutually compatible in every setting, from urban diplomacy to airborne battle. There are many compelling storylines possible for party formation, but try to leave enough information unknown between player characters that it can create drama or conflict later on in the campaign. Make sure that everyone is happy with the character they end up playing, and is on-board for the same level of campaign intensity. Also, don't you feel like you've been reading the wrong article this whole time?

## New poll reveals nap parties are an up-and-coming college passtime

Erin Hartmann

A recent University Program Board poll asked the undergraduate student body of CWRU what types of events they would like to see more of, promising a \$10 gift card to Mitchell's Ice Cream to one lucky winner if the majority of the class voted. Unexpectedly, the overwhelming winner was "Nap parties in Tink." While UPB members chose to include the "nap parties" option as a joke (because they knew all college students love to nap), they soon realized that this was a real up-and-coming trend amongst university students nationwide.

Other events to choose from included "21 and over parties at The Jolly Scholar," "Arts and crafts parties" and "Board game parties."

Expecting to find that parties at Jolly with free beer for legal undergrads would win with an overwhelming majority, UPB member Jonathan Johnson was truly baffled by the notion of a napparty. What do they consist of? Are there certain criteria for a napparty? Is it like an elementary school sleepover throwback? In order to fulfill the wishes of the students, he first had to learn the

ins and outs of a successful nap party. To do so, Johnson emailed three of the members who selected the "nap parties" response to find out what all they knew about them.

These were their responses:

"Yeah I had one on a Saturday night instead of a lame party with loud music, alcohol and drinking games, and attendance for the party skyrocketed. I had chamomile tea prepped, candles lit, classical music playing and a pile of pillows and blankets scattered around my apartment. I truly did not think my friends would show, since they gave me a menacing glare when I suggested this instead of getting wasted. However around 9 p.m. I got a knock on my door and in came 20 people with sleeping bags in their hands and pajamas on. After about 10 minutes of small talk, everyone was asleep. Two hours later, everyone was up. Despite it being 11:30 p.m., they thanked me for my hospitality and delicious tea and off they went, some to get wasted as per usual and others to pull an all-nighter at KSL. I'm thinking of making it a regular occurrence." - Jacqueline K.

"I haven't hosted a nap party myself yet, but my friend at University of Tennessee said her sorority had one as a recruitment event, and all other chapters were jealous of the turnout. They made it more of a girly sleepover-type thing, with sleeping bags and fuzzy socks. They also made all of the food recipes on pinterest that are supposed to be easy to make...Oh, and I almost forgot about the "Frozen" sing-a-long—that happened also. But then they napped, albeit only a thirty-minute nap because they only rented the venue for a limited time. I think you can take the idea in many different ways." -Aleah H.

"To be honest I don't know anything about them, but I chose it because it sounds like it could be rad.....good luck bro." -Mike G.

With this new information, and bolstered by Mike G.'s encouragement, Johnson says that he plans to throw a UPB nap party soon.

"Alternately, I think I might keep this idea around as an event backup," Johnson added. "Spring Comedians end up boring? Nope—it was just a surprise nap party all along!"

### **Outdoors Club invites new members to enjoy nature**

Karol Kalinski

### To all students in search of a refreshing club experience:

The Outdoors Club invites you to join our passionate community. We are lovers of all things green. We are habitual and sometimes chronic enjoyers of mother nature's bounties. We love to spend our weekends walking through state parks, giggling as we go, usually tripping really hard. That last bit is the result of our hemp sandals, which are eco-friendly but not the most stable.

If you'd perhaps like to join us and enjoy some Natty (our af-

fectionate term for nature itself) or get faded off the beauty of the Cuyahoga River Watershed, come spend a Friday with us. The next day you'll wake in a stupor, and you'll probably throw up your hands to the sky in awe of all the natural beauty you saw the previous night. You're most likely going to spew all the fun stuff from last night over the phone as you excitedly tell your parents about your Friday night in the great outdoors.

Here's hoping you'll join us.

#### **The Outdoors Club**

Upcoming Events:

#### 3/9 – Annual Find Grass 'n' Roll One:

Come join us for a night of rolling down grassy knolls like you did as kid! 3/16 – Monthly Mushrooms!

Come meet us for a night of blind mushroom tasting! Participants will be offered up to an ounce depending on their bodyweight and experience with the culinary magic of these fungi!

#### **4/20 – Smoke Weed!**

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## Party etiquette: dos and don'ts for attending a party

Sophia Yakumithis

Arrive at the exact time the party is supposed to start

The first hour of a college party is notorious for being the most fun, and the host always notices when everyone who RSVP'd yes on Facebook isn't there immediately. Why would you want to leave them waiting? Plus, the earlier you arrive, the earlier you can leave, go to bed and wake up well rested for a productive Sunday.

#### Dress for the occasion

Regardless of seasonal weather patterns, crop tops are a party OOTD staple. If that edgy belly button ring you got the summer after high school doesn't make an appearance, did you even go to a party? Hawaiian shirts are also great, since they let everyone know you're going to spill a drink on them and reference "The Hangover" at least eight times before you pass out on the

#### **BYOB**

floor.

Hosts who charge a cover fee respect people who show up with their own liquid spirit and refuse to pay them. Not only will you appear to be a seasoned pro, but you'll also come off as mature and financially responsible.

Bring as many friends as you want without asking the host

This is especially pertinent to first-years. Everyone loves meeting new people at parties, and what better way to honor that than by bringing along an awkward

roommate who's coming out of Talk about math their shell? Or better yet, someone you met through forced interaction do it, ok? in a SAGES course? The more the merrier!

#### Shout "This is my song" every time some form of hip hop comes

You've got a wild side, and you want everyone to know. If you truly want to be the life of the party, you better prove that underneath your Vineyard Vines bucket hat there is a person who can spit straight fire.

#### Take control of the aux cord

If you're feeling a beat that's vastly different from the playlist you're being subjected to, don't be shy to take whomever's phone is plugged in off its speaker. Force everyone to vibe with some new jams. Bonus points if it's one of your own recordings or some obscure electronica group you heard at a coffee shop in your hometown.

OMG, this is

my SONG!

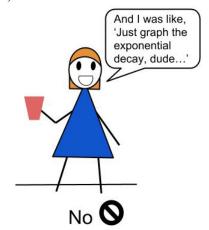
Live out your Coyote *Ugly* fantasies

Jumping on a table is the best way to let loose and let everyone know how fun you are. Not only will you make many friends, but you'll have some hilariously awesome thing you did to talk about with your friends who weren't there.

Don't: Arrive empty-handed

Yes 🗸 Always bring the host a gift to show your gratitude, regardless of the type of party you're attending. Gifts can range anywhere from a Panera gift card to a cactus garden or even a live chinchilla. The more creative the better.

This happened to me. Just don't



Seek people out

Let them come to you. The best way to experience human interaction at a party is to make it clear you'd rather be in bed watching true crime documentaries. Your perceived antisocial tendencies will deter the people who don't "understand" you, leaving you with other introverts or the two people making out in the kitchen.

#### Leave early to get The Den

Just like arriving late, it's not polite to leave early. Stay the entire time. Actually, stay until they ask you to leave. Besides, most hosts don't mind if you go through their fridge and take whatever late-night snacks you're craving.

Respect personal boundaries

If you're tired, sleep in the host's bed. Do what you gotta do to feel comfortable, and don't let the haters stop you.

#### Forget it's leg day

Get in those miles! Ubers are for quitters.

#### Let people call an Uber for you.

Because it's leg day, and I'm out of ideas.

### **CWRU offers opportunity to Party Abroad at OSU**

Sophia Yakumithis

As part of its new "Party Abroad" program, Case Western Reserve University will now provide students with the unique opportunity to actually experience a real party. Among several others, the most recent CWRU Party Abroad partnership is with THE Ohio State University (tOSU).

tOSU provides students with a perspective they will not attain at any other higher institution. With over 66,000 total students (including its satellite campuses), Jeffrey Dahmer's almost-alma mater investigated 11 fraternities for student misconduct in Fall 2017 alone. Needless to say, this school is lit.

Students who seek the tOSU Party Abroad experience can choose from multiple areas of un-discipline: raves, Greek life, tailgates (only offered during football season), field parties and the most popular concentration, house parties.

The requirements for experiencing this opportunity include familiarity with Division I athletics, a hankering for shitty beer, the tendency to expose various body parts while intoxicated and a maximum GPA of 2.5.

tOSU 108. Party Abroad: House Party. 1 Unit.

This course offers firsthand experience in the house party scene of THE Ohio State University by stressing the consumption of alcohol and teaching the distinctive adaptations of debaucherous patterns from the origins of the house party to the present. By focusing on clothing trends such as upside down visors and commonly shared spirits such as Bud Light, we discuss THE Ohio State University's development in the house party arena and its influence on other Big Ten schools. Taking into account key events in the last few decades, we examine the emergence of THE Ohio State University as a boisterous college campus and the fundamental transformation of other public institutions in response. (This course is offered as 1 Unit, as it runs consecutively from Thursday evenings to Sunday afternoons.)



### **USG** unveils plans to divide into political parties

Alexandre Tilly

Earlier this week USG reported to The Athenian that it wishes to divide itself into major-based political parties. This year's elections will be run in much the same manner as before; however the student populace will vote on three parties and their platforms: the Den Party, the Melt University Party, and the Grab-It Party. Here are each of their campaign platforms:

The Den Party: As a research-based university, we ensure

that every student has an opportunity to eat quality fast-food on campus. We hope to support the clubs and activities that further this goal and will not waste our resources on other events.

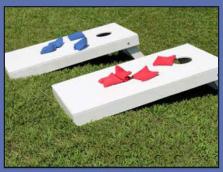
The Melt University Party: Most activities and clubs involve melting the competition with leadership. We not only have the best fries on campus, but we ensure equity and equal funding between all extracurricular activities.

The Grab-It Party: All food is horrible at Case, so why are we getting our food preferences involved with club funding? Clubs would operate better if USG was non-partisan.

After a recent poll was conducted with about 40 percent of the school population, the Den Party appears to be in the trailing Melt University Party for control of USG, mainly because Den Party supporters tend to become Grab-It Party members when sober.

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