

Students lazy: need lounge

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A long time ago, on a campus familiar to most of us, Clackamas Community College had a room where students could go to blow

off steam playing pool or ping-pong or board games or enjoy a bag of popcorn while lounging around talking to friends. That room existed in the Community Center across from the cafeteria. It was the perfect location on this campus.

But the game room went away, first moving to Randall 101 (where the

Athletic Department offices are now), and then just going away altogether. School officials just decided that it was a waste of time and money for upkeep and took away valuable space that could be better utilized.

Maybe the time has come for the resurrection of the game room. Students still need a place to blow off steam between classes and a game (or, its more politically correct term, recreation) room would go a long way toward meeting that goal.

My solution on where to put this rec room would be where the current Fireside Lounge is located.

ed. That space could easily house a couple of pool tables, maybe a ping-pong table, maybe some computers to allow some of our prolific gamers to ply their wares, instead of using school computers to play their games (which is not supposed to happen, but we all know that it does).

All of this could be run by our glorious leaders from the Associated Student Government, who could use proceeds generated from the pool tables or maybe fees for computer use to help pay for the upkeep of the rec room. Excess profits could benefit students in more appropriate ways, like textbook or child-care grants.

You see, it could be a win-win for all of those concerned. ASG makes more green to help students and the students get to recreate themselves without having to sign up for a class to blow off steam.



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Having weapons on campus might not be so bad

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With the recent tragedy at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, one must turn an eye towards our own college's weapons policies.

Anyone driving onto the campus will see a sign outlining the restriction of firearms and "other weapons." But, there are exceptions.

The list of those who can bring weapons onto campus include sheriffs, police officers, any person summoned to assist a peace officer, any member of the military engaged in the performance of duty and anyone who is a valid CHL (Concealed Handgun License) holder.

Therefore, if you are carrying a weapon on campus, and are not one of the people listed above, you will be forced to leave campus. However, the force used will vary, depending on your attitude toward Campus Safety.

The list of weapons that are not allowed on campus is vast. It covers everything from unlicensed firearms to slingshots.

The list of weapons that are excluded from campus needs to be rewritten; I firmly believe that women should be able to carry tazers and A.S.P.S. (collapsible

batons) on campus, especially during night classes. This would help prevent rapes and other assaults.

Certain weapons would also allow Campus Safety to make more patrols and be seen in high traffic areas. This would help prevent the crime on campus that is reported.

As a CHL holder, I get to carry any type

of weapon on campus I want. While this may seem like a bad idea to some, it makes me feel entirely at ease. When the tragedy at Virginia Tech took place, all I could think about was how if that had happened at Clackamas, fewer students would have been killed.

Having an armed campus is a good thing. Had there been one person with a defensive weapon that morning at V.T., it would have ended before the gunman had the chance to kill as many as he did.

To say that everybody needs to walk around the school with a hand cannon strapped to his or her hip would just be wrong. All that would do is cause mass hysteria and possibly a riot. However, to ban the weapons that are on the campus legally would be even worse.

If the list of weapons that are restricted was rewritten to include certain non-lethal tools, the campus might just be a safer place for everyone.

As it is now, if you have any type of weapon, keep it in your car. Do not carry your short sword to class with you, no matter how important it is to your outfit.

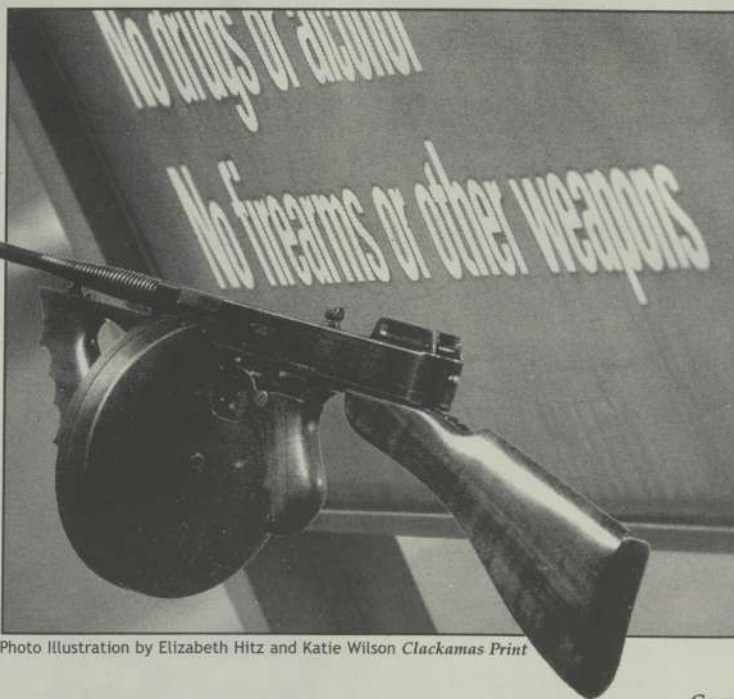


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Dear Dr. Kim,
My boyfriend has this problem. It's more of a problem to me. He can't perform sexually for more than 20 minutes at a time. He tells me that it's normal and I have nothing to complain about. But, it's just not enough time! Is there some pill I can ask him to take to make him last longer?
- Unsatisfied

Dear Unsatisfied,
Dr. Kim feels your pain. I once dated this guy who my friends and I lovingly refer to as "too fast, too furious Robert*" (I'll let you guess why). I tried to coach him; I tried to be as un-sexy as I could be (sort of hard when you're having sex!); I tried intimidating him; and every time, his excitement got the best of him. After almost a year of this nonsense, I finally asked him to go to GNC and find something that worked.

It worked.
And although "Robert" was no longer "too fast, too furious," he had become jealous, childish and mean. Needless to say, Dr. Kim was smart enough to exit stage left at that point.

In normal circumstances, I would tell you to have your boyfriend check around to see if there's some natural help that won't make him psychotic, but I don't think that's the problem. It sounds to me that your guy is kind of lazy. You're right; 20 minutes is not long enough.

If this is happening on a regular basis, you definitely have something to complain about. But please, complain tactfully. It's shockingly easy to shatter a man's sexual ego. You'll never get progress out of him if you scare him to death.

*Robert's name has been changed to protect his identity.

Disclaimer: Kim Maier is not a real doctor, nor has she ever been. She's working on it though.

To read more of "Dr. Kim" go to askejean.com and click on the "Top Campus Sex Columnists" link.

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