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Breaking News: Student discovers secret underground campus

PHISHNETTE ESPIONAGE
Editor at Spy

Pot-holes around campus allegedly lead to a secret underground campus, where students from the incoming class of 2023 were being hosted in an apparent orientation for Calvin University. Over spring break, Calvin senior Daygo Galvanizer discovered a “huge pothole” in the Covenant Fine Arts Center (CFAC) parking lot.

The day before spring break, orange and white caution signs were blocking the parking space located in the center of the lot closest to the Commons Annex. Galvanizer, who was planning to visit an esteemed mentor, headed to campus and became distracted when he heard what sounded like “a serious debate coming from the ground!” He proceeded to walk over to investigate, and what he saw “shocked” him.

Galvanizer said, “I couldn’t believe what I was seeing! I was looking in on an auditorium full of students debating whether or not they should reveal themselves to the rest of campus.” He added, “I saw a banner that said: Welcome to Calvin University Class of 2023.”

Galvanizer recalled asking one of the students what was going on, and that’s when President L’Croix made eye contact with him and hit a button that filled the pothole and made the auditorium, students and all, disappear.

“Calvin claims they’re struggling with enrollment, but I saw an auditorium FULL of students!”

The signs blocking this parking spot have since been removed and the pothole has been filled. Additionally, from March 26-28, the CFAC parking lot was reserved from 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., allegedly for a kid’s program with the Grand Rapids Symphony.

Galvanizer said, “I don’t believe that for a second! I think it’s a cover-up for the underground Calvin University that’s already commenced!”

The Kazoo reached out to administration, but they declined to comment at this time.

Stay tuned as *The Kazoo* investigates this developing story.



Pictured above: secret passage leading to hidden campus with Daygo Galvanizer posing.

“Calvin Walking” PER course added



Phishnette Espionage and Daygo Galvanizer enrolled as a couple shortly after interview.

YOLO MUNCH
Campus dweller

Starting in the fall, the kinesiology department will be offering a course on “Calvin Walking,” or PER-143, which will be available for core credit. Prerequisites include Nordic Walking, Dutch Walking, and having been committed in a serious romantic relationship for at least two weeks prior to the start date. Both members of the relationship are expected to enroll at the same time, as the course will be focusing on how to enrich the walking experience among couples.

“I believe this course really lives into Calvin’s mission,” said professor Oldkhill Eel, who will be teaching Calvin Walking. “We will be thinking deeply about the conversations we have with our partners, acting justly in our obedience to pedestrian expectations, and of course, living wholeheartedly in steadfast love for our significant others.”

“I can’t wait to discover more places around campus where we can go together on our Calvin walks,” said first-year student Hastie Tomarri, who is planning to take the course with her boyfriend, sophomore Calvin Lock-it-Down.

“Yeah, you can only use the dorm basements so many times before people start to recognize you as the perpetually intimate couple,” said Lock-it-Down.

The final for the course will involve creating a detailed proposal plan, involving a romantic getaway with at least 10,000 steps of walking and ending with a proposal. A ring fee of untold thousands is therefore added to the cost of the course.

Calvin Walking will be offered again in the spring, but couples who end up with rings before midterms will need to arrange with professor Eel on an alternative final evaluation, “perhaps involving the walk down the wedding aisle.”

Financial aid office cut from budget



A student’s reaction upon finding that financial aid would be discontinued.

YOLO MUNCH
Campus dweller

The financial aid office will cease to function starting next year, as part of Calvin’s continued efforts to manage the ephemeral and ever-shrinking budget. Scholarships and grants will simply disappear after the semester, and students with loans will be expected to figure things out without staff support.

“It was a difficult decision, but times are tough and we’ve got to move forward,” President ReLax told *The Kazoo*. The remaining funds for financial aid, he said, would be redirected toward other priorities, as outlined in the Vision 2030 plan.

ReLax relayed this information at his DeWit Manor residence, which boasts a newly-installed signpost marking “Calvin University” in 3D, glow-in-the-dark lettering. The sign is one of twelve which comes with a hologram map of the university campus. (“Oh, this? Don’t worry, it was donor-funded,” he said of the intricate sign.)

“I was really counting on a recurring scholarship to get me through Calvin,” said first-year student Janie Merritt. “Let’s just say I’ve been looking into universities in Germany.”

“I guess there’s no reason to stay in the LifeWork program now,” said sophomore Leon Whateversen.

Already, there has been a sharp increase in financial holds as a result of late tuition payments, according to Hannah Riceman, director of financial services.

Fish House renamed to Phish House

UNCLE FERB
Kickin it with Phineas

The Fish House will be renamed the Phish House, as announced at a press meeting on Monday, April 25. Fish House director Malerie A. Carrier stated, “The times are changing, and we need to change with them.”

Carrier proposed the name change at a staff meeting in February. Lindsey Nicole Lauren, a junior barista at the Fish House, said, “I didn’t really like the name at first. But as the semester went on I grew to appreciate how well it kept with the times.”

Lauren noted how much students talked about phishing emails this year. She said, “We hope that students will talk about us as much as the phishing scams. At this point, any publicity is good publicity since we will be closed next year.”

Carson Fordschild, a senior frequenter of the Fish House, reacted to the announcement positively. “It’s good to see that the people at the Fish House are taking an active stance in light of their closure.”

The Fish House has seen increased traffic since the announcement was made. Carrier stated, “Students have been taking pictures by our new sign and we’ve seen high demand for our new hackuccino drink.”

Fordschild noted, “It seems like the mood on campus has really picked up. It’s still sad that we are losing our favorite coffee shop, but it’s still making us smile in spite of that.”

Encouraged by the success of the renaming, Carrier has talked about introducing more phishing themes into the café.

“We’re even considering having a Phishing Email Night, where students can make their own phishing emails.”



Phish House barista brews a hackuccino.

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#BecauseOfCalvin video contestant gets real

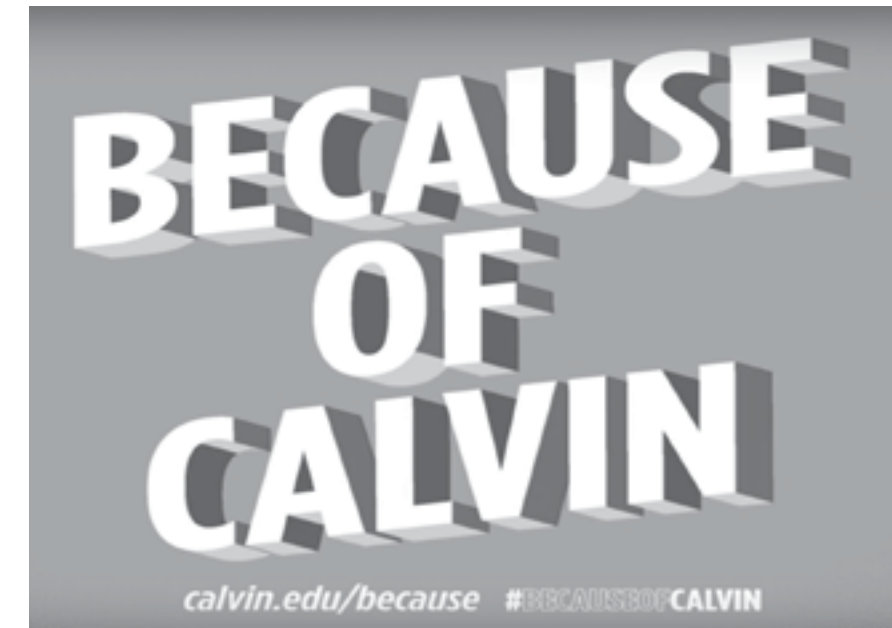


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YOLO MUNCH
Campus dweller

“Because of Calvin, I am buried in soul-crushing student debt,” began the minute-long video that senior Lone Mekash entered for the #BecauseOfCalvin contest held by Calvin’s communications and marketing department. Mekash’s video went viral among students for its brutal honesties, but did not make it into the finalists.

“Don’t get me wrong, I have lots of fond memories of Calvin,” Mekash continued in the video. “Late nights in the lab, eating my feelings in the form of Johnny’s chicken tenders, and oh, slipping on ice at least once every winter.”

Mekash was disappointed when he learned that his video was not a finalist. “That \$500 prize would have really helped,” he said. “You know, because of my soul-crushing debt. And also because my miscellaneous account is on hold — again.”

Mekash’s video went on to express how, because of Calvin, he learned how to effectively economize his meager budget. Mekash advised students to search for their textbooks on the Michigan eLibrary Catalog (MeLCat), bring personal to-go boxes to the dining halls and sell their car to find alternate, more affordable modes of transportation.

“After seeing Lone’s video, I felt less alone about my own soul-crushing loans,” said junior Jerome Eduroam, whose off-campus residence saves on utility costs by not using wi-fi.

“Because of Calvin, it’s going to be a while before I build up my credit score,” Mekash concluded in his video. “But at least I got my degree.”

► **Waterpark**

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Sophomore Vohannes Jermeer blasted, “I love carbs! I’ve never had a single vegetable since coming to Calvin.”

Senior preaching pastor Jeff Onion said, “I am very thankful Calvin will be using Knollcrest to host one of my seventeen clones which appear inside the screens during my sermons.” (Then he immediately burst into tears, while simultaneously smiling.)

Many Knollcrest employees are now being hired to haul coal to power Calvin’s new cogeneration plant. Carbohydrates Land will feature a pizza bar with breadsticks, calzones and sandwiches.

► **Engagement Rings**

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Students can put the engagement ring purchases on their miscellaneous account. Per the book store police, the products will have a 50% mark up of their normal market value, but current Calvin students can get a discount of ten dollars.

There’s also discussion of building a bridal store during the next rounds of innovations. The store will sell bridal gowns and bridesmaid dress, which will be available in maroon or gold.

Students are excited for the rings. “I’m still excited for the rings. I’m sure this won’t add any more pressure on us to get married young at all.

Calvin currently offers services for wedding ceremonies and receptions, but plans are in place for a lot more. A new a may-term will walk couples through planning their wedding, and event services is creating wedding-planner internship position for communications students.

“We want our campus to be a one-stop-shop for those looking to get married,” Me said, “students can come here for the engagement ring, the ceremony and the spouse.”

Calvin announces plans for condom dispenser

CON DUMB
Campus creature

Plans are in place to install a condom dispenser on Calvin’s campus.

“The dispenser will give our students access to safe sex,” a spokesperson for the school said. “Though we don’t condone the evil sin of sex outside of marriage, we still want to encourage dialogue around the topic.”

The dispenser will be installed in chapel undercroft, next to a stack of Bibles. The location was chosen to ensure students will feel guilty while taking the free condoms, the spokesperson said.

Though all students are ecstatic about the partnership — one student told *Chimes* this means she can finally

start having sex — others weren’t too pleased.

One Calvin mom, Hellen VanCopter, is outraged, and plans on pulling her \$20 monthly donation to the collage.

“My baby wasn’t having sex before this partnership,” she said about her son. “I know this because he’s told me so. Now, I’m worried he and his wife might start doing it.”

She is a part of a rapidly growing organization, Calvin Parents Against Sex (CPAS).

Following the announcement of the partnership, plans for opening a nursery for Calvin students next year were also announced, as access to birth control will likely result in a spike in pregnancies on campus.

The new Union layout contains a Chimes office with earth chimes, wind chimes, and fire chimes as well as other shiny percussion instruments. Consequently, the new Dialogue office hosts a Shakespearean stage where lone persons speak monologues. Johnny’s University and the Phishhouse University will be located at the most convenient place, the fourth floor. Lastly, as an effort to further decorate the student union, the rock located in the lobby of the CFAC will be placed in a black decorative structure called the Calvin Kaaba.