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THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT MIKE POMPEO

A government that operates under bipartisanship and for the common good is an ideal that is taught in civic classes across the country. An ideal where politicians from across the political spectrum are able to engage on pressing topics facing their communities and fight for the betterment of society. But what happens when one party is only interested in sheer power?

This isn't a hypothetical, this is our reality. The Republican Party, long before Donald Trump and Mike Pompeo, decided to operate under the premise that in order to maintain grip on power they must appeal to a shrinking white electorate and work overtime to silence the voices of marginalized groups.

Republican icon Ronald Reagan is a clear example of a conservative operating under this deal with the devil. Reagan as the Republican nominee in 1980 staged a rally at the Neshoba County Fair in Mississippi touting states rights -- but there is more to the story.

Neshoba County wasn't a random campaign spot, it was the county where civil rights workers James Chaney, Michael Schwerner and Andrew Goodman were killed during the 1964's Mississippi Freedom Summer. At the rally, Ronald Reagan made the argument for 'states rights' and utilized other dog whistles to signal to white people that he was the candidate for them. Reagan provided a vision to white people that he would work to maintain their socio political dominance, and would subjugate Black and Brown people in a rapidly growing America.

It is rare to see a prominent Republican denounce Ronald Reagan. In fact it is more common to see Republicans praise his presidency, even after considering contemporary analysis of his oppressive policies on Black people, LGBTQ+ people and other marginalized groups.

The College Republicans convention last weekend was a great example of how a new generation of conservatives has decided to make the same deal with the devil.

The College Republicans featured Republican leaders J.D. Vance, who like Reagan is notorious for tapping into the fears of working class whites by blaming their issues on Black people and other marginalized groups. The College Republicans even provided a platform to bigots like Josh Mandel who doesn't use a dog whistle -- but a bullhorn. For example on Twitter Josh Mandel who asked his followers "Of the various types of illegals flooding across the border, will more crimes be committed by: (1) Muslim Terrorists [or] (2) Mexican Gangbangers".

It is clear that by providing a platform to people like this, the College Republicans are in fact endorsing the same contract that Ronald Reagan signed in Neshoba County. It is time that the College Republicans stop providing platforms for people who undermine our multiracial democracy, and push their party to support policies and programs that will empower marginalized people.

- Matthew Nowling '23, Submission

I HAVE NO CLUE

Normally when you play the game of clue you're too busy trying to figure out who the killer is, when you should really be focusing on who is the most seggsy. In this article I will be breaking down who is the best to bang in your board game-

6. So clearly we have to start with the elephant in the room...Miss Scarlet. She is dead last...She tried her hardest but could not pull through. She tries hard but sometimes a little too hard and that's NOT attractive.

5. Very clearly next, Professor Plum. NO ONE WANTS TO BANG A PROFESSOR. PERIOD.

4. With it being international women's month (even though its only a few days left...thank the lord) Mr. Green is not a favorable choice...boring and not interesting. (and is a man)

3. Colonel Mustard...once again, man, BUT if you're in the game of clue we know you've got to have deep pockets, and Mustard looks like he's pulling a Prince Phillip...a slight breeze will knock this sucker out, so ladies GET that bag #girlbossmoment

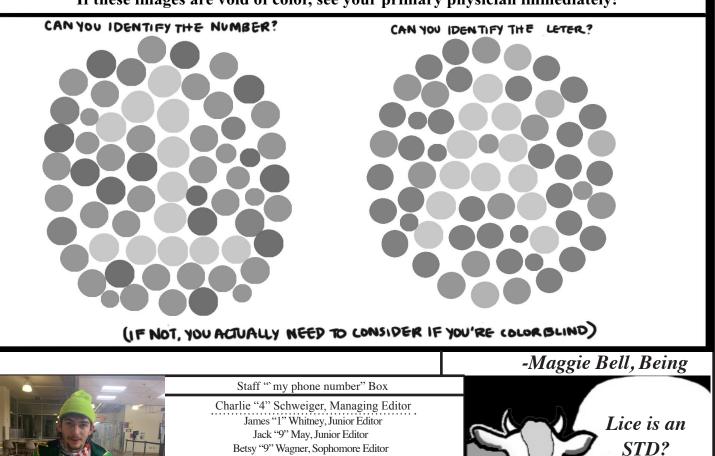
2. In our runner up spot, Mrs. White... Who would not want to bang this GILF?!?!? I'm like 99% sure her first name is Betty!! The chance to spend a night with Betty White, you've gotta take that opportunity.

 1. And our final #1 spot is Mrs. Peacock. There is just something mysterious about this MILF. That's all I need to say

 - Charlie Smith, Troll

COVID-19 COLORBLIND TEST

We all know that COVID can effect or eliminate your ability to smell. New studies now show that it also effects your ability to see color with 99.999% accuracy. Here's a test (printed in color... for once) to see if you have COVID. If these images are void of color, see your primary physician immediately!



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