

**John Harvard Statue Going Blind; Experts Blame Tourists**

*CAMBRIDGE, MA* – Over the years, the statue of John Harvard has become a familiar fixture in front of University Hall, occupying a special place in the Harvard Universe as countless students, professors, staff, and perhaps a dozen times as many Ivy League tourists pass before its knowing gaze and radiant smile. But now that gaze may be threatened.



According to Dr. Winston Storn, chief optometrist for the Harvard grounds keeping staff, the constant barrage of flashes from tourist's cameras have finally begun to take their toll on the aging statue's eyesight. "He doesn't have eyelids," Dr. Storn explained, wiping a tear away from his own eye. "Unlike a regular person, the John Harvard statue can't just close his eyes or scoot out of the way when he sees a camera charging up. It's especially brutal when those anti-"red eye" cameras flash for like ten minutes."

Added the statue, "If I wasn't made of bronze, I'd probably be in an epileptic fit right now. I'd rather watch Pokemon and Reality TV than be terrorized like this."

The venerated metallic figure, who also suffers from Deep Vein Thrombosis as a result of remaining in a seated position for the last 120 years, has reportedly had a number of insurance claims rejected, and is now considering suing the university, with the help of a few sympathetic Harvard Law students.

"It's bad enough that the undergrads pee on me," said the squinting statue, "But now I can barely see past my own pathetically immobile existence. If I don't win this lawsuit, I hope they just melt me and recycle my sorry ass into baking tins. I'm just tired of this shit. Maybe in my next life, I'll be made out of poly-mimetic alloy and hunt rogue machines through time. That would be way cool."

Daniel Chester French declined to comment for this article.

**Romance Discovered in Outer Solar System**

*CAMBRIDGE, MA* – According to scientists at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, evidently Uranus' moon Miranda and Neptune's largest moon, Titan, have been "getting it on", for much of the past few months. "Yes, technically they are not in physical contact," noted noted Astrophysicist Bob Kirshner, "but you'd be surprised at the sheer amount of practically pornographic content that can be encoded in low amplitude gravitational waves." Titan also had this to say. "You earthly scientists should have figured this stuff out a long time ago. Granted, you haven't yet detected any remnant gravity waves from the Big Bang, or figured out what they mean, but come on people, it doesn't take that much imagination to know what's on the universe's mind here." Mars' small moons, Phobos and Deimos had no comment, presumably because no one ever asks them anything. Jupiter's largest moon, Ganymede, gave only a small shout out to Miranda and Titan, but he did begin hitting on Earth's moon in earnest, indicating that if orbital dynamics made it possible, he'd very much like to be "the man on the moon, if you know what I'm saying."



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**Lazy Bouncer Fooled By 5 of Clubs**

*NEW ORLEANS, LA* – After dealing with "more girls gone wild and stupid-drunk frat boys" than he ever bargained for during this year's Mardi Gras, first year New Orleans bouncer Jake Carson, 24, has evidently become incredibly lazy in the past few months. Tulane freshmen Mandy Jacobs, 18, explained. "I came into Tipitina's already drunk, and I didn't even have my wallet with my sister's old California ID, but we had been playing drinking games back at my boyfriend's old frat since dinner, and I happened to have the deck in my purse". Added creepy boyfriend Evan Lonergan, 26, "When Mandy pulled out the 5 of clubs and waved the fucking card in front of the dude's eyes, I swear we were about to get our asses kicked, but the lazy ass motherfucker just waved us through, staring blankly into the distance." Carson himself declined further comment, mumbling something incoherent about jazz drummers as a half-finished cigarette dangled lethargically from his left middle and index fingers and a precariously gripped 40 of Abita began to slip slowly from his other remarkably lazy ass hand.



This guy actually let the girl in with the 5 of clubs.