



# THE TOILET PAPER

"There's an app for that."



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## PENNAPPS SPRING 2013

This past weekend was host to the 7th incarnation of Penn's semesterly hackathon since it began in 2009.

Well over 150 hackers from all over the United States (and even few outside of it as well!) showed up to participate in this marathon event that spanned two days.

Sponsors included Venmo, Dropbox, Microsoft, Facebook, FirstRound Capital, GitHub, Twilio, and many many more.

The APIs (application programming interface for those non-techies) that were used were even more wide and varied than the sponsors.

The best hacks received prizes that ranged from Nerf guns to the grand prize of \$4000 and a trip to Google New York. You can find the best hacks here.

[2013s.pennapps.com/prizes](http://2013s.pennapps.com/prizes)

My personal favorites including the grand prize winner are below.

**Inventory**—This winner of the grand prize uses an RFID scanner to detect items placed in and removed from backpacks, which then updates an app on your phone. It can let you know if you forgot something or give you suggestions based on the weather.

**Facewash**—This app cleans up your Facebook profile, which is something any college student is likely to need at some point in their collegiate career.

**SparkTab**—This app combines the search engines of a number of different sites to make your searching fast and efficient.

**TakeNote**—This app makes it easy to take photos of blackboard diagrams and notes from any angle.

**ZeitPlanner**—This app helps you optimize your course schedule by using personal preferences

## DARKNESS: DEAFENING BY JACK TERN

With every passing second, the growling grew louder. He knew it was useless to run when he could barely walk.

So he picked up the sword and started swinging it like a madman. The growling became deafening and he kept swinging.

Soon the sound encompassed his entire being. Every bone and muscle in his body began to shake with the sound's vibrations. He was no longer able to move of his own free will.

The sword, too, had begun to vibrate. And then suddenly without warning, the sound stopped. The vibrations subsided. His hearing was surprisingly still functional.

He examined the rest of his body as well as he could with his hands. Everything seemed to be fine as he progressed downward.

First he tested the unbroken leg. And then he gingerly moved his hands on to his injured one. As his hands crept downward, he began to notice the difference.

The furry object that he had used as a makeshift bandage had merged with his leg. His leg was now whole and pain free it seemed. Though he could not help but wonder what this new development would mean on his journey or what that sound had been.

With no more pain in his leg, he began to test it. He walked and ran. He jumped and kicked. It was a considerable improvement.

As he continued to test it, he began to realize that his leg was not only healed but vastly improved from what it had been. He could run at an incredible speed and jump extraordinarily high.

## NoHomophobes.com

I was directed to this site by one of my floormates this morning. This site is a "social mirror" that reflects just how often various homophobic terms get used in everyday language.

I think this a wonderful idea to bring attention to the problem and that more sites like this need to exist for other harmful terms that are used as casually

## SUPERBOWL XLVII



This year New Orleans, Louisiana has the privilege of hosting Superbowl XLVII (that's 47 for those who can't read Roman).

The two teams facing off will be the San Francisco 49ers and the Baltimore Ravens.

Both teams had an almost equal number of wins and losses this year, so it looks like they are a pretty even match, which should make the game pretty exciting.

The 49ers have not been anywhere near the Superbowl since 1994 and the Ravens

haven't had a shot at it since 2000 so both teams are really looking to bring home the glory this year.

Don't get too excited though. It's not like we'll be hosting a study break with wings for it or anything.

Who are you rooting for?

<http://bit.ly/kcesuperbowl13>

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3 <a href="#">Study Break</a>	4 Al Gore	5 Taylor Branch	6 <a href="#">76 vs Indiana</a>	7 <a href="#">Fiscal Cliff</a>	8 <a href="#">Green Careers</a>	9 <a href="#">Murder Mystery Dinner</a>

### Character of the Week



DAVID BENDELL

Hello, my name is David and I am a British Thouron scholar in the School of Nursing studying in the second year of a Master of Science in Nursing and Healthcare Administration with a Minor in Healthcare Informatics. I play a few instruments, love British cuisine, enjoy watching American and British sports, study really hard and have some time for play too.

### THE WEEK AHEAD: 1/24–1/30

1/24, 5:30pm–Mind of Winter. Share your favorite winter themed readings with other writers at the Kelly Writers House.

1/24, 6pm–Dinner Discussion. Join Paul Hendrickson, an accomplished writer and a professor in Penn's department of English in the PDR.

1/25, 1pm--Hacking The Scholar's Life. Head to Fisher Bennet Room 330 to discover how to organize research through the use of digital tools.

1/26, TBD–Franklin Institute. This trip has likely been postponed. Keep an eye on your email for more information.

1/27, 11pm–Saraswati Puja. Celebrate the goddess of learning with performances by student groups and a dinner in Houston hall.

1/28, TBD–Dinner Discussion. Join WiCS for another amazing dinner discussion!

### OSCAR ANIMATED SHORTS



Every year, Ritz at the Bourse shows the Oscar nominees for Best Short Films in Animation, Live Action, and Documentary.

The best ones, in my opinion, are the animated ones. This year's shorts are titled: Fresh Guacamole, Adam and Dog, Head over Heels, The Longest Daycare, and the Paperman.

The clip to the left is from Paperman, which I was fortunate enough to catch when watching Wreck-It Ralph (which I think will be this year's Animated Feature winner), and it was

charming and funny. I think that it will be this year's winner.

But don't take my word for it. Go watch it yourself. I promise you that you will enjoy it. I have gone every year to watch them since I came to Penn and haven't regretted it one bit.

For more info, you know the drill.

<http://bit.ly/anishorts>