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materiality in social art**

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Who owns
~~creativity~~ anything
online?



Online \neq Owned
Sharing \neq Stealing
Finding \neq Plagiarizing



“... feeds are full of fragments of close friends and strangers, little iridium flares of information, there for a few seconds and gone again.”

Watch your feed for long enough and get a sense of the quality of rushing flow, of Not Stopping.”

**Sarah Wanenchak,
*Dispatches from Ephemeral Social Media, 2013***



Where does **social art** exist?



Mashups

Mememes

Pins

social art

Tumblrs

Tweets

Tweets

information flows on



Dr. Kim Allen @drkimallen

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A goal of [#parenting](#) is teaching self regulation. Spanking's Link to Bad Behavior nyti.ms/17ZqqCF

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just running it now, but github.com/eblume/gmail_s... looks to be basically the exactly perfect Gmail backup solution.

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In [#ChapelHill](#) & voting? Four sites are open for early voting & just a suggestion chapelhillnews.com/2013/10/22/329... [#CHTC](#)

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THE END.

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For the first time in years I feel like I'm outside the small places. I keep walking. She's still on the phone. She's still there.

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In this darkness I feel anxious. All around there is a glittering, twinkling brightness in the universe swarming the night sky.

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In these endless grey cubicles in cities across an American wasteland of product-driven dreams, people search for individuality.

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I know I will continue my private revolt, my personal corporate mockery at what the world has become in this sea of cubicles.

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It's a company about selling products, not about selling friendships, I remind myself.

Expand



Leo Mercer

@leoemercer

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158 My Thesis Is This:

Most of history
was a blunderbuss
because
we weren't epistemologists.
If we were, we'd know
what we knew
we guessed.

7:23 PM - 21 Oct 2013



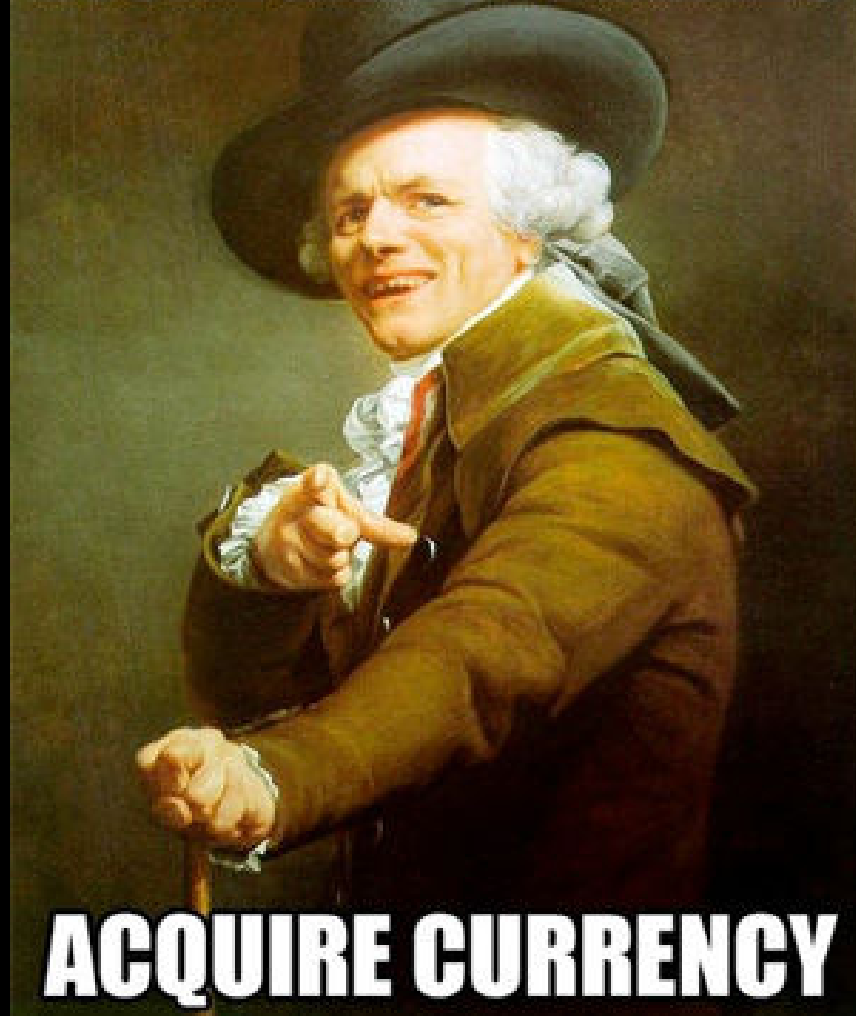


Mememes

culture passes virally



DISREGARD FEMALES



ACQUIRE CURRENCY

GENTLEMEN, I INQUIRE



**WHO HATH RELEASED
THE HOUNDS?**

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**REMOVE THYSELF FROM
MINE PATH WENCH**



**STEP ASIDE,
STEP ASIDE**

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**DO NOT DESPISE
THE RACKETEER**



**INSTEAD DESPISE
HIS SPORT**

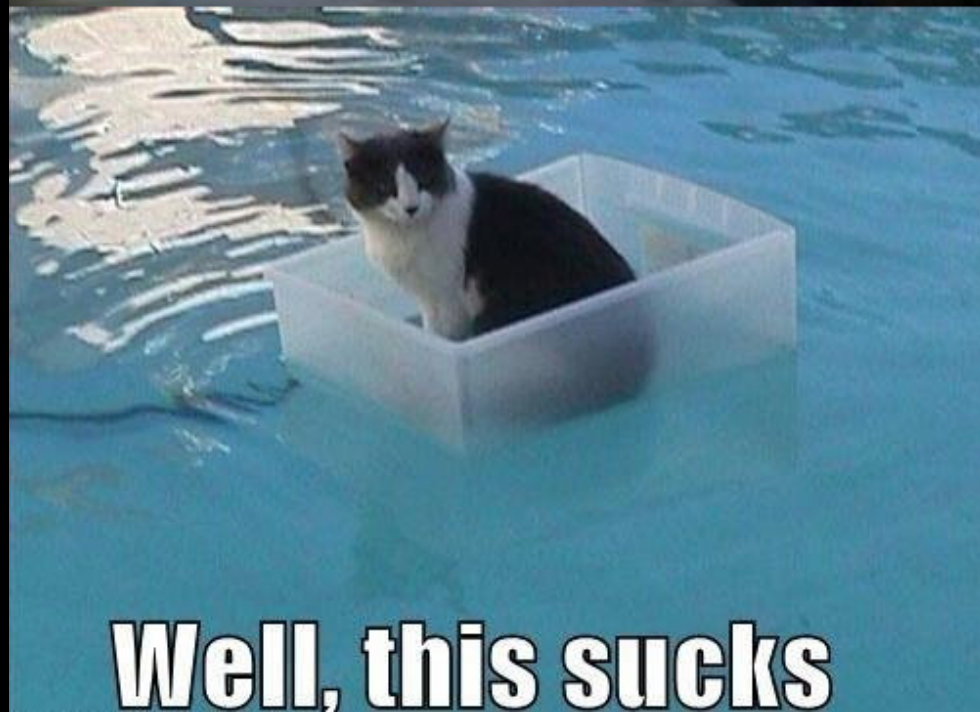




I should buy a boat.



I should buy a boat.



Well, this sucks

24 2425



We've all thought about it... (qkme.me)

(12283|9151) submitted 5 hours ago by bathroomstalin to AdviceAnimals
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Well, he went out and did it. (qkme.me)

(673|117) submitted 2 hours ago by TwoSwords to AdviceAnimals
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Mashups

two become one



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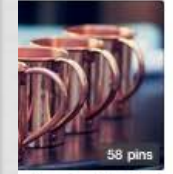


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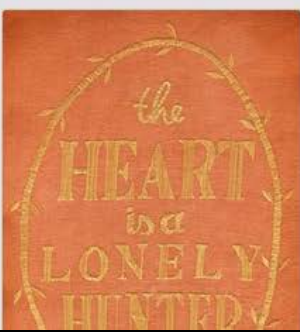
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kittens with mittens
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Davis Fitness
 haha that is awesome

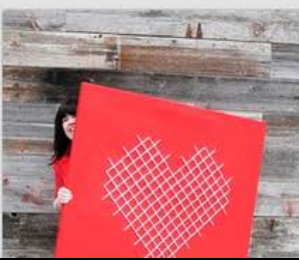
Shannon M.
 That has to be the work of Invader.



Smallest Forest + Kate Petty
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Chelsea Blackwell Warzecha @Marianne Brett
 We could do this....





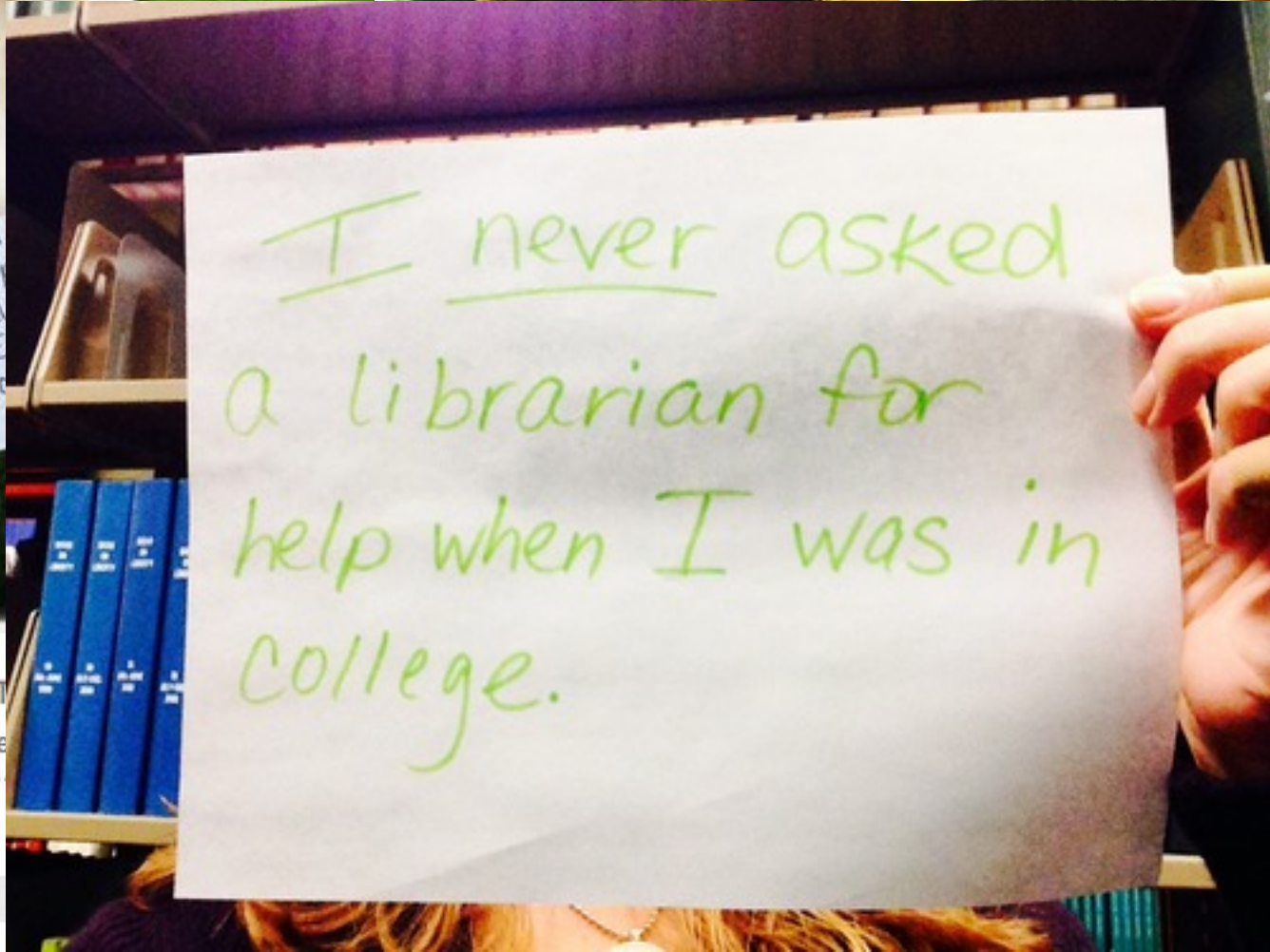
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collections with commentary





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TENNIS BALLS
OF MY NEIGHBORS
FOR 3 YEARS
- I'm Not



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a librarian for
help when I was in
college.

Dutch - The Tennis Ball Thief

We have never purchased tennis balls stashed all...

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