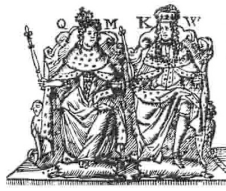
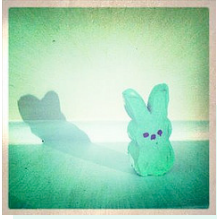


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Is April the Cruellest Month?



For centuries, April 1st has been the day dedicated to fooling people, but in more recent times folks have made up a great many other activities and topics to observe during April. T. S. Eliot aside, some claim April is “International Twit Award Month.” You might even know a twit. The “International Edible Book Festival” understandably makes us a little anxious. On the other hand The Throne, being a literary sort of rag, is delighted that the whole month has been dubbed “National Poetry Writing Month,” and that April 10 is “Encourage a Young Writer Day.” (Hey! We’re young at heart!) April is also celebrated as “National Frog Month.” Its promoters suggest that during April you research strange facts about frogs (call number area QH688.E2—*ecaudata*), learn how to say “frog” in different languages (can you say *grenouille*?), and instead of eating books, enjoy a frog serenade as you write poetry on the banks of Lake Matoaka.

Call Me Marshmael

On a recent trip to the Wawa candy aisle, we at the Throne observed the truest hallmark of spring: the return of the Marshmallow Peep. But have you ever stopped to wonder about the history of your favorite sugary snack? Find out by visiting Peepstropolis at <http://www.marshmallowpeeps.com/about>. Click on the Library. A purple Peep librarian complete with iconic bun and spectacles will run an informative slideshow. Be sure not to miss the books on the shelves: *A Tale of Two Peeps*, the *Peepsyclopedia*, even *Moby-Peep*.



And did you know that the *Washington Post* runs an annual Peeps diorama contest? This year the winners will be revealed the end of March. But since we’re all about academics here at W&M, check out <http://www.peepresearch.org/> for a more scientific perspective on the Marshmallow Peep.



MACKing on Computers

While the rest of the world is waiting for the new iPad, we’re excited about a newish service here at Swem. We have five (count them, five) MacBook

Pros waiting for your checkout at the circulation desk. They’re equipped with Final Cut Pro and the Adobe Creative Suite as well as Microsoft Office. Now you won’t have to miss a deadline, and that just MACs our head spin.

We Know You’re Special!

The Throne knows you head to the Career Center for advice on jobs and your professional future, but don’t forget the Writing Resources Center when it comes to that little edge finding a summer job or internship. Consultants there will provide you with an extra pair of eyes and an objective look at your resume’. *Bonne chance!*

