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## *Letters to the Editor*

### **Quilt misanthropy**

#### **Editor:**

Adam Epstein should be informed that no financial aid money was taken away to pay for the AIDS Quilt ["AIDS Quilt waste of student time, money," *Spectator*, Apr. 10]. Should Epstein wish to play CU budget watchdog, he should do it when it is appropriate, that is to say, when the University draws up its budget. Had the quilt not come, money spent on it would not have gone to the defunct Speech Program or financial aid as Epstein incorrectly implies. It would have funded other student activities as that is what the money is allocated for in the first place.

Epstein is also wrong in asserting that the quilt has served its purpose. Until there is a cure, AIDS will be a pertinent issue. Among those who will benefit, will be the hundreds of school children who will see the quilt and receive AIDS education that weekend.

I would suggest Epstein take his inane auditing quest to other windmills. He could start with, perhaps, Greek Week which was attended this weekend by approximately fifteen students, all of whom stopped learning from keg-tossing and jello-wrestling 10 years ago.

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