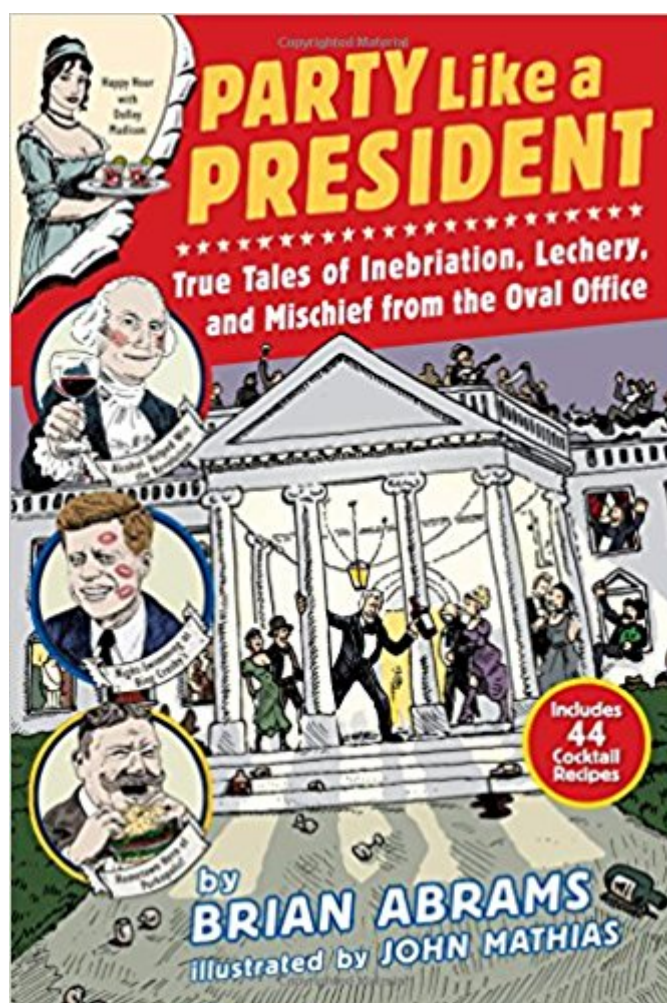


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# Party Like A President: True Tales Of Inebriation, Lechery, And Mischief From The Oval Office



## Synopsis

There's the office: President of the United States. And then there's the man in the office •prone to temptation and looking to unwind after a long day running the country. Celebrating the decidedly less distinguished side of the nation's leaders, humor writer Brian Abrams offers a compelling, hilarious, and true American history on the rocks •a Washington-to-Obama, vice-by-vice chronicle of how the presidents like to party. From explicit love letters to slurred speeches to nude swims at Bing Crosby's house, reputations are ruined and secrets bared. George Washington brokered the end of the? American Revolution over glasses of Madeira. Ulysses S. Grant rarely drew a sober breath when he was leading the North to victory. And it wasn't all liquor. Some presidents preferred their drugs •Nixon was a pill-popper. And others chased women instead •both the professorial Woodrow Wilson (who signed his love letters "Tiger") and the good ol' boy Bill Clinton, though neither could hold a candle to Kennedy, who also received the infamous Dr. Feelgood's "vitamin" injections of pure amphetamine. Illustrated throughout with infographics (James Garfield's attempts at circumnavigating the temperance movement), comic strips (George Bush Sr.'s infamous televised vomiting incident), caricatures, and fake archival documents, the book has the smart, funny feel of Mad magazine meets The Colbert Report. Plus, it includes recipes for 44 cocktails inspired by each chapter's partier-in-chief.

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"...an entertaining read." - The Chicago Tribune

"Brian Abrams has written the definitive account of White House alcoholism. So before you vote on whose inebriated finger gets to push the button and maybe kick off World War End of Story, read *À Party Like a President*. There's no better way to enjoy the declining days of this American empire than reading a book that teaches you how your favorite presidents got plastered."

- Roseanne Barr (Roseanne Barr)"Infotainment and history mix well in this delightful cocktail of facts, factoids, and myths about our imbibing leaders."

• Don Fulsom, author of *Nixon's Darkest Secrets* (Don Fulsom)Brian Abrams has unearthed a trove of incredible presidential vices that will make you wonder how the U.S. government has managed to function as long as it has.

• Matthew Algeo, author of *Harry Truman's Excellent Adventure* and *The President Is a Sick Man* (Matthew Algeo)"Abrams hoists a stein of pithy irreverence to all the American presidents and their drinks. Each chapter runs riot with wry rye, yet pauses to tap the right spot and pace out the most intoxicating of his many tales. And herein, and only herein can the universe discover that most sacred of recovered lost treasures: Nellie Taft's controversial knock-them-off-their-socks recipe for champagne punch."

• Carl Sferrazza Anthony, author of *Nellie Taft: The Unconventional First Lady of the Ragtime Era* (Carl Sferrazza Anthony)"If I didn't know any better, I'd swear Brian was a 200-year-old pot dealer who always shows up with a six-pack. He's got the goods on all the commander-in-chiefs' vices in exquisite detail. He's like the Ken Burns of presidential alcoholism."

• actor Samm Levine, *Freaks and Geeks* (Samm Levine)"It should come as no surprise to anyone how much of human history is the result of great leaders trying to get laid. But then you read *À Party Like a President* and realize that the skirt-chasing and debauchery at 1600 Penn could rival the worst (or best) of frat parties. The Tri-Lambs have nothing on these nerds."

• actor Andrew Cassese, *Wormser from À Revenge of the Nerds* (Andrew Cassese)"I've read the book, and I can pretty safely say that most of the words are spelled correctly. He's got a good sense of where to put commas and periods."

• Gilbert Gottfried (Gilbert Gottfried)"Finally, a book on American history that I'd actually read."

• actress Artemis Pebdani, *It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia* (Artemis Pebdani)

After reading this awesomely entertaining book, I've come to the conclusion that Democrats would be the most fun to party with. I love the way this book is written. The humor and the interesting

historical facts helped to keep my attention throughout. I thought how unique and interesting it was that the author chose to add a cocktail recipe after each President; something that would have correlated with that particular patriot that preceded it. This is one of those that I have chosen to add to my list of favorites. A great and fun way to learn more about our U.S. Presidents - all the way up to Obama. I'm actually glad this book was written before Trump came along, because if it hadn't, I'd have ended this book on a sour note!

If you are ready to handle the \*raw\* tales of how our presidents coped with the perils of the job, this is the book for you. If you wish to still believe in the sober magic of the Presidency, stay the hell away!! I learned a HELL of a lot about the drinking/drugging/sexual habits of our beloved Presidents that I never knew, despite my Presidential geekiness. Yes, we all know about Kennedy's imbibing adventures. But, did you ever consider Harding's? "Party like a president" is an entertaining eye-opener of a book. The recipes at the end of each chapter are just lagniappe. Highly recommended!!

Oh dear me !!!

Fun book. Gets a tad too so what-ish and could have been narrowed down to a few sentences per President: He drank. He smoked weed. He popped pills. He had more sex than his wife did.

Brian Abrams has written an interesting and funny book that brings the stories of our country's Presidents down to a personal level from the often stoic descriptions given in most history books. A very good read!

A mixture of humor with history and no one can go wrong. Abrams give an interesting perspective into the leaders of our great nation. It is easy to forget that they are only human too.

Wonderful, funny! An easy read that brings laughter to a new level. From my 14 year-old grandson to my 93 year-old mother we have all enjoyed this book!!!!

Very interesting. Well written and humorous.

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