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## ADDICTED TO DROPPING : A PERSONAL ACCOUNT

Beware Hillcrestaceans! A strange and horrific addiction is sweeping through our hallowed halls. The culprit: HokieSpa's Drop/Add. A blatant misnomer, HokieSpa is not our favorite fowl's paradisiacal resort but rather a treacherous website seducing Tech students into contorting and mangling their class schedules. Why do I speak with such vehemence? Because I was enticed into the addiction! Yes, friends, even I fell into the trap of Drop/Add.

To fully sympathize with my plight, you must delve into the mind of an addict. I was

confused, stressed and, with 48-ish credit hours, I was also a bit sleep deprived. Drop/Add presented an unbelievably simple rem-

reached 20 hours. Steadily I fell further and further. 17... 13... Until finally I fell below the 12-credit limit! I knew I needed help and needed it fast, but had no idea where to go. Then Peter Kauffmann arrived.

Peter held me close, patting my head and handing me tissues as I recounted my sad tale. He showed me how to add classes, and within moments I was back on my laptop frantically clicking refresh, anxiously waiting for openings. After several sleepless nights fueled by my desire to succeed (as well as two cases of Cheerwine), I had returned to a reasonable schedule.

I describe my struggle not to garner your pity but to remind you: when tempted to drop a class, Just Say No.

*Mitch Daniels is now single. See article on back page for further details.*

Current Schedule

Drop?	CRN	COURSE	TITLE	HOURS	Option	BEGIN	END	DAYS	Location
No	10210	AFST 1814	Intro to African Studies	3.000	A - F	11:00 AM	12:15 PM	T R	GYM 124
No	12192	ECON 4144	Economics of China	3.000	A - F	02:00 PM	04:30 PM	T	ROB 101
Yes	16947	ECON 5984	SS:History of Economic Thought	3.000	A - F	08:00 AM	09:15 AM	T R	DER 1084
No	13804	MATH 3144	Linear Algebra I	3.000	A - F	09:30 AM	10:45 AM	T R	LITRV 1770
No	13806	MATH 3214	Calculus of Several Variables	3.000	A - F	01:25 PM	02:15 PM	M W F	MCB 223
No	13818	MATH 4226	Elementary Real Analysis	3.000	A - F	10:10 AM	11:00 AM	M W F	MCB 308
No	13833	MATH 4994	Undergraduate Research	3.000	A - F	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
No	16432	UH 4984H	SS:Hillcrest Colloquium Magnum	2.000	A - F	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
No	16433	UH 4984H	SS:Honors Reading Seminar	1.000	A - F	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

Total Credit Hours: 24.000  
 Maximum Hours: 25.000  
 Minimum Hours: 1.000  
 Date: 02/08/07 07:10 PM

Submit Changes Reset

Notice above as Brad drops ECON 5984: History of Economic Thought. A single mouse-click could ease my suffering. A few more mouse clicks and I could nearly reach nirvana. But alas, each drop provided such liberation that the high was addicting. I could not stop when I

### In Soviet Russia, Shirt Put on You!

Shirtless and shivering, shrouded in shadows, Chris VanEvery sits silently, half-naked despite the freezing February frost, diligently working to regain his former life. However, don't let his downtrodden, dismal and dour demeanor deceive you. "It wasn't always this way," said roommate and eyebrow-groomer extraordinaire Tory Smith. "He used to smile... and laugh... albeit like a giant evil leprechaun. Now he just sits there, sullen, staring at his computer monitor."

Chris' sad tale begins as most do these days, when he bought the game World of Warcraft. At first, the game was merely a hobby. But as Chris' Tauren Warrior, HuggerMugger, began to level its need for gold grew stronger. Chris would spend upwards of ten hours a day raiding and fighting, in a vain attempt to appease his creature's needs.

When Chris realized that he couldn't keep up with HuggerMugger's thirst for gold things took a turn for the worse.

VanEvery discovered that he could buy online the gold his monster craved. At first, he just spent his allowance, but it soon escalated far beyond that. Chris began to sell his blood plasma, frequenting Red Crosses all around the New River. But his newfound pallor and gaunt appearance caused even campus blood drives to turn him away. Chris found work as a customer support representative, and spent his nights fixing computer problems from around the world. HuggerMugger's need was much too great, however. Chris began to sell his pos-



sessions, until one day he realized that he had sold the shirt right off his back.

Now, VanEvery wanders the hallways, sleepless and shirtless, in a never ending search for more gold for his dear HuggerMugger. He may stumble past your room, mumbling something about computer problems, but do not laugh. He

has made the ultimate sacrifice; he has given up everything for the monster he loves.

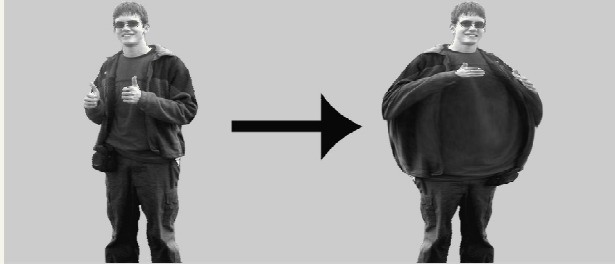
*Erin Rubin would like to apologize profusely to CVE for any misunderstanding—she thinks he looks great without a shirt.*

## Four Great Ways to Stay Warm All Day

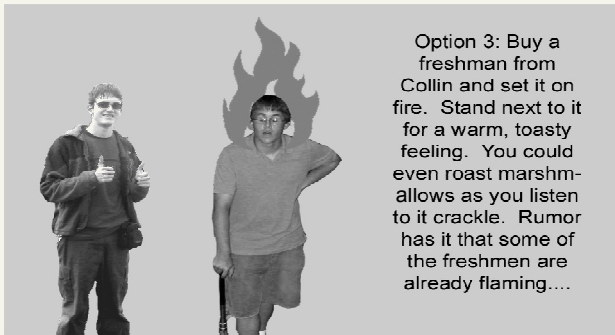
By David Choquette

Temperatures this week have dropped lower than even my GPA, so it's high time I taught y'all a thing or two about staying warm. You can wear a coat or even long pants if you wish, but clothes can only go so far in the fight against the frozen wasteland we call home. To stay really warm you need some more drastic measures. I have tried all four of these myself, with the exception of numbers 1, 2, and 4, so I can safely tell you that you'll be a hot little potato in no time if you follow one of my simple methods.

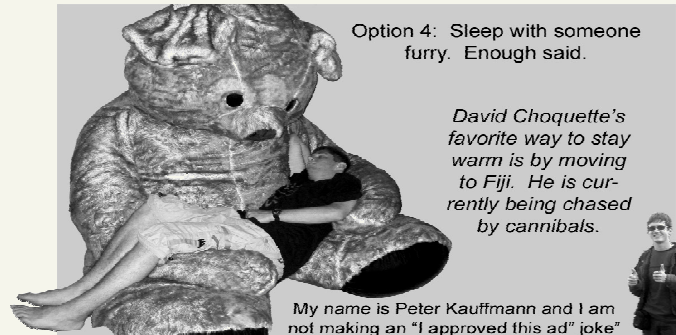
**Option 1: Get fat.** Blubber works for seals and walruses, and it can work for you too! When you have to exit D2 by the service entrance, you know you've succeeded.



**Option 2: Grow a long, full beard.** Your neck and face will thank you, and so will all the ladies. All the cool people have beards, like David Gagnon, John Lennon, Abraham Lincoln, and Jesus. Yep, that's pretty much everyone cool.



**Option 3: Buy a freshman from Collin and set it on fire.** Stand next to it for a warm, toasty feeling. You could even roast marshmallows as you listen to it crackle. Rumor has it that some of the freshmen are already flaming....



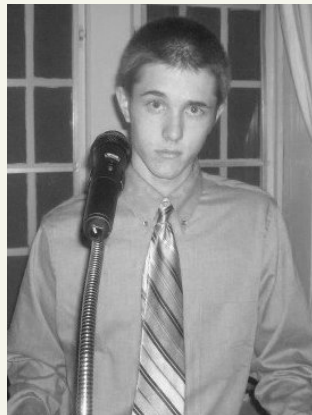
**Option 4: Sleep with someone furry.** Enough said.

*David Choquette's favorite way to stay warm is by moving to Fiji. He is currently being chased by cannibals.*

*My name is Peter Kauffmann and I am not making an "I approved this ad" joke"*

## Sexy Mitch is Single Again!

Sexy Mitch... Just the mere utterance of his name sends a shiver of lust down the spine of your typical Hillcrestean. From the moment Mr. Daniels arrived in Hillcrest, Greg Swieter identified him as a major threat to single women everywhere. Accounts have been given of entire herds of freshman girls swooning after passing Mitch in the hallway. A plethoric quantity of valuable girl hours has been lost to daydreaming. Steve Hogan, longtime Hillcrest resident, added, "I mean, he is pretty sexy." This reporter asked him just how he does it. "Well, I generally begin my day by rescuing boxes full of puppies and kittens in front of large crowds of people. After several hours of sweat-soaked public yoga wearing nothing but my pirate pants, I bathe myself in a medley of pear blossoms and juniper berries. The rest just sort of falls into place." Until recently, all of this belonged to a very lucky girl from West Point. However, in a tragic accident



sometime during the break, she burst into flames after staying close to Mitch for too long without protective clothing. In response to the incident, Mitch has decided to avenge the loss by finding a new companion. (He promises to be more careful this time.) Some tips for those with hopes of landing the young bachelor in Room 233:

-Mitch is exceptionally vulnerable to flattery. Just reminding him of how much you appreciate his taste in clothing or music will better your chances with him. If you manage to catch him on one of his pirate pajamas days – a complement could pay dividends in an opportunity to discuss his Jolly Roger apparel, and

its implications.

-Simply mentioning an interest in "triops" or "Go" will likely send Mitch reeling. However, such an action might have the unin-

tended consequence of looking at Mitch's triops - or even worse – playing him in Go.

-Mitch is enchanted by anyone with good cooking or Mario Golf skills. Anyone on par with Elaine Huffman's n00b-pwning skills stands a good chance at pwning Sexy Mitch's heart.

*Tory Smith is currently the front-runner in the quest for Mitch's heart, but wrote this article to level the playing field.*

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