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Procrastination Unplugged: An Inside Look at a Dangerous Obsession

I know as well as you that in the first few weeks of school it is all too easy to get caught up in the excitement of doing homework and completing assignments. Motivation runs rampant through the halls and an enthusiasm for academics lurks in every room.

Fear not! A simple and exciting solution has arrived in the form of awesome fake instruments. Guitar Hero is here!

For those unfamiliar with the game, it is similar to DDR...except cool. Players can rock out with bands ranging from The Rolling Stones to The Butthole Surfers and can play short tunes or epic



classics ("FreeeeeeeeBiiiiiiird!"). The primary benefit of the game is the oppor-

tunity to squander hours away with no effort. Greg Swieter, an addicted resident explained: "I played Nirvana's 'Heart-Shaped Box' for eight hours straight. Yeah, I developed carpal tunnel an hour into it, but us rock stars have to push through that stuff, y'know?"

As the stress of the semester skyrockets with each passing week, remember that there is a wireless way to waylay your wildest worries, and it's waiting in woom 314.

Mitch Daniels thinks Guitar Hero is a bit expensive, but that it's totally worth it... kind of like your mom.

This year has brought a lot of surprises to the Hillcrest Hall tournament. The preseason doubters were all shocked to see so many Yoshi's qualify – and no one expected such an amazing late-season run by Eeyore. To follow is a look at some of the tourney favorites, as well as a few potential giant-slayers.

Things are looking good for William Wallace, an undisputed first seed. He is taking the semester off from decapitating English nobles to show his prowess on the American continent as well. The brash Wallace was unfazed by the lustful advances of Britney Spears, who was hoping to score an unprecedented first round victory over a one seed. The irate Scotsman easily subdued the singing silicone-swollen succubus. Wallace dedicated his victory to the faithful Hillcrest voters, who, according to Wallace, "are truly a great asset. Valiant people who saw their *one chance for freedom*." Keep an eye on Brad's mom, whose incredible victory over Jefferson Davis left the *Fight of the Day* judges wondering if a weight-class should be instituted. This was eventually dismissed, as it would provide contenders like Jeremy Henry with too much of an advantage – due to an uncanny ferocity per pound rating.

Bracketology 2007: Fight of the Day Tournament



Collin Calhoun, third seed and avid forester

final game. I was lucky enough to track down Collin recently to do a quick interview. He put down his axe long enough to answer a few of my pressing questions.

Tory: So, Collin, how did you prepare for this year's tournament?

Collin: Well I started out by being incredibly abrasive and having a stunningly hostile facial hair configuration. I've been keeping up my axe-play.

Tory: Who do you see doing well in this year's tournament?

Collin: Brad's mom is looking good.

Tory: To what do you attribute your current record?

Collin: My hairiness is a major asset. I think I've got a good shot at going all the way this year. I am kind of worried about Chewbacca though.

Tory: Well thanks, Collin. It was a pleasure speaking with you.

Collin: I eat children.

So far, all four first seeds are performing well. My current pick for the champ is Captain Planet, whose excellent environmental record has earned him endorsement from Al Gore and Greenpeace. A cinderella team has yet to emerge, however, so keep an eye out for a big upset. That's it, folks - good luck on those brackets!

Tory Smith really misses discussing trees with Collin Calhoun.

DANGEROUS CRACKPOT ON THE LOOSE!

Concerned readers everywhere will certainly have taken note of the excessive amount of Styrofoam being used at our own beloved D-2 over the course of the past two weeks. Speculations as to the reason have ranged from a critical understaffing to a psychological test designed to determine college students' environmental awareness. The truth, however, is far more scandalous than that. In this special segment, I will expose this rampant disregard for Mother Earth for what it really is—a torrid, unholy love affair between D-2 manager Joe Gullible and Evil Mrs. Potts!!



drawing Joe further into her world. Little did he know that the tea she was brewing was EVIL.

Informants tell me that the true motives behind Mrs. Potts' crusade is not, in fact, a concern for her fellow dish, but an intense hatred for her ex-lover, Captain Planet. They split last June over a dispute about environmentally sound dish-washing practices. As Cap departed to take part in the Fight of the Day Tournament, Mrs. Potts vowed revenge on the one thing he loved as much as she loved being scrubbed for longer than the advised 15 seconds per dish: the Earth. Since then she's

According to sources, the relationship began earlier this summer when Joe accidentally attempted to purchase Mrs. Potts' illegitimate (and evil) son, Chip, at a yard sale. Incensed, Mrs. Potts sang a song about how hard it was for a ceramic pot to get by in a cruel, insensitive world. Touched, Joe invited her out to dinner. Later that night (oh yes,

Here Mrs. and Chip Potts can be seen eyeing their next victim.

Mrs. Potts is a first-date gal!) as they snuggled, Mrs. Potts elaborated on her desire to free dishes everywhere of their daily drudgery to mankind. Before Joe could think twice, she was brewing a cup of tea and outlining her campaign against the overworking of plates and bowls,

been doing everything in her power to encourage wasteful practices, delighting in her own demented destruction. Can we stop her? By all our powers combined... we just might have to.

Kathleen Cooperstein is a coffee-drinker.

Welcome

I'd like to take this opportunity to officially welcome you back, or to welcome you here if you are a new Hillcrustacean. Anyways, just so you know, this is a politically incorrect publication. If you take it seriously, you will likely either be disappointed or offended. Please don't be. If you have a problem with anything that has been written, please come directly to me or email me at bshapiro@vt.edu with the exact nature of the problem, and we will discuss it. This publication has only the purpose of humor, so please treat it in that fashion. If you would like to write for us next semester, please start thinking about sending us a writing sample.

I'm looking forward to another award winning year for the most legitimate news source on campus! Until next time, I'll leave you with some funny pictures from my trip...



(above) Latest advertising campaign on all of the public busses in Beijing... I guess everyone needs a proctologist at some point in life...



(left) Funny sign at Tiger Hill in Suzhou, China



(left) Mongolian child posing for pictures as the train passes by

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