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## Hillcrest Nerd Herd Takes on Fighting Irish

Notre Dame lost Saturday, making them bowl ineligible for the first time in Charile Weis' tenure. Weis, of course was unhappy. So, as usual, Notre Dame complained to the BCS that the first eight of their games were unfair... except for the one that they won. Every other team in the country disagreed wholeheartedly. The BCS's only option was to try and form some sort of a compromise between Notre Dame and the rest of the NCAA. After several hours of deliberations, the final decision was that Notre Dame would play an extra five games to give them another chance to become bowl eligible. "Everyone deserves a second chance... or five..." said the BCS Computer who called himself A&H. The other teams were understandably outraged. "The BCS is so far up Notre Dame's ass right now, it's not even funny! USC is still the best team in the country!" exclaimed the hypocritical Pete Carroll.



Nonetheless, the first of Notre Dame's five extra games was played Tuesday, against the undefeated Hillcrest Intramural football team, "Nerd Herd". We thought that the upsets this year couldn't get any worse... and we were correct.

Notre Dame is a college football team, and Hillcrest is just a bunch of nerds. Notre Dame stomped the Nerd Herd in a demoralizing shutout, 176 - 0. Nerd Herd center Dan Thorp said, "I was really upset that I couldn't

do more. When they ripped off my left arm, my blocking ability was significantly diminished." Hillcrest quarterback Greg Swieter was unavailable for comment, as the ICU is for family members only. Just prior to taking his 53<sup>rd</sup> sack of the day, his head was twisted around Exorcist style. Backup center Jeremy Henry could only look on in horror. Swieter went 1-10, throwing for -73 yards with 9 interceptions and took 53 sacks before the ambulance carted him away. His one completion to Tory Smith resulted in a safety, as Tory got confused as to which direction he was supposed to run.

Keep watching, as Notre Dame's next few weeks could be exciting as they play the Harlem Globetrotters, the Warm Hearth Retirement Center "Hover-Rounds", the Village People, and the Kippis Elementary "Fighting Kangaroos". At this pace, Notre Dame is a lock for a BCS bowl bid.

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## New Bus Route Promotes Fun, Learning

In a joint press conference earlier this week, the Administrators of Virginia Tech and the Blacksburg Transit announced that starting in the Spring Semester, a new transit route will be added to the ranks of the BT. According to Dr. Mark McNamee, University Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the new route will "encourage Blacksburg residents and students to examine the world around them in a fun, exciting way." Rebecca Martin, Director of Blacksburg Transit, stated, "Tom's Creek A and B were exciting - don't get me wrong. And everyone and their brother has learned exactly how to get lost riding the Two-Town Trolley, but with this new route, and its dedicated driver, Ms Valerie Frizzle, there's no stopping the learning with Blacksburg Transit."

Unlike any other BT route, the Magic School Bus route will not travel the same route each time you ride it. Sometimes the

bus itself will change shape in order to accommodate the extreme[ly awesome] environments it will traverse. Only two of these surprise routes were unveiled at the press junket earlier this week. The MSB-Nervous Route will stop at Blacksburg's most exciting brainy-related sites, including the Imaginarium, your cerebellum, the Virginia Tech



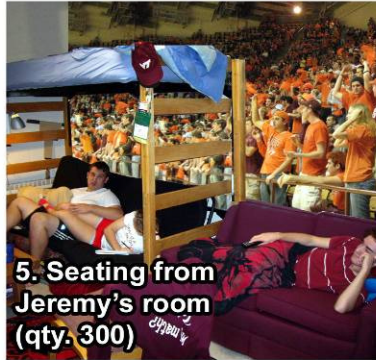
Smart Road, the Hillcrest Study Lounge, and of course, its time-check at Newman Library. The other surprise route, the MSB-Green, will pick up and drop off at such environmental landmarks as the Duck Pond, Collin Calhoun's beard, Latham Hall (home of VT Forestry), and will time-check at the sheep barns. Look out for more fun and exciting routes to come later in the Spring.

What will become of this experiment combining the seemingly incompatible doctrines of fun and learning? Who knows? Will we step on the bus each morning saying "I knew I should have stayed home today," or will we, in the great words of Ms Frizzle, choose to "Take chances, make mistakes, get messy!" Well, with a possible time-check in the sheep barns, we'll definitely get messy.

*Will Satterwhite pays \$47.50 each semester to ride the bus, so he actually does ride the bus sometimes. You should too.*



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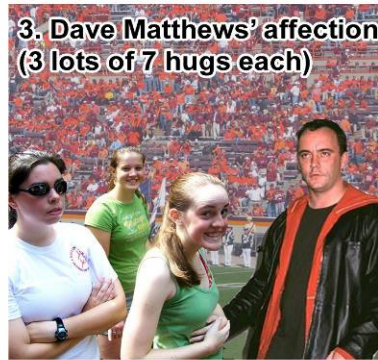
5. Seating from Jeremy's room (qty. 300)



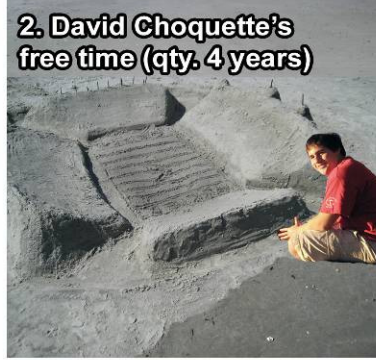
4. Erin Rubin's T-shirts (qty. 666)

## The Top 6 Items for Sale at the Hillcrest Surplus Auction

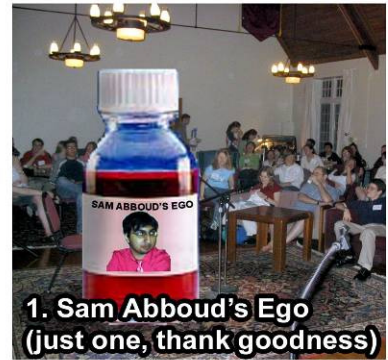
because there are some things we just have too much of around here



3. Dave Matthews' affection (3 lots of 7 hugs each)



2. David Choquette's free time (qty. 4 years)



1. Sam Abboud's Ego (just one, thank goodness)

David Choquette really did build Lane Stadium out of sand. He was awarded a Heisman Trophy for his efforts..

## You + D2 = Cancer

It was just announced by University officials that the most popular dining hall on campus will be receiving some major changes. "The dining hall affectionately known as D2 will no longer allow students to eat hundreds of plates full of food in one sitting," President Steger announced in a press conference yesterday. "I was recently informed that D2 has been the cause of over a dozen cases of colon cancer since its christening in 2004 with the number increasing every year. In an effort to protect the students of Virginia Tech and avoid numerous lawsuits that we can ill-afford, each student will be allowed one plate of food per meal." Steger quickly hurried off the stage despite numerous questions from the media. This reporter, however, followed him to get the inside scoop.

**Erin:** President Steger, what is the reasoning behind your decision to limit food consumption at Dietrick?

**Pres. Steger:** An article came out recently in *The Journal of Unpopular Science* stating that increased food consumption causes an increase in colon cancer in mice. I quickly saw the correlation with humans and ordered that research be done immediately to find if this

was true. When I saw the number of recent graduates diagnosed with colon cancer, I knew I had to do something.

**Erin:** That's very admirable of you. How did you decide on the solution?

**Steger:** I saw two options. The first was to close D2 permanently. While this option would allow West End to have enough staff to serve all of the students who already eat there, the second option makes much more sense. Keep D2 open, but only allow one plate per student. This will keep the University in the black, because students will still pay exorbitant prices for the incredible atmosphere that only D2 can provide, but will eliminate lawsuits caused by over-indulgence.

**Erin:** I doubt this will be popular with the

students. Is there any chance you'll reverse your decision?

**Steger:** No, I'm set on this. D2 has been touted as the dining hall that lets you eat as much as your colon can stand. Students just don't know how little that is. I have to protect the students.

**Erin:** And the profits of the University?

**Steger:** No comment.

*Erin Smithberger is better than Erin Rubin*



These are some very unhappy-looking colons from former D2 diners.

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