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## Fight of the Day: The Return-ament!

Hillcrestaceans, big and small, old and new! The barrel of fun that is the Fight of the Day Tournament is back for its first iteration since longtime chairman David Choquette retreated to the backwoods of North Carolina.

For those of you that don't know about the glory that is the Fight of the Day, a brief history is in order.

The inaugural FOTD Tournament was held just one year ago, pitting 65 competitors against each other in a series of death matches. Each match was held in a 50' by 50' by 50' cage, with one competitor perishing at the hands, magical powers, intellect, and appendages of the other. After sixty-four matches, Chewbacca was crowned the Fight of the Day Champion, defeating Lord Voldemort in the semifinals and taking out William Wallace to win the tourney.

Fight of the Day II followed shortly after, with several Hillcrestaceans in the competition. Small Ambiguous Will made it to the second round after staving off a brutal attack



*Last tournament's winners posing for their post-tournament glamour shots.*

by Vice President Dick Cheney, only to be finished off by Leonardo, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle. Resident Whistler Ben Beasley, former Hall Director Erin Rubin and Honors preceptors Papillon and Thorp also competed. Severus Snape took the title after defeating Leonardo in the final match.

Following Severus Snape's convincing win, the FOTD returned once again for the Dynamic Duo edition. Various pairings ranging from Remus and Romulus to the Captain and Tennille to Hillcrestaceans Lucy Adams and Ayla Wilk competed in the 65-team tournament. Calvin and Hobbes (the mischievous six year old and his tiger pal, not the philosophers) emerged victorious, bringing Fezzik and Inigo Montoya to their ends.

Now my friends, I give to you the Return-ament, the rebirth of the Fight of the Day! The FOTD Selection Committee will be taking nominations for the upcoming tournament. Please leave your nominations on the legal pad outside Room 238. The death matches will commence when we return after winter break.

Who will be the next Fight of the Day Champion? Stay tuned!

*Yeah, Dick Cheney shot Small Ambiguous Will in the face, but finished off the veep by tromboning him to death. Ha!*

## New Plans for Bailout Funds Revealed

Henry Paulson announced earlier this morning that he has moved on to Plan M for the United States economic bailout. Claiming that plans A through K were far too timid, Paulson stressed the need for an aggressive plan of action. When asked about Plan L, he simply shook his head and said his offices were still waiting on a return phone call from the Nigerian prince.



The latest plan to originate from Paulson's offices involves spending the remaining \$200 million of the dwindling bailout fund to purchase a small Caribbean island, several miles north of Jamaica. The island can then be inhabited by some of the excess population of the U.S. (mainly the Jews and economists) and a trade network can be established between the new island nation and the mainland.

"We anticipate a large amount of capital to be released to us, after the \$6 million processing fees have been run through the Nigerian lottery system," said Paulson in a press conference last Friday. "In the meantime, we need to move forward in our efforts to rejuvenate the American economy."

This new nation will be established with the understanding that it is to trade with no other nation but the U.S.; nor is it to produce any of its own goods which could be produced in sufficient quantities by the U.S.

Paulson described the plan as "foolproof," saying: "This new nation will stimulate commerce in the United States while remaining completely dependent upon the resources produced there. As the population grows, so will the demand for the U.S. goods and services. That's how economics works."

When asked whether something like this had been shown to work in the past, or had perhaps backfired, causing a revolutionary war and the creation of a new global superpower, Paulson responded, "I'm an economist, not a historian!"

*Kathleen Cooperstein promises to buy lots of American goods if Henry Paulson will pay for her grad school.*

# LARGE HADRON COLLIDER DESTROYS UNIVERSE

Hillcrest residents! Watch your backs, mind your manners, and burn your bridges because the Large Hadron Collider is reported to have reached critical mass sometime around 2 am last night. Originally designed as a testing ground for modern theoretical physics including the weak attractive, strong attractive, and strikingly atomic forces, the LHC has of late become host to several experiments. Darryl Hodges, one of the principle designers, said "when we turned that thing on, no one was really sure they figured there was about a 0.0002% chance it would hit the switch. The fact that it's lasted so long is

Based in central France, the LHC has caused a great deal of uneasiness among practical physicists. Those fears that the Collider has been devouring fields, schools, and churches are unchecked rampage approximately 20 hours ago. The LHC works to build a counter measure to stop the LHC from destroying the Earth, Solar System, Milky Way Galaxy, and finally the universe. As one religious activist put it "We've done built Satan himself with all this science and now look - ol' Beezlebub wants to sing for his eggs before they hatch."

## A Brief History of Pwnage

Do you know Mitch Daniels? You may think you do. Perhaps you have seen him ambling through the hallways of Hillcrest. I remember the first time I saw Mitch ambling through the hallways. What a **newb**.

Woah! Tory! That's not a word you just throw around! True. It isn't. It is certainly merited here, however. I believe it was some time during fall semester when Mitch overheard me describing some **pwnage** that had recently occurred courtesy of our football team playing Duke.

"Tory - what is this 'pwnage' you speak of?" My jaw dropped in disbelief. I hadn't figured Mitch for a **newb**, but he was clearly a very sheltered boy in his days of yore.

To understand pwnage, one must first understand **ownage**. Ownage occurs when someone defeats a clearly disadvantaged opponent, often described as a **newb**. A good example of ownage is when a I-AA football team plays a I-A team. They get owned. In this example, the I-AA team is a **newb**.

However, this was *not* the case when Virginia Tech played Duke. Not only is Duke a I-A team in the ACC, but they also have much more money and have had a football team (even a successful one!) for longer than Virginia Tech. Duke, described as a singular entity, is a **noob** (not to be confused with "newb"). They have all the tools to win, but they are just total garbage.

For the most complete and utterly pitiful shortcomings, a third term, "**n00b**," is applicable. (Notice the introduction of integers into the word.) One need look no further than the Michigan-Appalachian State game in 2007.

Fortunately for Mitch, Hillcrest has become a hotbed for **newb** remediation. He has really matured over the past few years through much hard work. Today, Mitch stands his own and even pwns a few **noobs** himself from time to time.

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## Glossary:

- newb:** Someone who is fundamentally inferior at something due to no fault of their own. Like Main Campbell at volleyball.
- noob:** Someone who is horrible at something they should be good at. Like General Motors.
- n00b:** Someone who has absolutely no excuse for the heaping serving of pwnage they have just been served. Like the French military since Napoleon.
- ownage:** Trying to pickpocket Usain Bolt.
- pwnage:** Losing to Helen Keller in Pictionary.

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