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Hillcrest Opts for Redshirting Freshmen

In an effort to help the honors program meet its budget that has been cut due to the recession, Hillcrest has decided that next year's freshmen will be forced to redshirt their first year, opening up the remaining scholarship monies for current students. The ramifications of these actions will help the honors program prepare for the future and still provide the educational standards that current students have come to expect.



But what are the freshmen to do during this year of redshirting? The same thing freshmen have always done – stay up late, play video games, shirk their homework, all in the com-

fort of their own homes. And the best part about this is that they will avoid the D2 dash because we all know that Mom's cooking is 10 million times better than the stuff they feed us on campus. And since we all know that classes are a synonym for naptime in freshman-land, these lucky individuals will have no trouble just taking a nap in their nice beds at home instead.

The benefits for current students are never-ending! Are you tired of waiting for meals at West End? Get rid of the honors freshmen and the rest of the university will think it is a great idea and follow suit. It's just like the airline industry cutting all of the snacks on planes, only more beneficial for you the consumer.

Also, there will be a plethora of extra football and basketball tickets, and there is nothing Jim Weaver can do to mess it up.

And so next year, when you are wondering why every upperclassman in Hillcrest has their own room, you can thank the honors program for providing you with a single room at no additional charge – you'll never be able to go back again to sharing. Jump on the bandwagon and support this budgeting decision, but be forewarned – even redshirting, known as a character-building opportunity, can result in sophomoric activity, just ask Coach Beamer.

Kari Adkins is moving out in less than 13 weeks! Would you like 243? The highest bidder wins the room.

Now for Something Completely Different...

Since that Barack Obama has been president for almost two weeks now and has yet to solve our global recession and forever end poverty, he really needs to start looking for a diversion. The American public will only allow him to blame Bush for so long, and like all successful leaders, Barack Obama needs a distraction that can unify the country. The obvious suggestion: go for the Middle East. I know it's still early on in the game, but if Obama doesn't do something dramatic in the Middle East soon, I'm going to forget he's president. Luckily for Barack, this reporter has a few ideas up her sleeve.

Mnemonic Device

The specifics and details are his to flesh out, but Barack definitely needs to first make waves in Iraq. Not only will he then make a permanent name for himself, tied to our forever-memorable George W. Bush, but millions of history-addled children will later thank Obama for carefully choosing his foreign policy focus simply based on rhyme. That is – until their overeager teachers force them to sing painfully forced songs on the subject.

Preadmission Accomplished

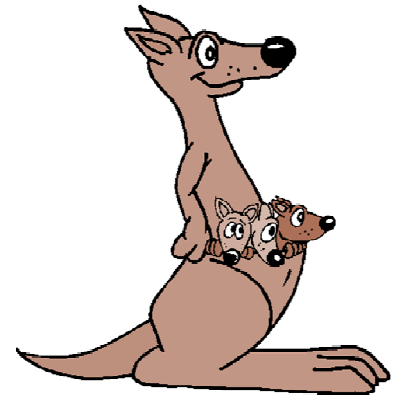
If the last decade has taught us anything, it's that Americans are both glamorous and impatient. Why celebrate accomplishments when you can celebrate far-off projections? If a kid can get a trophy for achieving fertilized egg status these days, why can't the president carelessly throw money around for the future prospect of tearing apart a developing nation? I'm thinking we land a boat on a plane this time.

Gaza Strips

I'm not sure who this Gaza chick is, but all this commotion in the last month has definitely been a fantastic diversion. If Obama knows what's best for him, he should ascertain an expansive funding source and encourage her to keep shedding her clothing. If Barack establishes a sexual controversy and a Middle Eastern dispute in the first month of his presidency, he will put even Mr. Bill Clinton's legacy to shame.

Plan B

If all else fails and Obama truly meant all that ridiculous rhetoric about change, he should ditch the classic Middle East escapism and



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find a refreshing target. Let me be clear here: the Middle East has five entry points while Australia only has one. Global domination is easier when you plan ahead.

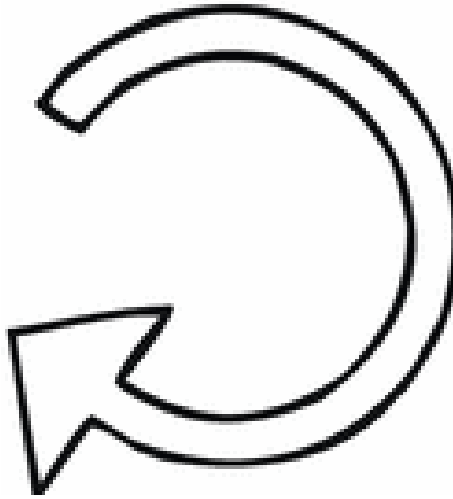
Sara Brickman has an adverse relationship with Thomas Jefferson thanks to her elementary school's choir teacher.

Out-of-state Student Completes first Clockwise Circumnavigation of the Drillfield

Blacksburg – In a day and age where pessimism and lethargy are commonplace, a new breed of hero has emerged to pave the way unto a brave new age.

Peter Anderson, a freshman psychology major hailing from Newark, New Jersey, completed the voyage yesterday shortly before being arrested by VTPD. Upon the completion of his circumnavigation, which began and ended at the Torgerson Bridge, Anderson exited his vehicle and was maced into submission by law enforcement officials before a bewildered crowd of Virginia Tech students on their way to 8 o'clock classes.

Previous attempts of clockwise circumnavigation, despite their painstaking planning and careful execution, had all failed. Preliminary interrogations of Anderson have revealed that his success was actually an accident; he was simply trying to find the Surge building and could not see past all the junk in his passenger seat. "I wanted to be able to see all the names



of the buildings. Is that so bad?!" Further statements will be released after Anderson has a chance to confer with his lawyer.

Anderson's feat is particularly impressive because it was done solo nonstop – previous

attempts failed due to correct traffic flow. Jonathan Weber's 2003 attempt was foiled by a particularly vigilant Blacksburg Transit bus, despite the diversion of two streakers carrying open alcoholic containers. In 2007, Angela Cook was foiled by overzealous parking service agents after trying to sneak around the Drillfield in reverse, stopping every thirty feet to rest in a parking space. Even though her stops were very brief, Cook's car was booted after she accumulated a third consecutive parking ticket.

Anderson's 1992 Dodge Stratus has been impounded at the parking services building, where thousands of pilgrims from across the region have set out to pay homage to the triumphant, door-ding-adorned vessel.

Tory Smith attempted a partial clockwise circumnavigation by bike last semester, but was stopped immediately and almost arrested.

See This Space?!

It could be yours!!!

We know Hillcrest is bursting with hilarious and talented people who are afraid of the commitment of a regular staff position. But that's no reason for your skills to go unseen!



Hillpress is on the lookout for guest writers this semester to fill up this space right here. If you have a funny idea or article, write it up and send it in! We would love to showcase your incredible talents.

We are looking for articles, comics, poems, even short stories (or longer stories in serial form!) Or even just a page full of lame jokes. After all, that's mostly what we do anyway.

So give it a whirl. If you think you've got something worth publishing, send it along to the Editor in Chief, Kathleen.

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