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Hillcrest Opts for Redshirting Freshmen

In an effort to help Honors meet its budget cuts due to the recession, Hillcrest has decided that next year's freshmen will be forced to redshirt their first year. "These are dangerous times," Honors Director Terry Papillon declared in his weekly radio address last Tuesday. "We can't expect our valuable students to risk going out into public unprotected with all those untouchables out there. They might mug them and take their scholarships!"



In accordance with the Director's wishes, the incoming class of 2013 will be specially trained to act as bodyguards and protectors of the present members of the Honors Communi-

ties. Each freshman will be given a walkie-talkie communicator, a phaser, moderately heeled boots, and black trousers. Most importantly, each security team member will also be supplied with one red velour shirt to make them more noticeable to community members in times of need.

Incoming upperclassmen were interviewed two weekends ago, so be on the lookout for these new security personnel in the near future! Send them in to any situation that may be dangerous or life-threatening: have one follow you around at all times to protect your scholarship from the unclean non-Honors horde, get two or three of them to go take that tricky Engineering Exploration test for you, or get one to pre-digest

your food to fight off the D2 Dash. With a good freshman interview weekend and a bit of luck, we might even get a large enough class to visit Shultz on a regular basis without having to risk main characters like ourselves in the inevitable attack from the cadets.

Sure, we may lose a couple of these personnel in scattered skirmishes around campus, but that's the whole point of the security detail, right? We'll just have new redshirts in only one more year anyway. If we don't allow ourselves to get to know these freshmen, then we won't feel concerned about their eventual, terrible fates. And that's a small price to pay for security.

Peter doesn't even have a last name! He's just the one who dies to let you know that the situation is serious!

Apple Inc. Explores New Frontiers

Steve Jobs' leave of absence for "medical reasons?" Iran launching its first domestically built satellite? Nuclear weapons? Donald Trump's hair? Random unassociated hair? Random unassociated fact? John dropping mechanics? Coincidence? Is this annoying? I say nay!

All apart from my dropping mechanics (which is actually real news) and hair, these news stories that have surfaced in recent days are far from unrelated. In a strange turn of events, this reporter got in close to a guy who knows a guy whose cousin once dated Steve Jobs' daughter, Regina Hand-Jobs. **[editor's note: Steve Jobs does not however have a daughter named 'Regina Hand-Jobs' and we believe our reporter was tricked.]**

Through this connection, I found that the rumor mill is abuzz with Apple's latest endeavor: nuclear weapons. Apple has always been known for its originality in product design, but now it has supposedly "revolutionized the mobile nuclear weapon industry" with their iBomb.



Jobs seen here with a potential mock-up of the new device.

In a secret conversation, Jobs raved that the iBomb is "gorgeous inside and out. With ten kilotons of explosive de-processing power housed in a beautifully designed casing, Apple has redefined the nuclear bomb."

Because their technology is on the fringe of development as well as legality, Steve Jobs

has left the spotlight, claiming "medical reasons." Those "medical reasons" don't explain his recent sighting in Tehran, but Jobs' assertion that: "The largest market we believe for the iBomb lies in the Middle East; we believe that we can sell ten million before the year 2012," does.

Donald Trump, who appears to somehow be brokering the deal between Apple and Iran, claims that "It's a lofty goal, but then again little Stevie has shocked us all before."

The iBomb appears to be at the top of its class: tons of explosive power, small size, a sleek and sexy design, and a trendy Apple logo to come with it. Apple will also be providing wireless detonation services through the use of cell phone networks; incidentally, the first domestically built Iranian cell-phone satellite was launched just days ago.

Our only gripe with the iBomb: Apple went with AT&T.

John Hoffman (inappropriately) defies Steve Jobs.

Supremely Courted by Barack Obama?

Earlier this week, Supreme Court Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg had surgery on her pancreas to remove cancerous tissue. Of course, this has raised some speculation as to whether or not Barack Obama will get to seat a Justice while he is in office. If so, several prospective names have already been dropped. A few of them are described below.



Hochuli reviews plays with the expertise of a Rehnquist or a Marshall.

Michael Phelps, Olympic swimmer and recently out-of-the-closet bong aficionado. Obama's team so far has concentrated on individuals whose experiences include a great deal of success in their fields. Phelps' fourteen gold medals are a pretty decent measure of success, according to recent Gallup polls.

Former Illinois Governor **Rod Blagojevich**.

The former governor has a lot more time on his hands, now that he's not visiting seventeen talk shows a day to taint the jury pool for his federal criminal trial. Fortunately for Blago, the Supreme Court isn't located in Illinois, meaning he can still hold office there. Early reports suggest that Blagojevich is prepared to offer Obama \$2.8million if and when the seat becomes available.

Obama nomination. Also note the gigantic biceps.

Jimmy, my dog, doesn't fear anything. He works the neighbors at a much higher efficiency than political canvassers and Jehovah's Witnesses. He is also very snuggly, which is more than Justices Stevens, Thomas, and Scalia can claim. Jimmy also represents a middle ground when it comes to partisanship – he's not even really sure which way is right and which is left. I mean, he is a dog.

Other names have also been dropped, but this reputable publication refuses to recognize **Barney the Dinosaur** (not a human), **Nelson Mandela** (not an American), and the **Flying Spaghetti Monster** (has more important things to do) as viable nominees to the Court.

Will Satterwhite is technically eligible for Supreme Court nomination. So is anyone with U.S. citizenship!

Evolution: The Missing Link?

Many of you have met Ken Black, a freshman architecture student and enthusiastic Crestacean. He enjoys studying geology, building cardboard chairs, blasting Rammstein in the living room, and making Mormons, telemarketers, and small dogs cry themselves to sleep at night. Despite spending way too much time at studio, he is a common fixture in the Hillcrest TV lounge, especially when Scrubs or Smallville is on.

What many of you don't know is that our friend leads a double life. Behind that ripped physique and chlorine-shocked minifro, he is hiding a secret so dark, so sinister, that it could only be revealed in the Hillpress.

Ken Black is a manfish.

According to Wikipedia's timeline of evolution:

"The *Placodermi* were prehistoric fishes. *Placoderms* were the first of the jawed fishes, their jaws evolving from the first of their gill arches. Their head and thorax were covered by articulated armoured plates and the rest of the body was scaled or naked."

This theory may sound ludicrous, but those of you who know Ken can attest to his remarkably fishlike characteristics. Just like the prehistoric placoderms, he has a protective shell

of hair covering his head and a six-pack that could keep a bullet from penetrating his thorax.

Sound intriguing? Read on:

"*Ichthyostega* had legs but its limbs probably weren't used for walking, they may have spent very brief periods out of water and would have used their legs to paw their way through the mud."

On the rare occasion that Ken isn't pwning old dudes in the pool, he is often covered in mud from a recent "bike ride." This *ichthyostega* that Wikipedia speaks of is considered by many biologists to be one of the first aquatic creatures to venture onto dry land. As if this isn't overwhelmingly enough in support of our theory, our friend recently admitted to eating a cricket and climbing trees regularly. This behavior bears a striking resemblance to...

"A group of small, nocturnal and arbooreal, insect-eating mammals called the *Euarcho*nto."

These cricket-crunching, tree-scaling critters gave way to early primates, which are believed to have evolved into people over the course of several million years, or roughly



how long it takes to earn a degree in architecture.

Is this all a coincidence? I think not. Either he's the creature that scientists have been searching for over the past hundreds of years, or he's just another "normal" Crestacean. Either way, he's pretty frickin' awesome.

Kat Miles would like to write for the Hillpress almost as bad as she'd like to beat Ken in a 50-meter freestyle race. Neither is extremely likely.

To be next issue's Guest Writer, send your piece to Kathleen!
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