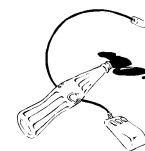




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## Why dfontain Should Be CorSec

by dfontain

-  I made this shiny issue of PRAVDA? for you!
-  I can use L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and pine well. `\raisebox{}{!!!1!one}`
-  I can use my design, layout, and grammatical abilities for good *and* for awesome.
-  I am currently a junior and have been active in KGB all three years. I spent many hours at move-on even though I'm in OS. Which brings me to:
-  I am taking OS right now. . . I will not be in the coming year.
-  My esteemed competitors are secretly bananas. I know; I live with the incumbent.
-  I, too, am a man of height.
-  For great correspondence.
-  Cthulhu demands it.

## Rawr! (Or Why Jess Would Make a Good S@A)




by jmink, ganked by dfontain

Why, you may ask, would someone as certifiably un-scary as Jess run for Sergeant-at-Arms? It's quite simple you see. I have a plan, a glorious plan, for a kinder KGB.

When things get rough on the range and the S@A has to come and knock a few heads together, people sometimes become even more filled with ruckus. (Similar results can be obtained with nerf guns and bopping tubes.) However, if the S@A were to stand in the front of the room, flap her arms, and mew, I think people would be distracted from their disruption and the meeting could continue. Hisses could also be awarded as mild punishment.

If you do not believe these methods are effective, please try them in class tomorrow.


Added Bonus Feats:


-  You get another valid reason to confuse Em and me.
-  I may grow KGB a plant. You know you want a pet tomato plant....
-  Also I am full of peace. I will keep it safe.

## Vote For Me! S@A









by bohanlon, ganked by dfontain

Hi. We are living in dark times, as evidenced by the fact that since two weekends ago, when I get out of bed, it has been darker. And dark times call for pizza, topped with Brian "bohanlon 'bohizzlin 'Brizzle O'Hizzle'" O'Hanlon. "Why," you ask, "should I vote for Brian for Sargeant at Arms [sic] of the KGB?" Well, there are several reasons, which I will outline here:

 True, verifiable things:

 This:



-  I have been entrusted with the key to the top of Hamerschlag, and I have only taken KGB members there illegally, so I will only take KGB members to the Kage illegally.
-  I know how to spell "sargeant" [sic].
-  I spent a week at Air Force basic training at Fort Picket, VA, and another week at Search and Rescue School at Fort A. P. Hill, VA. I also have access to the base store at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.
-  I own my own Air Force uniform.
-  I own my own rubber band gun.
-  I can use both vi and emacs.
-  My Slashdot Karma is excellent.
-  I can combine several of these talents to be an awesome "keeper of the peace".

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☞ Potentially true, but non-verifiable things:

- ☞ I will be an awesome Sargeant at Arms [sic].
- ☞ I will have great leadership skills.
- ☞ I will be awesome.
- ☞ Some people are afraid of me, either because I am crazy, or I look crazy when I put on several things listed above.

So, in effect, it is in the best interest of KGB as an organization to vote for bohanlon as Sargeant at Arms [sic]. We are all counting on you to make a difference. Or keep things the same. Whatever you all want. Oh, and First Post!

## Why csjackso Needs a New Andrew ID, Should Be CorSec

*by csjackso, ganked by dfontain*

Alright. To start, hopefully you all know who I am. To those of you who might not recognize the name, I'm that obnoxiously tall guy with "long" wavy brown hair who is not Ed, but apparently looks like him, but only really to some people who are either completely blind or amazingly baffled. I also managed to end up with what is quite possibly the worst Andrew ID ever. Four whole syllables, and they don't even get my whole last name. . .

I guess now I should give reasons I'd be a good CorSec. Though, I mean, if you're finished reading this article by this point, completely convinced I'd be an awesome CorSec just by sheer force of awesome, you don't really need to read the reasons. You could just go and vote for me anyhow.

+ I, as does approximately  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  of KGB's membership, know L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

- I am fully capable of surviving on an average of five hours of sleep a night. As to why this is helpful, it means I have more time to devote to KGB. If I'm CorSec, that means PRAVDA?s.

\* I am currently the focus of a delightfully embarrassing video on the internet, by virtue of being hideously inept at throwing oddly rolled pieces of tarpaper. Though, eventually I discovered the use of tools (by which I mean a stick) and was successful. The tool use idea then propagated through the Booth community such that later attempts were less futile, but also less funny.

] I also spent lots of time working on Booth. Because I am heartily in favor of members of this organization enjoying themselves and doing things that organizations here are supposed to do, while making the rest of campus do funny eyebrow gestures in hideous confusion.

= I'm typing this up at Fibonacci time. 11:23. Right now.

[ I am often willing to be an idiot for the amusement of others. Self-deprecating humor, go!

o I have no moral qualms about using arbitrary bullet points to see how many members of the KGB even notice. Wait. No. Foiled! Blast you KGB!

;5~ This bullet point is ctrl + rightclick in pine. Yes. My keyboard has a rightclick button.

% Back on topic, I'm fully willing to laugh hilariously at the thought of giant amoebas devouring practically any group of humans ever. Ever.

q No, seriously people. Giant amoebas. Think about it. It's an awesome idea.

16 I am capable of applying The Law of Fives. This statement is 15 long.

j It really is. Count the bullet or you'll fail.

d The first two make 25.

threave I'm willing to always say The Revolution with the capitals. And also appropriate raised fist gestures. Or other less appropriate gestures if people are being fowl [sic].

( If the members of KGB are ever actually fowl, I personally strongly suggest taking this matter up with the admissions office. After all, we can't deny our less warm-blooded brethren their chance to reign.

aghast! I'm also ridiculously tall. Clearly we need to have ridiculously tall people on Exec to foil statistical analyses and trump all plans on infiltration by the rest of campus. Or not. But you should vote for height anyhow.

That, I do believe, does it. All of this morning's funny is drained from my brain! Fortunately for me, this morning doesn't last much longer.

Vote for me.

## Ally's Razzle-Dazzle CorSec, RecSec Platform

*by anaaktge, ganked by dfontain*

So, I'm running for Rec Sec and Cor Sec, and this is my snazzy and oh so spiffy platform (not made of planks or AEII booth bits, I swear).

Okay, so I don't really think theres any particular reason to vote for me over anyone else. I think all the candidates are über awesome people. However, if I do win, I'm going to use all my pretty calligraphy skills to make PRAVDA? and/or any KGB correspondence look as pretty as the red icing that I made for booth. . .

Also, if I am elected, it'll give me an excuse to go buy the shiny, and I mean SHINY calligraphy inks to use.

Alternatively, I could use those inks to make our sign in sheet sparkly. I thought of some good illuminations for the people-who-should-pay-their-dues column.

. . .

So that's my so called platform. . . I hope it amused you if it didn't sway you.

Good luck to all!

## A Vote for Me is a Vote for Me

by *aleffert*, ganked by *dfontain*

If elected I will ensure that the sweet odor of seared flesh will permeate the cut. Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free, and I will smash their backs beneath the strength of our mighty ideology. We are at the cusp of a great moment in time—one of those that will be remembered in epic chronicles and will always have a place in the minds of our descendants. History is poised upon the head of a pin, surrounded by dancing angels. Which slope shall we take? I will be a flapping standard, symbol of the correctness of right thinking thought. If elected to the position of Inquisitor General of KGB, I will personally see that our branding irons are properly oiled. What? I'm not running for Inquisitor General? I'm running for President? One second please. *Cue swelling of patriotic background music.*

I have served as a first vice president of KGB for the past year and have fulfilled the obligations of that post, which are few in name. However, I have also done the actual job of the first vice president, which is to be there when the other officers are unavailable. I have filled in for the other officers by, among other things, running meetings, helping plan events, and making up crap for PRAVDA? when it needs content. I have attended nearly every general body meeting and event in the past three years. For two years now, I have regularly attended exec meetings. I have seen first hand exactly how this organization works. I have seen how to apply the right mix of direction and silliness. I am NomCom's choice for president. If elected to the position KGB President, I will personally see that our branding irons are properly oiled.

## TJ - A Conspiracy?

by *bovik@cs*

TJ stands for Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. It is a hoax on such a grand scale with such a large amount of university effort to propagate it that it is well-deservedly the first conspiracy in Unofficial Pirate PRAVDA?.

To any casual observer, TJ is a magnet high school with an excellent reputation. It has a silly, arty website and a few reviews online. Also, hundreds of its students attend Carnegie Mellon University and will gladly tell you so themselves.

The problem is, TJ isn't real.



*The supposed Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology.*

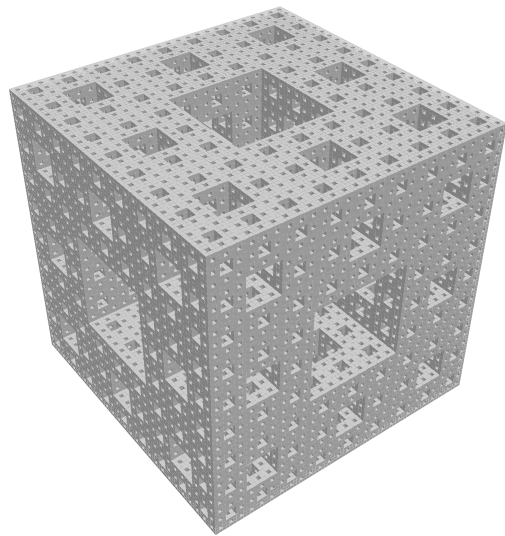
TJ is a fictional high school made up by the CMU administration to explain the pasts of students with questionable origins. Talk to any "TJ student" and you'll see what I mean: they are the oddest, most unusual students on campus. They often talk in numbers rather than words and are known to fear the sunlight. Also, each consumes little or no food. Are these merely exiles from foreign countries or government refugees, or are we perhaps dealing with an entirely alien species?

CMU, sensing that its TJ hoax was nearing discovery, took drastic action last month and brought in a whole busload of "TJ people" to look around campus. They performed their part well, walking around and inquiring about the school as prospective students might. Yet at the end of the day they were seen being handed small envelopes and then leaving the area in different directions. Does that not sound suspicious, if they are all indeed from the same high school?

So seek out these TJ people, and if you find one, inquire about their personal history. These are all well-trained actors, but perhaps their guise might fade away under intense inquisition. I wish you luck.

## Postscript Menger Sponge

by *dfontain*



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