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COPING WITH HOMESICKNESS

The closer we are in proximity to Fall Break, the more interesting our existence on campus becomes. Right now, you're either homesick and ready to get as far away from campus as possible, or you're not going home because either A) the rents don't love you enough to send you a plane ticket, or B) you rather stay on the happy hill in your cozy dorm that isn't actually cozy because your heat doesn't work as per usual. I'm going to take a wild guess and assume that most of you probably identified with A).

For that reason, while you're here enjoying high quality dining hall food and Twin XL beds, and the rest of us are indulging in the luxury of homecooked meals and our own comfy beds, I've gathered some healthy homesickness coping mechanisms that will help you stay sane this break!

- 1. Explore the Hill! Find new places that bring you comfort to help with being away from home. Some ideal places include: the creepy basement of Shep Hall that will appear in your nightmares, believe me.
- 2. Make a comforting meal. Utilize the opportunities that are available to you such as our state of the art, clean, fully stocked residence hall kitchens! If you're craving some tasty soup to warm up your heart that has gone frigid due to the grudge you're holding against your parents for flying to Cabo without you, try 2 tablespoons of Siracha in your Chicken Top Ramen! I guarantee it'll warm you right up!
- 3. Talk to a loved one from home! Call your mom up, your dad, your siblings, tell them how pissed you are that you're not home and it's their fault.
- 4. Bring home to campus. Participating in activities that you enjoy doing at home while you're on campus over break will help you overcome your sense of homesickness. A common one for most of you is watching Netflix in bed, so I guess that won't be very helpful.
- 5. Keep yourself occupied. If all else fails and you can't shake the blues, distract yourself.

 Try some new activities like visiting cute, little Granville during the daytime, and maybe some place other than the bars? Just a thought.

 -Nicole Zeid, '22

DENISON CRITTERS RANKED

1.) Marmot. When I say marmot I mean groundhogs (which is the same thing as a woodchuck) but I think Marmot is a funnier name. Groundhogs belong to the group of large ground squirrels known as marmots. These little fellas are so cute yet all so secretive. You never know where they will be. There are many of them and yet so few. These crazy guys are the cutest and chubbiest bbs ever! I'm a big fan.



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DENISON CRITTERS RANKED (CONT.)

- 2.) Deer. The Denison Venison don't do much. They eat some plants and flowers but other than that they are straight chillers so I really can't say much about them. They sometimes get in the way by standing in the middle of the road, but they will scurry away if you honk your horn. They rank number two because they are fun and add some pizazz to this campus. Random thought but it is weird that you never see deer in town (or in any of the gville neighborhoods) but yet there are so many that live on our campus..... weird.
- 3.) Skunks. They ranked in the middle because although they pose a threat, they are generally chillers. They don't really attack any students and they really pay no attention to us, which is nice of them. But they could, which is the scary part. They add some excitement to the late night walks home from the library. Anyways, I just don't hate skunks. They are low-key cute and thiqqqq so it is like cute to watch them scurry away
- 4.) Buzzards. These guys are super creepy and makes me feel like I am in a scary movie. There is an abundance of them! Idk why but I just get like stalker vibes from them. I should not feel like I am in the shining when I am simply walking from Mitchell to Huffman on a Tuesday. I have an irrational fear of birds so that might have something to do with my hatred of these buzzards. Also, I have an issue with our mascot being a buzzard.... Like why is that our costume. It just doesn't have anything to do with a BIG RED. But anyways, that a different topic for another time. Long-story short, the buzzards are too big, too scary, and there are just too many of them, and thus, they rank second to last on my critter list.
- 5.) Raccoons. They are straight up scary. Like idk why but if I see a raccoon, my life flashes before my eyes. you never know what they are gonna do next; I feel like they are just always going rogue. They also eat trash so like that just explains so much. They leave a mess around the dumpsters (especially behind craw) and I just find that disrespectful. They are messy and scary and icky.





-Katie Kerrigan, Junior Writer

HUMOR

BOJACK.

The Denison Department of Theatre is performing the first and only live adaptation of the Netflix series Bo-Jack Horseman in the Eisner Center. There's still several showings left; you can go on October 11&12 at 8 PM, October 13th at 2 PM, and October 15&16 at 8 PM. Tickets are free but must be reserved prior to each showing, you can reserve them at denison.edu/events/arts or by scanning the unreasonably massive QR code to the right. This show is not suitable for children or those with a crippling phobia of horses.

Go treat yourself to some quality thespian fun.





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