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"There is no problem that a suitable amount of explosives can't handle."

-Jason Brookbank

## **Deadly Shock**

By Jodhbir Singh ~ Lode Spy

I was in 9th grade in India when I had a whole chapter on static electricity; I guess it was chapter 2 in my science class. All I remember now is that in static electricity an electron shows deep sexual feelings for a proton or vice-versa. I never understood the chemical reaction among them and just crammed the content. But, I had never imagined in my life that I would have to encounter the same chapter again, however in a deadly situation in the US.

It was my first winter in Houghton and 20 degrees outside. I had walked nearly a mile from my apartment to college campus. As I was approaching the EERC building door, I was getting, unknowingly, charged with libidous electrons to experience my first deadly static shock. I took off my gloves, swiped my card

By Liz Fujita ~ Daily Bull

A report released earlier in the week harmless at first, began to show sympdetailed the trend of chronic Herpder- toms during late June. All of a sudden,

pes (staphylococcus herpus derpus) infecting phones nationwide. The pandemic, which broke out sometime this summer, is most easily transmitted between phones of the species NV3. More specifically, the disease seems to infiltrate not only the skeletal system, but also herp derp the nervous and digestive tracts of the phones

Glittering, being retarded, ridicule from friends, and lighting up your honeymoon like a discoball are all common signs your phone has HerpDerpes.

This just in!

That is all.

It all began with a single NV3 in Hough- cumb to the Herpderpes. Both opening ton. The little red demon, seemingly the phone too quickly and closing it too ...see Derp herp on back

the device would power down if it was flipped shut too auickly. "I wasn't sure what to make of the weird occurrences," said a Michigan Tech student who requested anonymity. "But I started noticing that pretty much everything I did made my phone shut down."

The hinges were clearly the first system to suc-

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# US Health Report: NV3 has Herpderp-es



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Bananas are a fruit, as a Valley Girl realized yesterday.

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involved.



Bonus pic o the day? What the shit? No really, What. The Shit. Look at that, OMNOMNOM,



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### ... Zapdos from front

and grabbed the metallic door to Wikipedia and Google for making knob to open it.

doubts about static electricity. I others laugh at me. felt the enormous pain when sexually excited electrons left my body. But one day, I was talking to my to neutralize their anxiously waiting housemate who had not been protons on the door knob. I sur- cleaning his dishes for some time, vived that winter just on prayers and even with my regular reminders. Ingood luck.

winter. I found a device worth \$10 the dishes next day. on eBay that acts as an anti-Viagra static shock phenomenon. Thanks Chapter 2.\$\frac{1}{2}\$

it simple for me.

Within a fraction of a second, the Now I hold a pencil while walking whole of chapter 2 went through and touch it with the doorknob so my brain clearing all my pending that it discharges me without making

cidentally, I poked my pencil nib to his arm while talking; next second he I finally decided to find a solution to was on his toes. A friendly warning avoid deadly encounters the next with static shock made him to do

for electrons. But then I realized I was surprised to find that a long that I have bachelor's in Electrical time enemy of mine had become a Engineering, so I opened my ba-good friend. I guess that's why they sic undergrad book of electronics say-if you can't win, join them. Now and found that I would have to go I enjoy static shock and my favorthrough a lot of stuff to understand ite chapter-Chapter 5. No wait! It's



Winter. Static Shock's greatest ally. In it, becomes better, faster, stronger... MORE ELECTIFYING! ... Just like a vuvuzella! \*BZZZZZZT\*

## ... Derp Herp from front

quickly would cause the phone to immediately black out and faint. Upon revival, it acted as though nothing was wrong. The problem ran deeper, however. Germs ran wild on the phone's silicon-y insides.

"Next thing I knew, it was shutting down if I put it down on the table too hard!" exclaimed our anonymous source. Other reports started flowing in from as far away as Guam that many NV3s had contracted the Herpderpes, presumably through sexting.

Other symptoms reported included: a bright white screen for no conceivable reason, freezing and vomiting everywhere while viewing pictures, lethargy and sluggishness during texting, trailing off during (or totally dropping) calls, and lack of outer screen control.

But by far the most deadly symptom strikes just before the phone lapses into a total irreversible coma – it is then that the owner knows their phone is truely a terminal case of Herp Derpes. The device powers down when a user pushes the camera button.

There is no seeming rhyme or reason, but in the final stages of Herpderpes. and NV3 completely shuts down when the camera button is pushed too quickly, too slowly, too hard, or too fast. In addition, the magic speed and firmness needed changes hourly, making it damned near impossible for an owner to predict a good way to take pictures. Most users give up entirely, knowing that the NV3 is on its last legs.

Michigan Tech, fortunately, has realized the chronic spread of staphylococcus herpus derpus, and created a brand new page on its site for students to report a sick phone. Similar to mtu.edu/flu, students are encouraged to call in sick phones at mtu.edu/herpderpes. Everyone will receive excused absences in order to seek medical attention for their NV's at one of Houghton's Verizon store outlets.

In all seriousness, the list of things that makes my phone turn off/freeze grows daily. The most recent one I've found is pressing the 'end' button too enthusiastically when cancelling a text or ending a call. Apparently the phone doesn't want me to ever stop communicating with people. \$\gamma\$



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