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Hey all,

Just want to give insider anecdotes about Georgetown's big wins this weekend. Absolute insanity on campus.

For tonight's entire game, most town houses kept doors open. Crowds of kids huddled around the tube, jumping up and down at every play. Especially once we got the 81-81 tied score tonight. Then when overtime hit (and everyone realized we were actually going to beat UNC) people came out of the houses, ripped off their shirts, ran into the streets and started running and screaming. A riot formed on the library steps and took up a block of N Street between 36th and 37th. Police lined street corners, on horses and in cars. So much moshing and crowd surfing. Someone started lighting fireworks in their front yard (no professionals.. kinda scary). Non-stop chanting of "hoya saxa." "Fuck Ohio State." "Roy roy roy roy.." "Jeff Green's Mom." (unclear about the last one..) Then somebody yelled "run down M Street," and massive stampede ensued.

Seriously, everyone just started running on both sides of streets like mad. Cars stopped on M Street and drivers high-fived runners weaving in between them. A few nicer cars got super peeved when Gtown students were slapping their windows and almost climbing onto their hoods. The herd lingered at the Wisconsin/ M Street intersection then someone yelled "we're running to the White House" and we all followed. By the time we reached GW neighborhood, a portion of the herd trailed off. Probably got tired and realized wait, they actually are running all the way to the White House. But hundreds made it. Chanted "speech!" Lights on the front lawn came on, and security guards came out in droves. They told us to get off the fence...then after about a half hour, made everyone leave.

But we stayed long enough to sing Georgetown fight song, "hoya saxa" on repeat, a few Iraq allusions, more love for Roy Hibbert. Even the Star-spangled banner got in there.

The herd walked the way back, with a bumper-to-bumper row of police cars, vans and motorcycles honking and yelling into megaphones, making sure we stayed on sidewalk. The best was when they said "Are you a vehicle or a pedestrian? Get out of the street." Most Georgetown kids listened. But some crazier ones climbed up the statue in the center of Washington circle. Others stole chairs from outdoor restaurants along Penn avenue. At one point on the walk back, I really think there was a constant flow of bodies between campus and the White House.

The herd was arguably pretty civil and pacifist. No burning or flipping over of cars. After a riot fire outside a dorm on Friday night after the game, I think the police were pretty freaked out. The ones on M Street within the Georgetown bubble were much nicer than the downtown ones. They actually highfived. The city ones were much crankier.

Both Friday and tonight's win made for constant sound waves of screaming outside all night. As in, it's 3am right now and finally reaching a semblance of peace.. Oops, that wasn't supposed to be a novel. Just a little update.