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Congratulations to our brothers who were ordained to the priesthood at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Easter Saturday.

Rev. Kevin G. Grove, C.S.C.
Rev. Gerard J. Olinger, Jr., C.S.C.

“We heard a summons to give over our lives in a more explicit way”
(Constitutions, I.3)
I have really small hands. I can't wear costume jewelry because the bracelets always slide off my wrists and the rings look tacky on my thumbs. And yet, they are labeled "one size fits all."

Accessories are only the beginning. Our political system separates us into groups, forcing us to accept all of the beliefs of a particular party in order to be heard. Those of us in the middle that don't fit the groups are left out.

As I complete my year-long stay on the second floor of CoMo, I have come to realize that the problem exists at Notre Dame, too. I have been generalized into the category of First Year of Studies, and rather than receiving personalized attention for my individual needs, I have been left without a voice. It didn't matter that I didn't fit; I had to make it work.

Here is where I think the true challenge lies: How can someone's personal needs be met when attention is no longer personalized? In my case, I was a student who came to Notre Dame knowing exactly what I wanted to study. After a year of being kept out of my major, I still want to study the same subject. I struggled to get into classes for my major because I was told that special freshman classes were reserved with the FYS program, and as a student in FYS I should take them. On the other hand, I have friends who are registering for classes now who can't get into core requirement classes because most of them are "freshmen only" and the few that are not have already been filled by upperclassmen. When I was trying to pick out my second semester courses, and couldn't figure out what classes to take that would benefit my intended major or fulfill core requirements, I was given no advice. I was told that they weren't "first-year approved" so my advisor couldn't help me. Because I had to stay in FYS, I was virtually left behind in the advising process. I didn't need help from FYS; I needed help from an advisor in my intended major.

One exceptional accomplishment of FYS, however, is the system of personal advising. At face value, I have no complaints. Overall, I'd say that my advisor has been very available and it is nice to have the luxury of meeting with an advisor when necessary. They recognize that students have individual questions, and they make themselves available to help. The problem is that while they are willing to listen to a student's needs, their ability to help is limited to the needs of students who fall into the fixed framework of the FYS system. I found it more helpful to watch an upperclassman in my dorm register for classes than it was to attend the required advisor meeting explaining the procedure. When I needed tutoring, I benefitted more from TAs and approaching my professor with concerns than from the general sessions in CoMo.

When I attended the mandatory general information sessions, I found that they were often repetitive and inefficient. Yet, I was constantly encouraged, and in the case of mandatory meetings, forced to spend valuable study time at an unhelpful FYS-sponsored event.

According to the FYS website, "the First-Year of Studies serves as the college for all incoming students, regardless of their intended program." It goes on to say that "first year students follow an established curriculum, giving them direction and purpose in their initial course selections." The rigidity of the structure is inherent in the language. There is no option for an independent student to pursue an intended program. Yet, the mission statement advocates that FYS "fosters independence." Perhaps if an independent student were allowed to make his or her own academic choices, then FYS could truly achieve its goal.

Because we are all individuals, we all progress at different speeds. Students that are unsure of their course of study should be able to seek advice in a program like FYS. But students that don't need the extra help should be allowed to move forward with their studies. The problem I have with FYS is that, like the hotly debated No Child Left Behind Act, it keeps those ready to move forward back with those that are not. Instead, let's ensure all students' needs are being met, no matter at what level they may be. It will, at least, be a move toward recognizing that we are "one size fits some."

What we need are options. Many people find fault with our system of government because we only have two options, Democrat or Republican. I find fault with jewelry makers' assumption that we are all one ring size. People aren't meant to be the same. It is frustrating to be pushed into a mold that clearly doesn't fit. At some point in our lives, we've been stereotyped. We can all relate to being labeled goody-two-shoes Catholics who work out every day. We may be some of those assumptions, or we may be none of those assumptions. No matter what, none of us exactly fits the same description as another.

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JUDGMENT CALLS

The Blue-Gold Game
At least there's one game we're sure to win.

The last Cheers and Jeers
Bad, Rover.

Grandpa Favre
Is it time to replace the pregame meal with the early bird special?

Washington's stolen books
Now we feel better about the dining hall utensils we've borrowed.

The Guide to An'Tostal
Leave it to SUB to make pterodactyl start with a "T."

HOW TO
Single-Handedly Save the World

Meredith Durant

The 40th Annual Earth Day is upon us, making it the perfect time to consider ways you can pull a Clark Kent and single-handedly save the world.

1 Become a fan of global warming on Facebook. Madonna can save the world in four minutes, but you can save it in less than one. Even if you sincerely care about our planet but can’t sacrifice using that light to cram for your exam the next morning or you are too rushed to walk the extra 10 feet to the recycling bin, you can still help. Spend less than one minute and become a fan of global warming on Facebook. Remember, every fan makes a difference.

2 Use iTunes. Since you'll be on the computer already, why not just use the energy it is already consuming, save gas, and buy music and movies on iTunes? You could download from other sites, too, if you're really into saving.

3 Buy a Smart Car. Are you looking into purchasing a new car? If so, consider a Smart Car. If the compact size and energy saved aren't enough of a draw, the name alone should appeal to the Notre Dame ego. You'll save gasoline and energy while letting everyone know about your superior intellect.

4 Rock the ponytail. Ladies, you and your roommates can save energy by taking a break from the hair straightener, blow dryer and curling irons once in a while. Besides, you were just going to put on sweatpants, anyway.

5 Say "no" to Call of Duty. You can save electricity by cutting back on the video games. It will not hurt you to step away from COD and interact with actual people. Maybe you will wind up same-siding it at the dining hall with that girl from econ. The game will still be there if you get rejected.
The Academics of Oppression
Scholars analyze human rights violations

Kristen Stoutenburgh

Human rights violations have plagued global society for centuries, but the small amount of studies conducted on these issues are difficult to come by. At a conference hosted by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies titled “Innovations in the Study of Mass Violations of Human Rights,” four leading scholars in human rights led a workshop to reveal their innovations and to suggest ways to study these issues in order to break down the complexities of these violations.

The bulk of the conference consisted of various workshops. Each scholar conducted a presentation on his or her greatest innovations and shared the ways he or she believes the issue should be studied. Each talk was followed by an open forum in which faculty, students, international human rights lawyers and members of the public discussed, asked questions and probed scholars as they developed their conclusions. The ultimate goal was for the members to leave with a more developed understanding of the methods of quantitative analysis regarding peace and conflict.

Professor of peace studies, political science and sociology Christian Davenport discussed “Repression with Synonyms.” Davenport emphasized the importance of unifying the study of different violations of human rights. He says that literature, as it has evolved, is extremely fragmented and says that combinations of different forms such as censorship, curfew, banning and imprisonment can be categorized to establish observable relationships.

“The way forward from here is to consider diverse forms of repression together as campaigns ... consider diverse actors as being unified in purpose but potentially distinct in action ... and view puzzles within literature as manifestations of fragmentation, not definitive limitations,” Davenport says.

By creating an environment for open debate with the common focus on ending human rights violations, the participants say they were fueled with new ideas for study and were motivated to continue work in this field.
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REAL WORLD PROBLEMS, student solutions

BUSINESS STUDENTS RISE TO ENTREPRENEURIAL CHALLENGE

Alyssa Morones

AFTER the long days of lectures and hours spent slaving over homework, after the business law and finance books have been set aside and the notebooks closed, Notre Dame entrepreneurs embark on more salient experiences, immersing themselves in the world of business. They need not venture far to adopt the role of a real-world professional, on the front lines of the business world. Business competitions held on Notre Dame’s campus allow students to experience a world outside a lecture hall in Mendoza.

As the school year draws to a close, Notre Dame students are putting their knowledge to the test, utilizing their human capital to its greatest capacity in the hopes of proving their entrepreneurial potential through participation in a number of business competitions held on Notre Dame’s campus.

Notre Dame’s Business Plan Competition, held by the Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies, culminates on Friday, April 23, as 12 finalists compete for over $40,000 in prize money.

The competition kicked off in October with the Gigot Center’s Ideas Challenge, which allowed all Notre Dame students and alumni to propose new business plans to the competition’s judges, most of whom are part of Notre Dame’s Irish Angels network, which focuses on mentoring Notre Dame students and supporting new business ventures. Teams either entered the McClosky competition, which has a social focus, or the Social Venture competition, which has an environmental focus. Both competitions offer a grand prize of $15,000.

This year, the competition hosted over 100 teams, which included more than 300 entrants. Seventy-six semi-finalists competed for one of the 12 finalist spots — six McClosky teams and six Social Venture teams. Participants are judged on the viability of their plan as a business, its ability to self-sustain and the potential of its market opportunity.

Over the course of the competition, entrants work closely with business mentors to develop a viable business plan. Notre Dame MBA student and McClosky finalist Nick Shirk says, “There’s real value in thinking through all the variables that go into creating a business plan. I’ve taken a number of finance classes, and I worked for five years, but having to actually think through a business plan makes the financial numbers real.”

Junior Social Ventures finalist Sonia Menon says she is excited to present a business plan that will have both economic and social value. Her business plan, CleanND Water, works to provide purified water to those in need. “Going through this process, I’ve realized how many people are willing to help me achieve my goal. I’ve also learned a lot about real-world business, something I value especially as an upperclassmen. Plus, I’ve gotten to work toward something I really care about,” she says.

The third annual Deloitte Case Competition for sophomores and juniors was also held over three days this month. At 8:00 a.m. on the first day, competitors are given their cases, which are composed of a hypothetical business situation for which students must use a combination of business strategies and technologies to develop and recommend a solution for the hypothetical company. On the final day, the teams present their solutions in front of judges both from Notre Dame and Deloitte.

...“We’re really looking for how students think,” Deloitte representative Meghan Soriano says. “We recognize that Notre Dame undergrads have a lot of talent that doesn’t necessarily come through in an interview or on a resume. This competition gives them another forum in which they can showcase their skills.”
University Resources for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning Students

The Core Council for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Questioning Students

Provides information, education, and resources

Contact: Sr. Sue Dunn, OP, dunn54@nd.edu, 1-5550
or Eddie Velazquez at evelazqu@nd.edu

Visit our web site at corecouncil.nd.edu

Office of Campus Ministry
Annual retreat for gay/lesbian/questioning students and their friends, pertinent library resources in 304 CoMo,
discussion and support.
Contact: Fr. Joe Carey, jc Carey@nd.edu

University Counseling Center
Individual counseling
Contact: Dr. Maureen Lafferty at mlaffert@nd.edu

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the things we do
Notre Dame Bike Fest 2010

Where: South Quad in front of the Rockne Memorial Building
When: Fri. 04/23, Noon - 7 p.m.
What: Come register your bike, get a free tune up, learn safety skills or join a bike club. Free Food.

Film: “One Water” (2007)

Where: Debraulo Performing Arts Center
When: Sat. 04/24, 6:30 p.m.
What: A look at the worldwide water crisis. Director Sanjeev Chatterjee is scheduled to attend. Panel discussion with students from The Global Water Initiative following screening.

“The Shirt” Unveiling Ceremony

Where: Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore
When: Fri. 04/23, 4 p.m.
What: Come see The Shirt 2010. Events include appearances by Brian Kelly, ND Marching Band, Glee Club, Cheerleaders, Pom squad and The Undertones.

“The Bald & The Beautiful”

Where: LaFortune Dooley Room, Sorin Room and Ballroom
When: Wed. 04/21 to Fri. 04/23, 4-10 p.m.
What: Fight against cancer. Fan Fest on Irish Green Sat. 04/24, 10 a.m.

Where: Debraulo Hall
When: Thurs. 04/22, 10 p.m., Fri. 10:30 p.m., Sat. 04/24, 8 and 10:30 p.m.
What: SU-B Movies presents last school year. Starring Robert Downey Jr., and Rachel McAdams
3rd Annual Father Ted's Fun Run/Walk
Where: Jordan Hall of Science
When: Sun. 04/25, 1:30 - 3:15 p.m.
registration and packet pick-up.
3:30 p.m. Start of Run and Walk
What: Five-kilometer or 10-kilometer run and shorter one mile walk fundraising event to support Upward Bound Program. Students $10.

SUB Movie: "Sherlock Holmes"
Where: 101 DeBartolo Hall
When: Thurs. 04/22, 10 p.m., Fri. 04/23, 8 and 10:30 p.m.
What: SUB Movies presents last movie of the school year. Starring Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law and Rachel McAdams

Blue-Gold Spring Football Game
Where: Notre Dame Stadium
When: Sat. 04/24, game starts at 1:35 p.m.
What: Come see the football team's offense compete against the defense.

"2010 BFA/MFA Candidates' Theses Exhibition"
Where: Snite Museum of Art
When: Until Sat. 05/16, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
What: Annual exhibition of culminating works by seniors and third-year graduate students in the Art, Art History and Design Departments.

Treasure of the Week
BANDS ON THE RUN

ND Music Groups Showcase Talent on Global Stage

Jason G'Sell

N otre Dame has a long tradition of sending students abroad. Whether for study, service, research or cultural immersion, Domers have represented Notre Dame in the farthest corners of the nation and the globe. Recently, a renewed focus has been brought to the many music groups on campus touring both nationally and internationally.

Two of the most prominent music groups on campus, the Glee Club and the university bands, have toured extensively, embarking on ambitious tours this spring and in upcoming years.

The University Touring Band, a division of the university bands, has traveled all over the world. Most recently, it compiled a tour of China and Japan in 2008. None of its tours, however, have brought it to a venue as grand as its upcoming tour through Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York, culminating with a concert at Carnegie Hall in New York City on May 11.

The band's traveling began with the Marching Band. "The band traveled with the football team during the Rockne Era to at least one or two games each season," Assistant Director of Bands Larry Dwyer '66 says. The band took its first trip to Los Angeles for the annual Notre Dame vs. USC football game this past fall. "The concert band tours started during the 1940s after World War II," Dwyer says.

Traditionally, the band has international performances every other year, touring Australia in 2004, Europe in 2006 and parts of Asia in 2008. During the odd years, the band partakes in a North American tour, visiting California in 2007 and Toronto in 2009.

"[During] the even years we have normally gone overseas after Commencement," band Director of Bands Dr. Kenneth Dye says. "Because of the economy, I wanted to keep the expenses in the country; I wanted the money to be spent in this country, and I also didn't want the kids to have to pay anything. So, I wanted to have something that could generate enough income to help pay for the trip and actually be of assistance to our students and alumni."

A majority of the funding for the trip comes from ticket and CD sales. "We are actually planning on a slight profit, so we are going to give that to local music programs that we serve in the community," Dye says.

The trip is free for students, who are only required to put down a $50 deposit, which is then returned in the form of a per diem. "Normally when the band goes-
overseas, [students] pay for a portion of the trip, probably something like 40 percent of the trip. I didn’t want the families and the students to have to do that this time,” Dye says.

“They tell you the first day that you don’t have to pay to be a part of the band, and I think that’s one of the coolest things about our band,” senior band president Catherine Carroll says.

Notre Dame alumnus Regis Philbin (‘53) will be guest directing the Victory March at the Carnegie Hall concert. “We kept writing [to Philbin] and eventually we got a letter saying, ‘Get the band ready, I’ll do it!’” Dye says. “He’s so enthusiastic; he’s a great Notre Dame supporter.”

While the Notre Dame band has played at illustrious venues around the world, Carnegie Hall represents the pinnacle of American performance stages. “Our concert band played at the Sydney Opera house in 2004 and then the Mozart in 2006 and Beijing Concert Hall in 2008, but Carnegie Hall is probably the biggest,” Dye says.

“As a performer, [Carnegie Hall] is the pre-eminent concert hall in the U.S.,” senior band member Andrew Thomas says. “The opportunity to play on that stage is something that I couldn’t turn down.”

For many students, the chance to play at Carnegie Hall is one they will never have again. “I am so young. We’re just college kids, and we’re getting to play at this venue that people dream of playing at their entire lives,” sophomore band member Angela Ginocchio says. “We don’t realize it yet, but it’s one of the biggest performances we will ever have — it’s kind of daunting, but really exciting.”

If the Carnegie Hall concert is successful, the band plans on playing at Boston Symphony Hall. In addition, the band is likely to resume international touring as soon as next year. “We’re looking primarily at Brazil right now,” Dye says.

In addition to playing at Carnegie Hall, the band will play at various high schools in the states through which they travel. “In the older days, a lot of [national tours] were organized by the band director knowing some Catholic alums who were band directors or principals at various schools in whatever direction the band was going on that tour,” Dwyer says. “Sometimes that’s still the case.”

While touring, the band plays free concerts for high schools or parishes and frequently stays in homes of alumni or members of the high school communities. “[High schools] are allowed to sell tickets and the community keeps that money. The only thing we ask of them is to be set up in their homes for home stays,” Dye says. “That’s been going on since the ’50s.”

In addition to the university bands, the Notre Dame Glee Club participates in annual national and international tours. Recent trips include a four-week tour of Europe in 2007 and a two-week tour of Latin America in 2009 with the Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra, while national tours include trips to the San Francisco Bay area and Pacific Northwest over spring break 2010 and New Orleans over spring break 2009.

“It’s a mixture of singing, it’s a lot of camaraderie, a lot of sight-seeing and a lot of memories,” junior Glee Club president Garren Bryant says.

Bryant stresses the strong relationship between the Glee Club and alumni who make the tours possible. “Our hosts are usually affiliated somehow with the university,” he says. Often, an alumni club will contact the Glee Club to organize an upcoming tour to their area. “The Glee Club alumni are really loyal. Whenever we have a concert on campus, there are always a lot of Glee Club alumni who come to watch us and support us,” Bryant says.

Plans for future tours include a trip to Europe during the summer of 2011. Concerts in Paris, Munich, Berlin and London are all in the works.

Most of the concerts take place in churches. “Many times, the people that are hosting us open their churches up to us and we can have a large setting for people to come in,” Bryant says. “If we did a lot a concert halls, the fees would be expensive because you have to rent out the space, whereas these people have graciously opened up the doors to their churches.”

The Glee Club domestic tours are free for members, while international tours cost a small fee.

Whether in the United States or overseas, Notre Dame’s many music groups have managed to share their message without the need for words or translation. “Music is recognizable in any language,” Dye says. “The nickname of being the universal language is really true, and we’ve found that at home and abroad.”
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Senior Matt LaFleur, who lives in the Foundry apartments in the Commons, has amenities such as a community club kitchen, big-screen televisions and a private gym with tanning booths, but he says the rent is less than Notre Dame room and board. As a business major, he is also nearer to Mendoza than he was in his former dorm, O’Neill, and the Foundry is conveniently close to the Joyce Center, where he works.

“The amenities [at the Foundry] are ridiculous,” he says. “A lot of people who visit give me trouble. They say it’s not a place where college kids should live just because it’s so nice.”

Undergraduates, however, must adjust to an environment geared toward working professionals, where LaFleur says the average age is 39 and a quiet atmosphere prevails. No more shaking the furniture with speakers or having loud “conversations” that your entire section can hear.

LaFleur misses some aspects of a student community, but he says that overall, he likes the Foundry’s quiet, professional atmosphere. “There’s no beer in the hallway,” he says. “I don’t miss that but I do miss being able to walk into any room I want to and tell jokes, have a great discussion or play video games on the spot.”

Although some students may adjust to this lifestyle, Director of Asset Management and Real Estate Development Gregory Hakanen says the apartments are not aimed at undergraduates; most of the current residents are faculty and staff from Notre Dame and other area colleges, other local professionals and Notre Dame alumni.

“The Foundry is a professional residential community oriented to an adult lifestyle and not student housing,” he says. “The design, amenities, services, management policies and pricing all reflect this.”

LaFleur says that fewer than 10 undergraduates live in the apartments this year and estimates that about 40 undergraduates will live there next year. Students, however, will not be able to transplant a six-person suite into the upscale apartments. LaFleur says that a zoning ordinance South Bend enacted last fall may deter some students from living in the Foundry. The ordinance says in three-bedroom apartments built after 2010, two of the residents must be related.

“It’s a weird time to enact an ordinance like that,” he says. “If you look at it on paper you might think that all it could do is hurt business. As far as people moving into three bedrooms, it might just leave a lot of three-bedroom apartments vacant.”

LaFleur says that overall, the Commons’ college town atmosphere has improved since he moved there last fall. “I have two things to compare it to: what it is now and what it was when I moved in,” he says. “When I moved in, no retail on the street was open so it was desolate. Compared to that, it seems much more like a college town.”

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One resident of a neighborhood near Eddy Street Commons who wishes to remain anonymous, however, says if students want to integrate into the South Bend community, they should adapt to South Bend instead of expecting the city to adapt to their needs. She says that if the Notre Dame administration wishes to increase ties with the community, it should invest in vacant buildings in downtown South Bend rather than constructing new buildings next to campus.

“To me, the whole concept is totally false,” the resident says. “You haven’t invited the youngsters from the university to explore the city of South Bend and what it has to offer. You haven’t engaged the university to become a part of the actual city of South Bend. The university has chosen to build its little utopia right across the street so they don’t have to venture any farther.

“Kids who go to school need to know what the environment they’re entering is like. If you don’t want to be on a closed, monastic-style campus, then don’t go to Notre Dame,” she says. “If [students] want to leave campus, if they want to be a part of the city, then they should. We as a neighborhood should not be forced to turn our city into something it’s not just to accommodate the fact that they wanted something else from campus life.”

Student Body President Catherine Soler says that she hopes the development will help ease such tension between students and community members. She says that South Bend residents will begin to see students as normal people, rather than rowdy, disruptive neighbors. “I think it provides a great opportunity for the community to see Notre Dame students in a normal setting, in a social setting that doesn’t involve alcohol necessarily, that doesn’t involve throwing a party but really just being normal college students.”

Even if the Eddy Street Commons do not immerse students in South Bend, Soler says it is a stepping stone between campus and the larger South Bend area.

“I don’t necessarily think that people going to the Eddy Street Commons is them finding out more about South Bend because it’s so close to campus and there are a lot of unique things students can find valuable in the downtown South Bend, Mishawaka and Granger areas,” she says.
Student government plans to create incentives for students to go into the off-campus community, such as off-campus meal plans, which would feature debit cards to get certain deals off-campus, Soler says. They must determine, however, how far into the community this program would reach.

"It's a struggle in the off-campus discounts where we stop," Soler says. "If we did the Chipotle in Eddy Street Commons, would we also do the Chipotle in Mishawaka? We're looking at other programs at different universities and trying to figure out what would work best."

Gregory Hakanen, director of Asset Management and Real Estate Development at Notre Dame's office of business operations, says that while the Eddy Street Commons helps students get off campus, other community relations programs are more effective in linking students with community residents.

"It may not be realistic to expect a physical place like the Eddy Street Commons to "link Notre Dame students to the South Bend Community," he says. "That function is much better served by programs like the recent CommUniversity Day, the Robinson Center and other outreach programs which connect Notre Dame students and employees with local residents through meaningful shared activities."

**Local Vendors or Chain Gang**

Some members of both the Notre Dame and South Bend communities have expressed skepticism about Eddy Street's claim as a community bridge, especially due to its choice of vendors, which include national chains such as Chipotle and Five Guys Burgers & Fries, a Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, and Outpost Sports, which sells North Face products.

"Everything is Notre Dame themed," junior political science and English major Sy Doan says. "It still has an exclusive feel. It seems like a bit of a forced effort to make community, but it feels artificial, unlike places like Lula's [Cafe] that are really a part of South Bend."

Students expressed similar concerns in *Observer* Viewpoint articles earlier this year, one of which argued that, "Business districts with the most character have evolved slowly, slowing distinctiveness and heterogeneity unknown to the architectural monoculture of the Kinko-copied strip mall or the cookie-cutter gated community."

Doan says that while he enjoys some of the vendors, for many students Eddy Street Commons is merely a pit stop. "Right now, it is not a place to hang out like La Fortune is, just a place where Chipotle is closer than it used to be," he says.

"Maybe if it had more community events like the block party at the beginning of the year [it would be], but it would need to be sure to draw students."

Responsibility for the choice of vendors, however, falls in part on the shoulders of Notre Dame students, as Kite Realty Group, which was responsible for the site, responded to a survey asking what students wanted in the Commons before beginning to develop.

"The focus was on how to get people to the location and how to get them the
products they are looking for," Schmidt says. "It can only be advantageous when a business has what students and the community want in a great location."

Business owners cannot depend only on the Notre Dame population to make a profit, since students leave South Bend for vacations. They say they strive to reach both the student and local populations. "We'd like our base to be the South Bend community, but obviously the students will dictate how much we fluctuate," Hakanen says. "No businesses I know could survive catering to students alone, since they're only here about 60 percent of the time."

The national chains that comprise some of the Eddy Street vendors seem to cater to the students; to better incorporate the community, many say they would like to see more local businesses open. With the cost of rent in Eddy Street Commons, though, small businesses may not be able to afford the location.

"With a new development, rent's pretty costly," Nick Demaegd, general manager of Five Guys Burger and Fries, says. "You would have to be an established business looking to grow or have name recognition."

Kite Realty Group says that in order to create a market for local businesses, the national chains are necessary.

"We find that centers like Eddy Street Commons really thrive when they have the right balance of local operators and national retailers," Project Manager for Eddy Street Commons Ashley Bedell says. "We're thrilled to have local stores like Outpost Sports and The Mark, but we also need the
Chipotle and Five Guys to drive additional shoppers. We want to continue to work with local businesses … but we also want to make sure we bring other national brands to help drive traffic to the project.”

The Mark, a branch of the family-owned Uptown Kitchen restaurant in Granger, will open soon in Eddy Street Commons. Owner Jonathan Lutz says that The Mark will be an upscale diner and full-service restaurant with a welcoming atmosphere.

“It's something that's clearly missing from Eddy Street Commons from a food standpoint,” he says. “So far, there's nothing of a full-service restaurant, the type of place where I'm going to want to go to and study and read for a few hours. I hope it's going to be a community hangout.”

Lutz says that although opening independent restaurants can be difficult, he is confident that The Mark will succeed at Eddy Street Commons.

“Over 90 percent of independently owned restaurants go out of business in the first 12 months,” he says. “If you start off poorly, a national chain can do all sorts of things to sustain a restaurant. I'm very hopeful that we get off to a good start and I'm very confident that we'll do that.”

**Skeptical and hopeful responses**

The new commercial venues have affected the surrounding neighborhoods in several ways, from providing job opportunities to increasing foot traffic in the area. A neighborhood resident says developers did not account for some complaints about the project, such as insufficient parking and buildings that are too tall for the surrounding area, and further construction is slated to continue.

Hakanen says that when economic conditions improve, Kite Realty will complete the first phase of construction, which includes a full-service hotel on Angela Boulevard and other for-sale residences, such as condominiums and townhouses. Phase two of construction will depend on how the market responds to phase one and will occur in the two blocks of Eddy Street south of Napoleon.

Some residents say they are unsure if South Bend can sustain these new developments outside of football season.

“I see so many hotels going up around South Bend, anyway, and I’m wondering whether that is for the football weekends or if they want to be a means of revenue for South Bend in general for the other nine months of the year,” Matthew Kelly (’92), a South Bend resident and Notre Dame alumnus, says.

“I don’t know enough about demographics and whether South Bend can sustain all of these hotels. I don’t think this is a boom town for conferences or people coming in, other than people going to Notre Dame,” Kelly says. “I don’t know if it’s going to do good to the community the other nine months of the year [outside of football season].”

Notre Dame administrators, Kite Realty and town residents who collaborated on the project wanted to create a pedestrian-friendly commercial area that connects campus with the surrounding community. Hakanen says the project’s goals include providing new housing, sustaining and enhancing neighborhood diversity, and preserving the area’s architectural heritage without echoing architecture at Notre Dame.

Luecke says that even aside from the vendors, community-administration relations have already improved as a result of the project. “There was a remarkable planning process which extended over many years,” he says. “During that time, partnerships were established between the Northeast neighborhood and the university and with other institutions and the city. People learned to speak frankly and to trust one another. Though some of the specifics have changed from the initial concept, the broad outline has remained.”

The South Bend resident says that Eddy Street Commons would have been more compatible with and agreeable to the neighborhood if it was built on a smaller scale.

"Had they kept it to scale to begin with, I think it could have been a charming, nice area," she said. “They went too big right off the bat which means they have now kind of changed the face of the neighborhood forever.”

Some local residents are looking for more than a nice shopping area as benefits for the town.

“It would be nice if people in the area were employed, maybe high school students,” Kelly says. “A lot of people have talked about something like a Trader Joe's or a supermarket. I think it would serve people really well, even if it were a local one, like a Martin's or something.”

Others, however, are less optimistic about potential gains and community-focused businesses opening.

“A lot of residents talk about local businesses or discount-oriented places or grocery stores,” the South Bend resident says. “That would be fabulous, but you're never going to see it. A little corner grocery in a city like South Bend would never make it.”

The local resident says that there has not been much improvement for her and others in her neighborhood despite claims that development would revitalize the community and integrate all people in the South Bend area.

“It hasn't really affected my daily life other than the very unpleasant view of the back side of a bunch of ugly buildings,” the South Bend resident says. “I definitely
noticed when they put the neon sign in front of the bank that shines brightly in the middle of the night."

In spite of the claims that the Commons caters solely to Notre Dame students with little impact on the neighborhood, Bedell says that the site can only be beneficial for the neighborhood in which it is situated. "The area where Eddy Street Commons sits was on the brink of deterioration," she says. "The project has helped stabilize the neighborhood and will continue to spur additional development, both commercial and residential." Indeed, Eddy Street commons is predicted to create over 1,132 jobs over 10 years.

"It seems like it's an effective buffer between Notre Dame and the Northeast neighborhood. The Northeast neighborhood could be seen as a blighted area," Kelly says. Hakanen says that he hopes the new residential and commercial areas will reflect positively on both Notre Dame and South Bend as a united community.

"Notre Dame has invested money to turn a negative at its 'front door' into a positive."

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In spite of the claims that the Commons caters solely to Notre Dame students with little impact on the neighborhood, Bedell says that the site can only be beneficial for the neighborhood in which it is situated. "The area where Eddy Street Commons sits was on the brink of deterioration," she says. "The project has helped stabilize the neighborhood and will continue development, both commercial and residential." Indeed, Eddy Street Commons is predicted to create over 1,132 jobs over 10 years.

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The Student Activities Office salutes its 2009-2010 Indiana Collegiate Press Association award winners:

Scholastic Magazine
ICPA 2010 News Magazine of the Year
Jen Wulf, Editor

Staff - Best single issue, first place; best editorial, first place; best overall design, first place.

Marques Camp - Best sports column, first and second place; best essay, second place; best editorial, second place; best sports story, second place.

Libby Koerbel - Best cover design, first place; best single story or package design, third place.

Jen Wulf - Best feature story, first place.

Molly Kring - Best opinion column, first place.

Krishna Surasi - Best entertainment/humor column, first place.

Conor Bindner - Best news photo, first place.

Mary Lennon - Best sports photo, first place.

Adrian Lopez-Medina - Best news photo, second place.

Darin Snyder - Best opinion column, second place.

Maddy Zollo - Best in-depth story, third place.

Veronica Stafford - Best entertainment story, third place.

Courtney Henderson - Best informational graphic, third place.

Jonathan Lee - Best illustration, third place.

Mike Tresnowski - Best news story, third place.

Dome Yearbook
Runner-up, ICPA 2010 Yearbook of the Year
Laura Seago, Editor

Best academics spread - Bridget Mayer, Courtney Ball, Danny McRae, Suzanne DeSantis and Mariana Guerro - first place.

Best organizations spread - Jen Wulf, Maddy Zollo, Mary Lennon, Leah Scanlan and Becca Page - first place.

Best execution of theme - Laura Seago, Lindsay Gilmour and Leah Scanlan, second place.

Best album/portrait section - Lindsay Gilmour, Maddy Zollo and Lauren Bell, second place.

Best student life spread - Becca Page, Wu Yue, Bridget Mayer, Jacqueline Emge, second place.

Best special section - Danielle Straccia, Lindsay Gilmour, Leah Scanlan, Lauren Bell and Maddy Zollo - second place.

Best overall design - Lindsay Gilmour, second place.

Best feature photography - Danny McRae and Mary Lennon, second place.

Best sports photography - Wu Yue and Mary Lennon, third place.

Best news photography - Wu Yue, third place.

Best sports spread - Mike Augsberger, Wu Yue, Danny McRae, Lindsay Gilmour and Tara Hunt - third place.

The Juggler
Literary Magazine of the Year, third place
Jackie Burke, Editor

Molly Conway - Best short story, second place; best short poem, third place.

Audrey Marier and Marcela Monsalve - Best cover design, second place.

Audrey Marier - Best overall design, second place.

John Corgan - Best rhymed poem, third place.

Joseph Kuhn - Best short story, third place.

Marcela Monsalve - Best photo illustration, third place.
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Time Travel

Josh Flynt

April 1929

As the Fighting Irish prepare for the 2010 football season, a look back at the Scholastic issues of yesteryear reveals just how different Notre Dame athletics were during the Roaring Twenties. While this year's football schedule will feature seven home games, two neutral site games and just three away games, the 1929 Irish hit the road for all nine contests. The season featured matchups with Carnegie Tech and Drake as well as familiar Notre Dame opponents, USC and Navy. The Irish closed the season against Army in New York. Respectful rivals, the teams met at Yankee Stadium 21 times between 1925 and 1946. The Black Knights return to the schedule this year when the teams match up at the new stadium on Nov. 20 in the Bronx.

Football was not the only sport that was different during the '20s. The spring interhall athletics schedule featured swimming and baseball, with major and minor league teams for each dorm. As published in the April 19, 1929 issue of Scholastic, “The Howard Hall nattators decisively defeated the Walsh Hall aquatours, 31 to 18, in a dual swimming meet in the university natorium, last Tuesday evening.” Later that week, the Carroll Hall swimmers defeated the men of “Sophomore Hall.” Events included the 40-yard freestyle, 40-yard breaststroke, 100-yard freestyle relay and others that are unheard of today, such as the underwater swim and the plunge. Howard's success in the pool did not carry over to the baseball diamond, as Badin dominated both the major and minor league squads by scores of 21-1 and 30-2, respectively. 

The List

Winningest First-Year Notre Dame Football Coaches

1. Willingham (2002) - 10
2. Brennan (1954) - 9
3. Parseghian (1964) - 9
5. Devine (1975), Leahy (1941), McKeever (1944), Place (1908) - 8
With the arrival of coach Brian Kelly, a new chapter has begun in the history of the Notre Dame football program. Fans may miss the exciting playmaking abilities of Jimmy Clausen and Golden Tate, but the Fighting Irish are poised to begin the Kelly era and the 2010 season with a different attitude and a new approach.

With the football program's recent struggles, many fans and students are starting to fear that a return to BCS prominence and a 12th national championship are slipping out of reach. Earlier this month, Kelly made headlines when he expressed his displeasure with his team's performance in early spring practices, citing a lack of motivation and focus. In what many consider the toughest job in college sports, Kelly and his coaching staff have taken several steps to ensure that the players are on the same page as the team and staff prepare for the 2010 season.

Not only will the Irish have new offensive and defensive schemes this fall, but they are also approaching life off the field differently. Kelly and his staff are committed to eliminating behavior that might negatively affect performance on the field and to rebuilding the image of the team as representatives of the university.

One of the most significant changes to this year's Bookstore Basketball tournament was the absence of football players. From Joe Montana and Tim Brown to Justin Tuck and Brady Quinn, the tournament has been a long-standing tradition, even for future NFL stars. Because many football players were standouts on the hardwood in high school, the rule change significantly alters the makeup of the tournament. Last year's champion team, "Hallelujah Hollaback," featured a trio of football players: quarterback Dayne Crist, halfback Jonas Gray and tight end Joe Fauria, who transferred to UCLA last June.

The new rules were a shock to some, especially since the team was also restricted from playing pick-up basketball. "I think people were disappointed at first because that's the way a lot of guys condition during the offseason," one player explains.

He also added, however, that the coaching staff gave reasons for the new rules. "It wasn't like they just told us, 'No basketball,'" he says. "They don't want it taking away from us developing in the weight room and as football players. We can't be committing to something else, like basketball, because that's not what we came here to do." Taking into consideration the weather, the competition and many other variable elements of pick-up basketball, especially in the Bookstore tournament, he and many of the other
players say they understand the reasons for this change.

Another big change introduced by Coach Kelly and his staff is the bar ban. The arrival of a new regime marked the end of Thursdays at Club Fever and weekends out at South Bend's other fine establishments. "It was kind of surprising to everybody to so abruptly end that sort of social aspect. It will warrant a lot of changes because that's how a lot of guys socialize," one player says.

"Coach Paul Longo, the strength coach, said he doesn't want us to be a team that goes out on Thursdays, because everything we do during the week would be ruined by one or two nights on the town. He said if we continue to go out, coach will be there checking IDs," another player says.

But the ban on bars and clubs is not the end of the restrictions on social activities. When the players returned from Easter break, they learned of a new change: No alcohol.

"We've been asked to do things we haven't been asked before, and guys would have responded negatively if they had just laid down the law, but like the basketball rule, they explained their decision," he says.

In addition to the physical toll that a night on the town can have on a player's performance, the rules regarding socializing served a greater purpose. Recent incidents involving current and former Notre Dame football players have made headlines. These new rules are not only intended to eliminate habits that could negatively affect performance on the football field, but they also serve as a means of improving discipline and character. "There's the risk of putting yourself in bad situations. There's a higher probability that bad situations will arise when you are out," a player says. Kelly and his staff hope to develop players who not only excel on Saturdays, but who are also a positive representation of their team, their families and the university.

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-ND FOOTBALL PLAYER

While the changes will lead to a new lifestyle and a break from old habits, players say they are starting to understand the message their coaches are stressing. "I think one of the biggest things they explained to us is that we don't understand how small our window of opportunity is in our lifetime to compete, and compete at a high level," one player says. "When you're sitting back when you're 30 or 40 you can enjoy that kind of stuff, but you don't want to have any regrets and say 'I could've been a little better, faster or stronger, or made a better decision here.'"

One of the central focuses in the new approach to player health and fitness is the diet of the team. As any college student knows, the dining hall does offer some healthy options, but the temptation to chow down on gratuitous amounts of fried food and ice cream is sometimes too strong to resist. It turns out that football players are just as vulnerable to these cravings as other students. "In past years, we weren't the healthiest team in terms of diet," one player says. This is a problem that Kelly and his staff have decided to tackle head on by revamping dieting and the strength and conditioning program.

During the week, all scholarship players now eat dinner at the Guglielmino Athletics Complex, where the coaching staff can better monitor players' eating habits. The players are treated to what is known as a "training table," a feature that has become commonplace at other elite football programs throughout the country, but which Notre Dame has lacked until this spring. The training table is essentially a spread of fresh dining hall food without the unhealthy options. "It's a positive thing. We get to eat healthy and it's also convenient for us," the player says. "We eat right after

A HEALTHY SPREAD Players are now required to eat a carefully tailored dinner, such as the spread below, at the Guglielmino Athletics Complex instead of enjoying their favorite dining hall fare.

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workouts, and we know it's going to make us a better team.”

But the introduction of new eating habits might all be for nothing without the proper training. When Kelly arrived at Notre Dame, he called upon Longo, with whom he worked at both Central Michigan and Cincinnati, to direct the team’s strength and conditioning program. The introduction of a new weight-lifting and conditioning routine is one of the many changes that has altered the culture of Notre Dame football, one player says. “I think strength and conditioning sets the tone for the rest of the program. It’s essential to have a solid foundation in the weight room. It’s a place where you can be focused, establish a work ethic and build team camaraderie.”

The next potential Rudy will have to wait a while longer to showcase his grit, as Kelly and his staff decided not to hold walk-on tryouts this spring. Instead, any “5-foot-nothing, 100-nothing” hopefuls will get a chance to impress the coaches next fall. “The entire coaching staff came in late, so they wanted to evaluate the players they have now before they bring in an extra 20 guys,” one player says. Current walk-on players face a potentially uncertain future. “We’ve been treated so far like we’re on the team, and we are on the team. But we know that, as there may be with any transition and staff change, there is a direct impact on us,” he says.

However, with all of the potentially difficult changes have also come universally welcome ones. After a grueling practice or workout, sometimes the road to recovery starts with relaxing in the players’ lounge, which Kelly revamped upon his arrival.

Among the additions to the lounge are a pool table, ping-pong table, dartboard and two video game systems. These changes have been very well received among the players. “It’s a lot more fun to be there now,” one player says. “It has been good for camaraderie. We’re hanging out a lot more as a team now.”

The improved lounge has also created more of a “college atmosphere,” he says, whereas it had more of a professional feel during Weis’ tenure. These changes have also helped Kelly gain the support of some of his players. “In a way, guys are still little kids. If you guide them to some fun, they’re going to think you’re awesome.”

In their aim to return the Irish to glory, the coaching staff is reshaping the attitude of Notre Dame football. “It’s a complete 180 with everything,” one player says. “The culture is way different. The attitude surrounding the program and coming out of the players is that everyone kind of has a fresh outlook.”

“The plan is really consistent from the top all the way down – one voice and one message. Everything we do is geared towards winning, down to the last minute detail. There’s a reason for everything, even a random Tuesday workout,” he says.

Changes have been plentiful since Kelly and his staff arrived at Notre Dame. And most, if not all, of them appear to have the program headed in a better direction. But it’s not until the Irish storm out of the tunnel and take the field on opening day that anyone will know the true impact of these changes. Irish Nation will just have to wait and see.
Listening In...

- Devout Catholic: I like the taste of Hosts.
- Shameless Student: I need to find some shame. Do they sell that anywhere?
- Confused Boy: He's, like, biting girls as they walk down the quad.

Back In the Day...

Think partites are bad? Next time you're groaning about moving the party to the basement, consider the Notre Dame students in the 1940s. Once it reached the ungodly hour of 11 P.M., all of the electricity around campus was turned off for bedtime. The Irish men had an 11 P.M. curfew every night of the week, including Friday and Saturday. Monitors stalked the halls, making sure no student troublemakers were using a flashlight under the covers to finish up last-minute studying. Missed curfew? Those delinquents were locked out of the dorm and had to ring a bell to be let in — and written up for a demerit. Any desire to sleep in? Not an option. Three days out of the week, the men were required to attend morning Mass at 7 A.M. No way to cheat the system here: They had to sign their names in a book at the front of the chapel to confirm attendance.

As for going out Friday night, two words: Saturday class. The university's schedule forced students to take classes for half the day on Saturdays, which basically squashed any hope of enjoying Friday nights. The rigid policies of the late '40s were largely remnants of when the U.S. Navy was stationed full-time at ND during World War II. Only war veterans were allowed to venture outside the bubble Monday through Friday. And as for hanging out with the SMC chicks? Forget about it — their rules were even stricter.

The next time you're procrastinating till the wee hours or partying hard in a dorm room or running off campus for an errand, remember how good being away from home didn't necessarily mean that Mom's rules didn't apply. Sure, partites are annoying, but at least we don't have to worry about getting caught out past bedtime.

-Lauren Kriski & Madeline Stone

notes

As the temperature drops, you may think this doesn't have to do with you. Don't be fooled! As the end of winter nears, the pressure to make a new, lasting relationship over the summer until you return to campus. Or perhaps you're so concerned with all of your exams and papers that you don't have time for a new friend. This month's HUMOR is about crush, romantic, and even just <i>friend</i> problems. With the <i>spring</i> (and April Fools') fooling around, it's easy to see that a month can change your priorities. From the pristine white of a wedding dress to the earthy brown of an Engagement ring, the possibilities are endless.

In the Galahad, it's time to get serious, my Giplings. We've seen a lot of fun this month; however, the next few columns will be a little more serious! We've covered a lot of ground this month, but there are still more stories to be told. The next couple months will be a little more intense, but we promise to keep it light and fun.

As for your last-minute group projects, you may want to stay away from some of the more popular spots this year. The <i>Spring</i> (and April Fools') fooling around is in full swing, and the possibilities are endless.

-The Editors

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It is with great relief and joy that I, your noble Gipper, finally bid a not-so-tearful adieu to the final days of winter. That's right, little ones; summer break is sneaking up on us, and it seems to be having a most peculiar effect on all of you!

Perhaps it's that pesky finals cloud looming over your heads. Or maybe it's the sneaking suspicion that South Bend will offer up one last devastating snowstorm sometime before the end of April. Mayhap the fumes from that most unusual factory at the top of North Quad are getting to you. Or, more likely than not, my flock of heedless little hellions is just destined to make one damning decision after the other. Whatever the case may be, ol' Gipp is downright delighted to pass on his love to our new friend that while he was the blessed benefactor of this backyard bash - what luck! The sneaky pair slipped off into the darkest depths of the host's closest colleagues, our newest female specimens.

As the temperature steadily rises, the most daring Domers take their parties outside for a raucous day of debauchery and backyard booty dancing. After one charming little garden gathering of the host's closest colleagues, our newest leading lady set her sights on a tasty little treat - and we're not talking about the dessert table. But alas, I digress ...

Our heroine (or villain, as the case may be), filled with the confidence that only a Solo cup and a day of intense sun exposure can provide, approached a luscious corner for nothing in her path. Later that evening, her startled suitemates returned to find her passed out on the common room floor ... stark naked. Poor little lady must have been totally tuckered out from that unintentional bun run. At least the weather was warm!

Our next rom-com takes place in a dorm room, where a fresh new Notre Dame couple met up before planning to take in one of South Bend's finest shows downtown. Before either of them could say "duLac," however, the evening took a swift and steamy turn down Romance Lane. In the privacy and classy comfort of the gentleman's cinder-block citadel, the two lovebirds fell to the futon in a fit of passion. But apparently the young lad had more passion in mind than his damsel, for she insisted that he cool his ardor at once.

Prince Charming, as we might call him, quickly saw the error of his hormonal ways and swept her lady off the futon at once to embark on a noble quest across campus ... to the Grotto, no less. Upon reaching this unlikely date-night destination, Prince Charming directed his damsel to kneel with him in prayer, as they both sought forgiveness and guidance from the gods of ResLife. The little lady was touched by his thoughtfulness, but a little disappointed ... she really just wanted to see the show. Then again, wasn't that entertainment enough for one evening?

So here we are, my Giplings. We've seen two far ends of the romance spectrum, and let's face it: Neither was pretty. But far be it from old Gipp to discourage all my little lovelies from learning what the facts of life are really all about. After all, this is an educational institution. Plus, how could I get my spring cleaning done without having all your dirty laundry to air out? You certainly keep me on my toes, you raunchy little rabble-rousers!

So keep up the bad work all summer long, and don't forget to let the Gipster know what you've been up to. I take tips even in the off-season!

Your love is my drug,
The Gipper

**Tip the Gipper**

at gipper@nd.edu
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I outlined my plan on the seven double-sided pages entitled “Notes” provided at the back of the duLac student handbook. Here’s how some of the rules of duLac will apply to the rest of the country:

"The University has instituted a policy of limited parietal visitation to foster the personal and social development of residence hall students and at the same time respond to the safety, security, and privacy needs of students sharing common living space."


Applying parietals to the whole country may seem like a ridiculous proposal at first, but I assure you, the benefits to society would be immeasurable. Married couples would be exempt from the policy, of course. But what good could come out of two unmarried people of the opposite sex being in the same room anytime between 2 a.m. and 9 a.m.? Those are prime hanky-panky hours. I don’t care if you’re in a corporate office, a hospital or even a senior citizens’ home.

"Any structure which has by its appearance the function of serving alcohol is prohibited."


This rule for residence halls would almost certainly eliminate public intoxication and alcoholism in our society if applied to the whole country. Think about it. If no buildings can have bars, desks, tables (especially dangerous in combination with a small bouncing ball), refrigerators or elevated flat surfaces of any kind, how would people ever set their drinks down? They would either have to hold them for endless spans of time or put them on the ground, at the mercy of some drunken idiot’s foot. Binge drinking would cease to be a problem in high schools and colleges, and American students would finally catch up to the over-achievers in China.

"The use of illegal drugs or any parcel (alcohol, drugs, tobacco, etc.) and the scaling of external walls is prohibited."


I don’t know about you, but nothing gets me more riled up than people sunbathing on a ledge, accidentally burning themselves on a barbecue, or having a Vitamin-D induced stupor. Dealing with such recently dead burn victims would certainly be an awkward situation for medical personnel.

Building scaling is also an extremely serious problem in our society. Despite the fact that strangely shaped and relatively inflexible buildings such as Student Center in the outside world, too many Spiderman wannabes have been scaling walls, left and right. This poses a serious threat to national security, as well as to the mental health of the already-questionably sane people who wash the windows of skyscrapers.

I hope I’ve thoroughly convinced you to join my cause. But until we succeed, constant vigilance—never let your guard down around those elevated flat surfaces and ledge sunbathers.
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It's that time of the year again. No, I'm not talking about the time when people start telling me they heard that our quarterback is looking good in spring practice. I'm talking about the time when everyone starts telling me about their offers. The process began a few months ago. The kid next to you in class is wearing a suit, begging for somebody to ask him why he is dressed up. You take the bait.

"Hey, Carl," you say. "What's with the suit, bro?"

"I have an interview for an internship after class, and I really do have time to change, but I wanted to show off instead," he replies.

And the wheels are set in motion. The next step occurs a couple months later, in April. You find yourself face-to-face with someone you don't care for but have to talk to, asking what he or she is going to do in the upcoming summer. It is a good way to act like you care, while bragging at the same time. The conversation will probably go something like this:

John: "Hey Katherine! What are you going to do this summer?"

Katherine: "Well, I got like a thousand offers from a whole bunch of big firms, but I'll probably work for KPMG."

John: "That's awesome! But I one-upped you because I'm going to be working for General Electric."

Katherine: "GE?????? OMG!!!!"

You see, GE is the crown jewel of firms, especially among engineers. If you do not land one of GE's coveted internships during one of your college summers, you will end up living in a box after graduation.

The same is true of accountants needing an offer from one of the Big Four or of any other business major having to land a spot in a firm's leadership camp.

It doesn't matter that most of the people who work for GE will be getting a supervisor's coffee or entering numbers into Excel spreadsheets for three months. What matters is that these people now have chances to tell you about their searches for summer housing or opportunities to let you know about how much experience they will have when it comes to apply for jobs their senior year.

But if you don't get the offer from the firm, never fear; research is here! Another great way to get experience is to stay on campus and do research during the summer. But if you're going to do that, you have to be ready to post on your friends' Facebook walls about how there are no authorities in the dorms during the summer, allowing you to be at college on the reg, all while in the shadow of the Golden Dome.

Finally, if you don't have an offer from a firm and aren't doing research, you damn well better be taking the MCAT. Otherwise, you might as well enroll at BC, because your education isn't paying off.
What quality do you most admire in people?
Wit, style and elegance. I think I would have to add, to be honest, that not much of any of them can be found in America. Americans admire honesty, integrity, sincerity. I have very little time for any of them. That's why one of my great heroes about whom I wrote a play is Oscar Wilde. Oscar would have certainly preferred style over fact any day, whereas I'm afraid the Puritan inheritance in America downgrades things like style, form and elegance. I'm incorrigibly European. I've been through the recovery program but it doesn't work.

If you could live in someone else's shoes for a day, whose would you choose? Dick Cheney, in order to be able to commit suicide.

What is the most pressing issue for our current generation?
Trying to stop saying "like" every three seconds. All undergraduates should spend the year learning how to produce clear, precise and coherent sentences. They should sit around in therapy groups and try to say a sentence without it. I think it has a good motive behind it. It's people not wanting to sound dogmatic, not wanting to sound too sure, so that "like" means "I'm not terribly sure." It's a kind of modesty, but it's also profoundly irritating.

What is your biggest worry?
What isn't my biggest worry is dying. I've thought a lot about dying and I've written a lot about dying but I don't think I'm very afraid of it. Whereas in this country, death is something obscene and hygienic that's swept under the rug. One doesn't even talk about death; one talks about passing onwards or something ridiculous.

[One of] my greatest worries is that the U.S. will stop producing its delicious bacon because one of the most important reasons I come to America is to eat bacon. It is one of America's great contributions to humanity, far more important than the American constitution.

What is your favorite quotation?
My favorite quotation is from a friend of mine who was a Dominican theologian called Herbert McCabe, which is his summary of the meaning of the New Testament: "If you don't love you're dead and if you do they'll kill you."

If you were stranded on an island, what book would you like to have?
Practical Hints on Boat Building. If I couldn't have that I would take Proust's great novel *A la recherche du temps perdu* because I can dip in at any point and just read it and I do so quite frequently.

What is something that you wanted to write about that you haven't had the chance to do?
I would like to write a definitive work on Scotch whiskey that could contain every single fact ever known about Scotch whiskey. I would be remembered in history not as the author of literary theory but as the author of the most splendid work on Scotch whiskey. However, even more than that, I would sacrifice all the books I've written to be able to have said I wrote the musical "Oliver!" by Lionel Bart. The nearest I have come to it is calling my son Oliver, which is not very close at all.
BUBBLE TEA

Menu

Fruit Jam with Tapioca Pearls
Flavors: Strawberry, Peach, Mango, Kiwi, Honeydew

Boba Powder with Tapioca Pearls
Flavors: Green Tea, Taro, Milk Tea, Chocolate, Coconut

LaFun Ice Cream is located in the Huddle