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BC announces decision to become less green

The administration, previously indifferent towards environmental issues, has now taken an active stance to counter the Green Movement.

According to project director Nigel Tufnel the administration decided to start the plan when it realized that the color green is associated with the sin of envy, the downfall of innocence in the Garden of Eden, and Notre Dame.

"At first we tried to slowly incorporate the Less Green Initiative into the school with the release of the Ten Year Plan. We failed to make an explicit statement about future Environmental Sustainability for the new parts of campus, but that was not enough," Tufnel said. "McElroy started its new recycling program and now we need to take more drastic measures."

Last week the administration updated the environmental website for the first time in two years, only to post its new plan: to make the school less green.

"We are making leaps and bounds into the future of unsustainability," Tufnel said.

The administration plans to fulfill its Greenless Project with a one-two punch of declining to create a sustainable environment and literally abolishing the color green on campus. The rooftops of the academic buildings will be painted black next Monday to symbolically mark the beginning of the plan. As BC continues to refrain from reducing its environmental impact, everything that is green on campus will gradually fade to grey.

The fading process is expected to take about a semester. In effect the Irish Society will have to find a new

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WATER RAPIDLY RISES AS STUDENTS WAIT FOR COMEDY SHOW

Will Ferrell's "Funny or Die" show no joke

Thirty-three students were hospitalized for hypothermia and five drowned while waiting outside for the comedy show February 13. Pouring rain and bitter cold temperatures plagued the line of students that stretched all the way from Conte Forum to the Massachusetts-New Hampshire border.

Students tried to stay dry by sporting colorful rainboots and umbrellas. Most stayed warm by consuming obscene amounts of alcohol.

"I couldn't tell if I was on line for Conte or Chipotle," Joe March said.

"In line," his friend Anne Shirley corrected.

UGBC made sure all of its club members were inside the venue as soon as possible, leaving the majority of the school population in the freezing rain. Although they promised to help everyone, they eventually did nothing.

For the many students who braved the deadly queue, the danger did not stop at the doors of Conte. The latest reports indicate that upwards of 20 students have succumbed to illness from alcohol-poisoning, concession stand hotdogs, and malaria. As for the survivors, many found themselves personally offended by some of the more risqué humor.

"Those jokes were totally gay and really politically incorrect," said Dan Humphrey.

To cover the steep expenses of hosting the tour UGBC spent the majority of this year's budget, leaving approximately \$133.47 for the upcoming spring concert. This meager remaining sum will now be put towards the medical and insurance bills of the injured and deceased parties, leaving UGBC in considerable debt. Due to these recent financial limitations, captivating hypnotist Frank Santos has been booked as the fall and spring concert act, as well as Commencement speaker, for the next six years. ■



EVIDENCE THAT KINKLE ACTUALLY DID LEAVE HIS ROOM ON SATURDAY NIGHT

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color for its t-shirts. Any train that students take inbound should be referred to as the “Maroon Line” to show school spirit. Also during this time, the McElroy dining hall manager warns students to be careful when eating the bananas, even if they look ripe.

BC is the first school to attempt such a program. While Harvard has an environmental sustainability committee of about 30 members, the proposal to create a position for one environmental officer on campus has been sitting under Tufnel’s old Styrofoam coffee cup for over a year.

“There is a misconception that people at Harvard are intelligent. If that is true, then why did they fall for the global warming conspiracy?” Tufnel said.

While many college rankings place Harvard at the top of their lists, the BC administration was consoled by the fact that Harvard would never win the Beanpot, as long as there is enough ice to play on.

Not everyone supports BC’s Green-To-Go initiative. In addition to various outraged environmental organizations, the Pope has also spoken out. Pope Benedict XVI, who plans to make Vatican City the world’s first carbon neutral state, has recently become concerned with BC’s plan and their literal interpretation of St. Ignatius Loyola’s famous phrase: “Go and set the world aflame.” ■

Junior spends birthday just as wasted as always

After 21 years of anticipating the day when he could legally buy Rubinoff, carry a 30-rack outside of a backpack, and bar-hop in Boston, junior Harvey Kinkle spent his 21st birthday almost as shit-faced as last weekend and even less drunk than St. Patrick’s Day 2007.

“I planned on going to the liquor store when it opened at 10 a.m. to legally buy my first Heineken, but I passed out the night before and didn’t wake up until 4,” Kinkle said. “By the time I was feeling good enough to drink again, I was already 16 hours into my birthday.”

The late start did not completely hinder Kinkle’s birthday night. Although he did not have time to go to the store to buy beer, he still had the handle he bought with his fake last weekend.

When best friend Shawn Hunter was interviewed that night about the event, he only had this to say: “He’s happy, he’s jolly, he’s [expletive] up by golly, so drink mother[expletive], drink.”

Kinkle, like many juniors, planned to venture to the local bar, Mary Ann’s, on his birthday. However, after his seventh shot and an impressive round of Guitar Hero, Kinkle was not in any condition to leave his Edmonds dorm.

“I must say, the 21st birthday is one to remember,” Kinkle said. “Mine was epic. We played some flip cup, took shots with people I don’t even know, and the RA only knocked once.”

“Oh wait,” Kinkle said after a short pause. “That was Friday night.” ■

Survivor Season 47 to film at BC

The BC Office of Residential Life has paired up with CBS to host the most dramatic Survivor yet. While the standard goals to outwit and outplay remain, participants are now fighting to not outlast their opponents in the Housing Lottery.

The season began with two tribes from Gonzaga third floor. Since the tribe to the right of the bathroom had more team unity, it was left-sider Eliza Thornberry who was secretly excluded from the first mission; to obtain a seven-man suite.

“Luckily Eliza never found out about our covert seven-man strategy,” best friend Isabel Coates said after the girls received first rejection e-mail.

In the next challenge, the girls put their Eagle ID numbers together in an attempt to acquire an eight-man. They were faced with the critical decision of whether to block with the Fitzpatrick girls or the boys downstairs. After a tearful hour of deliberation in McElroy, and considering that tribe-member Lucy Flick planned to dump her first floor boyfriend, the girls chose to abide by the age old rule “hoes before bros.” The following afternoon the group received another disappointing e-mail. Curiously enough, Doug Flutie’s nephew and the entire hockey team were the first two numbers picked in the random lottery. Lucy received news via text message that the boys would be “living in Walsh, baby!”

Flick’s mother, who has a loose connection to Reslife through her uncle’s business-partner’s step-daughter, put a call through to housing for the next round.

Despite the call, the girls were not granted four-man suites and moved on to the elimination round. At that point the tribe had a choice to either vote off two girls and race for a six-man, or to search for a nine-man addition on Roommate Finder. Since right-sider Diana Hoffman had immunity, she chose to vote off two left-siders.

“Sometimes in life you have to tell someone ‘I like you as a friend, but not enough to live with you,’” Hoffman said in a shameless soliloquy to the camera.

Next week the girls will move on to the final College Road round for the much anticipated season finale. Rumors are already circulating that the chances of getting moved to Lower are slim, that the triples have personal bathrooms, and that the last 15 numbers chosen will be forced to live in Fitzshagadieros.

In response to these rumors, Coates said, “Whatever. If we don’t get 66, I’m living off-campus.” ■

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

First off let me start by saying great work. I am an avid reader of the Classic, and since its inception it has impressed me with its commitment to journalistic integrity and to providing the reader with the whole truth. That's why I was shocked when, reading the article about the leggings ban (Volume 1, Issue 2) I came across a historical error. You stated that their origins of the leggings trend were unknown. That is a flat out LIE. Everyone knows leggings enjoy a storied history tracing all the way back to the epic battlefields of Never-Never Land. Although worn by all the Lost Boys, leggings were originally brought into the public consciousness by legendary fashionista Peter Pan. Centuries have passed since Pan defeated the diabolical Captain Hook, but his cultural influence lives on in every classroom and hallway at BC. Thousands of girls (and a handful of male dancers) owe their very style to the bravery of Peter Pan, and I feel strongly that his contributions should be recognized. I think I speak for every guy (not wearing leggings) who spends his days surrounded by young women in tights when I say, "Thank you, Peter Pan." And to the staff of the Classic, keep on fighting the good fight. Remember Tight is Right.

Sincerely,
Doug Rufio, Austin TX

CLASSIFIEDS

Forgive me for exploiting the newspaper, but my boyfriend is looking for a place to live one week out of every month for only four months.	Couple of one month looking for condoms. Latex, no flavors. Please call (617)414-2599 before Friday night.	Nine-hundred students seeking to get off the list-serv. If anyone has any information, please do not click "reply all."
BC dining services looking to hire experienced culinary chef to salt french fries, potatoes, salmon, cooked vegetables, cookies, and peanutbutter spinners. Must have high tolerance for sodium.	Freshman looking for 21-year-old friend. Must be available most Friday afternoons. Will travel to meet friend, trip to Upper is not necessary. Please e-mail Mckeeon@bc.edu.	Freshmen, get your Junior year off-campus housing figured out now! Admitted Eagles and prospective students, it is never too soon to start looking! Contact Bob at (617)751-4699.

Horoscopes

PISCES

You will remember your birthday fondly, if at all.

ARIES

In Bapst Library, the questionable noise produced by your chair will not repeat itself no matter how frantically you shift positions.

TAURUS

Cursing during class participation makes you seem dangerous and cool. Keep it up!

GEMINI

Things will get awkward in class when the random kid next to you drops his pen between your legs.

CANCER

The grand opening of Campus Tan will turn you and half of your floor bright orange.

LEO

In a misguided attempt to impress your Theology professor, you will change your ring tone to Joan Osbourne's "What if God Was One of Us" and tell a friend to call you in class.

VIRGO

You never should have faked a British accent the first week of classes. This is going to be a long semester.

LIBRA

In a shameless attempt to increase your Facebook tags, you will buy an iguana at an exotic pet store and carry it around on your shoulder Friday night.

SCORPIO

Your date will be disappointed when she finds out you are treating her to a fine lunch at Eagles Nest.

SAGITTARIUS

This Friday at 1:17 p.m. the girl sitting next to you in Freshman Writing Seminar will officially have dropped the word "juxtapose" 19 times.

CAPRICORN

Tomorrow on campus, a premature door-hold will force you to break into an annoying jog.

AQUARIUS

Sing like no one's listening, dance like the song will never end, eat your chicken parm sub like there's no one else in Lower.

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Tamarind Café remains open somehow

Still no plans have been announced to close BC's Tamarind Café. This startling lack-of-announcement has sent shockwaves through the BC community.

"I don't get it. I mean, I've never really seen anyone eat there," said junior Tess Manley.

Since 2003, the Tamarind Café has served as a curio and minor annoyance to students, at least for those aware of the restaurant's existence. While most students agree that Tamarind, inconveniently situated on the top floor of Lower Dining Hall, is easy enough to ignore, many have longed to see a more recognizable or altogether likeable chain replace the Asian-themed eatery.

Economics professor Lawrence Dunby recently announced that he will commence an investigation into the profitability of the Tamarind Café.

"It is my suspicion that the restaurant costs BC hundreds, if not a thousand dollars annually and that the administration, like the rest of the school community, has completely overlooked it," said Dunby.

Dining officials agreed that they "couldn't remember for the life of them" who they had put in charge of managing Tamarind.

"That place is still operating?" said Dining Services Manager Terry Brock who



ONE OF THE BUSIER DAYS AT TAMARIND CAFE

works four days a week within eyeshot of the Café.

Though the fate of Tamarind remains uncertain, the staff is steady in their resolve. The three employees made a bold statement by deciding not to alter the classic Tamarind menu despite the fact that it rarely has any correspondence to the food being served.

"We don't know who got that menu on the wall, but none of us can get it down," said freshman employee Bryan Janse.

While Tamarind Café's prolonged presence remains a mystery to most, senior Gerald Higgins might have put it best when he said, "We have a sushi restaurant? On campus? Awesome. Where'd you say it was?" ■

Athlete mistaken for regular student

Last Monday a complaint was filed to the Office of Student Services by eighth string middle-linebacker Jason Kozak against his Microeconomics professor, John Mahoney. The complaint stated that Mahoney purposely gave Kozak a failing grade on his midterm even after Kozak made it aware that he was indeed on the football team.

The Office of Student Services refused to comment on the situation, however Mahoney said that Kozak was not wearing his #115 football sweatpants and therefore does not deserve an A.

"When I started here the first two things they told me were to only give A's to those athletes wearing the official sweatpants, and that the fencing team did not qualify for A's, even with the pants," Mahoney said. "I can't go around giving A's to anyone claiming they are on the football team. I have to see the pants."

It is common knowledge that before midterms and finals student athletes begin to wear their pants more often to give a wink to their professors. Kozak claims that the time change of the exam threw him off and thus he ended showing up for the exam in jeans, unacceptable for any student athlete.

Student Services is holding a press conference Wednesday to address the issue. ■

Resident Director uses position to prepare for dictatorship

In an attempt to gain experience before moving to Cuba, Walsh Resident Director Rickie Martinez is using his employment to build his resume for becoming a tyrant.

"It's hard to find work that allows you to take full unbridled control," Martinez said. "Luckily, I was fortunate enough to find a place where I can build an army of RAs and keep the police on my speed dial. Plus, I can get a chicken parm sub until 2 a.m. on the weekends."

Martinez is completing his forty-ninth year as Resident Director. Although he has a small, ardent group of followers, he says weekly outbreaks from student residents have caused him to employ his authoritative power.

"After overthrowing the last Resident Director, I have to show these students who

has the power in this dorm," Martinez said. "We cannot have students drinking and dancing every weekend until 4 a.m. And God forbid co-habitation."

The aforementioned incident occurred when 12 students were caught dancing to 90s music early Saturday morning. Martinez stormed in flanked by two Boston College police officers who pillaged the room for drugs, alcohol, BC tables, and condoms. They found nothing, but that doesn't mean it wasn't there.

According to Steve Holt, one of the sophomores currently on probation for the incident, Martinez shouted for all of the students to "get on the damn floor" and not move. He then proceeded to search them for their BC IDs and weapons.

"Don't taze me, bro," Holt said.

Incidents such as this have occurred in the Walsh residence hall all year. In response to Martinez's strict attempt to keep the hallways clear of anything that could be a fire hazard, students fought back by openly recycling their beer cans in the hall, causing trash bin overflow. After receiving twenty-one e-mails in two hours, students returned the bins to their rooms.

Martinez said he is happy with the progress he has made. After the recent events in Cuba, he plans to move there immediately after this semester to pursue higher ambitions and is desperately searching for a successor. Due to the difficulty of seducing a college graduate back to a dorm room, even if it is a suite, Martinez is not married. Since he does not have a son, he feels his brother is the ideal replacement. ■