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Crane has to go

As students returned to campus for the fall semester the Crane turned out to be a bigger eyesore than originally thought. The necessity of the Crane has been cited for 'structural reasons,' but many are questioning just how essential its presence really is.

"When I first saw the Crane again it was a promising image for the future of BC," Sophomore Matt Herlick said. "But then when I look at our school stacked up against beautiful Georgia Tech, I realize that the Crane has got to go."

Juniors have begun to organize a rally that will petition for the Crane to be removed from campus. Even though Father Healy stated that the Crane must leave by next year, students want it immediately sacked for safety reasons.

"It's true that we have an entire team of equipment that is ruining BC's reputation, but I'm completely fine with blaming the Crane," said Junior Alan Alston.

For years BC has enjoyed a glimmering image. Now the school has parted ways with a beloved icon and it is clearly taking its Toal on the BC community. Even esteemed BC football alumni



A REBUILDING YEAR

Don Flooby is not a fan of the new Crane.

"I guess the times have changed. Stuff like this didn't happen when I was around," said Flooby. "We should all just say a few Hail Marys and move on."

Last semester there were whispers about how the change would affect the campus. Most of the complaints started raining in during the spring as graduation approached.

"Things look pretty bleak right now," said Senior Jenn Holmes. "I guess we just have to accept that this is a rebuilding year." ■

Facebook Friend might have been seen in real life

Sophomore Caroline York was stopped in her tracks last Monday when she thought she caught a glimpse of a girl that she knew only through Facebook. York's virtual friend Chelsea Fitzgibbons "friended" her before the two girls even made it to BC for Orientation. Over one year later, York still has yet to meet the girl in person.

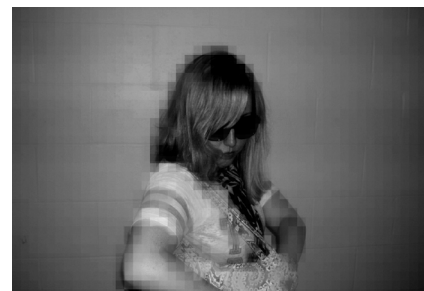
The encounter almost occurred while York was enjoying her lunch in Hillside. A girl who fit the profile of the virtual friend was briefly spotted through the window. York noticed her distinctively brassy blond hair as she turned the corner and recognized an outfit and giant sunglasses from one of her many Facebook photo albums.

"I only have her 824 pictures to go by, but I think I can make a match with a pic-

ture from the album 'Summer lovin' part 5,'" York said.

York used to wonder if Fitzgibbons only existed in the virtual world, though her doubt was constantly being challenged by the virtual friend's daily updates and appearance on Facebook chat. York said the near encounter last week was enough to prove that Fitzgerald is more than a myth.

"It's harder to keep track of Chelsea's activity because I have no idea in hell how to navigate the new Facebook, but I'm sure she's out there somewhere," York said. "Now that the wall is a massive Mini-feed I'm too distracted by her constant status updates to realize that she, along with everyone and their brother, listed 'The Office' as their favorite TV show."



TAKEN FROM YORK'S CAMERA PHONE

York said she feels strange knowing that Fitzgibbons' favorite movie is "Center Stage," that she is struggling through Organic Chemistry, that she IOvEs HeR fRiEnDs and misses her cat Sprinkles. She also is unsure if she should wish Fitzgibbons a happy birthday next week. ■

News In Brief

"Boston" put on repeat

A recent study showed that 73% of freshmen at colleges in the Boston area have Augustana's "Boston" in their Top 25 Most Played on iTunes. (The remaining 27% have Ruckus.)

The song's popularity is largely attributed to the poetic lyrics which so perfectly capture the essence of starting a new life in Boston. Incoming students can relate to lines such as "no one knows my name," "I think that I'm just tired," and for the naïve students from the South, "some snow would be nice."

The poll also determined that for students at BC, the song will eventually be dethroned from the Top 25 by the ever more profound "All for You" by Sister Hazel and Eddie Money's "Take Me Home Tonight." ■

BCPD announces economic stimulus plan

BCPD has announced that in response to a flailing economy and reduced gasoline consumption nationwide, they wish to do their part to help the country by increasing their own gas consumption within the department. For all occasions when it had formerly been deemed unnecessary, the department has decided to use the SUV Patrol Car exclusively when cruising around campus.

"Our budget is way too big, anyway," said Captain John Cafferty. "We load Lower Dining with overtime officers every weekend night and we still have too much money left over at the end of the month. The infirmity drunk tank has made record breaking profits this semester and our expenses simply can't keep up. I think it is in everyone's interest that we stop driving the regular patrol cars, and exclusively use the SUVs. It's the American thing to do." ■

Student joins new clubs for parties



HUBERT AT HEIGHTSMEN WINE NIGHT

Overwhelmed by the apparent commitments that BC clubs require from their members, Freshman Frank Hubert was apprehensive about adding his name to any list on Student Activities Day. However, once the President of the Math Society Jason Rosenthal casually mentioned getting wasted after team practice on Monday, Hubert proceeded to sign up for twenty-two clubs and three volunteer organizations.

"It's great to be an over-involved BC student, but I'm really having trouble juggling all these clubs," Hubert said. "On Thursday there is a happy hour at my 4 Boston leader's dorm, Friday I have to go to an Intramural Office beer pong tournament, and on Saturday I was invited to an AHANA mod party which is at the same time as sake bombing with the Asian Caucus."

Recent studies have shown a ten-percent increase in club membership if beer is mentioned. There is a seven-fold increase in involvement if a full-blown mod party is promised. Also, it was found that eighty-nine percent of the Ski and Snowboard Club have never even seen snow.

Although some students frown upon their classmates using club membership as an opportunity to throw down, Hubert said that he would not be involved otherwise.

"It's great just to chill out at my Ecopledge leader's apartment and talk about everything from the destruction of the wetlands in southern Illinois to how funny the word 'burrito' sounds," Hubert said. ■

Guy contracts cooties from 10-minute phone call

Last week local resident Jeremy Pappato acquired cooties over the phone, thus legitimizing the ancient male fear of long phone calls. He was talking to his kind of girlfriend, Lauren Reynolds, when he got so caught up in the conversation that he lost track of time. Pappato failed to cut her off after five minutes for the first time ever in their almost-relationship. Reynolds' story about the new guy at work had Pappato so enthralled that he did not experience the usual five-minute-mark symptoms of feeling awkward, uncomfortable and completely emasculated. Instead of "letting her go," Pappato remained on the line for an additional five minutes, putting himself dangerously at risk for cooties. In doing so he also broke his old personal record, which had been a seven-minute phone conversation with his grandmother five years before.

Though Pappato is recovering well, this harrowing event has sent a wave of fear through the male population. Until it is determined exactly what went wrong, men are strongly encouraged to continue to avoid talking on the phone whenever possible, especially for extended periods of time. For instances where communication is necessary, texting is deemed to be safe as long as guys remain vague and uninterested, wait as long as humanly possible to respond and answer strictly to question marks only. ■

Editorials

Eagle Hatchlings
On the Hunt for Excellence

Hey bro. John right? I thought so. I'm Nick, I guess we're roommates. Oh, you're excited about freshmen year? Good, cause this is going to be the mother fucking sickest semester of your entire God forsaken life.

Now I know you got this assurance many times over from such Facebook groups as, "Drop down and get your eagle on Class of 2012" and "Gonzaga: we run this shit so hard we're going to nearly burn it to the ground 2012," but believe it when it comes from me. If I don't nearly make your face melt off the first month from rocking so fucking hard I want you to literally to take this gun I brought with me here, put it next to my skull, and pull that mother fucking trigger.

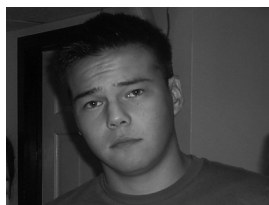
What? Still don't believe me? Why don't you take a look at what I got right here. Yeah, that's right, a thirty rack of Natty. My dad didn't even see it in my bag. Do I know how to start shit off right or what? Just so you know, I plan on being drunk as a gonorrhea infected sailor at port in Trinidad seven mother fucking days a week, so you better like to par-tay.

I see you already put some posters up. Coldplay, OAR, nice. Now time for the big boy stuff. Yeah, you likely right. How fucking hot is she? I love how her tits are all out and shit. I'm going to get so much pussy this semester just wait. Did you see that chick down the hall with the big rack? Dibs. And I swear on all that is holy, if you so much as even get a hand job from that bitch I'm going to fucking pound sand up your ass.

Oh you already got your books? A Room of One's Own, Feminist Critiques in 18th Century British Literature. Haha, what the fuck is this Women's Studies. You're a Women's Studies major? Probably a lot of chicks in class anyway, nice. Whatever, for me it's all about the Benjamins, Carroll School of money, bitches. Speaking of which, what's your sister's name? She's only 13? Yeah I should just wait and feel her up at graduation, some more curves around 17 anyway, no biggie. Hey where are you going? Res Life Office of Housing? Alright well I'll catch you later. ■

Voices from Lower

Who would be your fantasy running mates?



Cory Binx,
A&S '09

"Tina Fey & Stephen Colbert. Then maybe I'd actually watch the speeches."



Laurie Malcolm,
A&S '10

"Definitely Marshawn Lynch and Brian Westbrook."



Katrina Wilson,
CSOM '11

"I was class treasurer and my grandfather is a veteran, so I think we're a qualified duo." ■

Why I
like Palin

So Sarah Palin doesn't believe in evolution. So what? Evolution was just an idea created by the Democrats to make Jesus seem less real. If you believe in evolution, you are godless. Godless and a Muslim. And probably also a Communist. All Democrats hate God, Jesus, people, animals and America. You already know this.

I like how Sarah Palin has small town values and she's going to pass that on to the rest of America. And hopefully, if she gets elected, we can all have daughters who are pregnant at 17. I hope to have some hockey player knock up my teenage daughter one day. It's the American dream.

Sarah Palin has a kid in the army. How many kids does Barack Obama have in the army? His girls are just sitting pretty in 2nd and 5th grade. What are they doing for America? Palin's kids are either fighting in the army or popping out more god-fearing patriots.

Sarah Palin hunts moose. That's how I know she's tougher than Barack Obama. He has no experience doing anything. But Sarah Palin, she was mayor and then governor of at least 95 people. You know? Barack Obama, he was, what, a Senator and a professor at some college somewhere. University of Chicago? I'd never heard of it, but I'm told it's pretty shitty.

Anyway Barack Obama, his family's from Kenya and this is certainly not the kind of race he's used to winning. I've been seeing him on TV, and every time he's wearing shoes. You ever see a Kenyan win a race with shoes on? Didn't think so.

Sarah Palin is for petroleum, guns, Jesus and evading actual answers to questions. And those are the four things that God told Ben Franklin our country should be founded on.

Barack Obama wants to change everything. America is the best, most powerful country in the world, and he wants to change everything? Hmm that's interesting. Whereas Sarah Palin wants everything to stay the same. Only better. She wants the opposite of change; improvement.

Plus back to the evolution myth, if that were true, A) why would there still be monkeys? and B) how would we have so many genetic mutations in just 5000 years? What are we, X-men? ■

Horoscopes

LIBRA An attractive Agora photo means nothing, as you will soon learn. Time to find a new classmate to stalk.	AQUARIUS Always remember to put your friends first...as long as that's convenient for you.	GEMINI Mercury is in retrograde, the moon is in the fifth house and the sun is in your eyes. Wear a hat.
SCORPIO The bunk beds and Pokemon comforter will be the first sign that you should leave.	PISCES Things will get awkward when your English professor is the only person in the classroom you haven't dated.	CANCER Deep emotional stress looms in your future. Cheer yourself up by pranking your roommate!
SAGITTARIUS Peeing next to your history professor will prove to be the most nerve-racking and humiliating 40 seconds of your semester.	ARIES Acne, cramps, mood swings, allergies, the common cold...no matter what is bothering you this month, the Pill can take care of it.	LEO Your poor sportsmanship and use of the word "sucka!" in a friendly game of RISK will make make it clear that you aren't quite over it.
CAPRICORN Remember not all freshmen have turned 18 - it's always best to ask for ID.	TAURUS Eating cottage cheese alone in the dining hall will do little to broaden your social network.	VIRGO Be wary of any gifts your smiling roommate offers you, especially double-stuffed Oreos.

Three years later student sinks last cup

After three full years of drinking exclusively from red Solo cups, Juniors Brian McKeon and Gregory O'Toole finally finished their 900-cup game of beer pong. The two roommates started the game when they decided to blow off the Boat Cruise during the 2006 Freshman Welcome Series. After wandering through the Mods and realizing that it was uncomfortable to stumble into a Mod sober, the two decided to take matters into their own hands.

That same night they cleaned out Campus Convenience to get enough cups, using all their Eagle Bucks in one swipe. McKeon purchased beer with his fake while O'Toole made eleven trips to get it all to their room on the fourth floor of Fitzpatrick.

"It's college dude, this is what it's all about," McKeon said after finishing his 112th beer.

When their classmates moved out of the building after their freshman year, McKeon and O'Toole decided to squat their freshman dorm room.

"We couldn't move the game by that point," O'Toole said. "My quad in Fitzpatrick is better than College Road anyway, there's barely any room for Rock Band let alone Beer Pong in those doubles."

McKeon and O'Toole rarely left their room during the three year period, not even to attend McKeon's sister's wedding or the HelloGoodbye concert, but that can be said for most students. Upon emerging from the room, when reached for comment, McKeon was noted to say, "What shhappened ta Gasson?" ■



MCKEON ON FIRE

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