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STUDENT SHISH-KEBAB REMAINS IN INFIRMARY OVERNIGHT

#### **Angry Brighton resident impales student**

A BC student remains in critical condition after being impaled by one of Brighton's "Preserve Our Neighborhood" signs. Eyewitnesses describe a bloody scene in which an infuriated Brighton resident took up arms against an apparently rowdy BC junior by hurling a three-foot long sign across his lawn and through the chest of his unfortunate victim.

The feud began when the intoxicated BC junior began to urinate on the driver's side door of the resident's Nissan Maxima. Having witnessed the act, the resident charged out of his house shouting obscenities at the culprit and his group of friends.

Unfazed, the student continued to relieve himself, guiding his stream across the entire side and front windshield of the vehicle. Upon zipping up, he had little time to fend off the infuriated resident who had already torn the "Preserve Our Neighborhood" sign from the ground. Either his slowed reaction time or his utter disbelief that the tip of a razor-sharp community sign was headed towards him prevented the student from dodging the makeshift projectile.

The BCPD and the Boston police were busy breaking up an eight-person poker game on South Street and arrived to the scene too late to observe what eyewitnesses recalled as post-attack "trash-talk".

"Maybe you would have moved out of the way if you weren't so damn wasted," the resident is reported to have said to the then unconscious student.

While BC students remain too distraught to comment on this tragedy, Brighton community members have transformed this attempted manslaughter into their own heroic act of defiance. In fact, the homepage of the website Savebrighton.org now features a dramatized sketch of the resident holding up a sign with the caption "Is there no one else?"

Despite the DA's apparent fervor in prosecuting the resident, BC has urged the family of the victim not to press charges reminding students and families that, "it is a privilege to live in the communities of Brighton, Newton, and Chestnut Hill and this is how the spirit of St. Ignatius punishes underage alcohol abuse."

# Students use pet to secure mod

Last Monday, five BC Juniors decided to use their pet rabbit to guarantee their eligibility for a six-man apartment on Lower campus.

"We just, like, really wanted a mod," said Caroline Williams, gazing at the framed floorplan of Mod 32A sitting on her desk. "I mean, since freshman year when I first entered the Mods, I thought, this is what I want. This is my dream. The faded maroon paint, the metal staircase...they even have fridges and stoves. It's like heaven on earth."

The girls said that by living in doubles in Fenwick Hall, they accumulated enough pairs to pursue an eight-man sophomore year. They picked up another for their nine-man junior year, but then had to cut down to six in order to go for a Mod. Drama and cat-fights, sometimes physical, ensued in the attempt to fit various requirements. From two to eight to nine to six, tensions rose.

"Just this year, we went from 12 to nine to seven and then down to three and then back up to five, which is where we ended up when the housing applications were finally due," said Jodie Martin. "The bunny, who sat peacefully and non-judgmentally through it all, was the perfect solution."

According to housing restrictions, those eligible for a Mod must be upcoming seniors enrolled as full-time students. When Reslife questioned the girls on their sixth member's lack of classes, the girls explained that their sixth party was facing some psychological difficulty fitting in and would resume a full workload as soon as she worked through these issues.

"It didn't take long before we noticed some discrepancies. When we called the supposed sixth member of this group, we were met with silence, broken only by the occasional sounds of what we deemed the eating of a carrot," said Steven Seenk, head of Reslife.

The ultimate decision regarding the girls' placement is yet to be determined. When asked for a statement on the issue, the rabbit refused to comment.

## **NEWS**

#### O'Neill security guard bored again

Lou Petoskey of the O'Neill Library security staff is disappointed that the library does not permanently institute a policy of checking each student's ID upon entrance, if only to keep boredom at bay. O'Neill does take this extra security measure during finals week.

"All I get are those ten days twice a year," Petoskey said.

Petoskey appears to be very disciplined when it comes to enforcing the ID policy.

"He wouldn't let me in," said freshman Kammi Jenkins, holding her overdue library books. "Even after I explained that I had left my ID in my room on Newton and really truly was a BC student."

A disappointed Petoskey has now returned to his usual routine of pretending to read the New York Times, going to the bathroom every hour on the hour, and occasionally getting a few minutes of well deserved sleep.

#### Gasson undergoes reconstruction

It took freshman Brooks Hatlen an extra seven minutes to get to his Literature and Society class yesterday. Luckily, his teacher had not yet arrived.

"It's because of those damn construction workers," Hatlen said. "Whatever they're doing, it's becoming a problem."

Many students have complained how the construction makes almost 90 percent of the entrances inaccessible, creating a massive rush of education-hungry students clambering tthrough the one entrance.

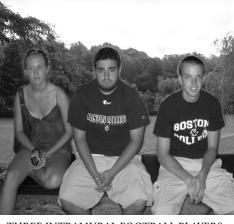
"It's like I'm playing Zelda again. There are only a couple ways in and it takes determination to find them," junior Bob Thorn said.

Thorn said he now needs to wake up 13 minutes earlier than his usual 2:30pm wakeup time in order to avoid tardiness, a demon he has been battling ever since he missed his sister's ninth birthday party three years ago.



### Football recruiting class worse than imagined

A new report revealed that the intramural football team Multiple Scoregasm has better new recruits than the divison one BC Eagles. The findings were published after the Eagles announced their new players, who are considered to be the worst in the Atlantic Coast Conference and even ranked lower than the perennially irrelevant Kent State Golden Flashes.



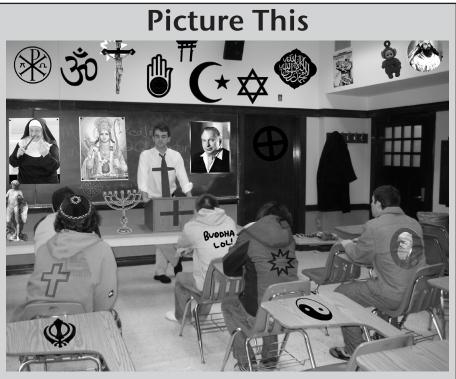
THREE INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL PLAYERS

"I was shocked when I realized my team was pulling in press," said Multiple Scoregasm's captain Mike Rosen. "I mean some of the guys coming in played in high school, but I didn't think we were anything too special."

Freshman Justin Elias is Multiple Scoregasm's lead recruit. An avid tuba player in the marching band, Elias has never played organized football. His 6'4, 240 lb build, however, will certainly allow him to make an impact on the field.

According to Elias, he was initially approached by former BC head coach Geoff-Jagodzinski just for his mere size, but Elias decided to play intramurals instead, citing the additional stability offered by the Multiple Scoregasms.

Rosen explained that he really did not do any active recruiting, but will need a few extra players to fill the holes the four graduating seniors will leave. Multiple Scoregasm lost early in the playoffs this year, but Rosen is confident they can hold on for longer next time.



The Board of Trustees announced that all religions must be represented in every classroom.

## Voices from 204 Carney

UGBC asked students to vote on the referendum that BC needs to improve its sexual health education. What do you think?



"I'm an unwed Catholic. I don't know what sex is."

Stephanie Lowell



"Will they teach us how to get into that lotus position?"

Amiee Chang



"I hear there is something called birth control. Can we talk about it in public yet?"

Chris Robinson

#### Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am sick and tired of hearing gendered words like mailman, policeman, businessman, nurse. Not every police-person is a man. The mail deliverer could be male, female, transgendered or other. And gender is not biological anyway; it is a person-made construct applied to a spectrum of biological sexes. Did you know that nearly two percent of the population classified as intersex? My doctor told me.

I was very upset to see so much gender-insensitive language in your last publication. During my freshperson year of college, I took a class on gender inequality and learned how words like mannequin, mandarin, and mandolin reinforce a system of male-dominance. In order to ewomancipate, individuals must start changing their habits.

In your article about the cutthroat BC housing lottery, with its every person for his-self/herself/otherself nature, you made numerous mentions of "eightman," "six-man," and "double" sized rooms. I feel compelled to inform you that the correct terms would be "eight-person," "six-pack," and "dooble" rooms.

Male dominance is deeply ingrained in society. The word is "manipulate" for a reason. It's all about baby steps. It's not like you have to go have your name legally changed Carwomen Ewomanuela. But we can all help by making small personal changes. So the next time you go to a restaurant, don't say waiter or waitress. These are gendered words. Say waitron.

The founding members of this country said that all people are created equal, yet gender-insensitive words continue to promote inequality in (wo)many ways. That's why I think all of hu(lady)kind should start making the effort to change.

Warmly, Lopez Rodriguez

#### On the current crisis--

You know what is really the downfall of society? When man decided he couldn't support woman anymore, and then he let her work. That's when things started falling apart. Look, it's not that woman shouldn't work, but not working is for their own good. Kind of like the US in Iraq. Iraq doesn't know any better. It doesn't know that it wants democracy. So we have to force them to have democracy. It's the same thing with women. They don't know what's good for them.

If we allow women to work, who's going to clean the kitchens? Do you know who? Other women who are working. And then those women are going to have to hire women to clean their kitchens or just have a dirty kitchen. So you know who really suffers when women work? Poor people who can't afford hired help to clean. Do you want poor people to suffer? Then you want women to stay in the home.

What's going to happen if women keep working is 1) a mass epidemic of dirty kitchens and 2) the husbands are going to come home from work and there won't be pot roast on the table. Which will lead to 3) women getting beat. Do you want women to get beat? Ok, then you want women to stay in the home. The working woman leads to a higher rate of domestic abuse.

Also it is a scientific fact that any movement besides cooking, massaging and cleaning during pregnancy leads to a higher rate of birth defects. So if women worked what does that mean? Defective kids. See what I'm saying?

Here's a scary thought. If we let women work, they're going to actually be in the workplace. They're going to sit there eight to nine hours a day and then every woman at every office is going to start cycling together. You know what that means? Four to five days per month every woman in every company will have her period at the same time. So if we achieve this "equality" and reduce this "disparity" and women become half of the workforce, then half of our workforce is going to be temperative, moody, and irrational. And that's going to make companies crash. You can't go four days per month without half of your workforce. That's why the pay disparity makes sense, by the way. Men work 21 days a month on average while women work 18. That's why women are making 83 cents to the dollar. You can't do your job if your hormones are all out of cahoots.

Continuing to let women work will lead to the downfall of society faster than socialism. It will destroy society faster than healthcare for everyone. Because women working directly causes higher rates of domestic abuse, dirty kitchens, and the downfall of all major companies. Think about it.

# Father Healy placed on administrative leave due to World of Warcraft addiction

Prominent BC Jesuit Thomas M. Healy, S.J., has been placed on unpaid leave after an intervention by several of his colleagues last week. Healy, an avid gamer, is well known throughout the gaming world by his gamer tag, "Agora-Fobe48." His level 80 Arcane Mage is feared throughout the land of Azeroth.

Healy has been was known to log up to 20 hours per day in the online fantasy realm. He would also often pass out at his computer where his secretary would find him the next morning, covered in Cheetos and Rockstar energy drinks. The intervention occurred after Healy failed to attend his fifth consecutive Director's Board meeting. The board and some of Healy's Jesuit associates found him asleep in his office, in the heat of an epic battle between himself and famed Azeroth Death Knight Aexandros Mograine.

He will remain at a facility in Arizona for the next six months in an ardent, but ultimately futile attempt to free himself from the grasp of Night Elves and Drek'Thar, the elder shaman and chieftain of the Frostwolf Clan.



HEALY CAUGHT BEATING LEVEL 56 ARCANE MAGE

## **Brighton residents unite**

Brighton residents are rallying around their neighbor's brash actions last weekend and taking action against rowdy off-campus students. On Sunday, a Brighton resident impaled a BC student with a "Preserve Our Neighborhood" sign, sending a clear message and that student to the hospital.

A small group of neighbors, led by Sally Thompson of 702 Kirkwood, formed BLAND, the Brighton League of Angry Neighbor Deliberators. The group held its first meeting at Thompson's house on Wednesday to discuss how to tackle guaranteed sleepless nights on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, as students stumble from house to house, presumably searching for action and new sources of alcohol.

"We had 12 people from the neighborhood show up full of ideas, so it definitely was a successful night," said Thompson as she placed a third "Preserve Our Neighborhood sign on her lawn. "There were a few ideas that went a bit too far, but after recent instances of mailbox defecating and urinating on cars, I think some radical revenge plans are expected."

One of Thompson's neighbors, John Felsing, said he could see the neighbors talking in the living room while it was in session. "I couldn't hear what they were talking about, but at one point a man was describing his plan by slowly twisting a corkscrew into a tomato, and then screaming what I can only imagine to be sexually degrading comments at it," said Felsing.

There have not been too many details released on BLAND's plans, but Thompson assured the group they would "be good... be very good," while rubbing her hands together in calculating manner. The group plans to meet again soon, as their first discussion was broken up early because of a neighbor's noise complaint.

### New alcohol policy unveiled

The administration released its new undergraduate alcohol policy for the 2009-2010 academic year. Below is a copy of the new policy.

- 1. When a liquor license is required for an on-campus event from the City of Boston or the City of Newton, six to eight weeks time should be allotted to obtain the license just to be a pain in the ass.
- 2. The average amount of chicken wings to be eaten at Late Night must be at least five.
- 3. French Hens slathered in maple syrup and/or cream gravy are only permitted on Tuesdays.
- 4. The sponsor must be in attendance at the event until such time as the alcoholic beverages are no longer available, or everyone is black-out drunk.
- 5. The sponsors of an event at which alcohol is served must be of legal drinking age, or at least, like, 20, bro.
- 6. Off-campus facility staff must assume the responsibility of checking for two forms of falsified ID when serving the alcohol.
- 7. Students are not to be allowed to enter the event if they are not intoxicated or must at least attempt to bring in a flask taped to their crotch.
- 8. Pasta, pizza, and at least 12 cases of O'Doul's must be available at events where alcohol is provided.
- 9. Only one drink per lightweight may be served at one time. As many drinks as possible may be held at one time.
- 10. No "shots," "bamboozles," "wabberjabbers," "heffenreffers," "dadragglers," "doppelgangers," "applepickers," "dirty Jeff Jenkins," doubles, or drinks with more than two liquors are to be served. ■

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