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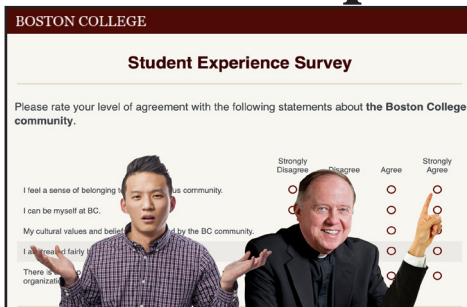
## Administration Can't Wait To Ignore Results Of Student Experience Survey

MALONEY HALL — On October 29, Boston College released its first-ever Student Experience Survey to the entire student body. The Office of Institutional Research had spent the last year working on the questions, which were designed to pinpoint areas in which the University could improve student life on campus.

University administrators began developing the survey after the “Silence is STILL Violence” demonstration last fall, which came in response to the lack of condemnation of the racist and hateful incidents on campus by University President Fr. William P. Leahy, S.J. The University worked with UGBC representatives to create a broad series of questions, with topics ranging from personal identity to the impact of various campus services. Another section of the questionnaire was dedicated to addressing issues of race and diversity on campus, and whether Boston College’s many cultural groups felt adequately welcomed and protected.

Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Joy Moore said that the administration was “really looking forward to ignoring the results of the survey.”

“What we’ve gotten back so far is



promising,” she said. “I think the biggest goal for us is to take the results in and really process what the students are thinking. We’ll analyze them, code them, create a complex algorithm that we can use to maximize student satisfaction, write a proposal for a wide-ranging system of increased diversity among students and faculty, and then file those things away, never to be discussed again.”

Reactions to the survey by the student body have generally been mixed. Casey Ridley (MCAS ’20) found herself wondering what the intent was behind many of the questions.

“It asked how important some BC services were to me, but I didn’t know if it was asking me about my relationship to the service,

or if I cared about mental health resources in general,” Ridley said. “Like, obviously, I care about providing counseling, but I didn’t even know we had that resource at all. I’ve certainly never used it myself, so there’s no way I could say that it’s bad. It’s like they kept the questions as vague as possible.”

“After the march last year, the Office of Student Services received a stipend to support diversity and inclusion, and respond to all of the criticisms that came during that whole affair,” said Moore. “Unfortunately, we spent it all on the survey subscription software. It’s top-of-the-line!”

Not all students were entirely frustrated with the contents of the survey. Ryan Muller (CSOM ’21) told *The Classic* that he hoped the lack of enthusiasm would lead to a relatively low response rate. “I really want to win one of those Amazon gift cards, so I’ve been telling all my friends not to bother with it,” he said. “Every person that doesn’t do it just makes the odds better for me!”

At press time, Fr. Leahy was seen putting the latest survey results update he received into the trash folder of his 2011 MacBook, and scratching off the activation code on a \$250 Amazon gift card.

## Old Plex Architect Notices Conspicuous Lack Of Hyperbolic Paraboloids In New Recreation Center

LOWER CAMPUS — During a tour last Tuesday, the chief architect of the Flynn Recreation Complex, Arthur Vedefedder, was distressed to find that a key feature of his brainchild appeared missing from the future Connell Recreation Center. Vedefedder reported anxiety at every turn, as he faced a scarcity of his trademark flare: the hyperbolic paraboloid.

According to project supervisor Susan Tilden, the first hint of Mr. Vedefedder’s concern appeared when he reviewed the building’s exterior.

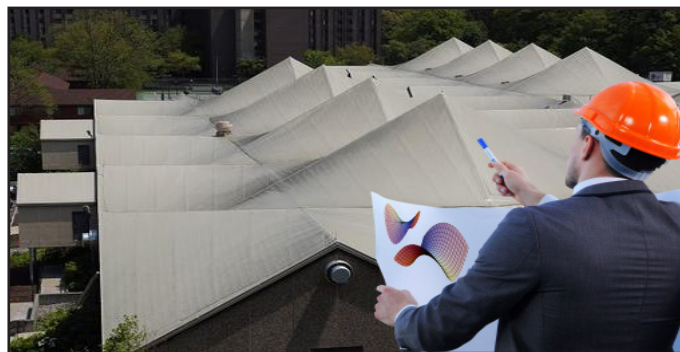
“He looked up at the roof and just started laughing uncontrollably,” said Tilden. “We asked what was so funny, but all he could do was shake his head and point at the roof like it was the most hilarious thing he had ever seen.”

As the tour progressed, Vedefedder continued to scrutinize every detail of the building’s blueprint. At one point, the 85-year-old architect reportedly climbed into a ventilation duct in search of his “precious conoid.”

“Nobody had the heart to tell him the paraboloids were gone,” remarked Jim Sadsac, Vedefedder’s close friend and longtime partner at their firm. “I mean, Art’s obsessed with these things, always has been.”

Paraboloid Tran, Vedefedder’s associate and longtime daughter, commented further. “You don’t understand how deep this thing goes.”

Representatives from the firm responsible for the new recreation center explained that the decision to omit the hyperbolic paraboloid from



the building’s layout was by no means made to spite Mr. Vedefedder. “While the the roof of the Plex gives the building an unmistakable look, its shape has led to a number of pitfalls. Ventilation difficulties, structural integrity issues, and extreme property devaluation are just a few the representatives named,” said Vedefedder.

At press time, Mr. Vedefedder was seen being forcibly removed from the construction site. Onlookers say he was found frantically scraping away at a sheet of unfinished drywall with his fingernails, screeching, “I’m here, my paraboloids! I’m here!”

# SAUCE YOUR OWN CHICKEN

## Adjunct Finds Cure For Cancer, Probably Still Won't Get Tenure

HIGGINS HALL — Patricia Lee, an adjunct professor in the biology department who recently discovered a cure for cancer, still won't get tenure, according to anonymous sources who know a thing or two about how things work in academia.

Lee conducted a study which showed that treating malignant tumors with a strand of DNA extracted from a species of South American mushroom cured cancer in 99% of trials with lab mice. Lee published her findings in the "Sex Tips" section of *Cosmopolitan* because she was unable to attract the attention of any other journals.

However, the sources said that, despite the study's "groundbreaking" implications, Lee will more than likely remain in an underpaid and overworked adjunct position. According to experts on the matter, she will likely teach multiple sections of entry-level classes while being repeatedly rejected for further research grants.

Other instructors in the biology department were "skeptical" of the relevant research by an up-and-coming professor.

"Frankly, cancer research isn't a top priority for our department right now," said Ernest Humhaw, a tenured professor in the biology department whose research has focused on why lightning bugs are fun to look at. "If you ask me, I think it's kind of icky to be mixing fungi with rats. People don't want to deal with that kind of stuff. Seems like there'd be a lot germs."

Many students showed an unprecedented amount of empathy and understanding for their instructor. Some expressed "shock" that Lee was able to maintain such high energy during lectures, all while having to deal with "the giant mountain of shit" that is academic politics.

"I normally don't give a rat's ass about my professors' lives, but even I'm like, 'Come on!'" said John Ortega (MCAS '21), a student in Lee's 10 AM section of Molecular and Cell Biology. "Are they really not going to give her a well-paying job just because she hasn't been published in five journals?"

At press time, Lee was seen leaving her office, which is actually just a janitor's closet in Carney Hall.

## "Holy Ghosted"



## Girl From Mailroom Asks Guy About The Size Of His Package

WALSH HALL — Brendan Doyle (CSOM '21) faced an "embarrassing and unexpected" situation Friday night after being asked the size of his package by a girl who works in the Walsh mailroom.

"I met her at this party, and we were kissing and doing some touchy-stuff. You know, the usual," Doyle said. "The party was winding down, so I asked her if she wanted to come back to my room. She considered it for a moment, then asked me if my package size was small, medium, large, or flat."

Doyle was shocked, allegedly unable to believe what he was hearing. When he asked her why she would ask such an inappropriate question, she reportedly claimed it was "just standard procedure."

"I didn't know what to say," Doyle said, "I told her it was a large, which I'd like to think is true, but I really don't know how to honestly answer that question."

The two eventually made their way back to Doyle's room, but he said that it got "even weirder" once they arrived.

"She pulled this digital touchscreen signature pad out, and made me sign it with my finger. Apparently it was some sort of consent form. I felt really weird after that, but I still went on with it anyway because, at that point, I had been through too much to turn back," said Doyle.

At press time, the mailroom girl could not be reached for comment, but was overheard telling her friends it was a "medium, at best."

## EaglePrint Caught In Massive Eagle Bucks Counterfeiting Scandal

CARNEY HALL — According to a report by BCPD, a sting operation uncovered that the campus print center EaglePrint had been counterfeiting Eagle Bucks since 2014. In total, BCPD estimated that nearly 9,000 Eagle Bucks (equivalent to 9,000 USD, with an added bonus of \$15 for every \$100 purchase) may have been printed and distributed among students for use in dining halls, laundry rooms, and vending machines.

"This is actually why we set the place up originally," said EaglePrint regional manager Alton Schmidt. "We saw a market, we jumped in, and only later did we realize we'd have to cover with things like binding dissertations and making College GameDay signs."

The illicit funds, once printed, were reportedly funnelled through a host of laundering operations on and around campus, including The Bean Counter, Flat Breads, City Convenience, and the CoRo Cafe.

"This explains a whole lot," said Dean of Students Tom Mogan. "There was an enormous influx of laundry, grocery purchases, craft coffee sales, and even our first-ever color printing a couple of weeks ago. We couldn't understand what had suddenly driven students to start taking care of themselves."

At press time, BCPD was extending its investigation to cover UGBC, allegedly inquiring into a recent acquisition of several-hundred \$45 bookstore water bottles.

## Freshman Wears Flip-Flops During Sex

CHEVERUS HALL — On Saturday night, Jack Kenney (LSOE '22) allegedly refused to take off his shower shoes while "getting it on" with fellow freshman Samantha DiCicco. The decision came after Kenney heard about a rumored outbreak of herpes on Upper Campus.

Kenney, defending himself in an interview yesterday, said, "I was just being conscientious of spreading diseases! You can get all kinds of nasty things from communal showers, like athlete's foot and all kinds of other gross stuff. Imagine what kind of diseases you can get from sex! That's why I practice safe sex with protection from head to foot to other foot."

With a quick Google search, Kenney found multiple reports stating that nearly 1-in-2 people will contract a sexually-transmitted infection by age 25. Boston College administration declined to comment on the matter except to say that "premarital sex is a no, no, no," but did announce that there will be another Agape Latte later this month.

When approached for comment, DiCicco jumped at the chance to talk about Kenney's unorthodox contraceptive decision. "It was so fucking weird. The sound of his flip-flops slapping against his feet was so creepy. Also, his feet looked like they belonged to a 250-year-old cave troll. Those toenails...ugh."

At press time, Kenney was reportedly flipping between his opened Snapchat to DiCicco and a Yahoo! Answers post about "genital athlete's foot."

### JOIN THE UNDERGROUND FRAT

WE PARTY, BUT IT'S SLIMIER  
AND MORE MASCULINE  
BECAUSE IT'S IN A CAVE

We're  
stuck!

Literally a  
Festering  
Cavern!

Pay for  
Your  
Friendships!

We had to  
eat Kyle :(

There are so many rats, please help



# SHAKE IT UP



## “FUCK THE POLICE!” Reports Desk In Bapst

**BAPST LIBRARY** — A desk on the first floor of Bapst Library has gone on the record, stating “FUCK THE POLICE!” in big, red block letters, according to various Boston College students. The statement comes after a long string of controversial comments made by Bapst Library desks in the past, such as “Gucci gang gucci gang,” “Sauce your own chicken > steak and cheese,” and “Fairfield CT iz lyfe.”

Boston College administration released a statement on the matter. It acknowledged the desk’s engagement with its freedoms of speech, but condemned the overall message.

“While we want our students — or in this case, our desks — to fully express their opinions and concerns about the climate on campus, this statement conflicts with the Jesuit values of love, reflection, and bootlicking that we work so hard to uphold,” wrote University spokesperson Jack Dunn in an email sent to all students.

“It saddens us to see our lovely Bapst Library become a place of controversy and legitimate discussion,” the email continued.

*The New England Classic* reached out to the Bapst desks, but they declined to respond, possibly due to their lack of self-knowledge and fine motor skills.

Despite the criticism from administrators, the student body seemed largely fine with the desks expressing their inner thoughts and opinions.

“Hey, if the desks think all cops are bastards, who am I to say any different?” said sophomore Patricia Zambryski, who regularly spends her nights in Bapst. “Seems pretty obvious, now that I think about it.”

At press time, the desks were seen in the Bapst mezzanine attempting to organize a protest march.



Whose Mods these are I think I know,  
He’s face-down on the sidewalk though;  
He will not see me stopping here  
To watch his Mods fill up with bro.

My social group must think it queer  
To stop without an 8-man near  
Between the Plex and Stayer Hall,  
The darkest evening of the year.

They give their other friends a call  
To ask if anything’s up at all.  
The only other sound’s the weep  
Of drunken frosh and stupid Paul.

The Mods are grody, smell of sheep,  
But I have promises to keep  
And coke to work off before I sleep,  
And coke to work off before I sleep.

## Ron Butterfield’s *Magnificent* Spring Break Travel Guide

*With the cold weather moving in, I’m sure loads of Boston College students are daydreaming about sunny beaches and drinks by the pool! We all know what that means: spring break, a time when college students across the country migrate south to soak up the sun and slurp up some booze! But before the fun starts, you have to plan your trip, which can be awfully stressful. My guide will make planning your spring break as relaxing as the trip itself. I’ve provided some awesome spots for all interests — I hope you enjoy!*

### Punta Cana

Known for its long stretches of white beaches and crystal-clear water, Punta Cana is a classic spring break destination. If you choose this Dominican Republic location, rest assured you will find plenty of like-minded college students. Come here to survive a week of sunburn, hangovers, and broken friendships.

*Pros: Alcohol and sunshine!*

*Cons: Your wallet. Your skin. Your liver.*

### The Alamo

People forget about this classic spring break getaway. Located in sunny San Antonio, Texas, this mission-turned-fort represents all of America’s values. Students can follow in Davy Crockett’s footsteps and stand atop a wall. Whatever you do at the Alamo, you’ll have memories for years to come!

*Pros: Counts as a History Core.*

*Cons: All there is to do is stand atop a wall.*

### Aleppo

One of the world’s oldest cities, Aleppo offers great weather this time of year. Adrenaline junkies will love it, as there is no shortage of activities to get your heart beating. Also, the tourism (and population) are currently way down, so, unlike some of the other trips, students shouldn’t worry about overcrowding.

*Pros: Exchange rate.*

*Cons: Fatality rate.*

### Whaling on the *Pequod*

A cruise is always a fun alternative to a beach trip. Experience life on the open seas and get to visit multiple fascinating locations! One cruise that I recommend highly: a whaling trip on the *Pequod*. You get to go on the hunt for majestic whales. Plus, the captain is a passionate man who clearly cares about his work.

*Pros: Sailors friendly and eager to introduce themselves.*

*Cons: Journeys sometimes extend past schedule.*

## An NEC Mad Lib!

Complete this **WACKY Mad Lib** by filling in the blanks below, and submit it to *The New England Classic* or your local police station for a chance at a **cool prize!**

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AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

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(your signature)

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(today’s date)



# PLAIN AND SIMPLE

## Student Baffled At Thought That Anyone Would Want To Steal Decrepit 2011 MacBook

O'NEILL LIBRARY — After a “quick jaunt” to the bathroom on Wednesday, Samantha Heavensby (CSON '20) reported finding a mysterious note placed on her 2011 MacBook keyboard. Upon further investigation, she discovered the note had an image of a man wearing a trench coat, exclaiming, “I COULD HAVE STOLEN THIS LAPTOP.”

Heavensby was clearly confused as to why she received the note. “I’m studying in the same library as dozens of people who can afford to Uber to class everyday and have no problem dropping thousands on a winter coat,” said Heavensby. “Who in their right mind would want to steal a seven-year-old hunk of metal and worn-out keys?”

Nearby students reported hearing whirring, beeping, and even growling from the device as it struggled to perform simple tasks.

“I’ve had this laptop since freshman year of high school, so it’s on its last legs,” said Heavensby. “I’ve gotten burns on my thighs from this thing overheating after I open up a single Word document, and the battery lasts about 45 minutes on low power mode.”

At press time, Heavensby was seen restarting her laptop for the sixth time that day.



## Impact of Meaningful Retreat Nearly Lasts Student Two Whole Days

STAYER HALL — When Nick Barrett (MCAS '20) arrived back at school on Sunday afternoon after a weekend at the Craigville Retreat Center, his five roommates were unsure if the person who walked through the door was the same one that had departed the previous Friday. Returning from the Kairos retreat, Barrett was “a changed man,” according to friends.

He had spent the weekend in small group discussion, answering difficult questions and unpacking things he had largely ignored during his hectic fall semester.

“Yeah, dude, Nick has never really acted like this before,” said Josh Whitford (CSOM '20), Stayer 404’s resident Nick expert. “All of a sudden he wanted to have an ‘authentic’ conversation, or talk about something other than our fantasy teams. It really caught me off guard.”

A roommate, who spoke to *The Classic* on the condition of anonymity said, “He tried get us to do weird, ‘be-present-in-the-moment Kairos shit.”

Barrett himself seemed to be the most aware of his sudden change. “The weekend really helped me realize what’s important in my life,” he said. “I even made a list of 10 things I want to do over the next month.”

Despite Barrett’s apparent spiritual rebirth, his friends were still skeptical. “There’s no way this is gonna last,” said Whitford.

Sure enough, the impact of this “life-changing retreat” was short-lived. By Tuesday, Nick’s to-do list had disappeared from his desk and his intentionality was missing, according to reports. Mary Kirwan, Associated Director of Student Formation, was not surprised, however.

“Nick’s case is about right when it comes to the retreat-impact multiplier,” explained Kirwan. “For something like Appa, we could maybe see seven to 10 days of impact, but the odds were stacked against him in this case. Nick would have been lucky if the impact of this weekend even reached three days.”

At press time, Nick was back in his common room playing *Fortnite* and talking about the girl he was “gonna hook up with at Garage.”

## Sophomore Undoes 3 Days Of Binge Drinking By Ordering Steak And Cheese Over Rice Instead Of Bread

LOWER LIVE — In defiance of traditional drinking culture, one student has been radically changing the personal nutrition strategies embraced by many members of the Boston College community. By replacing the bread on his steak and cheese with sticky rice, he was able to perfectly balance out the caloric intake endured by his body during a weekend of heavy drinking.

John Bradley (MCAS '21) “made waves” earlier this fall when he became the first Boston College student to attempt this switch-up in Lower Dining Hall one Sunday afternoon.

“After three straight nights of boozing heavy with my bros off campus, my body was just really not feeling right,” said Bradley. “I knew I needed some hot meat smothered in American cheese and chipotle mayo, and when I saw that vat of sticky rice, the idea just hit me.”

Bradley was already on quite the health kick when he had this idea for the first time. Recently, he threw away his Juul in an initial attempt to quit nicotine and started going to the Plex once a week for his intramural dodgeball games. Friends also reported that he had switched out his daily Diet Coke with several Green Tea and Honey Honest Teas, and had even been known to try a “Shake It Up” salad. After starting this “health craze” which has since swept across campus, Bradley did not make any changes to his drinking habits, lack of exercise, or generally unhealthy lifestyle. However, sources report that he now “feels a little bit better about himself” since he started convincing himself that he is healthy.

Bradley declined to comment when asked about white rice’s higher caloric and carbohydrate content compared to bread.

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