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McKinsey to sell La Salle for scraps

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At the conclusion of the Project Compass strategic realignment, President Colleen Hanycz announced that the Board of Trustees will be happily transferring ownership of the University to McKinsey & Company effective June 30 at the end of the fiscal year. Following the announcement, McKinsey Spokesperson Noam Morales indicated that La Salle would be sold off for scraps, saying "This University has a rich and proud tradition of providing a faith-based education grounded in the morals and principles of the Catholic Church and the Brothers of the Christian Schools. We won't stand for that. We commend the bold decision of University administrators to sell their school to us. We will be dividing it up into many subsections, and selling off anything that we believe cannot return a 75 percent profit margin."



Google Maps

McKinsey has wasted no time in getting the for sale signs up around campus.

The University has had a consultant from McKinsey on retainer all year for the Project Compass process. When asked if the sale of the University was planned all along, Kevin Dolan denied any involvement of the firm in the process altogether. He said, "This is not work that is driven by third parties; it is our work and our execution. [whispered to Chris Vito] We took that off the website, right? They can't prove we hired McKinsey, can they?"

McKinsey has announced some of their plans for how to move forward. The University will be divided into three academic segments, largely along the divides of the three academic schools. The current School of Nursing and Health Sciences will become University of St. Benilde for Health Sciences and will obviously operate as a for-profit school.

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Collegian moves to digital publishing

Editors see no decline in readership

Guy Fawkes
Editor

On March 26, the Collegian released its first ever digital-only issue in order to continue publication despite the campus-wide shutdown. Previous issues in the 2019-2020 school year have all been published digitally and in print, so the editors were concerned that the digital-only issue might not get enough circulation.

But Collegian dictator-in-chief Jacob Garwod said that, "We were actually really surprised; our digital content tracked really well. As of now, we actually have one more view on the March 25 issue than we have had on average in previous issues —it's not statistically significant, but hey, it's something!"

When asked what the print readership numbers have looked like, Garwood declined to comment.

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Angus moves from pupscot to Provost

Julie Wood
Editor

Last semester, the University announced that Brian Goldstein, Ph.D, former La Salle Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, would be continuing his career in higher education at the University of Saint Augustine. Since this announcement, La Salle has been on a national search looking for the best candidate to fill the position. However, they didn't have to look too far to find the paw-fect candidate.

Angus, introduced as La Salle's unofficial pup mascot, has been offered the role of Provost after a ruff application process consisting of interviews, essays and obedience and agility training.

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Campus coup supressed

Bianca "I am the manager" Abbate
Editor

As students began their #LaSalleFromHome journeys with online courses officially starting Monday, the University endured a short, but not sweet, battle on campus. On March 30, a group of administrative assistants attempted to raid the quad with pitchforks and torches in hand to overthrow the administration.

Despite severely outnumbering administrators, the administrative assistants were quickly stopped by a public safety officer on a bicycle and — without La Salle IDs to swipe into the side entrance — asked to leave the premises. One administrative assistant leading the coup tried to plead with the officer by offering him a slice of pizza from the Blue and Gold Dining Hall, but the officer was vegan.

This coup d'etat comes just a few short months after the University's sudden and swift firing of a majority of administrative assistants, leading to financial uncertainty, university-wide tension and resource shortages across the regions. Last fall, administrative assistants in the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Business were notified that there would be changes to come, and that these changes would affect their careers forever. These changes took different forms in different cases — some being swift terminations and others more complicated arrangements.

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Is SGA the new Hype House?

Joseph Maldonado
Editor

The Student Government Association (SGA) has decided to purchase a house on Olney for students to move into post-Corona Quarantine to increase content creation. In light of everyone across the world going digital, La Salle's very own Student Government is turning to online sources — the organization has its members creating content left and right.



Image from Google Maps

The SGA Hype House is occupying the derelict home attached to the MIC at 20th and Olney.

While they've been constantly posting during the quarantine, SGA isn't new to content creation. For the past several years, there has been an immense amount of Instagram content created by the organization. This time of virtual schooling has allowed these students to increase the content created. Unlike the Hype House, SGA lacks the star power of Charli D'Amelio and her 44.3 million TikTok followers, BUT they do have the endorsement of Paulines.

Currently, SGA members have been vlogging their at-home online school days for their classmates to see just what SGA is doing during this time, as if students ever really know what SGA is doing. The row home discussed earlier has three bedrooms and one bathroom, which all SGA members (Oops! Class of 2022 and below cannot live in off-campus housing until senior year) well, all senior SGA members will live in.

La Salle has decided to pamper these students like they do the men's basketball team with unlimited gear, supreme catering and love, even though there are others way better than them. The University has even decided to get the Brothers onboard by giving one lucky Brother one of the three rooms in the row home to live with the students. The money lost from the student refund will be found with the SGA new Happy Fortune *cough* …….Hype House. For now, please enjoy the Instagram stories of the members of SGA and remember to like and subscribe to the SGA Hype House.

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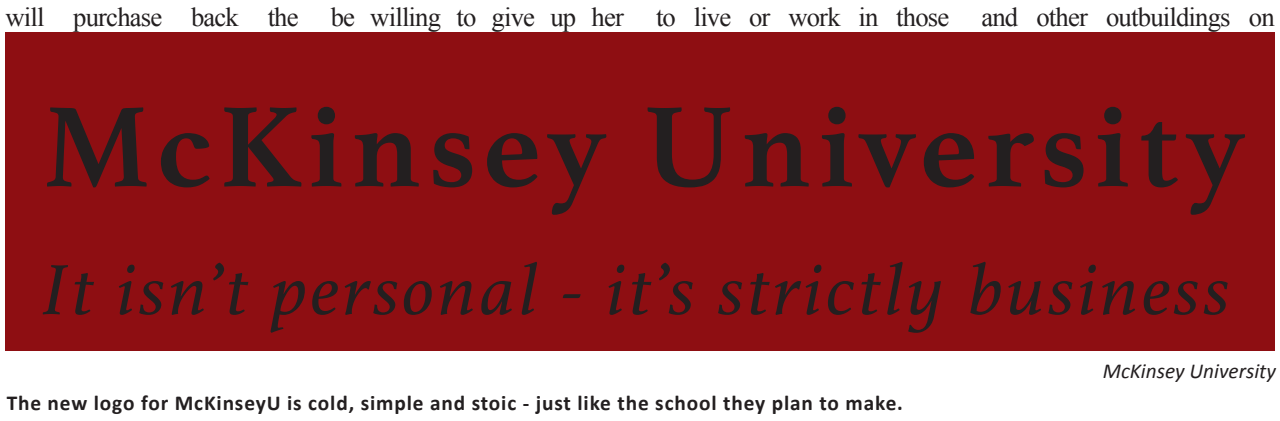
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Three new universities to emerge from ashes of Project Compass

SCRAPS FROM FRONT

The School of Business will finally get its way and exist as an independent entity, known as the McKinsey University of Business and Leadership. Ownership of College Hall will remain under the new business school, and the Administration team for La Salle University will retain their current job titles in the administration of that school of business. The Christian Brothers will be required to pay a ridiculously high amount of rent if they wish to remain in their College Hall residence. Though that figure is not publically available, sources do say that it could range upwards of $15,000 a year per person, or only slightly more than it costs to live in St. Miguel Court. The Brothers will be offered the alternative option of purchasing St. Anselm Hall from McKinsey.

McKinsey has no interest in holding on to the School of Arts and Sciences. "We're going to sell that to the highest bidder. Humanities are so out right now, and while the sciences in general are definitely profitable, we don't find a student-centered model to be profitable. Holroyd Hall simply doesn't have the needed footprint for us to realign the program to things more important than students outcomes - like profit," said Morales. Currently, Hanycz and McKinsey are hoping that the Christian Brothers will purchase back the School of Arts and Sciences. McKinsey will, however, be selling the entire collection of the La Salle Art Museum.



McKinsey University

The new logo for McKinseyU is cold, simple and stoic - just like the school they plan to make.

A spokesperson for the Brothers said that they would be looking into the feasibility of such a move. One of the Brs. Ed - we're not sure which one, not even the Collegian can keep them straight - said, "The purchase is something we are definitely pursuing, we've decided on the name of St. John's University of Philadelphia - McKinsey refuses to sell us the trademark to La Salle University. Whether we finalize the purchase would likely hinge on whether or not Lynne Texter would be willing to give up her position as Interim Provost for McKinsey University and accept the position of Interim President of St. John's.

We have a lot of respect for her ability to gracefully adapt to new positions and expertly helm departments in periods of transitions. We really think of her as being an expert at Interim-anything."

Br. Ed clarified that the long term goal for St. John's would be to put a Christian Brother back at the helm of the University.

The Communication Center and St. John Neumann Hall are both slated to be demolished. Morales said, "Frankly, we can't fathom how anyone would want to live or work in those buildings. The land will have much more value as an empty lot. Those will be sold off."

Wister Hall is safe because, surprisingly, it is responsible for heating College Hall thanks to a stuck-up, American-hating Belgian Superior General. So McKinsey does have a stipulation on the sale of Wister Hall that it must continue to provide heating services for College Hall.

The sale of the Armory will be terminated. McKinsey believes that it will be the perfect headquarters for the new security contractor they plan to bring on - Pinkerton.

Other buildings, like the Union, the Peale house and other outbuildings on the Belfield Estate will be auctioned off at Christie's. McKinsey is willing to move the buildings to their buyers - much like an early La Salle University purchased and moved St. Leonard and St. Benilde halls from the U.S. military and had them reassembled on campus perpendicular to the current Lawrence Administration Center.

The residence halls will also become their own private entity, called the Olney Residential Center. Some of the space will be leased to ICE for housing detained immigrants who entered the country illegally. An official for ICE was quoted as saying that, "La Salle students have it good - those old doubles in North Halls will become rooms for eight people; and who cares if the hot water doesn't work, it's not like we're housing American citizens with rights or anything like that here." McKinsey reportedly told ICE that they likely could house as many as 12 people in a double room if the beds were arranged properly - ICE deemed that a bit too inhumane.

The space not used by ICE will remain as an available housing option for students at the three universities clustered around 20th and Olney.

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La Salle Insta gets new manager

Br. Ed 75
Homie

These days, we all know the best way to attract attention from younger audiences is to target them via social media. La Salle's official Instagram page has been rather lackluster. The only highlight being pictures of Angus. A more successful page with which students often engage is Alt Universe La Salle, a page which features antics of students ranging from incidents at frats to the more recent Zoom jokes and general La Salle related memes and jokes. The most recent La Salle official page picture has only 65 likes while Alt Universe La Salle's most recent picture gained 164 likes. Seeing the success of the page, La Salle's marketing and communications department slid into Alt Universe La Salle's DMs to ask the student to take control of La Salle's page. After much consideration, the proprietor of the page struck a deal with marketing and communications. In exchange for their services, the student will immediately receive a free Bachelor's degree from La Salle, a lifetime supply of Pauline's and a signed autograph from Tractor Mary. With relief from Zoom classes, the student has already begun planning the content that will be rolling out starting next week. As a thank you, the Christian Brothers also sent over a crate of brandy. Already halfway through the crate, the student enjoyed the extended spring break, choosing to break quarantine and chug it on the beach. The posts which we can all expect on the new and improved La Salle Instagram include peeks into Zoom frat parties, family fist fights and students violating quarantine.

Once students are allowed back on campus, the page intends to bust La Salle myths such as the haunting of Wister House and the tunnels under North Dorms. Students with suggestions on La Salle myths should DM Alt Universe La Salle, and anyone who wants to submit content for the new La Salle main page should feel free to send in such content as well. Seeing as the page will be transitioning from several users to one, the page will be searching for content submissions from as many students as possible. Unlike the usual La Salle page, this one seeks to showcase the actual lives of La Salle students, not what looks nice on a brochure. While waiting for the takeover, students can receive an automatic "Pass" in one class by completing the Alt Universe La Salle Bingo board and tagging three very lost Explorers.

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Alt Universe La Salle via Instagram

Follow alt.universe.lasalle for this Bingo card and more.

IT students get their raise.. kinda

Sally Walnuts
La Squirrel No. 3

After a long-time battle between disgruntled student workers and exhausted professional staff, IT has finally decided to give its student workers a long-awaited raise. This decision comes on the heels of all the student workers banding together to contract Coronavirus and cough on professional staff to the tune of "Truth Hurts" by Lizzo. After their impressive performance, IT patted each worker on the head and said "better luck next time, champ." Disappointed by the response, the workers all huddled together and watched another episode of "Ned's Declassified" looking for answers. Two workers, Computers McGee and Tyler Tippety Tappeties, decided to lead the charge into the office of Oscar Thodde and presented him with a trophy engraved with the words "World's Best Work Dad." Brought to tears by the sweetness of the gesture, Thodde had no choice but to grant the workers the raise which they had been promised months ago. Celebrating their victory, the workers gathered their belongings and headed home to begin their quarantine, but they were slow to realize the trickery that had occurred. Thodde knew of the decision to extend La Salle's remote learning and Governor Tom Wolf's coming order to shut down all nonessential businesses, and he realized that this meant he could not complete the paperwork in time and that the workers would not be paid until they were able to return to campus. This well-timed change ensures that seniors involved in the pursuit of higher wages would be gone by the time the new wages would, in theory, go into effect. At this point, IT would likely have a wave of new freshmen just happy to have some kind of income, and raises would be a thought of the past.



Tyler Tappeties

An oscar-shaped trophy for Oscar [Thodde] did the trick!

Taking it a step further, Thodde has also started the process of eliminating the IT department altogether. Instead, La Salle will be renaming the Technology Assistance Center to Olney Hall at Hayman Hall. Inside, there will be another coffee shop, this one run by La Salle Admissions as a ploy to take money from families even before their students commit to La Salle. Approved by Colleen Hanycz and supported by the Christian Brothers, this new effort should make up the deficit caused by the sudden shut down of all La Sale processes. Interim Everything, Lynne Texter, attempted to argue for the need of IT services at La Salle, but she was met with approximately 4,000 complaints about the uselessness of IT at La Salle. For now, IT will be riding high on the good publicity of the announcement of raises.

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Collegian makes the best of digital publishing

ONLINE FROM FRONT

Similarly, when asked if the Collegian editors just leave print copies laying out for weeks, begging, pleading and hoping that someone, anyone would read it — or even just take it — before reluctantly carrying them back to the office to be put in a giant stack, Garwood again declined to comment. When shown a picture of the giant wall of boxes in the Collegian office and asked if those were indeed old, unread issues, Garwood simply said, "I don't know what you're talking about. That's not the Collegian's office… that could be any office anywhere."

In an effort to kill the Collegian once and for all, College Hall has announced the creation of its own weekly publication. The newsletter, according to inside sources, is called "The Anti-Collegian" by the central administration team on the second floor of College Hall. Publically, the newsletter remains unnamed but bears the heading #LaSalleFromHome.

In related news, President Trump boldly addressed the national toilet paper shortage by ordering the #fakenews New York Times and Washington Post to cease all printing operations and to instead begin the production of toilet paper; under the Defense Production Act, President Trump does have the power to do so. Following President Trump's order, the Collegian will take a stance of solidarity with its fellow journalists and will be donating unread issues from the start of the school year. Managing Editor Bianca Abbate said, "We managed to get out 18 print issues before campus was shut down — our standard order is 600 copies a week, so we figure we have about 10,500 unread copies that we can donate to be used as toilet paper. Our plan is to offer curbside pickup at 20th and Olney for the next few weeks. After that, any remaining copies will be donated to facilities management to be used in bathrooms around campus."

Han deMann, AVP for Facilities Management said, "We are just thrilled at the Collegian's generosity. Not only do we anticipate a 69 percent budget cut for next year, but we're confident that students and staff will find newsprint to be a superior toilet paper to the rolls that we are currently stocking in the bathrooms."

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Administrative assistants make last stand on campus

COUP FROM FRONT

When asked by the Collegian why these decisions were made, Christopher Vito, Senior Director of Strategic Communications said, "We're broke, and while we're a Catholic University we are most certainly not a charity. So unfortunately, we had to make some very tough decisions that led us to this organizational restructuring."

In response to the organizational restructuring, the administrative assistants took to organizing themselves. One source said that the failed coup had been in the works for months; the administrative assistants would meet at La Salle sporting events where no one else would be around to catch wind of the plan. When asked of his intentions in organizing the administration overthrow, the leader of the pack, who feared no retribution, was quoted as wanting to "return the means of production to the working class." Alas, honorably as the administrative assistants fought on that late day in March, they were quickly defeated by the bourgeoisie who benefitted simply from greater money and resources and Jesus.

Upon the swift attack, one source cited a high-ranking University official as saying in remarkably perfect French "Qu'ils mangent de la brioche," translated in English as simply, "Let them eat cake." No administrative assistant remains.

Every — yes every — University administrator declined a request for comment, but one administrative assistant — who prefers to remain anonymous — secretly working for the bourgeoisie offered her "thoughts and prayers" for the families of the lost lives. Long live the administrative assistants.

Now get back to work.

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Collegian Photographer

Pictured above is footage from the March 28 coup attempt orchestrated by former administrative assistants.

Commencement moved back to May 9

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Nickelodeon

Anyone unable to attend the May 9 ceremony will be given a moving camera, like iTeacher from "Ned's Declassified."

In an email to all seniors on April 1, President Colleen Hanycz announced that graduation was back on and that it would take place on its original date: May 9. Instead of having graduation inside, the administration has decided to move the commencement ceremonies outdoors so that social distancing guidelines can still be followed. "We've put a lot of thought into this, and we think that this is the best way to give our graduating seniors a proper farewell," Hanycz said.

Instead of traditional graduation robes, each student will instead be given a proper N-95 mask; the masks will be the same colors as the cap and gowns would have been. Anticipating the questions about cost for the masks, Hanycz assured students that the masks would in fact cost less than they would have paid for traditional robes. In addition to providing students with masks, all chairs will be placed six feet away from one another and graduates will be sent to walk down the aisles one by one with 12 feet of distance between walkers for extra precaution. "We've already started to prepare the vamps we'll add to 'Pomp and Circumstance' to adjust to how long it will take the Class of 2020 to enter," pep band member and biology professor Brian DeHaven said.

Hanycz also announced a plan for students who are immunocompromised or are otherwise unable to return to Philly. According to her email, IT has set up computers on rolling tripods so that these students will have, at the very least, a "virtual experience of graduating." IT student worker Chris Ingenios said he came up with the idea while watching "Ned's Declassified School Survival Guide." "They have this character called iTeacher who can roll around the school and talk to students and I joked that we should do something like that for graduation," Ingenios said. "My boss thought I was serious, and he said that if I can figure it out, all the IT student workers would get a raise."

Similar to the protocol for indoor graduation, each senior will be given a select number of tickets. "At the moment, we predict that each student will be able to have one family member present," Hanycz said. "It is important that all in attendance practice proper social distancing, and we want to ensure there is enough room in the stands for everyone." Though only a few chosen family members can watch graduation in person, IT has said that they will be "working on Internet optimization" so that each graduate's guest can host a Zoom call for the rest of their family.

"It's certainly not what we were expecting, but I'm glad we'll all be together one last time," senior nursing major Uhn DiTirred said. However, DiTirred is slightly disappointed that she won't have a Baccalaureate Mass or a senior gala. Due to the very social nature of the mass and gala, the Administration made the decision to cancel both events. "We're doing the best we can here," Hanycz said when the Collegian requested a comment. "What else could you possibly want from us?" A. Pat Thetic in University Events was livid when he heard of the "ungratefulness" the seniors have shown since the announcement of the cancellation of certain commencement events. "As far as I'm concerned, we're the only school that's doing this," Thetic said. "What do you want? A f***ing Zoom graduation? We all know our WiFi couldn't handle that. We went back to outdoor graduation like you wanted, so stop asking us for things. We don't owe you anything."

For the meantime, seniors, including DiTirred, can rest assured that they will get the graduation ceremony they were promised, even if it is not the one they expected. "In these crazy times, it's good to know we still have something to look forward to."

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Christian Brothers to join formal fraternity recruitment in the fall

Religious order dons Greek letters to increase vocations

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On March 30, the Brothers of the Christian Schools announced that they would be joining formal recruitment this fall. "The Brothers approached me earlier this year about the prospect of recruiting for their order of brothers the same way that Greek Life does," Associate Director of Greek Life Bridget Conaway said. "I figured since they have so much in common with the fraternities here, it wouldn't be too far of a stretch."

According to Conaway, each Greek organization's quota for the upcoming year is 25 new members, which might prove to be a difficult goal for the Brothers to meet. "In 2017, I think we managed to successfully recruit one La Salle alumni to join our order," Brother Bob Kinzler told the Collegian. "And we had to bribe him with stock in Christian Brothers' Brandy." It is important to note that, similar to the University, Christian Brothers' Brandy was also sold to private entities.

The Brothers, who have been a presence at La Salle since its inception, worry that because they were founded in France, they may have some trouble attracting new members. "We don't have Greek letters affiliated with our organization and 'BoC' doesn't sound all that appealing," President Emeritus Michael McGinnis said. "So we're spending a lot of time trying to identify more ways we could appeal to men who are looking to go Greek to, instead, go into the way of God and St. John Baptiste de La Salle."

Other Brothers disagree with McGinnis — they think that the Brothers of the Christian Schools perfectly embody what it is to be a fraternity. "We all live together in a big house, follow a code of moral rules and drink a lot," Brother Gerard Fitzgerald said. "What else could we possibly do to fulfill the necessary criteria?" Brother Gerard Molyneaux echoed Fitzgerald's statements, saying "we've been a fraternity since before fraternities existed — since 1694, to be exact." Molyneaux, who is an advisor for Sigma Phi Lambda, says that he has been focusing on their philanthropy. "We serve the poor and marginalized through education, so I think we'll be good on that front."



De La Salle

The Christian Brothers are hoping their TikTok references will help increase interest in BoC.

Many of the Brothers want to emphasize the prestige of their alumni: "some of them went on to be saints; that's way more impressive than working at PG&E," Fitzgerald said. "We have a network that is international — there are Brothers in 79 countries, and that's more than what can be said for Lambda, or any of the other fraternities, really," Molyneaux added.

While formal recruitment is still months away, the Brothers are looking to get a head start on the recruitment process. "We were going to do events like 'Breakfast with the Brothers,' but we've had to put all of that on hold for now," McGinnis said. "We'll likely have some Zoom calls soon, that is, if any of us can figure out Zoom."

In other fraternity news, the office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services announced on March 3 that they would be distributing soap to all off-campus houses. "We have frequently been told we do not do enough to protect our off-campus students, especially on weekends when they are busy doing what college students do," Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services Dawn Soufleris said. "This is patently false, and I think that this new initiative to provide more houses with soap will help."

The soap, while intended to be used to kill potential COVID-19 pathogens, is exciting for many students for reasons not to do with coronavirus. A sophomore student who wishes to remain nameless is excited for this new addition to all her favorite frat houses. "Whenever I use the bathroom in a frat house, they never have soap, and it's really scary having to go back to a party knowing I just rinsed off."

Vice President of Public Safety Amanda Guthorn hopes that this addition to off-campus houses will keep students satisfied long enough to delay another Town Hall. "We simply don't have the resources or the time to be answering student questions about why the Philadelphia Police don't have a greater presence on our private campus," Guthorn said. "And this would violate Governor Wolf's social distancing laws, too."

For students looking to claim their soap, they must simply call Public Safety at 215-951-1000, and their soap will be dropped off to them in roughly three to seven business weeks, as is customary for any Public Safety request.

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North Halls livestream combats Lahomesickness

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Following the University's abrupt decision to move students off-campus, many residents filed complaints with La Salle Public Safety, citing an overwhelming sensation of homesickness as the source of their grievances. Over 150 homesick students have filed complaints with the University, and some are threatening legal action for emotional distress. A student-made petition has been circulating on Facebook since March 18, created less than 24 hours after La Salle informed students they would not be able to return to campus. Despite over 150 formal complaints and more than 50,000 signatures on the petition, neither Public Safety or La Salle's administration have taken any compensatory action. Many students, after reading last week's digital edition of the La Salle Collegian, contacted staff members expressing their shock over the University's lack of action.

Fortunately, a member of the Belfield community responded to the online petition. Shay Deeman walked into North Halls on March 22 and has been living in St. Katherine's Hall, Room 337. Deeman said he was able to enter the complex by climbing over the turnstiles in the security booth while the guard on duty took a nap. Deeman first recalls seeing the petition on March 24, and he was inspired to take action. "La Salle is always bitching about meeting people or whatever," Deeman said, "And I figured I can meet these hoes' needs if they can meet my price." Since finding the petition, Deeman has offered to livestream residents' dorms for up to an hour. Over 80 students have reached out expressing interest in Deeman's offer.

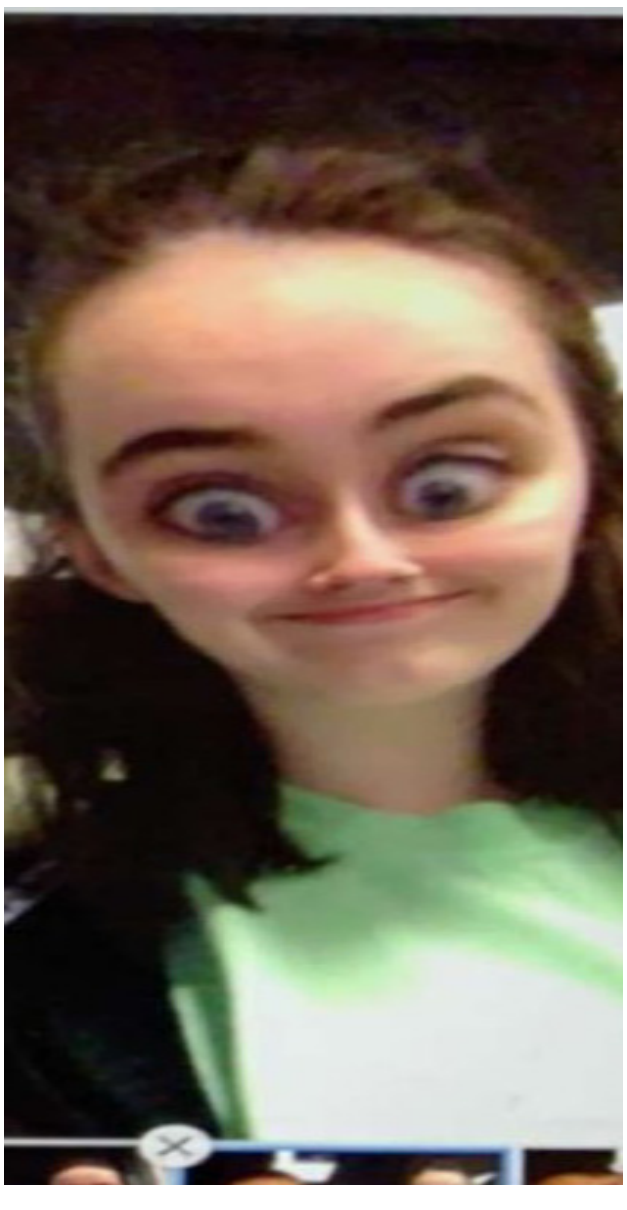
In order to create a contract with Deeman, students must provide their room number and door code. Deeman enters the room, sets up his cell-phone camera, and live streams the dorm to Instagram Live. Fifteen minutes of footage costs around $20; an hour of streaming is $60. For an additional $5, Deeman will notify the student when his or her dorm is being shown. All payments are made over Venmo. If you Venmo @jacobgarwood22 the Collegian will work with Deeman directly; students who choose this avenue will receive a 20 percent discount. At this time, Deeman is only streaming in North Dorms.

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Head Copy Editor finally helps out

Bert Macklin
Guest Editor

Of all the positions in the Collegian, the one that has been the most useless this year has been the Head Copy Editor. In the past, the proud recipients of this position put their hearts and souls into hours of grueling work, aiding every section from News to Politics to Sports and everything in between. This year, unfortunately, our Head Copy Editor can barely even be bothered to show up. She has missed at least three editing nights, the most important and sacred Collegian time of all, this school year. The first time, she claimed some sudden illness had made her get sick for 24 hours straight. One time, she chose to not even tell the Editor-in-Chief that she would be missing an editing night. She decided to simply not show up and spend the night at some Masque event like a traitor. Even worse, after saying she could attend the Zoom meeting for editors last week, she sent a message to the Editor-in-Chief claiming she was "stuck on a work call." We're in the middle of a pandemic, who would have a work call at 9 p.m. on a Tuesday night? Seems pretty shady to this Collegian-loving citizen. Even harder than getting this disgrace to the name editor to show up is getting her to actually do work. Most nights she sits there on her phone texting who knows who and snapchatting away.



Lydia Mullin

Karen is usually engaged in such tom-foolery as this — hence why her fellow editors were so shocked at the sudden help.

Last week, something absolutely insane happened: the Head Copy Editor not only edited articles but also wrote one. Apparently all it took in order to turn this formerly lazy, often missing worker into a productive member of The Collegian was to send everyone home from La Salle. She appeared last week with passion for the paper and her article, and no one could believe it. Sports editor Steve Silvestro was as shocked as any, sharing, "I thought pigs would fly before Karen would actually write something. I guess it's time to start throwing bacon in the air." Maybe this is a sign that we can all once again have faith in humanity. Even crazier than our Head Copy Editor writing one article is that she is continuing this new streak again and is contributing to the edition this week. If anyone has an explanation for this change in personality, please email The Collegian. We'd love to market whatever magic this is to help people with lazy group project members, and a little extra cash during this pandemic couldn't hurt anyone.

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President Trump calls La Salle Collegian real news: we could barely believe it either

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Today, President Donald Trump called on everyone at the Collegian to tell us something unexpected: he said we're "real." "I love the La Salle Collegian," Trump said while playing with his hair. "It's a beautiful paper, beautiful. Normally I talk about how beautiful my oldest daughter is, but your paper is more beautiful than her. It's fantastic. The Collegian is real news, real. Not the New York Times or the Washington Post, though, they're fake." Besides calling the Collegian a beautiful read, he went off on a tangent saying, "I've known Paris Hilton from the time she's 12, her parents are friends of mine, and the first time I saw her she walked into the room and I said, 'Who the hell is that?'" Even though nobody asked him to follow up on that comment, he stated "At 12, I wasn't interested… but she was beautiful." Trump expressed how he reads the Collegian every week. When asked how he was able to receive a copy of the paper without having any specific connection to La Salle, he stated he has "smart people, not dumb people. I went to Wharton you know, so I'm obviously smarter than anybody who goes here. My school had the Daily Pennsylvanian but it's always been fake. It's too dense, I don't like it. I like flexibility. The Collegian has always been real news, although you should probably start to get people to actually read this paper to begin with. When you're president, you can do anything. It's great. Might be hard, but not that hard for me because I'm a very stable genius." However, the stable-genius-in-chief expressed he expected more from the editor-in-chief, Jacob Garwood, as well as the sports editor, Steven Silvestro. "What's the deal with those two?" Trump asked. "I heard that Junky Garwood wanted to endorse the libertarian candidate, Maj Toure, for Philly city council at-large. How come he didn't want to support a candidate that actually had a chance of winning? I guess you can't expect much from Junky Garwood to begin with. He should've supported me, I'm a winner. Maybe he doesn't like winners though." Then he proceeded to criticize Silvestro for preferring "centrist" candidates. With a wide grin, Trump said, "I heard holier-than-thou scummy Silvestro likes Kasich, what a wimp. Such a wimp. He lost so badly. Not too surprising though that scummy Silvestro likes him. It's like tweedle dee and tweedle dumb." After losing a brawl to both Junky Garwood and Scummy Silvestro, Trump picked up his wig and gave his thoughts on everything from student debt, family and life itself. "I was hundreds of millions in debt and beat bankruptcy twice—so what?" Trump said in response to Bianca Abbate's question about plans to relieve student debt. Near the end of the interview, Trump gave some advice to the seniors on the Collegian. "You'll find that when you become very successful, the people that you will like the best are the people that are less successful than you, because when you go to a table you can tell them all of these wonderful stories, and they'll sit back and listen. Does that make sense to you?" When the editors explained that mindset doesn't quite fit in with Lasallian values, Trump stated, "Always be around unsuccessful people because everybody will respect you." He also stated the political science department at La Salle is "incredible. They're terrific." Even though no one at the Collegian asked for this interview, it was a learning experience to say the least. Then in a romantic twist of fate, Kim Jong Un and Vladimir Putin came riding into the Collegian office on their gallant steeds and whisked Trump away to a Mar a Lago getaway. After all, he's a tariff man.

While the Collegain remains objectively neutral when it comes to the state of national politics, we're happy to know we're ahead of the competition. Judging by the picture below though, the collegian's competition is far from intimidating.

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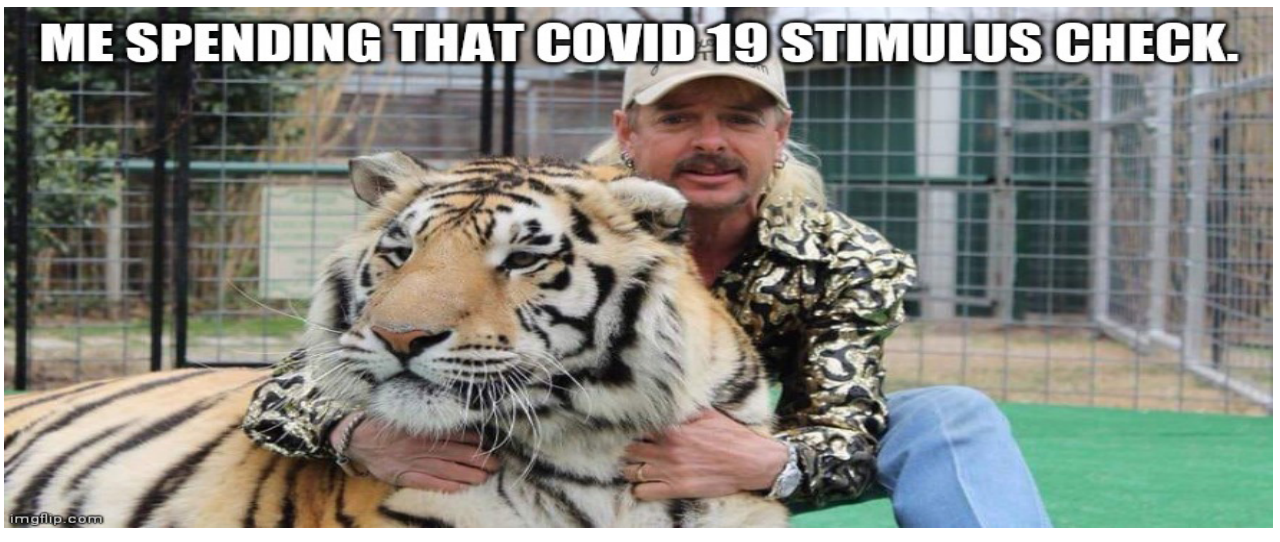
CNN is one of many news networks and publications that President Trump believes is out to get him. They're focused on Nintendo for now.

Tiger king is running for president: we're screwed

Travis Maldonado
Exotic husband

The star of Netflix's hit docuseries, "Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem and Madness," has recently announced he will be joining the 2020 Presidential Race. Joe Exotic is a member of the Libertarian party who previously owned the Greater Wynnewood Exotic Animal Park. Once again, libertarians never cease to amaze. Exotic has claimed to be the most prolific tiger breeder in the United States and believes he can "breathe life" into the United States. Many politicians have already come out in support of his campaign, calling Exotic the only unifying figure as the nation weathers the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2019, Exotic was convicted on charges of animal abuse and two counts of murder-for-hire. He is expected to serve 22 years in prison, but is looking to lessen his sentence due to good behavior, such as seducing straight young men with molly instead of meth, which was his drug of choice before being apprehended in 2018. Exotic filed a lawsuit against the United States federal government on March 17 and is seeking a presidential pardon from Donald Trump. Due to the current political climate, the President has decided to table Exotic's request for a pardon. Until Trump is able to address the issue, Exotic has been placed in a preservatory quarantine, where the two meet weekly. Security guards at the site have leaked images of Trump approaching Exotic's cell in a tiger print onesie. An anonymous source has come forward with video footage of these meetings, which include deeply disturbing relations between Trump and Exotic. Snippets that have been released to the public include Exotic calling Trump a "pretty kitty" while he rubs his stomach. Unreleased snippets allegedly contain pornographic sodomy as the pair roleplay different methods of beastiality. No one from the White House has commented on the affair. In light of Exotic's close relationship with Trump, many MAGA-fans have come out in support of Exotic's run for president. His disorganization, fiery personality and criminal history closely mirror the leadership of the current federal government. Even more similar, both Trump and Exotic starred on nationwide shows prior to their political career. Exotic can even boast of an additional music career, with top hits such as "Here Kitty Kitty" and "I Saw a Tiger". Exotic previously ran as an independent candidate in 2016, making it onto the ballot in Colorado. In 2018, he ran for governor of Oklahoma; of the candidates in the Libertarian party, Exotic finished third. His political and personal history exceeds that of Trump, perhaps shedding some light on why he is the Dom in their relationship. Trump's secret lover, Roger Stone, has allegedly been fuming over the affair. First Lady Melania Trump could care less, however, Vice President Pence allegedly thinks it's hot, and so does Jared Kushner if rumors are to be believed. Carole Baskin is not expected to run; even if she did, we all know how that ended up for Hillary. #ripTravis

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The docuseries "Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem and Madness," has become a sensation. Many feel now is the perfect time to watch it.

University selects paw-fect candidate for Provost amid these trying times

PUPVOST FROM FRONT

The former pup mascot joined the La Salle community in the fall 2019 semester, and soon after accepting the role, Angus had a bigger goal in mind. "It was pretty clear he was interested in the position shortly after he arrived on campus," said Charlotte Splendido, senior psychology major and Angus' caretaker. "When we went for walks around campus, he would always stop and stare at the Lawrence Center, wanting to run inside. It was like he was ready to take the position right away."



@explorerangus via Instagram

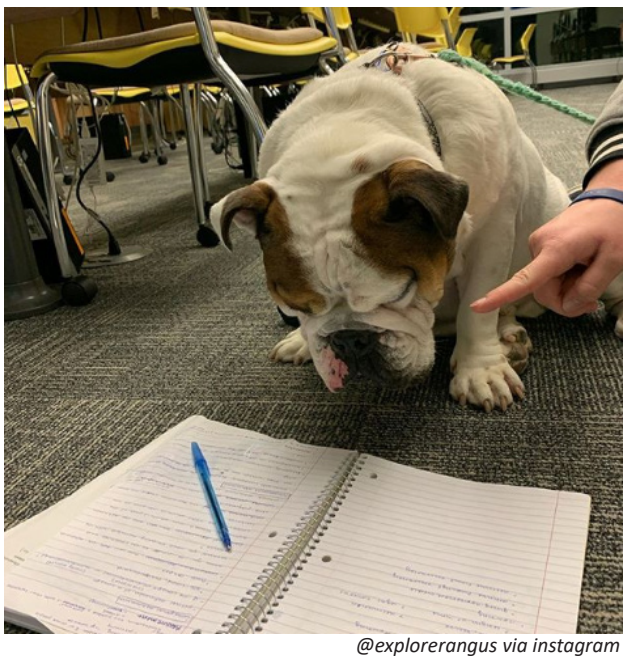
Angus gladly accepts his new role as Provost.

Angus has an extensive background that proved he was the most qualified for the role of Provost. He has overseen campus events, greeting students and alumni at basketball games and offering paw shakes to those around him. Besides making appearances at basketball games and other University events, Angus even has professional experience with the media, sharing his Lasallian spirit with local news stations and being a spokesperson, or spokesdog, for the newly launched dog-friendly residence hall. He even spearheaded a community program where he and Splendido would do daily rounds to active spots on campus, allowing students to easily approach him and ask questions. "One of the most frequent questions that he's asked is, 'Who's a good boy?'" explained Splendido.

The Lasallian community is looking forward to returning to campus to see Provost Angus take on his new role, but many have expressed concerns over whether he would continue being the embodiment of school spirit as unofficial pup mascot. But no worries, Angus has reassured everyone that he will continue going to University events to share his love of the blue and gold while managing his new workload as Provost.

Even though the Class of 2020 will not be on campus to see how Angus takes on this new career path, the seniors are still thrilled about the announcement and anticipate seeing more announcements about his great work in the future. Some have even said they are going to come back just to check in on him. "I'm so excited to see everything he's going to accomplish as Provost," says Nicole Phillips, senior Communication major. "Even though I'm graduating this year, I know La Salle is in good hands…or shall I say… good paws."

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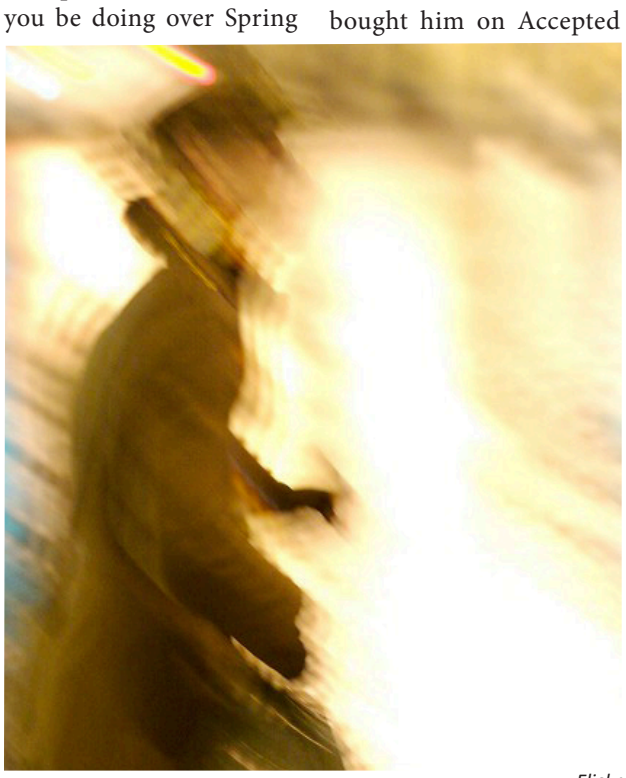
Angus reads important notes in his new office.

Jonathan Smith actually did something

La Salle's most boring student on campus rode Wister elevator

Mackenzie Cyr
Editor

Jonathan "John" Smith, aka the Most Boring Student On Campus, is a junior business major who is spending his third year in St. Basil's Court. Smith is pretty boring and has been extremely uninteresting throughout his entire career here at La Salle University. During an interview with the column, "What's the Biz with Liz" Smith answered the question, "What will you be doing over Spring Break?" with "I dunno, watching Netflix?" We all will be, Smith...we're in quarantine. Smith is not a part of any clubs on campus and spends his free time sitting on the quad staring at the home screen of his phone, or when it is cold outside sitting in the Union staring at the lock screen of his phone. This man's life could not get any more generic. He's a white male who wears the same La Salle sweatshirt his mom bought him on Accepted Students Day. Or so we thought. Tiffany Jacobs told us yesterday morning about Smith and his face-to-face encounter with death...aka the Wister elevator.



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Picture of John Smith going to Wister elevator.

"I was just walking to the library, when I saw John enter the lower entrance to Wister on the backside of the building," said Jacobs. "I've never seen John enter this building before. I just had to find out what he was doing." Jacobs then followed Smith into the back entrance and started recording his dangerous actions.

"It was like nothing I had ever seen before. He was taking the elevator," said Jacobs. "Everyone knows that if you go on that elevator you are never heard from again."

But Smith was in fact heard from again. That day, he answered a question to get points for participation in a 100-level philosophy class he has to take to graduate. Though Smith didn't know it yet, his fame was just beginning. The video spread across campus like wildfire. It was even on La Salle TV, the local news and most importantly, written about in this article.



La Salle University

John Smith is probably somewhere in this photo. Maybe he's the guy in the back.

We got a quote from Smith's roommate earlier this morning on the incident, "I don't know... I never thought of John as a guy to take risks. I mean he wears the same sweatshirt every day and only goes to Treetops because he's still scared of norovirus. It must have been Photoshopped or something."

But Photoshopped it was not. We went directly to the source and asked Smith how he managed to survive.

"That stupid video of me riding the elevator? Do you really think I'm using those stairs? I'm too out of shape for that. Listen, if the elevator breaks down and I get stuck or if I plummet into the basement, at least I have a good excuse to miss philosophy. Attendance and participation are 50 percent of my grade."

Smith denies his stardom, but now he is a dorm room name on La Salle's campus. Or wait… is that John Smith the freshman accounting major, or John Smith on the polo team, or John Smith that works in the library, or John… You know what, John Smith the junior business major is still pretty boring. Well, at least he has an entire Collegian article for himself.

But more importantly, La Salle squirrels sent home with students to protect them from COVID-19 are eating all of the students' quarantine snacks. More information coming your way in next week's paper.

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What's Trending?

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Welcome to the wonderful world of entertainment. The following news includes highlights of celebrities, television, movies and music this week.

Buying takeout in order to receive napkins

Due to the national toilet paper shortage, people across the country are ordering takeout food solely for the purpose of obtaining free napkins that are included with the food delivery. One man took to Twitter to proudly share this idea of his. He described how it was successful, despite spending hundreds of dollars on foods he didn't typically consume. After the post circulated, many are praising this genius idea and started showing off their own napkins once they arrived with their food order.



Illinois Times

Remember to select "Include napkins" at checkout.

People struggle with putting shoes on

Due to the extended period of social isolation at home, people have taken to social media to express that they have forgotten how to wear shoes after spending the last few weeks without them. As the number of posts grew larger, users have expressed many issues, such as forgetting how to tie shoes, which shoe goes on which foot and the overall discomfort experienced when putting a shoe on. According to the Onion, one man's now viral post described that he felt as if his foot was suffocating once he finally rediscovered how to wear a sneaker.



Mental Floss

La Salle will soon be hosting a Zoom lecture on tying shoes.

Unusual food trends are becoming the norm

People all over the world are taking to social media to share new recipes they created using the few ingredients in their home. In one widely trending post, a woman shares her new recipe for a cake that turned out to be surprisingly delicious after she made a few substitutions. The "onion chocolate cake" recipe, which was supposed to be a coconut chocolate cake recipe, used all the ingredients to make a regular chocolate cake; but since the original required coconut shavings, the woman used onion shavings instead. After going viral, people are trying it out.



KHAK

Week three of isolation has people acting like beasts.

Lions released in streets to keep people at home

In Russia, people have been defying orders to stay at home. Therefore, a decision has been made to release hundreds of lions into the streets to keep people from leaving their homes and ultimately stopping the spread of COVID-19. A now-viral photo that was posted on Twitter shows a hungry lion standing on a dark street. The caption stated that 800 wild beasts are roaming the streets all across the country. This photo has circulated worldwide, receiving both terrified and praising reactions.

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The Irish Sun

It's only a matter of time before Governer Tom Wolf follows suit.

La Salle TV to air "The Bachelor" style show starring students and professors

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Unfortunately Peter Weber's season of "The Bachelor" has come to an end. No spoilers, but let's just say his mother Barbara stole the show and Peter's heart. Now that La Salle University students are home in quarantine, they have been able to catch up on shows like "The Bachelor." La Salle T.V. station manager Tonya Ellis even binged all 12 episodes of the 24th season in 24 hours. Missing seeing her students in the studio and with no new content created to air on La Salle T.V., Ellis was feeling a little low, but also inspired. The students she has encountered in the communication department are creative, and Ellis wanted to use their creativity to her advantage. For a long time, Ellis has wanted a personal assistant. She knows she is deserving of nice things and is queen of the studio. She would rather watch Flyers games in her office as opposed to scheduling shows like SportsTalk Philadelphia and Sportsline where she only gets to hear sports updates from students. With no sports existing at the moment, she is hungry for her own little competition.

Ellis is aware that students need internships, and Brother Gerry is always sending emails about them and helping students network. Ellis had proposed the idea of an upcoming series "The Intern" to him, based on "The Bachelor." He is not a fan because he is afraid she would be the one sending all emails to students and not him. Brother Gerry doesn't want Ellis to steal his thunder, so he intends to give an internship to everyone that walks through the door of the Communication Center next year.

Ellis has started her recruitment search for "The Intern" already. 30 students from across campus will be selected to be a contestant. The only requirement is that students must know how to drive and be willing to pick up her son from school every day next year. Ellis says the internship will be a surprise to students and revealed at the end. For now, such contestants will have to attend various Zoom sessions with Ellis where she will instruct them on how to film an audition package. In the end students will have to compete in a "Bachelor" style show, hoping to win the love — or professional endorsement — of the tough and rugged station manager. The most popular rumor on social media is that whoever wins "The Intern" will get to care to Ellis's every whim as an intern and never graduate. Auditions can be sent to @LaSalleTVPhilly on Twitter.

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La Salle TV

"The Intern" has such a short production time - even the promotional poster looks as if it was made in 10 minutes on Photoshop Mobile.

Masque outraged after ticket sales hit zero

Jonathan Colella
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An interesting development occurred amongst the La Salle community these past weeks. School faculty and club organizations have been shocked as student engagement has grinded to a halt. It is almost as if the entire student body has disappeared all at once. La Salle security was the first to notice something strange occurring when a large number of students began moving most of their belongings from their residence halls during the days leading up to spring break. Assuming everyone was just doing spring cleaning, no one was stopped or questioned.

Upon the resumption of classes, none of the students returned to move back in, causing security and RAs to feel very lonely. The lack of students on campus has led to a large variety of issues for all scheduled events. Basketball games have become very awkward due to the lack of an audience. With the total silence of empty bleachers, there have been very intimate moments between both teams during games. The La Salle Explorer was reported to have been seen breaking down in the bleachers with Angus comforting him after trying to hype up a non-existent crowd for 30 minutes. The status of the Career Fair is also questionable due to these developments, with many organizations pulling out to avoid their time being wasted due to low attendance.

But among all the hysteria, the performers of the Masque seem to be having the most volatile reactions, with many members reportedly losing their energy after failing to receive enough attention. Other members have taken matters into their own hands, specifically all those involved with the play "And Then There Were None." When no audience showed up for any of the scheduled performance nights, cast members began a sit-in to keep the show going until they finally got an audience. After using the play's set as a base of operations, the cast has declared dominion over the Dan Rodden Theatre. No one is allowed into the theatre unless they are purchasing a ticket for the show. To ward off any unwanted intruders, the Masque's carpentry division has crafted a trebuchet out of extra wood to sling furniture, and when they are out of furniture they plan to use willing cast members. The only people that have been able to console the wayward thespians are members of the Masque's very own Improv 101. The Improv team seems to be unaware of the events occurring around them since they are still performing shows monthly in the theatre. They supposedly couldn't tell there wasn't an audience during their last show because nobody laughs anyway.

The bright side of the mass-exodus of students is that the local flora and fauna seem to be flourishing. Wild dogs and cats are becoming more common and returning to the area. Uncommon animals such as deer and foxes have also been seen grazing and interacting on the quad in broad daylight. Holroyd's lab mice have escaped their captivity and created their own utopia on the third floor of Holroyd. Most impressively, the ghost of Dan Rodden has once again been seen roaming the halls of the Union Building, truly signaling a return to the natural ecosystem of La Salle.

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@CharSplendido via Twitter

The seats of the Dan Rodden Theater remain empty. Even the Collegian staff is beginning to wonder where everyone went.



President Donald J. Trump makes shocking claim about the *Collegian.*

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La Salle TV announces the first season of La Salle Bachelor.



COLLEGIAN SPORTS

Christian Brothers steal St. Joe's Hawk

Tyler Small
Whatever he wants

In a stunning turn of events, the Philadelphia Police Department has announced that the Lasallian Christian Brothers from La Salle University were responsible for the theft of beloved Saint Joseph's mascot, Detective Silvestro announced.

The theft dates back to the night of March 7, just hours following the Explorers exciting victory against the Hawks 78-77. The back and forth contest was won courtesy of La Salle's sophomore Jared Kimbrough knocking down last second free throws to take the lead with 16 seconds remaining. La Salle was 2-0 against Saint Joes this season, and the victory at Hawk Hill was the first since 2014.

The head of the alleged theft was none other than Brother Gerald Molyneaux, head of the La Salle Communications Department.

"I don't know what came over me, I just got so (explicit) tired of that dang guy in the suit flapping nonstop right in front of my seat. It must have been over 1,000 arm flaps." Molyneaux said, "The mixture with the excitement of the victory led me to commit the crime. I just saw it and it just kinda happened. I am not sorry for what I did."

Detectives were able to both find the mascot and the guilty Christian Brothers who left a fairly obvious trail of brandy directly from Hawk Hill to the Brother's home on 20th and Olney.

"We always harp on the fact that 'Explorers are never lost' but sometimes it is a hassle trying to navigate the city." Molyneaux explained.

The Christian Brothers did not feel guilty, but they were disappointed because as Molyneaux brought it back the Brothers worked on an idea for the mascot.

Molyneaux was writing a screenplay around the entire event where they could just beat down on the "wannabes."

Brother Jerry Fitzgerald, from the Accounting department, was looking into how they could promote and earn money off the mascot. "I was trying to help us bring down the school's debt," Fitzgerald said, "sike I wanted to be able to buy more brandy."

In the Admissions office, Brother Edward Hofmann already had a recruiting campaign bragging about how they have stolen more mascots than any other school.



Philadelphia Police Department

Brother Gerry will be serving a sentence until the Hawks beat the Explorers again.

Brothers Alan Johnson and Edward Sheehy, from the English and History department, were working on a historical novel about how the mascot was a fake.

Angus the Explorer, La Salle's first year mascot, also commented on the allegations.

"(Via translation) That's what they (Saint Joseph's) get for putting that sorry excuse of a bird against me two times a season. Since I came in, we're 2-0, but that guy is still flapping away over there. I don't want to say he deserved what happened to him, but he definitely deserved what happened to him."

Men's basketball head coach Ashley Howard and University President Colleen Hanycz have declined to comment.

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NCAA invests in chess to replace sports

Steven Silvestro
Disappointment

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) is looking to fill the hole in people's lives that sports have left since their blanket cancellations. The NCAA has reached an agreement with the Professional Rapid Online Chess League, or PROCL for short, to hold tournaments.

"This is great. I get to play my favorite game of chess while doing my favorite activity of staying away from everyone," said hopeful student-athlete, Quarin Tin, a sophomore communication major.

Games will take place in basketball arenas with only five people in the entire room, which would include the two players, a fan for each and a referee. To keep with social distancing, each player will sit under the baskets while the referee is on a third computer at center court. The fans will be on the opposite sides in the bleachers, which is similar to the crowd size of La Salle Basketball, and have to submit all chants beforehand for NCAA approval.

When asked why have the matches in a basketball arena when competitors could easily participate from their own homes, Mark Emmert, the President of the NCAA, said, "we wanted to make these matches as inconvenient as possible for every person involved."

ESPN, Turner Sports and several other sports broadcasting companies have signed on to air these events. "We will take anything, I'm tired of playing darts," James Pitaro, the President of ESPN, stated. "I'm not playing darts for fun, but I put random games on the board so whatever I hit gets programmed in. That's how ESPN2 reran a whole day of programming from August."

The NCAA is welcoming all college students to apply, however, they are keeping their requirements for these athletes, so if someone has ever gotten paid for literally anything in their life, they do not qualify. This will also feature strict physicals that are estimated to take an hour long including extreme drug testing

"I was really excited for the PROCL-NCAA arrangement and even signed up for an event," said Bishop Knight, junior philosophy major. "But when I went to sign up for the upcoming tournament, I was turned away, because they found out my grandmother gave me five dollars on my seventh birthday."

In most organizations, there would be a scandal about a student being barred from something for almost nothing, however, this is the NCAA, so it's a normal Tuesday. To follow that up, the NCAA has banished La Salle University from play due to the heinous act of allowing students to attempt to apply for the games.

The PROCL was not the only target of the NCAA — they also reached out to several other organizations, but negotiations broke off before any agreements were met. For example, in discussion with the Marble Rolling Association (MRA), the MRA argued there was not enough in place to keep all the racers safe. The NCAA was also close to founding an online poker league, but the NCAA pulled out when they found out they could not just steal money from all of the players.

The NCAA and PROCL announced that the league will begin with a full-day tournament on April 31.

Update 1: Hopeful Quarin Tin from earlier has been blocked from competition because the Athletic Department didn't like the quote in this article and (s)he has been banned from all athletic events..

Update 2: Athletic Director Brian Baptiste has opened a back door to allow Quarin Tin to play in the games and talk to the Collegian about everything.

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A leaked depiction of the website to play the game will be on.

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Foolegian Editorial

It's not often that the Editorial Board of the *Collegian* decides to commend the University for something that they are doing. It is our general philosophy that if the University is doing right, dozens of other voices will tell them so, but it is our duty as the student newspaper to voice the concerns and criticisms of those without the voice or platform to do so, or of those who are too afraid of retribution. The addition of the campus guillotine has been really awful for the state of free speech at La Salle - and to think, it was only supposed to be for the proprietor of the La Salle Black Market, "Dread Roberts."

When the University announced its sale to McKinsey, we had our hesitations. We still do. But there are some positive benefits to the sale, and we have come to accept our new reality. *The La Salle Collegian* may next year become the *St. John's Collegian*, because let's be real, no business or nursing major in their right mind ever helps out at the *Collegian*. And at least with the division into three universities, we're less likely to get jealous when we hear business majors talk about how sweet their building is, when our buildings are leaking and slowly sinking into the ground. And of course, we won't have to hear nursing students complain about how hard their exams and clinicals are - or hear public health majors tell us about how that "one" 79 percent grade is why they flunked out of nursing. So there's some upside to it.

McKinsey should attempt to fairly allocate the Connelly Library amongst the three universities - well the two, we all know the business students won't need it. *The Collegian* proposes that the University of St. Benilde can have the first floor, but that St. John's should have sole access to the basement and upper floors. Those studying the Arts and Sciences are indeed most likely to pick up a book from the library.

The Collegian previously raised its eyebrow when the New York Times broke news of McKinsey's affiliation with ICE and the caging of migrant children. Surely, no principled and moraled institution should contract with an entity as morally bankrupt as McKinsey!

Upon further reflection, prison camps actually don't seem that bad. We attended the presentation by McKinsey spokesperson Noam Morales, and were quite impressed by the plans for the residence halls. The halls will all be converted into high occupancy dormitories. Even less care will be given to maintaining sanitation and hot water in the dorms. There will be rolling blackouts to reduce power consumption - eco friendly! And the WiFi will be cut off in dorms to discourage their usage for anything but sleeping.

The result of all of these cost cutting measures is that La Salle - and the three universities it is set to become - is further paving the affordable path for all. With living conditions reduced below levels most college students would accept even in an off-campus apartment, students will be able to save thousands of dollars.

We here at the *Collegian* welcome this association with McKinsey and the change it brings. Because, in the grand scheme of things, there is much worse than living in a cage at an immigration detention facility. And at least the cages are fireproof - unlike the St. Miguel Court Townhouses.

The Foolegian is an annual tradition of the La Salle Collegian set to coincide with April Fool's Day each year. The articles contained on all pages marked with an "F" are satirical. The articles contained within are not representative of the university's view, or necessarily the views of all of the Collegian's staff.

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Sunday, March 22
10:46 a.m. —
Public safety breaks up mass evacuation of dorms for not complying with social distancing practices.

Thursday, March 26
12:46 p.m. —
The Wister dog was seen coughing near the town houses. Animal Control was called, but was unable to find the dog.

Friday, March 27
12:46 p.m. —
Squirrels reportedly infest Townhouses. Several were seen sleeping in beds, cooking and generally making themselves at home. University decides to charge them rent rather than evict them.

Saturday, March 28
7:12 p.m. —
A case of vandalism was reported in St. George Hall; it is unclear if the vandalism was left by a student or a squatter.

Monday, March 30
12:38 p.m. —
A case of vandalism was reported in St. Hillary Hall. Alleged graffiti statements read, "La Salle cares about its students." The offending student has since been ruthlessly expelled.

2 p.m. —
Public safety texted a warning to a sophomore business major after he showed up to a Zoom class meeting wearing no clothing and having only the letters "ΣΦΛ" painted onto his chest.

Wednesday, April 1
6:53 p.m. —
Public safety apprehended a group of young men in possession of five pounds of cannabis. When asked why they would ever need so much, the men informed officers that they were "stocking up for weed month, man."

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Explorer Cafés to continue over Zoom amid COVID-19 outbreak

Bianca Abbate
Editor

Despite the lack of on-campus presence at La Salle, the show must go on for the Explorer Cafés. In an effort to preserve the value of intellectual discussion stemming from the Explorer Connection's weekly Wednesday programming while under the constraints of the COVID-19 global pandemic, the Explorer Cafés will take place over Zoom in the month of April.

Director of the Explorer Connection, Tara Carr-Lemke, saw both sides to continuing the programming, "Perhaps at this moment, as people are overburdened with online teaching and learning, we might forgo the cafés. I am certainly open to and understand this sentiment. At the same time, a number of people have been in touch to say that they would appreciate a virtual café at the moment." With outstanding approval from the Explorer Café Committee, the programming will continue.

First on the roster for Zoom cafés is professor of political science Mark Thomas who will facilitate an Explorer Café titled "Can the average American counter Russian interference in the U.S. elections?" Thomas remarked, "I am actually optimistic about doing a Zoom Explorer Café under the circumstances. A Zoom café will allow us all to connect again in an informal environment and exchange ideas. We have some ideas on how to facilitate small group discussions. Of course, it will be a challenge to see all the participants' reactions, especially their non-verbal cues. We are putting a lot of energy into making everybody feel at ease. We have been doing test runs of Zoom and simulating different scenarios. Of course, I will miss the brownies." Thomas's café will take place on Wednesday, April 8 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The second café, "Looking out for No. 1 in a time of Coronavirus?" which will be facilitated by Jason Diaz, professor of integrated science, business and technology and Christen Rexing in the department of public health, will focus on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. A link will soon be sent out by the Explorer Connection to the University community to access these cafés.

Of course, the Explorer Café Committee must prepare for potential technological challenges. To prepare for the event, the Committee will be running a demonstration for the first café Monday, April 6. The Committee invites all students, faculty and staff to join the effort to virtually preserve the Explorer Cafés.

Unfortunately, unlike a regular Explorer Café, light refreshments will not be provided. But, with a plethora of banana bread recipes pervading the internet, this should not be a problem for those in virtual attendance.

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Political science professor Mark Thomas will be among the list of professors to host virtual café.

University COVID-19 Updates

Prepared for print by Bianca Abbate

Friday, March 27

The University announces students in University housing and those with a University meal plan will be receiving a prorated refund.

President Hanycz releases a statement to the University Community, "Amid unpredictability, let's be extraordinary."

The University reveals an undergraduate student, an resident of St. Miguel, tested positive for COVID-19 in an email.

Wednesday, April 1

The University will extend remote operations through at least Thursday, April 30.

The University launches #LaSalleFromHome social media initiative.

For the most recent University news updates concerning COVID-19, bookmark https://www.lasalle.edu/news/covid-19/.

PLEASE NOTE: *The updates provided above are all updates that have been issued since Thursday, March 26 when the previous edition of the Collegian was distributed. The Collegian staff will remain dedicated to providing you the most up-to date information on COVID-19 related news, but all information can also be found on the University website at https://www.lasalle.edu/news/covid-19.*



Courtesy of @esa_lasalle

Zoom isn't just for class — the members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha use Zoom to stay connected from their respective homes.

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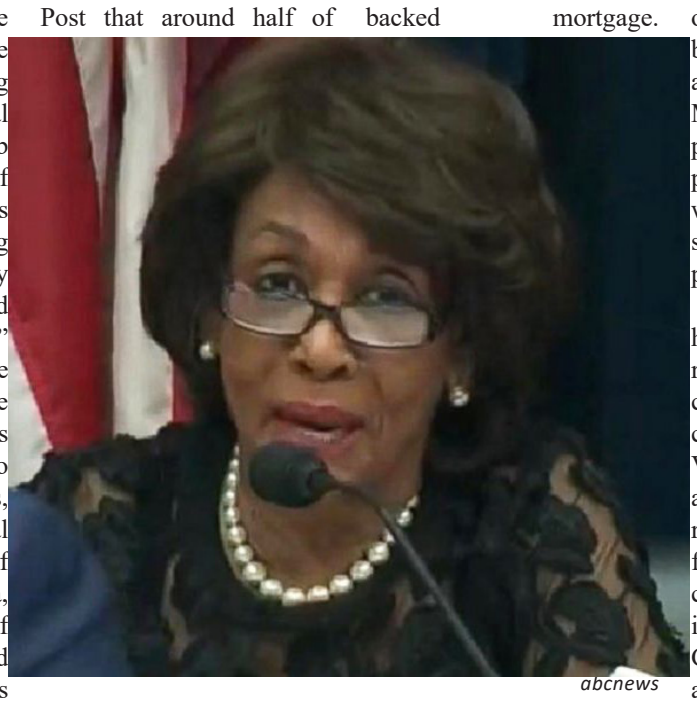
Renters and homeowners grow concerned as COVID-19 makes paying bills harder

Thomas Cahalan
Editor

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, renters and homeowners continue to deal with massive layoffs and business foreclosures. Subsequently, housing advocates and Americans as a whole are growing concerned the U.S. will soon face a housing crisis that will rival the one the country experienced more than a decade ago. The last housing crisis played a major role in causing the economic downturn. In response to concerns and potential economic damages, federal officials have imposed a nationwide freeze on foreclosures and evictions for more than 30 million Americans with home mortgages backed by the Federal Housing Administration or the companies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are two companies under government control. However, the nationwide freezes, known legally as federal moratoriums, do not help more than forty million renters or five million homeowners with mortgage loans not backed by the government directly or Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Even though the steps taken to halt foreclosures and evictions will make it possible for many people to remain in their homes temporarily, industry analysts expect a bigger financial shock is in the making as more and more people will be unable to keep up with their bills.

Mortgage servicers, which provide the service of collecting homeowners' monthly loan payments, state they have already begun to witness an increase in borrowers requiring help and could quickly become unable to respond proactively as a result.

"Servicers are laboring under the same constraints as everyone else, telecommuting and practicing social distancing," said Bob Broeksmit, President of the Mortgage Bankers Association. "This is hitting at a time when their capacity is already constrained because of the pandemic." Renters are expected to face an even more unpredictable position. While some states and cities have begun to offer temporary protections, the policies are not universal nationwide. The states of Maryland and Virginia, as well as the District of Columbia, have initiated policies that ban evictions at least through the end of April, but renters will still be obligated by their landlords to pay their bills when the bans are eventually lifted. Housing advocates believe the situation facing renters will become even more challenging, as renters may have to pay additional fees when the eviction bans are lifted. The nonprofit Renters Alliance in Montgomery County, Md., has already started to see itself being approached with "queries from anxious renters who worry they will be unable to pay their rent soon," said Matt Losak, who serves as the executive director of the nonprofit advocacy group. He stated to the Washington Post that around half of renters in the U.S. are "rent burdened," which means renters are spending more than thirty percent of their income on rent. "If you're in that category and one of many workers who has a reduction of hours because of the crisis, you're going to be pushed over the edge in your ability to pay rent," Losak said.As for which renters so far qualify for temporary eviction protection, the $2 trillion economic rescue legislation passed by Congress last week prohibits rental evictions for a period of 120 days on properties that are secured with a government-backed mortgage.



abcnews

Represenative Waters from California has proposed a new social assistance program that would help renters affected by COVID-19.

According to estimates by the National Multifamily Housing Council, this legislation will cover about half of the market for multifamily properties. Besides Maryland and Virginia, as well as Washington D.C., other states and cities have halted evictions as well. One such city is Los Angeles, which saw its city council approve an emergency plan to temporarily halt evictions and establish a citywide rental assistance fund. Meanwhile in the state of Oregon, Home Forward, the housing authority of Portland, Or., will be offering renters impacted by the coronavirus outbreak a rental break until roughly May 31. After the break period is over, renters that participated in the program will be able to repay their skipped payments over a period of twelve months.

Another city in California has also taken steps to help renters affected by the coronavirus outbreak. The city council of Mountain View, Ca, recently approved a five hundred thousand renter assistance program for people affected by the coronavirus. For additional information, the National Consumer Law Center will also be keeping an updated list of places that have passed bans on evictions. The center will also be providing advice for all renters and homeowners who are having trouble paying their mortgage and rent. While there have been calls for a national rental assistance program, it has yet to emerge. Rep. Maxine Waters (D-Calif), chair of the Financial Services Committee, has proposed spending around one hundred billion dollars to help cover peoples' rents and utilities. New York Democratic Sen. Mike Gianaris of Queens has also introduced legislation that would forgive up to three months of rent and mortgage payments for people and small businesses impacted by the coronavirus outbreak. David Dworkin, president of the National Housing Conference, attempted to ease concerns by saying most landlords will be sympathetic to the current situation and willing to help. In case people are unaware of recent actions taken by their local or state government, residents can contact their city government directly to ask about local moratoriums or check their state government website for information about statewide laws.

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Democratic candidates now campaign online

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Editor

Amid the coronavirus outbreak, the Democratic campaign has gone online. Due to the virus outbreak, the campaigns of both former Vice President Joe Biden and Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders may appear to have gone silent, but their campaigns are still in place. Being both septuagenarians, pundits view the candidates' adaption to online-only platforms as an interesting process, which could possibly shape the future of election cycles for subsequent eras. Originally, the narrative of the campaign outcome was featured prominently in the twenty-four hour news cycle. Considering how the COVID-19 epidemic has understandably captured the world's attention, pundits have been reminding general election voters and observers that the narrative of the primary election goes as follows. Former Vice President Biden once chaired powerful Senate committees, negotiated with foreign leaders during his tenure as Vice President and is expected by pundits and Democratic officials to win the 2020 Democratic presidential nomination. As for his challenger, Sen. Bernie Sanders ran Burlington, Vermont's largest city, as mayor, has been one of the senators for Vermont for three decades and is considered by many to be leader of America's progressive movement. While the campaign was at one time going through the traditional process of scheduled primaries and debates, the two candidates have now been forced to campaign from home through online platforms. Biden now hosts a podcast from his home in Wilmington, Delaware, while Sanders runs a live-streamed talk show from the first floor of his house in Burlington, Vt. Pundits have started to refer to this moment in the campaign as "campaigning in the age of pandemic." Historically, the U.S. traditionally experiences candidates delivering boisterous speeches to supporters and undecided voters in crowds of thousands or embracing voters in more emotional moments. This style of campaigning, however, has been disrupted and will remain disrupted for quite some time. With this being the case, the two veteran politicians who are more used to engaging in speeches and town halls that provoke a sense of spectacle and rhetoric from supporters and opponents alike now have to learn a completely new style of campaigning from scratch.



Business Insider

Former Vice President Joe Biden and Sen. Bernie Sanders bumped each other's elbows at the CNN democratic debate.

Some pundits have declared the online attempts by both the Biden and Sanders campaigns to be more reminiscent of local, cable access shows rather than professional political events. At the beginning of his first episode of his new weekly podcast called "Here's the Deal," Biden asked, "Why am I doing this? Well, first, so we can keep talking with each other," he answered. "We can't hold rallies anymore. We're not gathering in large public spaces. We're living in the new normal. But I want you to know that I'm with you. I'm on your side. We're going to get through this together as a country." Meanwhile, the Sanders campaign did live-streams of about three hundred and fifty events before the virus hit, so his staff is more used to the technology than Biden's. However, doing the live-stream shows from his home as the sole campaign event has been a new process for him. "We are in an unprecedented moment in American and world history," said Sanders earlier this month. "I have never seen anything like this in my life. And nor has anybody else out there." Without primaries, debates or crowds, it will be difficult for either candidate to gain a clear trajectory that could depict the current momentum of the race. Since President Donald Trump and state governors now feature prominently in the news cycle, the two Democratic contenders have been pushed to the sidelines. The online shows for both candidates don't draw large crowds, either. It remains to be seen whether or not the convention for either the Democratic or Republican parties will still happen in July.

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Collegian Editorial

Lasallian model shines through University's conscious housing decision

The mandated closure of University housing a couple weeks ago was implemented to ensure the health and wellbeing of the community at large, but what inevitably stems from such a decision is a feeling of insecurity for many students -- insecurity about housing, about finances, about food. And on top of the many questions lying ahead about the global pandemic and its impact on the world, one question on everyone's mind was: What action will the University take on housing and dining plans?

On March 27, the University answered that question justly. In an email to the University community, Vice President of Finance and Administration Stephanie Pricken and Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Dawn Soufleris announced that students in University housing or with a University meal plan will receive a prorated refund -- calculated based on the prorated charges offset by a prorated portion of institutional aid. Over the next two weeks, the University will apply these adjustments to students' accounts and the adjustment will be reflected on the portal by mid-April.

As most know, the University traditionally serves a working-class community and it has always been the intention of the Lasallians to teach the poor. The University must consider how important housing and food costs are in the community. It must consider how many students rely on school for their housing and food needs. It must consider how some students do not have homes to which to return and how others do not have food in their pantries. The University, ultimately, must confront itself with these stark realities and we can say with confidence that they have.

A sigh of relief for many in our community, this decision was the right call to make. Pricken and Soufleris wrote in the email, "We know that this has been a stressful period for everyone. We hope that this provides some level of relief to you and your family during this difficult situation." One might argue that it was an obligation for the University. Perhaps better viewed as a social responsibility, this decision nonetheless was complex for the University. Of course, the University does have to consider its own financial position and capabilities. The Editorial Board certainly acknowledges that the University, like many, will suffer severe financial losses for making this brave, but necessary decision.

In addition to this prorated refund, the University is offering support in other ways. For example, the University has been using its Student Emergency Fund to assist students in supporting basic needs, such as food and housing, among other costs. Additionally, the University has made accommodations for students without laptops or internet access (all of which can be accessed on the portal). The University has also announced an optional Temporary Grading Policy for the Spring 2020 semester to account for the transition to remote learning. And lastly, the University has kept in mind the spiritual challenges facing the community in sharing words of encouragement, prayer and reflection.

It was a good day to be a Lasallian when the University made this decision. It's about more than money. It's about making a conscious decision informed by social awareness and a care for the community. Despite all of the chaos, it is our hope this announcement has somewhat solaced a community hurting. The Editorial Board applauds the University's decision, acknowledging all of its complexities and facets of it while noting that this pandemic at large may just have brought our community a little closer together. We truly are stronger, together and by association.

Letters, guest columns and opinion pieces will be considered for publication provided that they meet with the editorial standards of The Collegian and fit the allotted space. All letters must be signed and received by the end of the day Tuesday to be considered for the current issue. Letters can be submitted via email to thelsucollegian@outlook.com The Collegian reserves the right to condense or edit submissions. Weekly editorials reflect the views of the editorial staff and are not representative of the university or necessarily the views of the rest of the Collegian's staff. Columns and cartoons reflect the views of the respective writers and artists.

Student reflects on time studying abroad amidst pandemic

Justin Gick discusses his time at dream internship in London and shares his experience traveling back home

Julie Wood
Editor

Justin Gick, junior communication major, excitedly arrived in London early January to begin his study abroad journey with Arcadia University's School of Global Studies. He would be taking classes while having the "opportunity of a lifetime" interning with the ABC News London Bureau. However, this dream all came to an abrupt stop.

On Thursday, March 12, Gick woke up to an email explaining how he had to return home to the United States immediately before a travel ban on all countries in Europe was implemented amidst the global COVID-19 outbreak. After nearly three months studying abroad in London, Gick had to quickly pack his bags and book a flight back to Pennsylvania.

Prior to the travel ban, Gick spent his time exploring the historical city and visiting iconic sites that he explained he had only viewed in documentaries or read about in a book, such as the Buckingham Palace, the Churchill War Rooms and the Tower Bridge. When he wasn't taking courses or checking out the city's sites, he was working with the crew for ABC News to produce news stories. Some of his tasks included setting up camera equipment, researching for correspondents and producers, contacting guests for stories and coordinating with the control room back in New York.

While the station closely followed the coronavirus, it wasn't until Feb. that he started to hear more about the global impact of the virus. "At first, it did not affect our classes and my life in London. All of us just went on as usual. I just thought this was going to be a regular virus that was going to be a big news story for a couple days and would then go away," explained Gick. As the weeks continued, Gick heard more updates about the virus and he began to realize how serious this matter was.

Gick was disappointed to leave as there were so many things he still wanted to do for his internship; he found it especially difficult to leave all of the new friends he had made at his school. In the final days of his internship, however, it really sunk in how crucial it was to stop his program and go back home. "I was at my internship and the Prime Minister was going to speak about the virus and what the UK would do," shared Gick. "Everyone from our office came into the newsroom and all the TVs were tuned into the speech. It was dead silent. People were standing, sitting on the floor and in chairs. I had chills; it was just so telling of the situation. Everyone in the room had a serious face."

On March 15, Gick arrived at the Heathrow Airport for his departure back home, sitting on a flight with other college students who were experiencing the same stress of returning to their families. "The airport was normal at first," said Gick. "The check in lines were a bit long, but security and the waiting areas had average crowds. I did notice that everyone was wearing masks."

Once he landed in Philadelphia, Gick was faced with uncertainty on how he was supposed to self-quarantine following his travels, taking precautions for those around him, especially thinking of his family members who would be more susceptible to the virus. Fortunately, his mother had researched what medical professionals were suggesting for people who were coming back to the U.S.

"I had to wear gloves and a mask when my dad picked me up and he did the same," explained Gick. "My mom's friend had offered to have me at her house. She has a back room that is separate from the main house and it has a bed, bathroom and living room." Currently in self-quarantine, Gick explained how his family had stocked his temporary home with food, drinks and any products needed to maintain a clean and safe space. "It was hard not being able to hug my dad or my mom. It is also hard being confined to one area and only being able to step out on the deck for fresh air. I understand the importance, though."



Justin Gick

Gick was an intern for the ABC News London Bureau while studying abroad.

Despite not being able to work directly with a news station anymore for his internship, Gick was still given an opportunity to develop his reporting skills. He was connected to a reporter with the ABC News early morning program who was looking to interview college students about their return from their study abroad programs. "I followed the reporter on Twitter and he immediately messaged me back," shared Gick. "We did an interview an hour later and it was through FaceTime. Before our interview, I had to dig through my suitcase to find a nice shirt to wear. It was a great opportunity."

Gick recently completed his 14-day quarantine and was finally able to return to his home and see his family, and not just from behind a sliding glass door at his temporary housing. "I was so happy to hug my mom and dad. It was a little strange the first night being back in my house because I have been away for so long, but it was wonderful to finally be home," explains Gick. "Everyone really needs to take this pandemic and rules seriously." For the rest of the semester, Gick will be applying for summer internships at local news stations, excited to apply what he learned in London to his work back home. "[Interning for ABC News] was the opportunity of a lifetime," said Gick. "I will take all that I learned here with me to my career as a news reporter."

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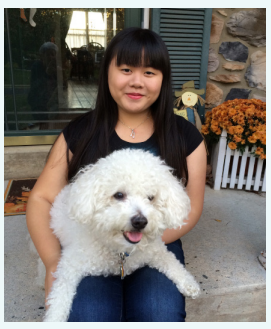
Justin Gick

Gick explored iconic sites in London in his free time.



Justin Gick

Gick was able to learn more about broadcasting and reporting at his internship.



What's the Biz with Liz

What is your favorite April Fool's prank?

Liz Rafter
Editor

I'm not a big fan of April Fool's day. Woohoo, that guy that's a clown all year gets to do it more obnoxiously than usual and it's socially acceptable. Gaslighting? Sure, why not? It's just a prank, bro. And to top it all off, Mr. Peaked in High School gets to be cool again. But there are some fun pranks. My favorite prank is when you go outside with a group and...oh wait. We're under quarantine so we can't be in a group. Well, anyway, here are some of your favorite pranks.

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"I don't like when people put saran wrap on toilets."

Nicole Phillips
Communication
Class of '20



"On April Fool's, I tell my mom to do the chores."

Nicholas Syrgabaev
History
Class of '20



"My favorite April Fool's prank is switching babies in the nursery at the hospital and seeing if the parents notice."

Karen Kerwick
Communication
Class of '21



"My friend once replaced the filling in Oreos with toothpaste."

Julie Wood
Communication
Class of '20



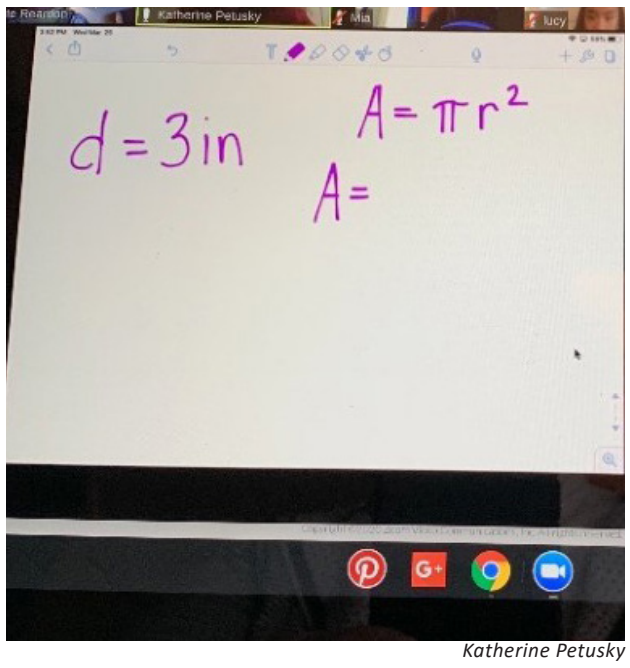
"I watched a video today of a dad who told his kids they reopened school again and sent them out to wait for the bus this morning, which was hilarious."

Mackenzie Cyr
Biology
Class of '22

To teach or not to teach

Two senior education majors discuss how COVID-19 affects student teaching

Liz Rafter
Editor



Katherine Petusky
Petusky teaches a class during quarantine over Zoom.

On a normal day of student teaching, senior secondary education major Mike Poggioli would go to Building 21 High School in Philadelphia around 7:45 a.m. to prepare for the day. He has a concentration in English and normally teaches four sections of tenth grade English classes along with sitting in on various meetings throughout the day. His day would wrap up around 3:00 p.m. Senior middle level education major Katherine Petusky had a similar story. She would get to Mary, Mother of the Redeemer School (MMR) in North Wales, PA around 7:50 a.m. and teach fifth through eighth grade honors math until around 12:15 p.m. After lunch, Petusky would assist her cooperating teacher with a different third or fourth grade class every day. It's a long day, but she says, "It goes by fast when you're constantly working." Now that the schools are closed, both Poggioli and Petusky find themselves at home like the rest of us. This is where their paths diverge.

MMR has moved to online learning, so Petusky has 30-minute meetings over Zoom with her classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. She begins at 11:30 a.m. and finishes by 4:00 p.m. Throughout the week, she will also hold additional meetings over Zoom for students that ask for more help. On Tuesday and Thursday, Petusky makes "screencastify videos and/or post[s] work for the students to submit." She has her students complete practice problems that correspond with her lessons and uses math puzzles to "deepen their mathematical thinking." While continuing her student teaching, she is also working on her portfolio, studying for certification and preparing for job interviews.

Petusky says, "Teaching online requires a lot of preparation, but I am enjoying it more than I thought I would be. I am taking advantage of the available technology, which is giving me the opportunity to create engaging and interactive experiences for my students." She also notes that her students seem to enjoy online meetings because she has incorporated new activities and uses different resources than they did when they were in school. The students give their feedback on which activities they think were and weren't effective which helps Petusky plan better lessons. The meetings over Zoom have also allowed Petusky to get to know her students better. "At the beginning of class one day, all the students brought their pets online and got to introduce them to everyone. That is something we could not have done in school, so it was a fun way to start class," Petusky said. She believes this experience will help her in the future. She acknowledges that the situation is difficult, but she likes that it is requiring teachers to be creative with how they teach. She has found a lot of great resources and said that she will implement them in her classroom in the future.

On Sunday, Poggioli was stuck with a lot of unknowns as to the expectations of him as a student teacher in the School District of Philadelphia. He has met with students over optional Google Hangouts to discuss the book they were reading in class, but is unable to assign any new work because of orders from the school district. "Due to the amount of inequity across the city," some of the students would miss out on online instruction. Poggioli says, "I think that this will be a wakeup call for the education system, especially for districts where there is a lot of inequity. There is no doubt in my mind that there will be more obstacles in the future that will restrict students from coming to school." He has been unable to fully teach a class online because of the school district's orders, but he hopes that steps will be taken to "make something like equal access to online instruction a reality for all students everywhere." His advice for everyone is to wash your hands and stay home.

Petusky and Poggioli are in very different situations right now, but both believe that the ability to teach online is vital to continuing the education of students during this pandemic. Good luck to the student teachers and the professors here at La Salle as they transition to an online format for education.

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What's Trending? — Week of April 2

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Staff

Welcome to the wonderful world of entertainment. The following news includes highlights of celebrities, television, movies and music this week.

Chris Cuomo diagnosed with Coronavirus

CNN anchor and brother of New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, Chris Cuomo has tested positive for COVID-19. Cuomo took to Twitter to share the news of the diagnosis. In this tweet, the television journalist mentioned that he was in contact with others who have tested positive before developing fever, chills and shortness of breath. Cuomo will continue anchoring his "Cuomo Prime Time" program from home.

Adam Schlesinger passes away after being diagnosed with Coronavirus

Fountains of Wayne band member Adam Schlesinger fought for his life after being hospitalized with COVID-19 for over a week. According to Variety, the "Stacy's Mom" songwriter was on a ventilator and was "heavily sedated." Schlesinger is receiving an outpouring of love and support from fans and other musicians on Twitter.



The Times of Israel

Schlesinger was the cofounder of Fountains of Wayne.

Andy Cohen reunites with son after recovering from Coronavirus

"Watch What Happens Live" host Andy Cohen has reunited with his one-year-old son Benjamin after separating due to Cohen's COVID-19 diagnoses earlier this month. Cohen, who has recently stated in an interview with 'Today' that he feels "strong" again, posted an Instagram photo with Benjamin in close contact and smiling at one another. The caption stated, "I've hosted reunions for years, but yesterday's was the best one yet."

Justin Timberlake joins in on "It's gonna be May" quarantine memes

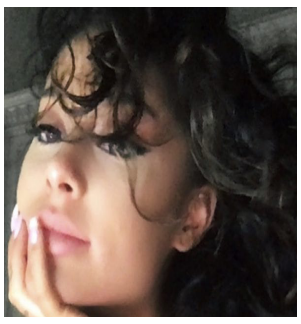
Lead singer of NSYNC, Justin Timberlake, has been the center of "It's gonna be May" memes for years due to the line he sings in the boy band's hit "It's Gonna be Me" with his southern accent. In his social media post, Timberlake posted a funny video of Lizzo singing this line. In the caption, he asked her "When's the next time we leaving the house?" before urging fans to stay inside.

Ben Higgins engaged

Former "Bachelor" star Ben Higgins has proposed to his longtime girlfriend, Jess Clarke. Higgins took to Instagram to share photos from the big moment. In the caption, he mentioned his love for her along with stating "Let's celebrate…but for now let's stay home and isolate." The reality star also made clear to followers that the proposal only included those they were in quarantine with.

Ariana Grande shares photo of natural hair

Pop singer Ariana Grande ditches her signature ponytail in her recent Instagram post, proudly showing off her shorter and naturally curly hair. Allowing her followers to see how she looks while social distancing, Grande simply captioned the photo, "get a load a dis." According to E!, the "Dangerous Woman" singer is in self-isolation with close friends and new boyfriend, LA realtor Dalton Gomez.



@arianagrande via Instagram

Most of her recent posts have been re-uploading older photos.

Joe Diffie (1958-2020)

On March 29, country singer Joe Diffie died at the age of 61 from complications of COVID-19. Diffie was a Grammy-award winning musician who had eighteen singles that reached the Top 10 on the country charts in the nineties. Among these hits, five reached number one. "Pickup Man" and "Home" were two of his most beloved songs by fans.

Andrew Jack (1944-2020)

On March 31, actor Andrew Jack died at the age of 76 from COVID-19. Jack was best known for playing General Ematt in "Star Wars: Episode Vlll – The Last Jedi," "Solo: A Star Wars Story" and "Star Wars: Episode Vll – The Force Awakens." He was also a dialect coach on the "Lord of the Rings" films.

Tiger King becomes a Netflix hit

"Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem and Madness" is a Netflix docuseries that has become widely popular during the quarantine period. It follows the life of Joe Exotic, a flamboyant Oklahoma-based zookeeper who wound up in federal prison after his feud with Big Cat Rescue CEO Carole Baskins went too far.

iHeartMedia Living Room Benefit Concert for America

On March 29, many popular American musicians joined together from their homes to raise money to fight the coronavirus pandemic in this hour-long benefit. Several of these performers were Elton John, Alicia Keys, Backstreet Boys, Camilla Cabello and Shawn Mendes, Sam Smith, Billie Eilish, Billie Joe Armstrong and Mariah Carey. Lady Gaga and Lizzo also made special appearances to spread positivity among viewers. This living room concert attracted almost 9 million viewers and raised more than $8 million.

Billboard Charts: Week of April 2

The number one song in the United States is "Blinding Lights" by The Weeknd. This upbeat pop song is The Weeknd's fifth number one single and is off his fourth-studio album "After Hours."

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The Weeknd VEVO via YouTube

"After Hours" is currently the number one album in America.

Out this week: Rom-coms, buddy cops and spy heists

A review by Jake Eiseman

"The Lovebirds"

"The Lovebirds" is a fast paced mix of romantic-comedy and murder mystery starring comedian Kumail Nanjiani ("Stuber," "The Big Sick") and once web actress Issa Rae ("Insecure," "Little"). When the two main characters, Jibran and Leilani, are accidentally wrapped up in an automotive manslaughter of a biker (just watch the trailer), their relationship is tested as they outrun police and try to find the man that got them into the situation. "Lovebirds" was initially to appear in theaters in early April, but has been shifted to a Netflix exclusive release due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Paramount, the studio behind "Lovebirds," has a history with Netflix after shadow dropping "The Cloverfield Paradox" immediately following 2018's Super Bowl LII, as well as releasing several direct-to-stream films. It appears that "Lovebirds" is the first of many low-to-high budget films being affected by the chaos that is 2020. "The Lovebirds" drops on Friday, April 3.

"Coffee and Kareem"

A buddy cop movie in the truest sense — "Coffee and Kareem" comes to Netflix on Friday, April 3. "Coffee and Kareem" stars Ed Helms ("The Hangover," "The Office") as officer James Coffee, a police officer in a new relationship with the mother of the other titular character, Kareem, played by Terrence Little Gardenhigh. Kareem, who doesn't take very kindly to his mom's new lover, gets Coffee wrapped up in a gang war against some of Detroit's biggest drug-kingpins. Twelve-year-old Kareem and his new step-father figure have to outrun and outgun a gang led by an unnamed thug played by Andrew Bachelor, better known by his Vine persona, King Bach. The film features a cast of unique characters and features way too much action and too many explosions than a Netflix comedy movie has the right to show. Early reviews of the movie place it in the high 70s out of 100.

"Persona 5 Royal"

The greatest Japanese role-playing game to ever grace the minds of the world is back in a revised, updated and improved experience. "Persona 5 Royal" is said to be the definitive edition of the 2016 Playstation game, "Persona 5," which places the player in the role of Ren Amamiya, a second year highschool student in Tokyo, Japan. By day, you make friends, go on dates, go to class, study, do chores and do other mundane tasks, which sounds incredibly boring, but it will all make sense when you find out that doing all of those things you improve your skills by night, when you aren't a student, but an elusive Phantom Thief who steals the hearts of corrupt criminals. "Royal" came out on March 31 and is available now on the Playstation 4. Metacritic currently puts "Royal" at a 94 out of 100, and the game's sequel, "Persona 5 Scramble: The Phantom Stikers" is being discussed for a western release this year.



Paramount Pictures

Nanjiani is set to star in a big budget Marvel film in 2022.



Netflix

This is Gardenhigh's first major motion picture appearance.



Atlus USA

"Royal's" protagonist, Ren, appears in "Super Smash Bros. Ultimate."

Special Foolegian Edition kicks and Cake:
The Battle of The Bathrooms

The experience of attending a college or university is unique for every individual. Depending on one's major, extracurriculars and just simply one's personality, the experience one lives when on a college campus is entirely unique. Certain concentrations will result in the primary use of a particular building and extracurriculars may bring students to specialized places within a campus. As a result of these experiences, students tend to grow attachments and loyalties to buidlings which witnessed either significant moments in the student's academic career or were used for significant periods of time during the student's life. Due to the uniqueness of students' experiences when attending a college or university, this allegiance to buildings or rooms on a campus is often nonnegotiable and very emotional. This is a subject which, although seemingly insignificant, is often argued by students.

While one's preference of a building or area on a campus can be extremely dividing, there is in fact one very personal preference which can unite an entire student body: bathrooms. No matter one's major, extracurriculars and personality there is one simple fact which unites us all: everybody poops. And, while the common saying is that everybody poops, it is generally understood that no matter who you are or what you do, everyone will likely use the toilet facilities in various places across a campus within one's time of attendance. With regard to bathrooms, the issues of concentration, extracurriculars and personality do not apply to the emotional hierarchy one creates in their mind. One's preference of a bathroom is based solely on scientific facts, not emotions, for the desire to use these facilities can strike one at any moment in time. The use of a bathroom is predicated upon need rather than time spent in an area, and so the opinion of a bathroom is often objective. During this time of need in our community, it is important to unite together as Lasallians. There is no better way than to unite a community than to bond over the best bathroom within said community, and so editors Claire Kunzier and Emily Weintraut were recruited to record data on the most frequently used and universally accessible bathrooms on La Salle's campus with regard to different variables, as depicted in **Table 1**. Additional commentary on the specific qualities is expressed below, along with bathrooms which were not able to compared with the other facilities in the study.

Table 1: The Scoring of Bathrooms Dependent on Specific Variables

Bathroom:	Aesthetic	Location	Cleanliness	Traffic	Total (Out of 40)
Union Basement	7	8	7	8	30
Union First Floor	5.5	2	3	1	11.5
Union Second Floor	10	10	9	10	39
Union Third Floor	7	6	7	10	30
Compass Club	10	2	10	10	32
Connelly Library	4	6	2	2	14
Hayman Hall	4	7	2	3	16
Wister Hall	9	5	7	6	27
Holroyd Hall	4	8	8	6	26
College Hall	7	4	7	7	25
Communication Center Top Floor	6	7	4	6	23
Communication Center Bottom Floor	2	6	1	4	13
Blue and Gold Dining Hall	3	7	0	6	16
Treetops Cafe	5	4	7	8	24
Founders Hall	7	7	7	7	28
St. Benilde Tower	4	4	4	5	17

Additional Commentary

Union Second Floor
The facilities on the second floor of the Union are unique because the women's lavatories has an additional room entitled the "Lactation Room." This room is swipe-access only and is attached to the lounge of the women's bathroom as a room for any recent mothers who are lactating.

Compass Club
While seemingly elusive in past times, use of the Compass Club for the general student population seems to have increased recently. The bathrooms in the Compass Club are single-stall and are equipped with facilities which are arguably "more fancy" than the facilities of a normal public restroom.

Connelly Library
While the bathrooms on every floor of the library are all distinct, these bathrooms were selected to be grouped together due to the frequent occurrence of bathrooms being "out of order" within the library. Facilities were thus analyzed collectively.

Hayman Hall
Hayman Hall provides one with a typical public bathroom. These facilities received a truly adequate rating of 5/10 for the location and were the only facilities to do so. This score is due to the vast locational differences between the men's and women's facilities combined with the variable location of individual's classes among the strip with the facilities.

Holroyd Hall
While almost every bathroom within Holroyd Hall are similar to each other, it is important to note that many students who spend siginificant amounts of time within the building have deemed the basement floor facility as the "pooping" bathroom.

Wister and College Halls
The fact that these buildings do not seem up to code adds to the retro and nostalgic feel one experiences when using these facilities.

Blue and Gold Dining Hall
While the facilities inside "Beeg" are comparable to other facilities using the stated variables, it is important to note that using these facilities is always like a fever dream, and so it is rarely preferred by students.

Honorable Mentions

North Dorm Bathrooms
While only directly accessible to students who live within North Dorms, as long as one has an event or companion within this residential facility, bathrooms are accessible. These bathrooms were unable to be ranked due to the lack of universal access. However, it is a common thought among some students that if one never becomes sick within the confines in said facilities, then that individual never truly had a freshman year.

Dunkin
This bathroom cannot be included directly in the study due to La Salle's lack of ownership over the actual restaurant. However, it is important to note that if you have ever used the facilities at this restaurat, then may God bless you.

Brothers' Housing Bathrooms
If one knows about the quality of the facilities within this establishment, it is importat to ask: "WHY?" It is currently unknown as to how one may gain access to these elusive bathrooms. While access may be limitied, due to the general pleasant demeanor the the Brothers, it can be induced that the facilities in this establishment are most likley adquate to very nice. If not, it should lilely be a concern to amend this fact quickly.

Fraternity Bathrooms
Bathrooms within private residential houses were unable to be included in this study for legal reasons, despite any ease of access there may be for these facilities. However, these facilities can be ranked according to two variables, which are stated below.
Aesthetics: -5/10
Memories: 10/10

McCarthy and Trumark Stadiums
These facilities are reserved for the athlectically blessed, along with for the desperate. While these facilities may not be ideal, they are positioned perfectly in case the sudden need for a facility arises along one's trek across campus in both the East-West directions and North-South directions.

*Data was compiled during March 2020 by two female students. Male students were consulted to reduce gender bias.

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April 2, 2020

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