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Monday Morning Update
April 30 - May 6

NDLS,

Welcome to another year here in beautiful South Bend. To the 3Ls, we've done it. To the 2Ls, god speed in another year filled with equal parts joy and stress.

I now address our 1L class. Welcome to life under the Dome. Your reward for all of your hard work to get to this place is, you guessed it, more hard work. But its not all bad. Take this weekly e-mail, for example. This is inherently good. Why? Because I'll be sending out adorable pictures of cute animals in many of these e-mails every week, that's why. Be ready. Now, onto some business.

You've probably gotten a ton of advice up to this point about "What To Expect When You're (Legally) Expecting," but I'd be remiss if I didn't pass along at least one informative nugget to y'all.
Law school is hard, but you've got family here. South Bend, and this law school, may seem (and in some aspects, certainly is) small, but our close proximity to each other is helpful in myriad ways. The first, and most vital, is that you have an important support system at your disposal. You can, and should, use that system. Whether it's a fellow classmate, a professor, a counselor, a faith organization, or any of the number of University-supplied supports on campus, we're a family here.

A perfect example of the Notre Dame Family was Anne Hamilton, who you may or may not have had a passing interaction with before starting here. I, like many of my classmates, was deeply saddened to hear about here ailing health and recent passing, because Anne Hamilton was not only an amazing cornerstone of our law school, but a compassionate human being who would go out of her way to help students and colleagues alike. She was a powerhouse who loved this school and the people inside of it. I know on numerous occasions I frantically e-mailed and called Anne Hamilton with random problems and questions—she never failed to help me when I asked her. In the last few days as people have trickled back to campus after our summers in the NDLS diaspora, every single one of my friends had similar stories of Anne to share. We should all strive to work for each other like Anne did for us as students.

You should take the work of law school as a mostly individual but crucially communal challenge. We're here for each other in school and in not-school. Help a classmate out, go out together, grab coffee, go to all the #sports, go check out a movie, study late, ask what you think is a stupid question (we all have them), and be willing to fail and be picked up when it happens. You've got this. I'm rooting for you, as are many other people.

Phew, that was serious. The remainder of this e-mail each week contains the goings-on of the law school and campus, as well as some personal musings at the end of the e-mail. Have a great semester! Let's get after it.

Cheers,
Bill

Mass Schedule

For the Spring 2018 semester, Masses will be offered in the St. Thomas More Chapel as follows:

- Moday-Thursday, 5:15 PM
- Friday, 12:30 PM
- Sunday, 4:30 PM

Updates from the SBA
The NDLS Student Bar Association is an active part of our campus community and a good way to get involved with the law school.

There will be four School Wide SBA meetings this semester at 12:30 in Room 1130 (8/28, 9/18, 10/9, 11/6). Please mark your calendars now as all are welcome and expected to attend.

We are using these 4 times to provide updates about activities at NDLS, share important details from Administration and to hear ways we hope to improve our community. Plus lunch will be provided!

A few other items to note:
- The SBA Store will open next Monday, August 27th.
- Please calendar these important dates for the Fall Semester:
  - Student Activity Fair: Thursday, August 30th the Commons
  - Alumni power lunch: Friday, September 14th
  - Powder Puff: Friday, October 5th
  - Fall Ball: Friday, November 2nd (Century Center)

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**Meet the new Law School Chaplain!**

Justin McDevitt is the Law School's new chaplain. If you see him, please welcome him and say hello!

He plans to spend time in Eck Commons every weekday and attend several Masses here each week. Read more about him in this article.

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**LEGAL WRITING CENTER**

The Legal Writing Center is dedicated to helping law students become better writers. Our tutors accomplish this goal by listening attentively in writing conferences, reading papers carefully, and asking questions that can help writers better express their ideas and construct their arguments. Legal Writing Center tutors work with writers during all stages of the writing process—from understanding an assignment, to developing a thesis, to organizing the paper, to revising the final product. Make an appointment here or drop in to room 2146 during the following hours:

Monday 9:00–12:00; 1:00–4:00
Tuesday 9:00–11:00
Health & Wellness Information

Wellness in Mind - Need some support? Remember that your Wellness Consultant, Stella Miller, is here for you. Drop her a line at stella.miller@nd.edu or make an appointment at www.calendly.com/stellamiller.

Also, we encourage you to be mindful of the relaxation resources available at the McDonald Center for Student Well-Being. These include yoga, Koru Mindfulness, the Sleep Program, and restorative spaces like the Living Room, Break Room, and Fort. Health support services are always available at University Health Services and the University Counseling Center.

This Week @ NDLS

Monday - August 20

- First day of classes. It's all downhill from here.

- 8:20pm - Student Walk to the Grotto for Anne Hamilton and her family. Meeting in archway at 8:20 for a time for prayer at 8:30.

Tuesday - August 21

Information on services for Anne Hamilton can be found here. A summary:

VISITATION
Tuesday, August 21, 2018, 4:00 PM to 6:30 AM
St. Pius X Catholic Church
52553 Fir Road
Granger, IN 46530

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY
Tuesday, August 21, 2018, 6:30 PM
St. Pius X Catholic Church
52553 Fir Road
Granger, IN 46530

Wednesday - August 22

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL FOR ANNE HAMILTON

- Wednesday, August 22, 2018, 3:30 PM
  - Basilica of the Sacred Heart, University of Notre Dame
Air Force JAG Information Session with Major Joseph Ahlers
- 12:30 -- 1:30
- Room 2172
- Brunos Pizza will be served

Thursday - August 23

**Thursday Limerick**

The Queen of England has a few favorite Corgis  
But that little guy has no glasses from Warby's  
He prances and plays  
In no specific ways  
That little floof has no issues with _____'s!

Friday - August 24

[Image: THAT FRIDAY FEELING]

Saturday - August 25

Why is there no football?

JUST KIDDING, THERE IS. Arsenal plays West Ham United at home at 10 A.M. eastern standard time. Get with it. Gunner up. Man City supporters need not @ me.
Welcome to the best part of your week. Yes, I DID put a New Found Glory music video into the MMU. Yes, I DID change the heading font of this section to COURIER. My power as SBA Secretary is immense and I am frankly unafraid to use it. And Luke thought being President was the big job. SURE AINT.

We're in for a heckuva year, everyone. Big football hype, big hockey hype, and I am personally VERY excited to catch some Shakespeare on campus this semester. That's right, I do it for the #culture.

I spent this summer in Chicago. It was awesome. "Wow, Bill, we get it you love your hometown," you might say. You'd be right. And sure, I ate pizza; sure, the national pizza museum is being built in Chicago, which inherently means that said museum will not be built in New York.

But let me tell you all a little secret about Chicago—the best food, and the best pizza, is NOT deep dish. Do not @ me. Considering that we got the pizza museum on the basis of food that is not even the best type of food the place has to offer, I think, makes us #2 city in the history of the world behind Sparta, Peloponnese, circa 9th Century, BCE. They had good pizza, too.

Anyway, onto some business.

1L OF THE WEEK
The first 1L of the week is Paige Lommerin! I peer pressured Paige to take this interview over the summer and she graciously gave into that pressure. Thanks, Paige! If you see Paige around, buy her a coffee this week.
Q: Where did you attend undergrad?
A: Bucknell University

Q: Where is your hometown?
A: Pleasonton, California.

Q: What did you do before law school?
A: I was teaching pre-school in Chicago.

Q: What did you do this summer?
A: I traveled and spent my time between California and Chicago.

Q: On a scale of 1-10, how much did you enjoy being Bill Green's pseudo-roommate this summer?
A: HARDCORE 12.

Note: I randomly lived with Paige's boyfriend in Chicago this summer. His name is Kenny and he is a personal hero of mine. Thank you, Craigslist!

Q: What is the best chewy candy, and why is it sour punch straws?
A: Can I include the mini ones? The mini ones are far superior. I think that's it. Those mini ones are solid.

Q: What's the coolest animal you have seen?
A: Oh, definitely a sea otter, they are so cute. I saw them in Monterrey, California.

Q: Do you have anything else you'd like to say to all of your fans?
A: Umm... ooooooh. Let me ponder this. What do I want to say to all my fans. I wanna say something cliche like "I'm here for a good time, not a long time," but I can't think of anything. Hey, people might as well find out I'm weird on the first day of class. I'm gonna get a lot more fans after this little article. At the bottom, can you blame all inaccuracies on the interviewER, not the interviewEE, please?

#3LOL OF THE WEEK

This is a new feature I'm bringing to the MMU. Each week, I'll feature a 3L and tell you a few facts and a few secrets about them that are probably made up. If you'd like me to make up fun facts about you in this feature, hit me up.

To start, this is Sebastian "Yinz" Fischer. His middle name isn't actually Yinz, but he would have you believe that his middle names is Yinz because yinz is from Pittsburgh. It doesn't make any sense to me, but there you have it. Here is a photo of him:
Sebastian thinks that calling himself Yinz constantly will hide the fact that he is an incredible snorkler and an early investor into Mishawaka's "Just Add H2O," a local scuba store that also includes a frame shop inside the store. Sure, it's unusually, but what do Yinz expect?

One time, Sebastian regaled yinz with a long story about a deep-sea snorkling trip off the coast of Croatia. Yes, Croatia has incredible beaches, but Sebastian was there for the snorklin'.

This passion is what brought Sebastian to the University of Miami. No, he doesn't have a turnover chain, because having a turnover chain is a horrible thing that no one should ever—ever—own, possess, or speak of again. Yinz went to the U because they have a world-class scuba program. Don't believe me? Google it. Of COURSE they have a scuba club. It's the U.

Sebastian is also a big fan of the shooty pucks, alternatively known as "hockey." Yes, he's a Penguins fan, but not the good ones. He likes Sydney* Crosby. Who does that? Nobody. Nobody does. And sure, the Pens have many names engraved on Lord Stanley's Cup, but what have they done for me lately?

Sebastian is a good friend. We are on the same bowling team. Those two sentences should, by no means, imply that Sebastian is any good at bowling. But we love him anyway.

*As another example of my immense power, I intentionally misspelled Sidney Crosby's name to demonstrate that I am the captain of this ship. I gave Sebastian a preview of this excerpt and he took issue with my spelling of Sid the Kid's name. Yinz will have to get over it.

Have a good week! Go Irish!

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