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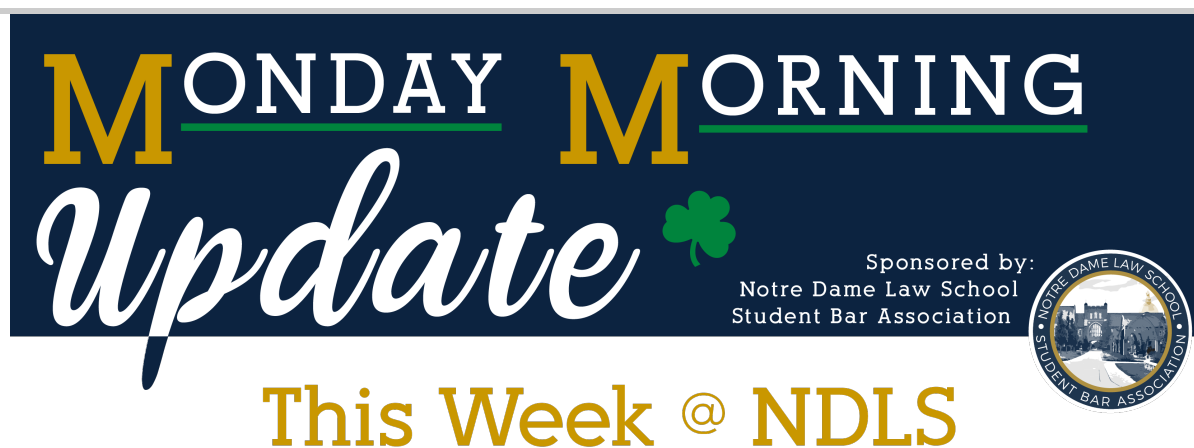
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General Announcements and Reminders

Crossings

Open **Monday thru Friday 7:30-4:00.**
The specials this week are:

Monday Oct 26- Warm Turkey and Munster on Ciabatta
Tuesday Oct 27- Tuscan Bean and Sausage Soup w/ warm bread
Wednesday Oct 28- Taco wrap
Thursday Oct 29- Chic Cordon Bleu Sandwich
Friday Oct 30- Tomato Tortellini Soup w/ croissant croutons

CDO

The CDO is still offering Walk-In Hours Monday through Friday, 12:45-4:45pm. What has changed is that you can't just walk into the CDO, but you can do them via Zoom, by [clicking here](#) or by using this URL: <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/95730218995>. The Meeting ID is 957 3021 8995. As in the past, walk-ins are meant to be 15 minutes or less. If you would like to schedule a longer meeting, you can do so by [clicking here](#), or via IrishLink. Or, you can call Heidi at 574-631-7542.

Resume Review! Make sure your resume is ready be seen by employers by having it reviewed and edited by one of the CDO counselors. You can submit it [here](#).

Note from Kresge Library

It has come to our attention that not everyone is aware of the hours that the study rooms are available. From now through November 13, 2020, the study rooms are available from 8 am to 10 pm, Monday through Friday, closed on the weekends. A law student is able to make a reservation for a room that is a 2-hour block, 1 reservation per person per day. Keys to the rooms are not available.

Beginning Saturday, November 14, 2020, the study rooms will be open 24/7 through November 23, 2020. Reservations are strongly recommended and will be a 4-hour block, 1 reservation per person per day. Keys to the rooms are not available.

If you have any questions about this information, please inquire at the circulation desk. Or send an email to lawcirc@nd.edu.

SBA Store

All Patagonia orders are due by NOON TODAY (MONDAY OCTOBER 26) and payments by 3:30pm in the SBA Store.

Come down to the basement store location to pick up all your NDLS paraphernalia needs. Due to the virus that shall not be named, the store is *not accepting cash this semester so please only bring card payment options*. Store hours are **Monday-Wednesday 11:30-3:30; Thursday 12:00-3:30; and Friday 11:30-2:00.**

Monday - October 26

- **LexisNexis Office Hours**

- Your Lexis Student Reps, Katie Wallace and Lexi Riccolo, will be there to answer your legal research questions and give you the Lexis Tip of the Week (worth 50 Lexis Reward Points) if you missed it!
- **9:00-10:00am, via Zoom:** <https://relx.zoom.us/j/92101035287>

- **IP Lecture Series: Professor Anjali Vats**

- Professor Anjali Vats will discuss her book *The Color of Creatorship: Intellectual Property, Race, and the Making of Americans* which examines how copyright, trademark, and patent discourses work together to form American ideals around race, citizenship, and property. The work offers an opportunity to rethink our own biases about who we identify as creators and who we identify as infringers.
- **12:30pm, via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/95800794570?pwd=>

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- **Religious Freedom in Flux: A Conversation about Recent U.S. Supreme Court Rulings and its Upcoming Term**
 - Professor Barclay and Professor Melissa Rogers from Brookings, moderated by Professor Alford. Professors Barclay and Alford will be joining us in the courtroom and Professor Rogers via zoom.
 - Co-sponsored by the Federalist Society and ACS
 - **12:30pm, Courtroom and via Zoom** (please RSVP [here](#) for in-person seating on the zoom link)
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Tuesday - October 27

- **Clinic Information Session**
 - Come learn about the clinics offered at Notre Dame and why you might want to enroll in one next semester. The following clinics will be represented: Community Development (Professor Kelly), Economic Justice (Professor Fox), Exoneration Justice (Professor Gurule), Intellectual Property & Entrepreneurship (Professor Clifford), Mediation (Professor Jenuwine), Tax (Professor Thomas).
 - For those of you unable to join us in person, you can connect with us via Zoom at the link below.
 - If you have any questions, feel free to contact David Pruitt at dpruitt1@nd.edu.
 - **12:15pm, 3130 Eck and via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/92756535254?pwd=d2lsWjF2cDhkcg5SUxTT205cW1vQT09>
- **Advocating for Ethics in Government**
 - Donald K. Sherman, Deputy Director of Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW) will speak about the work he does at CREW and current challenges for ensuring ethics in government. The event is being co-sponsored by the Program on Ethics, Compliance & Inclusion and ACS.
 - **12:30pm, Zoom** link will be sent upon registration: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdZfpE2ANmFsjX_03eumaoSmPA02AhBjXGRVDy1wrjMLldg/viewform
- **London Town Hall**
 - In light of the risks and uncertainty that continue to be presented by the pandemic, the Law School will not be hosting students in London as part of the London Law Program during this spring semester. The Law School does plan to fully reopen the London Law Program in Fall 2021. In this Town Hall the Director of the London Law Program, Professor Michael Addo, will answer students' questions and any queries about the London Law Program. Guests at this Town Hall will also include Associate Dean for International and Graduate Programs Professor Paul Miller.
 - **12:30pm, via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/93242024475?pwd=c1JBdkVNaHJ6bmF0d3Y2S3FJM2wrDz09> (Password: LondonLaw!)
- **LexisNexis Office Hours**
 - Your Lexis Student Rep, Naomi Price, will be there to answer your legal research questions and give you the Lexis Tip of the Week (worth 50 Lexis Reward Points) if you missed it!
 - **5:00-6:00pm, via Zoom:** <https://relx.zoom.us/j/92101035287>
- **Going to Court as a Survivor**

A conversation hosted by the Gender Relations Center featuring our very own Chris Kozelichki.

- **6:00-7:00pm, via Zoom:** register at <http://bit.ly/GRCGCS>
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Wednesday - October 28

- **A Conversation with Judge Amul Thapar**
 - A Q&A opportunity with a Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge hosted by the Federalist Society
 - **12:15pm, Courtroom** (please RSVP [here](#) for a seat, capacity limited to 75)
- **International Law and Diplomacy**
 - We have invited [Professor Donald Childress](#) (Counselor on International Law, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State) and [Professor Thomas Lee](#) (Special Counsel to the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Defense) to discuss how international law functions at the intersection of diplomacy and defense.
 - **2:00-3:00pm, 1130 Eck Hall** (Please sign up [here](#). Maximum attendees: 41) and **via Zoom** (<https://notredame.zoom.us/j/98348442308>)
- **Catholic Education, the Supreme Court, and School Choice**
 - Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education strives to provide a Catholic education of the highest quality to as many children as possible. Among the many barriers to the continued expansion of school choice policy, perhaps none has proven more challenging than the famed "Blaine Amendments." This past June, the US Supreme Court issued a landmark decision on this issue in *Espinoza v. Montana*. Join ACE's Senior Director for Teacher Formation and Education Policy, **John Schoenig**, and NDLS Professor **Nicole Stelle Garnett** for a conversation about *Espinoza v. Montana* and its potential long-term impact for Catholic school families.
 - The Education Law Forum invites all law students to join ACE for this event.
 - **7:00 pm, Register via Zoom.**
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Thursday - October 29

- **LexisNexis Office Hours**
 - Your Lexis Student Reps, Katie Johns and Emma Murphy, will be there to answer your legal research questions and give you the Lexis Tip of the Week (worth 50 Lexis Reward Points) if you missed it!
 - **2:00-3:00pm, via Zoom:** <https://relx.zoom.us/j/92101035287>
- **Wrongfully Convicted: The Story of Patrick Pursley**
 - Patrick Pursley was wrongfully convicted of first-degree murder in 1994 and sentenced to life without parole. He was exonerated in 2019 with the help of Notre Dame Law School graduate

Kevin Murphy. Mr. Pursley and Mr. Murphy will speak live, via Zoom. Presented by the Klau Center in partnership with Notre Dame Law School's Exoneration Project and Exoneration Justice Clinic.

- **2:00pm, via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/95291398996?pwd=dnFERWo5RjVBdW5QbWpvOW10SVB3UT09>
- **NEED TO TALK? Mike Urbaniak is coming to NDLS!**
 - Would you like to talk about what's going on in your life or how you're navigating some of the challenging circumstances of our world? Are you looking for ways to grow in your spiritual life or talk about God's presence in your life? Mike Urbaniak, a campus minister, will be available to listen, offer guidance, and share the wisdom and hope our faith provides.
 - **3:00-5:00pm, location TBD** (no appointment necessary, just drop in)
- **Who Owns Public Art?**
 - How is art property? Who decides what art is recognized as public property? What publics and communities does public art serve, and how do monuments and memorials fit into the equation? What role does the law play in allowing or facilitating the removal of certain monuments and other public art? Join us for a discussion with Professor Joan Kee of The University of Michigan and Professor Erika Doss of The University of Notre Dame. As scholars of art history and material culture, Professor Kee and Professor Doss have each considered the nexus of law and art. In her most recent publication, *Models of Integrity: Art and Law in Post-sixties America*, Professor Kee explores how friction sometimes results between legal theory, artistic intention, embodied experience and legal practice. In *Memorial Mania* and other works, Professor Doss considers how the removal and destruction of certain memorials, monuments, and other works of public art in America today are indicative of efforts among Americans to reckon with the problems they embody, including racism, sexism, imperialism, and militarism. In this wide-ranging discussion we'll explore the myriad of complex and fascinating interdisciplinary issues raised when the law and art meet.
 - **4:00pm, via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/94658382634?pwd=Y2FqYWFRNEVIMzVjdzA5Nm1EbS8xQT09> (Password: NDLawIP!)
- Mass @ 5:15pm

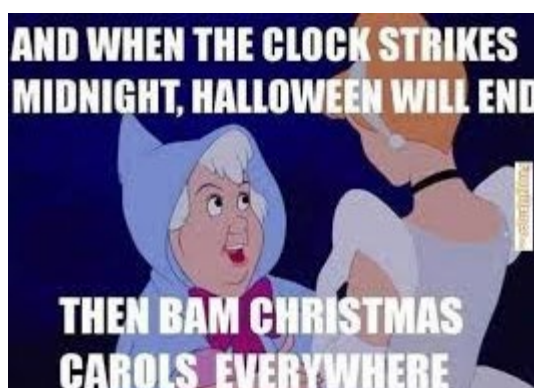
Friday - October 30

- **Free Coffee Fridays!**
 - Friday at Crossings, **all day** The Student Services Office has partnered with the Crossings Cafe to provide *Free Coffee Fridays* for law students until the end of the semester. Stop by Crossings to give yourself a caffeine boost on us!
- **Building an Anti-Racist Vocabulary: Voting Rights**
 - Join the Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights as [The Honorable Eric. H. Holder, Jr.](#), 82nd Attorney General of the United States (2009-2015) and Partner, Covington & Burling LLP, explores the intersection of voting rights and racial justice. Mr. Holder is an internationally recognized leader across a broad range of regulatory enforcement, criminal justice, and national security issues. In 2014, Time magazine named Mr. Holder to its list of 100 Most Influential People, noting that he had “worked tirelessly to ensure equal justice.”
 - [The Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights](#) presents *Building an Anti-Racist Vocabulary*, a weekly lecture series presenting preeminent scholars, thought leaders, and public intellectuals to guide our community through topics necessary to a deeper understanding of systemic racism and racial justice.
 - **12:45-1:45pm, via Zoom:** [Registration is required](#)

- **Talk with Matt Saur**
 - Matt is an Associate at King & Spalding in their M&A group. Prior to his position at King & Spalding, he worked in the M&A and Sports Groups at O'Melveny & Myers. He is going to speak about his experience in Big Law and the importance of networking.
 - **4:00pm, via Zoom:** link to be sent later in the week.
- Mass @ 12:30pm

Saturday - October 31

- **Halloween**



- **The Fighting Irish away versus Georgia Tech—Go Irish!**
 - **3:30pm, on ABC**

Sunday - November 1

- Mass @ 4:30pm
- **De-Stressing Yoga at NDLS!**
 - Join Professor Christine Venter, a registered yoga instructor, for a De-Stressing Yoga session via ZOOM. No experience necessary - just grab a mat (if you have one) a towel and your thickest law book (!) for some much needed time to unwind and de-stress!
 - **6:00pm, via Zoom:** [Register here](#)
- Send me content for next week's MMU!
 - Please include the name of the event, any details, date and time, and a zoom link if needed.
 - **Please try to have all submissions in by 8:00pm.**

Submit content for next week's MMU!

Resources and Updates

Legal Writing Center

The Legal Writing Center is open and accepting appointments for law students who wish to seek advice on papers, exam answer structures, outlining techniques, and other legal writing advice. Before making an appointment with the Center, please check with your professor to make sure your intended use of the Center is allowed under course policies. Appointments can be made through the following link:

<https://nd.mywconline.com>

Note for 1Ls: 1Ls are not allowed to use the Center in connection with their first year legal writing course. 1Ls are allowed to use the center for the other resources described above.

The Writing Center offers free, one-on-one consultations for undergraduates, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty on any aspect of the writing process. We work with writers at ALL levels from ANY discipline at ANY stage in the writing process.

LOCATIONS and HOURS

- Zoom
 - Monday: 2:30- 5:30pm
 - Tuesday: 10:00-12:00pm
 - Wednesday: 3:30-5:30 pm
 - Thursday: 2:00-5:00pm

The Current Students Section of the NDLS Website

A reminder for all students - the NDLS website has a ton of great resources and contains the most up-to-date information about a variety of things. This includes:

- A list of [writing competitions](#) that may be of interest to students
 - Including the annual [Albert S. Pergam International Law Writing Competition](#) (deadline for submission is 4:00 p.m. EST on Friday, November 6, 2020, sent to Carra Forgea at cforgea@nysba.org).
- An [external scholarship database](#)
- [The most current locker/mailbox list](#)

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](#).

Interested in feeling more mindful, more rested, and less stressed? **Registration is open now for McWell's free Koru Mindfulness classes!** [Koru](#) is an evidence-based mindfulness program developed specifically for

college students by experts at Duke University. By joining Koru, you'll commit to four 75-minute sessions that take place once per week for four consecutive weeks and learn a variety of mindfulness skills. It's short and sweet but will leave a lasting impact! Go to the [McWell website](#) for details and to sign up!

Check out the **ABA Mental Health Toolkit** [here](#).

Free Professional Headshots

The Meruelo Family Center for Career Development is offering [free professional headshots](#)! Every Monday and Tuesday from now until the end of the semester, headshots will be offered from 11 a.m. to noon to graduate and undergraduate students. Wear your business professional attire and get your picture taken to use on online profiles, such as LinkedIn and professional websites. RSVP required. [Sign up on Handshake](#).

NDLS News Recommendations

Check out [this Google sheets](#) for news sources recommended by NDLS students and professors. Feel free to add to the list as well!

SBA Dropbox

Please submit all of your questions, comments, concerns for the SBA [here](#).

COVID Corner

Reminders of these key COVID protocols for the Law buildings:

More information is on the Law School's website [HERE](#) or at [here.nd.edu](#).

- **Card access required for all exterior doors until further notice.** All Law School faculty, staff and students will be able to access the building using your Irish1card and 4-digit code. The default code for your Irish1card is the two digit month and two digit day of your birth date (ie. Jan 1 = 0101). You can view and update your Irish1Card 4-digit code by going to this link: <https://irish1card.nd.edu/pin/> *Note: you must be logged into the VPN or be on the campus network for the link to work properly.*
- **Masks must be worn at all times while studying and in class.** You should not remove your mask when studying in Library or elsewhere in the Law School buildings unless you are in a study room *by yourself with the door CLOSED*. Please also use the provided spray to wipe down your study space when you leave.
- **Eating is only permitted in the Commons and South Reading Room.** You cannot eat in the classrooms or Library study spaces. You may remove your mask only during the time in which you are actively eating. Please be aware of the needs of your classmates and do not use these spaces as study spaces if other students are waiting for a spot to eat their lunch.
- **All in-person meetings with faculty and staff must be scheduled.** Your professors will send you information about how to schedule appointments with them. You can schedule appointments with staff through the links below:
 - CDO: through [IrishLink](#)
 - Student Services (Christine Holst-Haley): <https://calendly.com/ndls-cholst>
 - IT Support (Eric McCartney): <https://calendly.com/emccartn>
 - Wellness Consultant (Stella Miller): <https://calendly.com/stellamiller>
 - Registrar (Jenny Fox): No in-person meetings, email Jenny at jenniferfox@nd.edu with questions or to set up a phone or Zoom call.

A Message From the Editor ~Secretary~

Good Morning NDLS!

One of the things that I have come to appreciate the most about South Bend and the Midwest generally is most certainly the existence of four distinct seasons, and specifically Fall. Growing up in South-Central Texas, Fall lasts about a total of two weeks (as does Spring). We go from 90+ degree Summer days to two weeks of beautiful 70 degree days to what we all Winter—i.e. anything below 60 degrees. Here, leaves change colors and quite aptly fall down from the trees. It's absolutely beautiful. It's also coming to an end. More and more trees have less and less leaves. If you haven't taken time to walk around campus, specifically the Lakes during this season, you should.

Even though it's October and some leaves are still up and it technically looks like "Fall," I put forward what might be the hottest of hot takes up here in the North Midwest—Winter has arrived good people. I make my case by addressing counter arguments: 1) "It's not even that cold yet." False. It is cold. Just because it's going to get *colder* doesn't mean it's not already cold. I can still hear Professor Callahan pitying me 1L year with an "Ah, sweetie" when I made an audible sound of distress after she said, "What a beautiful fall morning" when it was *35 degrees* outside. Anyone who thinks 35 is a Fall temperature has a warped sense of what is cold, because that is only three degrees away from freezing and sometimes the coldest it gets back home. That year was the Polar Vortex and got down to -26. While I prefer the +35, that doesn't change that it still requires multiple layers. 2) "Winter in the Northern Hemisphere starts on December 21." I guess if you want to get technical here, I have no response to this except that that's an astronomical start date based on the equinox and has nothing to do with the weather. Colloquially using "winter" to describe the weather and season shouldn't be constrained to the positioning of the Earth and sun. 3) "Winter is a season for Christmas, and it isn't even Halloween." First, I would tell you that once again, colloquial weather designations should not be tied to holidays. Second, I've decided that Christmas starts early this year. Also, snowy Christmases are a gift, not a given. A lot of us never see a White Christmas, so that can't be a prerequisite.

Now I am usually a *very* strict "absolutely-no-things-Christmas-until-the-day-after-Thanksgiving-but-come-that-Friday-all-things-Christmas" person, but y'all, 2020 has been an ordeal and we're going through it right now. We deserve Christmas. We need Christmas. And I've decided that Christmas has started. Thanksgiving will come still, but it can be more of a pre-Christmas. As someone who has been in school every year since age 2, I realize now that I strongly associate Christmas with finals. How am I supposed to do finals without the surrounding comfort of Christmas? I cannot and I shall not. So if you want to wait, fine, but I just gave you plenty of justifications, even if most of them surrounded the weather.

Go Irish!

Krystal

CDO Counselor Spotlight: Vinny Versagli



Q: What markets are you familiar with?

A: I practiced in Wilmington, DE, and the matters I worked on frequently involved large firms in New York, so I would say I am most familiar with those two markets. I also went to law school in the Philadelphia area and have a number of classmates who work there, so I have a good familiarity with that market as well. That being said, I have done this long enough now to have worked with students and alumni from all over the country, so no matter where a student wants to go I feel like I have something to offer.

Q: What do you think is a favorite underutilized resource available to the students?

A: I think the Job Search Toolkit is generally underutilized, especially the resources in the Networking folder and the Employer Research folder. The answers many students have about how to identify potential networking contacts, how to contact them, and what to ask in networking meetings/calls can be found in the Networking Guide, and the Employer Research folder has plenty of helpful information about how to research and identify potential employers.

Q: Tell us a little bit about where you're from and your family:

A: I grew up in Landenberg, PA, which is a speck on the map about 45 minutes west southwest of Philadelphia. My family lived just a few miles from Delaware, and I went to grade school and high school in Wilmington. Now I live in Granger with my wife, Calli, who is a biology professor at St. Mary's College, and our two daughters Natali (4) and Clara (1).

Q: What is your favorite thing to do for fun with your family or friends?

A: I love to play golf and ski, but our kids are too young for either right now, which makes opportunities to do those things relatively few and far between. Nowadays, we spend a lot of time at home playing with the kids in the yard and around the house. I am a big food person too, so cooking and eating is often a big part of time with family and friends.

Q: What's a fun fact about you?

A: From 2007 through 2016, I missed only two Notre Dame home football games, both for weddings. The second half of that stretch is not very surprising considering I started working here in March 2012, but the first half of it took some commitment. I often used to leave after work on Friday with my brother and a friend and drive 9.5 hours overnight to get here in time to grab a few hours of sleep before setting up our tailgate in the morning. It was fun at the time -- and we have a lot of great memories from those trips -- but I am glad those days are behind me.

1L OF THE WEEK

This week's 1L of the Week is Hope Swantko . She too is a long Sunday napper so buy her a coffee and learn the ways of the elite.



Q: Where is your hometown?

A: I am from Commerce, Michigan. A suburb of Detroit.

Q: Where did you attend undergrad?

A: I went to Michigan and graduated in 2019. I was a Philosophy and PoliSci major.

Q: What did you do this summer?

A: I lived in Chicago for a year and worked for a firm. I moved back home in June during the pandemic before starting law school. During quarantine I watched a lot of TV. My family got really into cooking, so each of us would have to cook a meal. But other than that it was a lot laying around.

Q: What has been your favorite Halloween costume you've dressed up in?

A: I've done a couple things incorporating gashes and blood. I'm a last minute Halloween person and so usually just go to the store to get some fake blood and see what I can do with it.

Q: Trick or Treat?

A: I would say I would probably rather treat.

Q: What temperature do you consider 'cold'?

A: It definitely has to be under 30. But I would say it starts really getting cold in the teens.

*As someone from Texas, this answer is ridiculous to me.

Q: What's your favorite meme?

A: I don't really have a favorite meme, but I do have a favorite video. It's Justin Bieber imitating the laugh of a reporter. If you haven't seen it google '[Justin Bieber I like that laugh.](#)'

Q: How much is too much money to spend on a mask now?

A: I think now that they are readily available I would say anything over \$10 is not worth it. They are so easy to lose. It's about quantity over quality now.

Q: What are your thoughts on Christmas before Thanksgiving?

A: I don't love Thanksgiving so I'm not totally opposed to it. But I do think Christmas things get better in December when you can really get into the spirit.

Q: Do you have anything else you'd like to say to all of your fans?

A: It's the last month. I hope everyone is getting enough sleep and doing some fun activities.

Q: Who do you nominate to be next week's 1L of the Week?

A: I will nominate Lizzie Walter.

3LOL: Ben Boris

This week's 3LOL is Ben Boris, a jolly good fellow from West Chicago, a suburb located West of Chicago (crazy). Here he is pictured below giving a speech at his high school best friend's wedding in Oklahoma the Saturday before this semester started:



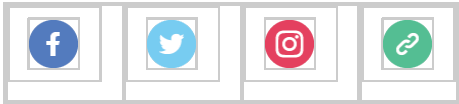
Waking up that next day, i.e. the day before the first day of 3L year, Ben really did start 3LOL off right: with a "headache" (from natural causes I am sure), at noon, in Oklahoma. Ben still needed to make it to South Bend, unpack, move in, get his books, and find out if he had class on Monday, much less readings. He'll tell you he's still playing catch up, but he did get all of those things done, so you be the judge.

This year Ben lives in the 6-man household previously mentioned last week. He maintains that he will emerge as the Madden champion of the house this semester even though technically Connor is currently in the lead (because he has, and I quote, "played 15 more games because he apparently has nothing better to do"). Obviously tensions in the race for this title are high. Ben may have to turn to of his activities of interest and relaxation to escape the surmounting pressure of the Madden house contest: golf, basketball, sports generally, tick tock, and movies.

Ben has spent quarantine doubling down on these preexisting hobbies of his, which seems like a good call since they are mostly good socially distancing activities. Save basketball and going to the movies, which has been the real kick in the pants for Ben. A cinephile, Ben greatly enjoys going to movies in theaters and advocates for normalizing going to theaters alone. Pre-Covid, you could find Ben in the back row of the theater with a popcorn all by himself every night before an exam. But now there's a pandemic and outside of the theater being public place, many major movie releases are happening via streaming or are just delayed. So Ben is having to stream all of his movies now, of which he is currently recommending the Trial of the Chicago 7 (Netflix and "heavy on dialog"), Palm Springs (hulu), and I'm Thinking of Ending Things (Netflix and "pretty f'd up") .

But don't just take Ben's movie recommendations—take his advice and example. Connor stole his general 'avoid the compare and scare' advice, so specifically in these impending end-of-semester and finals times, Ben recommends taking taking a couple of hours a week to do something that is completely non-law school related that you like to do (such as a movie or two). It doesn't matter if you got less done in the week than you wanted. It is more important now than ever to not lose your sanity.

Follow the SBA for more updates!



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