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Non-meat options that are always available: Tuna Melt, Grilled Cheese, Black Bean Burger, Veggie, Tuna, Falafel

Crossings is now available through the GrubHub app Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CDO

The CDO is still offering Walk-In Hours Monday through Friday, 12:45-4:45pm. There is a new Walk-In link. <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/92926943286>

The Meeting ID is 92926943286

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.

SBA Store

The SBA Store is open! Come get all of your NDLS gear **Monday-Thursday 11:30-3:30pm and Fridays 11:30-2:00pm.**

Monday - April 26

- **Justice for George Floyd? Unpacking the Verdict**
 - Join the Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights to probe some of the questions raised by the Chauvin verdict. Did the conviction provide justice to Floyd and his family? What can we expect from law enforcement following this judgment? How does the guilty verdict change the dynamics of racial justice movements?
 - **12:30-1:30pm, via Zoom:** Register at https://notredame.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hlsg3mBMSi-YF71RXeVAFQ
- **IPLS: Meet the Employers**
 - Check out this [google sheet](#) about the firms attending this IPLS event.
 - **6:00pm, via Zoom:** look for an email coming from Kelly Heilman
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Tuesday - April 27

- **Combating Child Slave Labor: A Discussion About *Nestle v. Doe***
 - We have invited [Mr. Paul Hoffman](#) (Partner- Schonbrun DeSimone Seplow Harris & Hoffman, LLP) to discuss the possibility of combating child slave labor through the U.S. judicial system. Mr. Hoffman represented the plaintiffs (former enslaved children who were kidnapped and forced to work on cocoa farms in the Ivory Coast) in [Nestle v. Doe](#), an ongoing U.S. Supreme Court case disputing whether the defendant U.S. companies are liable under the Alien Tort Statute for aiding and abetting child slavery in the Ivory Coast.
 - Please sign up [here](#) by **Tuesday, April 27th at 11:00 am** if you are certain that you will be attending the event in person.
 - **12:30-1:30pm, 1140 Eck and via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/98351631095>
- **The Role of Islamic Law in US Courts**
 - Please join us for a virtual lecture with Prof. Haider Hamoudi, Vice Dean and Professor of Law of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. [Professor Hamoudi](#) is the Vice Dean and a Professor of Law of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. He received his B.Sc. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. Professor Hamoudi's most recent work looks at the three primary forms of legal order in the Iraqi nation-state—tribal law, Islamic law and state law—and attempts to explain how they interact with one another to organize commercial and other private law activity throughout the state. Professor Hamoudi is also the Editor in Chief of the *Arab Law Quarterly*.
 - **12:45-2:00pm, via Zoom:** notredame.zoom.us/j/95877407086
- **Alvin McKenna Alumnus of the Year Award Ceremony**
 - Each year, BLSA honors the members of our community who advance the organization's mission. As such, we invite the NDLS community to join this year's BLSA Award Ceremony and recognition of **Walter Jean-Jacques** as the recipient of the Alvin McKenna Alumnus of the Year Award. Recipients of the remaining awards will be announced during the celebration.
 - Dress code: Business casual.
 - Food will be served, and drinks will be available for purchase. There will also be giveaways. COVID policies will strictly be observed.
 - RSVP [link](#) (the form will close on Tuesday, April 27th at 6 PM). In-person attendance is limited to 50 attendees.
 - **6:30-8:30pm, Legends and via Zoom [link](#)** (Meeting ID: 917 4349 2964; Passcode: 601287). The Presentation will start at 7:00pm.
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Wednesday - April 28

- **Free Snacks!**

- The International and Graduate Programs office is offering FREE international Snacks! All students are welcome to stop by office suite 2150 to stay hello and pick up an individually wrapped treat. Come early as we have a *limited supply* of snacks!
- **Obergefell, Masterpiece Cakeshop, and Fulton: Harnessing v. Unleashing 'Armies of Compassion**
 - Please join us for a virtual discussion with Linda McClain, Boston University School of Law. Linda C. McClain is Robert Kent Professor of Law at Boston University School of Law. Known for her work in family law, gender and law, and feminist legal theory, Professor McClain's scholarship addresses the respective roles of families, other institutions of civil society, and of government in fostering citizens' capacities for democratic and personal self-government. Her most recent book is, *Who's the Bigot? Learning from Conflicts over Marriage and Civil Rights Law* (Oxford University Press, 2020).
 - Presented by the Constitutional Studies Program and Gender Studies, both at the University of Notre Dame.
 - **12:45-2:00pm, via Zoom:** notredame.zoom.us/j/95877407086
- Mass @ 5:15pm

Thursday - April 29

- **Protecting Oak Flat and Other Indigenous Sacred Places**
 - Join the Religious Liberty Initiative for a discussion about the importance of adequate protections for Indigenous sacred places in North America, along with the current fight to save Oak Flat. Our panelists will share perspectives on a history of broken promises and government divestiture of tribal homelands, along with updates on litigation, possible political solutions, and other potential issues on the horizon.
 - Co-sponsors: American Indian Catholic Schools Network, Sustainability Minor, Native American Student Association of Notre Dame and Native American Initiative.
 - **12:00pm, via Zoom:** Register at https://notredame.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OFtJQ3oSS4iRF4b7DV7qsQ
- **IP in Practice: Tech Transactions**
 - Join us for our Spring 2021 IP in Practice Series which spotlights novel and evolving issues in intellectual property and technology law with practitioners in the field. A career in Tech Transactions allows for a diverse and exciting practice where attorneys can be involved in providing business advice on the legal and commercial issues that arise in complex technology and IP-related transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, software and information technology licensing and procurement, patent licensing and monetization, outsourcing arrangements, and development, collaboration, joint-venture, and distribution deals. Speakers include: [Tommy Martindale](#), San Diego

State University Director Tech Transfer Office, and [Tim Flanagan](#), Associate General Counsel, Term Teaching Professor at Notre Dame

- Event Link: <https://iptech.nd.edu/news-events/events/2021/04/29/tech-transactions-within-university-settings-featuring-tommy-martindale-and-timothy-flanagan/>
- **5:00pm, via Zoom:** <https://notredame.zoom.us/j/93365286486>

- Mass @ 5:15pm

Friday - April 30

- **Building an Anti-Racist Vocabulary: "Beyond Policing"**
 - Join the Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights as prominent civil rights activist DeRay Mckesson discusses the systems and structures that have led to mass incarceration and police killings of black and other minority populations. He is the author of *On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope*.
 - **12:45pm, via Zoom:** Register at https://notredame.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yv-F4PsBTTu21vWBB8yLgw

- Mass @ 12:30pm

Saturday - May 1



Sunday - May 2

- Mass @ 4:30pm

- 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 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>

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: 10:00am-12:30pm
 - Thursday: 10:00am-12:30pm

Prepare to Practice Consultations

The research librarians are offering Prepare to Practice consultations to help you prepare for research tasks that may arise in your summer or post-graduate positions. We can tailor our consultation to the information needs you will most likely encounter in a particular context or on any topic for which you need a refresher. Examples include: litigation analytics, dockets, administrative law, transactional law, legislative history, and state specific practice guides. We are generally available to meet between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and we will offer appointments until May 21. Please fill out [this form](#) if you'd like to schedule a consultation, and a research librarian will reach out to schedule a time within 2 business days.

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
- 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.

You can check up on your wellness throughout the year using the Lawyers and Wellness self-assessment tool exclusively for NDLS students. It's completely confidential and can easily be completed in less than a minute. Based on your score, the assessment will recommend next steps to help support your mental health and wellbeing. Take the assessment here: law.nd.edu/wellnesscheck.

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 new mental health self-assessment tool is exclusively for law students at NDLS. It's completely confidential and can easily be completed in less than a minute. We invite you to use this tool to check up on your wellness throughout the year. Based on your score, the assessment will recommend next steps to help support your mental health and wellbeing. Take the assessment here: law.nd.edu/wellnesscheck

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

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

INDIANA RESIDENTS VACCINE AVAILABILITY: All Indiana residents 16+ become eligible for the Covid vaccine this Wednesday 3/31. If you fill out the vaccine request form at <https://healthlincchc.org/> they will call you back to schedule an appointment. I believe they have appointments available for this Wednesday and

may even be able to get people in sooner if they have expiring doses. Registering through the [in.gov](https://www.in.gov) portal, all of the nearby locations are booked out through the second week in April. Additionally, you can only sign up for an appointment if you are already eligible. Healthline lets you register now and is a good option for anyone who wants to get the vaccine sooner than when the University makes it available.

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.

- **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 (Ed Marshall): <https://calendly.com/ejmarshall>
 - 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!

If you were one of the lucky 250 people who got to attend the Father Mike Show on Thursday, thank you for coming out, and if you were not one of the lucky ones, my condolences, we had a good time. It was a labor of love to bring the NDLS tradition back this year, and I cannot thank enough the people who helped put it on in with all the covid compliance, specifically Christine Holst-Haley, Alicia Sachau, and Ann Kiley. Keith and the rest of the SBA were great helps and supports. Our faculty, as always, were very supportive and added to the spirit of the event. The performers killed. All around, it was a good night, and I am very glad 2Ls and 1Ls have a conception of the tradition now.

Traditions are some of the most human things we have. They are ways for us to connect to the past while also growing into the future. They range in topic and

seriousness, from fancy hats at the Kentucky Derby to Taps played at funerals and presidential turkey pardons on Thanksgiving. If you don't remember, I went to Texas A&M, a place with a strong culture. It wasn't until I went to my first Notre Dame football game and didn't know any of the words to the songs and was surprised as all get out to watch people be hoisted into the air for push-ups that I realized it can be both overwhelming and amusing when you don't know the traditions. I mean people will do the most ridiculous things and act like it's totally normal in the name of traditions. They are the ultimate people-watching activity. But then they are so fun to learn!

One of my personal favorites is the Grand March at weddings. If you haven't seen/participated in one, it's a kind of promenade of the couple with the majority of attendees. It's a very follow the leader kind of dance. People make a tunnel where they try and pickpocket you as you go through. It ends with the wedding party circling the couple on their first dance, occasionally crowding them with cheers. I realize now just how bad I am at explaining that tradition. Alas, it was really just an attempt at a gateway to say I love dancing. My grandmother has told me time and again that 1) dancing is the best form of cardio exercise, and 2) it is one of the activities you will most miss when you grow older, at least vigorous dancing is. There's nothing quite like busting a move and freestyling it. There's also nothing quite like a good old-fashion partner swing dance. Both are joyous and dare I say therapeutic. Dancing is good for the soul. And that is why that was my favorite part about the Father Mike Show this year—watching people dance to the musical acts. I hope many years from now NDLS students are still doing the same thing.

Go Irish!

Krystal

1L OF THE WEEK

This week's 1L of the Week is Ian McKay. He is very nice and excellent at conversing. Buy him a coffee and find out for yourself.



Q: Where is your hometown?

A: I am from Holland, Michigan. It's about one and a half hours north of South Bend. But I've been living in Los Angeles for the past four years.

Q: Where did you attend, what did you study in undergrad, and what did you do before law school?

A: I studied political science at Point Loma Nazarean University in San Diego. But after, I spent two years teaching English in Korea and that's how I got connected with the international nonprofit I worked at for the past four years, Liberty in North Korea. I was their head of advocacy and communications.

Q: Do you do anything fun for the last Mini Break?

A: Oh man, besides Civil Procedure outline, I went and got a drink at Danny Boy's.

Q: What is your favorite tradition?

A: This is from my hometown, which has lots of Dutch people. Every year there is a tulip festival and everyone wears wooden shoes and dresses up in Dutch folk outfits and cleans the streets for the festival. It's the start of spring.

Q: What is a subscription that is not worth the money?

A: This is a hot take, but I don't think a Hulu subscription is worth it. There are not enough good shows on there to justify it. If you want to watch a show on there it's more worth it to make a new fake email and get the one month free-trial.

Q: Socks or shoes?

A: I'm a big shoe guy and I will confess that sometimes I wear shoes without socks. But I also never wear shoes inside my house.

Q: What is the weirdest animal you've seen?

A: I saw hippo once in real life and they are way bigger than you think. And they

have no chill.

Q: What animated Disney character do you relate to the most?

A: I would probably say I resonate with the candlestick in Beauty and the Beast. He has a French accent, and I've always liked the French. He's also the life of the party.

Q: What book you think everyone should read?

A: East of Eden by John Steinbeck. I wish everyone would read that book. It has a lot of themes that we deal with in real life. And it's just really good literature.

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

A: Keep calm and rave on. Let's finish the finals strong.

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

A: Tom Haracz.

3LOL: Graham Pilotte

As this weekend will see the return of the Kentucky Derby, it is both apt and exciting that this week's 3LOL is Kentuckian Graham Pilotte. It's as cool as you think it is. Before coming to law school, and continuing on while here, Graham has worked as a freelance writer. While her pieces range in topic and publication, she has written a number of pieces on the Derby. Notably, it was her piece on Anita Mandden's dresses on display in The Mansion (an exclusive, invitation-only clubhouse at Churchill Downs), that granted us (and by us I mean Graham specifically, Stachia and I were along for the ride) access to the VIP's only spot on Thanksgiving 2019. Graham can fill you in on the luxury of it all as well as mint juleps and other cool Derby traditions, so buy her a coffee and prepare for the races. (Photo creds to me.)



Not on the back of a horse, but Graham is a runner and loves a good, themed race, especially for charity. One year she finished the "Triple Crown of People Races in Louisville"—a 5K, 10K, and 10 miler for different charities. Graham likes to dress to theme for these races, though her dad threatens to take the themes even more seriously. He has purchased, but not yet used, two turkey suits for them to do a Turkey Trot 5K in together. Graham remains hopeful the suits remain in the closet. While running was always one of Graham's hobbies, Graham's quarantine-developed hobbies have run the gambit over this past year. It started with cooking, moved to cross-stitch, and has now arrived at crocheting. She is currently working on a potholder, but the goal is to complete a lama kit to complement the lama accents in her apartment. Also in her apartment hangs her cross-stitch masterpiece from last semester—a smiling avocado that is most decidedly a square shape. Graham did not start the project with that artistic choice in mind, but she doubled down on it when it developed.

Graham is also an avid lover of all things cats and music (so the musical Cats is a hit). Back in the day when strangers could pass around microphones at bars for karaoke nights, Danny Boys had a regular such Thursday night event, and Graham was a popular favorite. Having performed in New York theater before law school, Graham brings a polished and show-quality to her songs (and makes a great duet partner to Wicked show tunes). Graham allows herself grace for those unpolished moments in law school though. After the whirlwind that is 1L brief writing and oral arguments, we went back to Graham's apartment to be braindead. It wasn't until 10:30pm we realized we had both brought the wrong books back to read for class the next day. We laughed in misery and did not go back for them. Classic.

Graham's advice for law school is to ask lots of questions. Find a professor or upperclassmen you feel comfortable bombarding, and ask away. Also, be open to new opportunities. You never know what's coming your way.

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