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Greetings loyal readers of the *Lipscomb Underground*! In this week's edition of the LU, we'll be discussing a trove of tantalizing topics, including obnoxious Belmont students (gosh!), new Bell Tower ideas, and the potential benefits and detriments of the new Cingular cellphone tower on top of High Rise. Happy reading!

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So last week, as I was watching more reports on the devastation brought on by Katrina, I heard a knock at my door. When I opened it, there stood before me some plaid shirt, khaki short, birk-wearing guy that I've never seen before. He begins by introducing himself and making a vain attempt at small talk with a complete stranger, during the course of which he (upon seeing the Lipscomb tee I happened to be wearing) informed me that he was a student at Belmont. Before I could slam the door, he says that he is out collecting donations. In my mind I'm thinking, wow Belmont students have finally learned to be positively contributing members of society- they're collecting donations for Katrina victims. So as I opened the door a little wider, he continues on the let me know that if I will "just subscribe to one of the magazines on this nifty list" (yes, his actual words), he will earn points and "get kicked out of the country" (again his actual words) on an awesome trip to Mexico. Not a mission trip, not an educational trip- but a SPRING BREAK trip. Are you kidding me? As I finally had the pleasure of closing that door in his face, I'm thinking 1) Since when do college kids do elementary style fundraisers 2) Since when does anyone ask OTHER people to pay for their spring break pleasure trip 3) Only Belmont could be so socially inept as to allow their students to go around soliciting (bypassing all the many signs on my residence gate which state in plain type NO SOLICITING - though I guess that's not their fault, since they probably haven't learned to read yet, as speaking seems to be quite difficult for them) money to indulge their debauchery AND at such a socially appropriate time - note the sarcasm. I stumbled on Lipscomb by accident and ended up attending, and all I can say is, I am SO glad that I didn't end up on the other end of the boulevard.

I know this post was long, but bear with me, it's my first one - yes, Justin, I read your suggestion - does anyone else think that this was an extremely insensitive move on the part of the students out soliciting and BELMONT for letting them do it?

Still Searching for My Identity

(Wow, I agree that was a really crappy thing for this guy to be doing, but I seriously doubt that this behavior is normative for Belmont students. Anyone care to speak up for the other side of the Boulevard? -- Justin)

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(To Chris Brock):

Yep, I'm still making payments on the low-interest, unsecured loan I took out for a stale sub sandwich. Oy!

(To St. Jerome):

You mean "anachronistic nihilists?" I actually like the title "Dycrastic Reductionist" the best (def: one who cries that others can't understand the logic of reducing their arguments to the underinformed simplicity of one's own). Waaaaaa!

The Great White Iguana

("Dycrastic"? I just google'd that and got nothing. Either that is an EXTREMELY good word, or you're making things up... -- Justin)

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Since you said you're still accepting these I finally had to do this. I've thought this every time I've ever seen that thing.

Josh Cochran



(A lightsaber, eh? At least that would be a lot cheaper than an eternal flame... -- Justin)

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This message was sent to all High Rise residents on 9/26/05:

"Guys,

A crane is scheduled to be parked in front of High Rise this afternoon and tomorrow. We are getting a Singular tower, all you Singular customers will be happy. FYI there is already a Team Mobil tower on the roof.

Your assistance in keeping this area cleared is very much appreciated.

Also it would be helpful to the crew if we would not use the front door throughout this afternoon and tomorrow while the crane is there.

Thanks for your cooperation and assistance. "

Uhm... Singular? Team Mobil ? LOL.

The good news is that all you people who have Team Mobile and Singular phones will be able to continue your conversations as you ride the elevator. Sadly, no more "Hold on, I'm getting on the elevator" which was a trademark of High Rise. Now it's going to change to "Higher is better", or, "Hold on, let me get on the elevator".

Seriously now, people should remember that cell phones have a LARGE spectrum of negative effects to humans:

"Recent studies confirm that cell and cordless phone microwave can:

- Damage nerves in the scalp
 - Cause blood cells to leak hemoglobin
 - Cause memory loss and mental confusion
 - Cause headaches and induce extreme fatigue
 - Create joint pain, muscle spasms and tremors
 - Create burning sensation and rash on the skin
 - Alter the brain's electrical activity during sleep
 - Induce ringing in the ears, impair sense of smell
 - Precipitate cataracts, retina damage and eye cancer
 - Open the blood-brain barrier to viruses and toxins
 - Reduce the number and efficiency of white blood cells
 - Stimulate asthma by producing histamine in mast cells
 - Cause digestive problems and raise bad cholesterol levels
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- Stress the endocrine system, especially pancreas, thyroid, ovaries, testes"
(watchout 8th floor guys!!!)

Guys, you have 'till tomorrow to abandon the 8th floor! If you live on the 8th floor and have unexplained head-aches, moments of mental loss, confusion and spasms, the cause is the 3 different "microwave ovens" right above you!!!!

Seriously, I wonder what the radiation levels on the 8th floor are. Anyone need a research project in physics? I took a picture of the access door to the roof a few minutes ago. Are you telling me that there's Dangerous levels of radiation on the roof, but it's perfectly OK to live right under them, on the 8th floor? uhm...



Does REALLY nobody care about this stuff? It's like smoking - the tobacco companies were spending millions of \$\$ proving that smoking is in fact ok, just like the cell phone companies do. There are several cases of brain tumors in Europe that were attributed to cell phone use, but of course, "more research needs to be done."..

Here's a link to lots of material if you want to educate yourself about cell phone use and RF exposure: [here](#)

da Libscomp Hi Rice dude

(But dude, cell phone companies pay LOTS of money to have their towers put up in places like High Rise, and I'm certain that money will go directly into cutting our tuition and providing more scholarships and parking! Besides, everyone knows the Cingular service on campus sucks. I mean, in the long run, who ever really cared about those secret plans to overrun the Earth with CoC children?

On a less ridiculous note, and in the interests of voluntary disclosure, I just want to point out that the linked article is provided by a company that produces an anti-radiation safety device for cellphones. -- Justin)

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