Speaking of Student Affairs

GETTING THOSE INTERVIEWS!

Each year seniors enter the job search process with high hopes and expectations of being invited to interview with potential employers. Now juniors and even sophomores face the same challenge as they apply for competitive summer internships.

What can students do to maximize the probability that they will be selected to interview for either summer internships or post graduate employment opportunities? The first step is to become aware of the criteria which most employers use to select students for interviews. It may surprise you to learn that for the most part one’s major will have little bearing on the interview selection process. Obviously some positions (e.g. chemist or actuary) will require very specific educational and professional training. Yet, when selecting liberal arts students for interviews, employers are usually far more interested in how well a student has performed academically than the specific discipline studied.

Another important factor is extracurricular involvement, especially in student leadership positions. Holy Cross offers a wide range of clubs and organizations in which students may participate. For further information about the extensive range of student organizations on campus, contact the Office of Student Affairs Programs and Leadership in Hogan 229. In addition, excellent opportunities are available for leadership as Resident Assistants, Orientation leaders and through several peer education programs.

Finally, and this becoming an even more important factor for seniors seeking entry level professional positions, is career related experience gained through summer jobs or internships. The Summer Internship Program, the Summer Gallery and the Career Planning Center (http://www.holycross.edu/departments/office/consultingservice.html) sponsor internships in underdeveloped markets, will manage an adventure capital fund that will help to finance new businesses domestically and internationally. This funding mechanism is already open for business and will benefit the community as well as the students.

Is that invisible knapsack weighing you down?

An invitation to consider race and justice in your own life and in the Holy Cross community.

How many of you know the routine? After a long day trudging from one class to another, you arrive back at your room and begin to unload the contents of a very heavy backpack. Perhaps feeling lightened and relieved, you begin to peruse the contents, eventually organizing yourself to settle in for an evening of work. On Monday, March 19 at 7:00 in the Hogan Campus Center Ballroom, author and researcher Dr. Peggy McIntosh, along with a panel of Holy Cross faculty, staff and students, invite you to experience the diversity and openness that Holy Cross represents.

Get ready to ask, “I don’t have an invisible knapsack…do I?”

According to Beverly Tatum, multicultural educator and author, racism burdens the entire community by reducing the productivity of all its members. Tatum has this to say about guilt and awareness of unearned advantage: “To say that it is not our fault does not relieve us of responsibility. Rather, we may not have had the luxury of comfort, but we need to take responsibility along with others, for creating it. Each of us needs to look at our own behavior.”

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Bush and Sharon meet

President Bush and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon met on Tuesday for the first time since both of them took office, the New York Times reported on Wednesday. They discussed a variety of issues, including the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the United States’ commitment to Israeli security.

Both Mr. Bush and Mr. Sharon agreed that negotiations with Palestinians should not be resumed until the most recent round of violence continues.

Mr. Sharon was quoted as saying, “I understand, and I believe [Palestinians] do, that one should never surrender to terror, and that the free world should stand together.”

“Mr. Bush stated that the United States “will not try to force peace.” Rather, it will “facilitate peace.”

The pair also discussed security interests. Mr. Bush reaffirmed the commitment of the United States to Israeli security. Both nations, it would seem, have a common interest in the advancement of missile defense in the region. The possibility of using a missile defense network to protect both American and Israeli troops in the region was discussed.

Holy Cross invests $1million to jump start Worcester economy

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Holy Cross, along with Clark University and WPI, has allocated one million dollars to a venture capital fund that will help to finance Worcester-based technology companies. The objective of the project is to revitalize the technology industry in Worcester and create profits for all investors.

Village Venture Inc., a company with a reputation for providing capital to technology businesses in underdeveloped markets, will manage the fund. The expected amount of capital is more than $20 million.

The venture capital fund is expected to bring a return of more than 20 percent over the next 7 to 10 years. As a result, Holy Cross will profit from its show of support to the Worcester community.

Brown newspaper seeks to press criminal charges against students

According to the Boston Globe, the Brown Daily Herald, a student run newspaper at Brown University, is seeking criminal charges against students who allegedly stole nearly all of the copies of a recent issue. The theft was in protest to a controversial advertisement run by the paper last week.

The ad in question, titled, “Ten Reasons Why Reparations for Slavery is a Bad Idea and Racist Too,” was paid for by conservative theorist David Horowitz. According to the Globe, the Herald editors met with student minority leaders. At the meeting, the editors refused to apologize for publishing the ad, this refusal prompted students to take almost all the copies of that day’s newspaper and replace them in the distribution racks with flyers denouncing the Herald as insensitive.

Since the theft, the Herald can be found at only four distribution points across campus. The racks are guarded by members of the newspaper staff.