

## Make final memories now, reflect later

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As I near the end of my college years, the time has come for some much needed reflection.

Unfortunately, reflection time has been shoved aside by final projects, studying, last get-togethers and lunches in the café, newspaper deadlines and every other emergency that has decided to pop up in my last lingering moments at Benedictine College.

It may be that the time for reflection has yet to come. Reflection will be waiting in my favorite book, wrapped in my warmest quilt at home.

Now is the time for tasting each moment.

It is time to make promises to keep in touch to those to whom we have been permanently bonded to by Benedictine College. It is time to promise ourselves that we will keep those promises, not only for their sake, but also for our own. Those connections to our years at Benedictine will continually remind us of the need for true friendship, for faith and for a constant search of new discoveries.

It is time to exchange our last cafeteria conversations and brief pleasantries with those we may never see again, but will remain impacted by for the rest of our lives. At Benedictine College we learned we cannot be friends with all those we admire, but we can always learn from those around us.

It is time to visit our Lord in Mass or Adoration at Benedictine for the last time as a student. When we return as alumni, it is the smell of the Abbey and creak of the kneelers in St. Martin's Chapel that will bring back memories of the seeds of faith that were planted here.

It is time to say good-bye to this place that has made such an imprint on our personalities. It is time to pack our things and move forward.

This is the way in which we will continue our legacy as Benedictine's: by continuing to move on, to move forward and love all as we were so well loved here.

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