

DON'T SPEAK TO ME UNTIL I'VE HAD MY NASTY FRIES!

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PICTURE THIS: it's 12:54 a.m. on a Friday. You've just been out for a night on the town that surely involved nothing but wholesome activities, and chances are you might be hungry. Actually, you're **STARVING**. Nothing in the world would satisfy your famished state quite like two orders of fries, some chicken fingers, a calzone, a bag of Chex Mix, and a side of mozzarella sticks—perhaps the healthiest stuff you'll consume throughout the course of the evening. The only problem is that you live on North Campus, and nothing could possibly be open at this hour that would cater to your ever-greasy culinary desires.

That's where **NASTIES** comes in.

Lo and behold, Nasties—the cafe/convenience store located on the first floor of RPCC—is the **"LIFEBLOOD OF THE FRESHMAN POPULATION,"** working to capture the hearts of many with its late hours, array of 2 a.m. post-outing comfort foods, and solace during moments when fries are the only solution to the array of complex issues that accompany the college experience.

Its technical name happens to be Bear Necessities. I'm embarrassed to admit how long it took me to learn that "Nasties" was the acceptable term to refer to this wonder of a food establishment. If you're looking for the greasiest, **"NASTIEST"** (but truly best) comfort food in a moment of late night hunger, look no further than the selection at Nasties. Classic menu items like the Cornell Smash (complete with ham, turkey, bacon, and swiss sandwiched between sourdough), burgers, calzones, chicken fingers, subs, and their beloved fries are available for pickup when you need them most. Breakfast sandwiches are available in the mornings, and a grand selection of drinks, snacks, cereals, ramen, candy, and more is available around the clock.

I must take the time to commemorate Nasties for all it has done for me during my first year at Cornell. From one late night apple juice craving to another (even later) moment when my friends and I had the last of the day's fries bestowed upon us for free, it's safe to say that this North Campus staple will always hold **A SPECIAL PLACE** in my heart. I know I'm not alone when I say that the charm of Nasties will remain with my fellow Cornellians and I long after our graduation.

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