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What is all the Ruckus about?

Sylvia Lesisz
Staff Reporter

John Carroll University students now have a way to download free music without feeling guilty.

Ruckus is a peer-to-peer audio and visual downloading program that provides free downloads to any student with an .edu e-mail address.

"[Ruckus] is very convenient and it allows me to search for the best variety of music," said JCU Junior Robert Ramser.

There were a few good reasons that the University chose Ruckus.

One major reason is it's free. "We chose Ruckus because it was free for John Carroll. This is due to a system called OAR.net, which John Carroll and Ruckus are both associated with," said Student Union President Andy Costigan.

Ruckus is free because it

is ad-supported.

The software is said to be safe and reliable. "Downloads and quality will be better because it will be coming from [the] JCU network, not a national provider, which can be slow and unreliable," said Costigan.

The company also has connections with well-known recording companies. "It has arranged for 'big name' bands to perform at some of its subscribed colleges and universities," Costigan said.

Students can download almost any song they want. "I am obsessed with Ruckus. I listen to it more than iTunes. If I have a song in my head or hear a song on the radio I can just download it right then and there," said JCU senior Erica Miller.

There are some disadvantages though. Although students can download as many songs as they want, they

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Generation Green hits John Carroll's campus

Max Flessner
Campus Editor

The fact that John Carroll University is so far behind in environmental efficiency has finally come to the forefront.

There is a movement that has begun on campus to educate students and help improve the campus environment.

Originally, the discussions had begun over this past summer between Miles Coburn of the biology department and Sandra Buckles, the coordinator for biology laboratories to completely renew the way that JCU looks at energy efficiency, but the administration

beat them to it.

"Our campus is behind other colleges and even high schools in energy efficiency," Coburn said. Oberlin College just installed an extensive set of solar panels on their campus, for example.

The administration just recently contracted out to Landmark Disposal who will now be removing JCU's solid waste and recyclables by using a "state-of-the-art" sorting method.

"The administration has already developed somewhat of a plan," Coburn said.

The next step is to raise awareness. This could possibly be done by having students sign petitions or

attempt to hold contests between the different dorms to see who is the most energy efficient. The problem with the contest is that the campus is not currently set up to monitor each dorm individually, but only to monitor the campus as a whole.

According to Coburn, the campus could cut energy usage drastically by taking a few very simple steps.

"If we could use florescent light bulbs, if students would turn their computers off at night and if they would keep their windows closed during the winter, energy costs would reduce drastically," he said.

The initial step in aware-

ness is to conduct an energy audit on campus and set goals to improve those numbers. "This is how students become aware," Coburn said.

"I would like to see the Student Union take some ownership and make this an important issue," Coburn said. "It needs to be talked about on a regular basis and students need to see some value in it."

Coburn added, "I think it's just part of our culture [to not be concerned with energy efficiency], we never thought of this as a high priority issue and I think that environmental issues are going to be very

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What you can do to help

- Sort out your recyclables from trash
- Use florescent light bulbs
- Keep your window closed in the winter
- Turn off your computer at night



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Campus Calendar

Thursday, September 20

Women's Soccer Game

JCU's Women's soccer team will take on local rival Lake Erie College today. Game time is set for 6 p.m. at Don Shula Stadium.

Sorority Recruitment

Any women interested in going through formal recruitment must go through one Open House and Orientation. Tonight's will be in Donahue Auditorium and the Dolan Science Center Atrium from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Saturday, September 22

Women's Soccer Game

The John Carroll women's team will play Hiram College today at Don Shula Stadium. Game time is set for 1 p.m.

Monday, September 24

Fall Semester Comedy Show

The Office of Multicultural Affairs will host a comedy show in Kulas Auditorium at 7 p.m. tonight. Comedians Gary Owen and Dat Phan will be performing. The show is free with a JCU I.D. and \$5 without an I.D.

Tuesday, September 25

Women's Volleyball Match

The John Carroll University women's volleyball team will play Case Western Reserve University today. Match time is set for 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 26

Publicity Blitz

A Homecoming Publicity Blitz will take place today from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in the D.J. Lombardo Student Center and Schott Atrium. Free Homecoming gear will be available, along with food and music.

"From Free Speech to Facebook"

C.L. Lindsay, attorney and author of "The College Student's Guide to the Law: Get a Grade Changed, Keep Your Stuff Private, Throw a Police Free Party, and More!" will speak at 2 p.m. today in Kulas Auditorium. Lindsay will discuss legal issues concerning the Internet, especially dealing with Facebook.

Mass in Murphy Hall

Mass will take place in the Murphy Hall Chapel at 9:30 p.m. Resident ministers will reflect on the Gospel. All are welcome to attend.

Thursday, September 27

Homecoming Comedian

Bob Saget will be performing tonight at 8 in Kulas Auditorium. Tickets cost \$10. JCU students, alumni and the general public are all welcome to attend.

Jake's After Jokes

JCU students are invited to go to Jake's, beneath Pizzazz following Bob Saget's performance tonight. Music, free food and drinks will be provided immediately following the show.

- Compiled by Kate McCall

Get to know... Martina Fronczek

•Name:

Martina Fronczek

•Position:

•Position:
Administrative Assistant to the Facilities department; works closely with the groundskeepers.

•What is your favorite memory of being a John Carroll student?

I have so many fond memories of my college years. My favorite memories are of hanging out in the dorms and meeting so many different people. I loved it.

most about your

•Favorite quote?

"If you don't watch your figure, no one else will."

•What do you like about Cleveland?

The city is such a hidden treasure. There is so much to do around this area if you just go out and look for it. The city has so much to offer, and I wish people would take advantage of it.

•What do you like most about your job?

I like that I get to meet the new workers when they come here and get them acquainted with the campus and the people here.

•What do you like most about working at JCU?

I started working here when I was 17, the summer before entering college. What I like about working here is the people and family-like environment.



Photo by Caitlin Huey-Burns

Martina Fronczek works in the Facilities Dept.

•Advice to students?

Have the time of your life. I made memories that will stay with me forever, and I hope students will do the same. Take the time to meet people and get involved in activities. It goes by fast, so enjoy it!

- Compiled by Caitlin Huey-Burns

Unity and diversity: The AAA

Dionnejanee Campbell
The Carroll News

Student organizations are a quick answer on how to get more involved on campus.

One of those cultural organizations is the African-American Alliance, AAA. The AAA is a campus organization for students of different races.

There are over 70 organizations on campus. Seven of them are cultural organizations.

The purpose of the AAA is to provide unity and to promote African and African-American culture to African and African-American

students, according to sophomore Erin Nicole Smith, president of the AAA.

Smith's goal for AAA is to unite the African-American race both on campus and in society.

"I would also like to enlighten other races about the black culture and educate society on the real African-American history and a lot of the misconceptions of the African-American race," Smith said.

She would not only like to unite the African-American race but to bring all races together and have a discussion on these different topics.

Ideally all races would gain

something out of these meetings and discussions.

AAA is not only for African-American students but for anyone interested.

The next meeting for AAA is Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the OMA Lounge in the Student Center.

Their first event of the year will be The Icebreaker. This is a chance for students to relax and meet new people. The Icebreaker will be on Oct. 5 at 8:30 p.m.

There is even a possibility of seeing the AAA marching in the Homecoming Parade, according to Smith.

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cannot burn the music onto a CD or put it on their iPods.

If students want to burn downloaded songs onto a CD, they can purchase the song through the Ruckus Web site for 99 cents each.

They can also continue to use Ruckus after graduation, but need to pay \$8.99 a month.

They will be able to burn the songs they download by paying the monthly fee.

Even with its disadvantages, Ruckus continues to develop.

By November 2006, Ruckus had officially partnered with 80 colleges and universities and five state-wide network systems.

The network systems support over 200 higher education institutions, according to the Ruckus Web site.

Campus Safety Log

**September 12, 2007**

A CSS officer reported telecommunication harassment at 11:39 p.m.

September 15, 2007

A student reported an odor of marijuana from the Pacelli third floor at 2:57 a.m.

September 16, 2007

September 12, 2007
A CSS officer reported paint on a no parking sign on Auxiliary Drive on 9:56 a.m.

CSS reported a student on Auxiliary Drive who was holding a 'road closed' sign at 12:45 a.m.

September 17, 2007

The physical plant reported a theft of a permit at 10:49 a.m.

September 16, 2007

Student Affairs reported a broken window on the second floor of Dolan at 8:38 a.m.

September 17, 2007

A student reported vandalism on an inside wall in the basement of Millor Hall at 11:00 p.m.

These incidents are taken from the files of Campus Safety Services, located in the lower level of the Lombardo Student Center. For more information contact x1615.

JCU Relay For Life #1 in nation

Kate McCall
Campus Editor

John Carroll University's Relay For Life earned number one status as it raised the most money per student in the 2,500 to 4,999-enrollment bracket.

The event, which took place last April 21 and 22, raised \$100,356.86. This exceeded the JCU Relay leadership team's goal of \$40,000. Based on the amount of JCU students, it was determined that \$25.76 per capita was raised. Gettysburg College, located in Pennsylvania, came in second place, almost \$2 behind JCU's per capita.

In a press release, JoNell Peterson, Ohio's vice president for Relay For Life, said, "This was John Carroll's first year to Relay and they set the pace for the nation."

JCU's first Relay had 832 participants on 65 teams, with 30 survivors participating as well. It is estimated that 1,200 attendees came to partake in the festivities during the 18-hour event, and only \$18,250 of the over \$100,000 raised came from sponsorships.

The University of Dayton and JCU were the only two Ohio schools to be nationally recognized. Other Jesuit universities, such as Georgetown University, Saint Louis University and Loyola College also ranked in the top five of their enrollment brackets.

Event Chairperson Joel Mullner '07 and Co-Chairperson Patrick Kelly '07 led the first Relay for Life.

Mullner, who is now a graduate assistant in the JCU Office of Student Activities and will be the staff advisor for this year's Relay, said he was thrilled with the news of JCU's ranking.

"We didn't even know that Relays were ranked until we received word of this recognition. This just reiterates what I've known deep in my heart for the last four years – that the people of JCU, when called upon, really come together when it counts," said Mullner.

This year's event co-chair for mission, junior Samantha Cocco, said she was proud of everyone who had a part in Relay last year. She was especially proud that the Relay had so much success after being planned in 90 days.

"I am still amazed by how much we accomplished in 90 days as far as planning, and how much money all of the participants were able to raise in that short period," said Cocco. "I really think the amazing enthusiasm and dedication of our participants was what made our Relay such a success."

Cocco added, "The leadership team was phenomenal. We all took the initiative to complete our own tasks, and also helped one another out."

According to the American Cancer Society, The Relay For Life "aims to celebrate survivorship, remember those we've lost to the disease, and give everyone an opportunity to fight back against cancer."

All money raised during the event benefits the American Cancer Society and its work with cancer patients.

Cocco said that this year, the 20-person leadership team has seven months to prepare.

"I have no doubt that our second annual Relay will surpass that of last years in so many ways. We would like to have more participants, survivors, volunteers, money and even more fun than last year," she said.

"We hope to use the skills we developed and all of the experience we gained from last year to 'wow' everyone again with another phenomenal Relay."

Mullner added, "After gaining the national spotlight, there will be a lot of eyes on the 2008 Relay to see if last year was a fluke or if we are truly building something special here at Carroll. I think we have the focus and leadership to become consistently known for hosting one of the nation's best Relays."

JCU's second Relay For Life will start on Saturday, April 26 and end on Sunday, April 27. For more information, go to www.jcu.edu/relay.

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important as students become adults."

The campus' lack of energy awareness could also be a recruiting issue, Coburn said. "Prospective students come to visit campus and don't see any type of recycling anywhere. If that's something that's important to them it may turn them

away," he said.

Coburn and Buckles have talked to both JCU President Rev. Robert Niehoff and the administration who are very supportive of this cause and believe that this initiative is consistent with the JCU mission.

Another possibility is working alongside with University Heights to get a more effective transportation system around the city so there

would be fewer students driving to school.

It should be noted that all the surrounding communities of JCU have recycling programs.

"The Aramark Corp., as a whole, has really gone green lately. They use all local produce. Maybe this branch of Aramark could help with the recycling as well," Buckles said.

Hard work pays off

Katie Sheridan
Staff Reporter

The John Carroll University Career Center has Fenn Education Fund scholarships available totaling around \$20,000. The Fenn Education Fund is to reward students with internships and offers employers the opportunity to nominate their students for a scholarship.

According to the JCU Career Center, the first of four scholarships in conjunction with internships is The R. Earl Burrows Memorial Scholarship Fund. Created in 1984, it gave \$15,000 to the Fenn Educational Fund from the Cleveland Automobile Dealers Education Assistance Foundation.

The income from the gift must be used as a scholarship for a university in Cuyahoga County. The students must be majoring in business administration and participating in a cooperative education program.

The scholarship circulates among several universities including, Baldwin-Wallace, JCU, Case Western Reserve, Cleveland State, Myers University and Notre Dame College of Ohio.

This particular award allots

\$2,000 to three students selected for their exceptional performance as an intern.

The Charles J. Stilwell Scholarship rewards \$6,000 to two outstanding interns. All majors are eligible. This award was created when Stilwell, a Chair and life trustee of the Fenn College Board of Trustees, died in 1972.

The Stilwell Fund gives scholarships to students who display exemplary performance in a cooperative education/internship assignment.

All applicants interested in either of the previous scholarships must be enrolled in certain classes during his or her internship.

A list of acceptable courses can be found on the Career Center's web site, www.jcu.edu/careercenter/. This is also where interested students can find out how to apply.

Another benefit of these scholarships is the opportunity to be reimbursed for unpaid internships. The Belda Fund Scholarship Program, designed for Liberal Arts majors awards up to \$500 per semester.

Those students selected for the scholarship must volunteer between eight to ten hours a week or 60 to 125 hours a semester. The amount

of money allotted to the student depends on his or her hours of completed service.

The final scholarship being introduced is the Michael J. Lavelle Community Partnership Fellowship. Juniors and seniors interning in not-for-profit administrative or managerial positions can make \$8 an hour, or up to \$1,600 a semester.

This will be applied directly to their tuition. To be eligible, students must work at their internships approximately 200 hours a semester.

If more students apply than there are awards, a scholarship committee established by the Career Center will have all those nominated complete an application process.

Based on the applications received the group will determine who should be awarded. These new scholarships will hopefully encourage those students hesitant about getting an internship.

Elizabeth Osicki, grants coordinator, said, "Internships can lead to a full-time offer after graduation, and can often help earn money while in school. They could potentially earn money toward tuition next year if they are awarded one of these scholarships."

Campus Briefs

Dance Marathon

Kappa Kappa Gamma will be hosting its first Dance Marathon on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 1 p.m. until 1 a.m. Dancers will enjoy free food and drinks. Entertainment will be provided by Sam Brenner, John Hart, Let All Prevail and Rhapsody Blue. There will also be plenty of raffle prizes like gift certificates to various establishments. The event will support Susan G. Komen for the Cure. There will be a \$5 registration fee, and dancers are asked to fundraise. Registration is currently being held in the Atrium. Contact Jessica at jkrowsoski09@jcu.edu with any questions.

Writing Center

The Writing Center is located in the O'Malley Center, room 207. Writing Consultants are available from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. on Fridays. Consultants are also available in Murphy Hall on Sundays from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Consultants are ready to help with any level of writing, for any discipline and on any aspect of your work. Though drop-ins can be accommodated, making an appointment in advance is encouraged. This can be done by calling (216) 397-4529. To learn more, please visit us on the web at www.jcu.edu/writingcenter.

Middle Eastern Association

The Middle Eastern Association is holding the annual haffi on Sept. 21. Foods such as hummos, tabbouli, kibbi, kababs and other Middle Eastern foods will be provided. Students don't have to be Middle Eastern to come. For more info, contact Cherine Hatem at chatem09@jcu.edu or call 216-255-0936.

Senegal Winter Institute

Spaces are still available in the Senegal Winter Institute Study Tour. It will take place from Dec. 27, 2007 until Jan. 11, 2008. Three credit hours are available through the Departments of Philosophy (PL 398A) or Political Science (PO 396B) for either Fall 2007 or Spring 2008. For more information about the program, please contact Pam Mason at pmason@jcu.edu or Tamba Nlandu at tnlandu@jcu.edu.

Jim Keady at JCU

Jim Keady, director of educating for justice, will present "Behind the Swoosh: Sweatshops and Social Justice" on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in Donahue Auditorium. The presentation details the month Keady spent in an Indonesian factory workers' slum living on \$1.25 a day, a typical wage paid to Nike's subcontracted workers. Along with personal accounts of lived solidarity, the presentation includes the latest information on Nike's labor and environmental practices that EFJ-sponsored teams researched in Indonesia from 2000 to the present.

With "Behind the Swoosh," Keady attempts to challenge the audience to deal in human terms with the women, men and children who are the foundation of global manufacturing.



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'The Brave One' fights for revenge

MOVIE REVIEW 'The Brave One'



Jeff Evans
Movie and Music Critic

In 1974, Charles Bronson made it cool to take out deserving criminals and would-be muggers in his award-winning "Death Wish." Now, it only seems fair that a female take her turn at being a one-woman vigilante squad that takes the law into her own hands.

Erica Bain (Jodie Foster) is a public radio personality who reads her own essays and stories on a New York City radio station. With a calm, thoughtful and carefully measured voice, Erica speaks to the city one listener at a time.

The movie starts off with Erica believing that her city, in her words, is "the safest big city in the world."

Then comes that fateful night, when Erica's paradise turns into a nightmare. As Erica and her fiancé, David, ("Lost's" Naveen Andrews) are taking an evening stroll through Central Park with their dog, they are mugged by a trio of young thugs.

After being brutally attacked, Erica is left in a coma and her fiancé ends up dead, with everything caught on tape.

Weeks later Erica awakens from her coma to learn that her love is dead and buried.

As she lies in her hospital bed, slowly recovering from the punishment dealt by the hoodlums, she can do nothing but grow fierce with anger as she longs for vengeance. She is now a nobody, a stranger and



Photo courtesy of www.post-gazette.com.

Jodie Foster plays Erica Bain, a victim of a violent mugging, who becomes obsessed with vengeance.

her once beloved city has become a terribly hostile environment.

Once released from the hospital, she immediately seeks protection for herself.

After being turned away for not having legal documentation, she purchases an automatic pistol from the guy hanging around outside the gun store, who kindly throws in a free box of bullets. With her arsenal packed in her purse, it's only a matter of time before she finds the opportunity to use it.

Fate provides her first victim,

a crazed gunman in an all-night grocery store where Erica shops. A first-time shooter, Erica finally kills the man after firing a few stray shots.

In shock, she quickly grabs the surveillance tape and hightails it home, leaving top detectives Mercer and Vitale (Terrance Howard and the hilarious Nicky Katt) to inspect the scene.

Soon bodies start piling up everywhere, each exterminated by the same gun.

After spotting Erica near a crime

scene, Detective Mercer becomes suspicious of the meek radio personality.

Before long, Mercer and Erica empathize with each other's struggle and Mercer discovers his new friend's secret. Knowing that Mercer is hot on her trail, she must decide whether her quest for revenge is truly the right path, or if she is becoming the very thing she is trying to stop.

Although the film does have some slow parts, like Erica and David's horrible chemistry, the movie

offers a very enjoyable experience. Indulging herself in the film's character, Jodie Foster delivers the performance of her career (arguably her only good one), and matches up perfectly with the likable Terrance Howard.

Just like its predecessor, "The Brave One" allows the audience to decide who should win, the seemingly innocent, or how about the bad guys for once.

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Chronic stress can cause weight gain

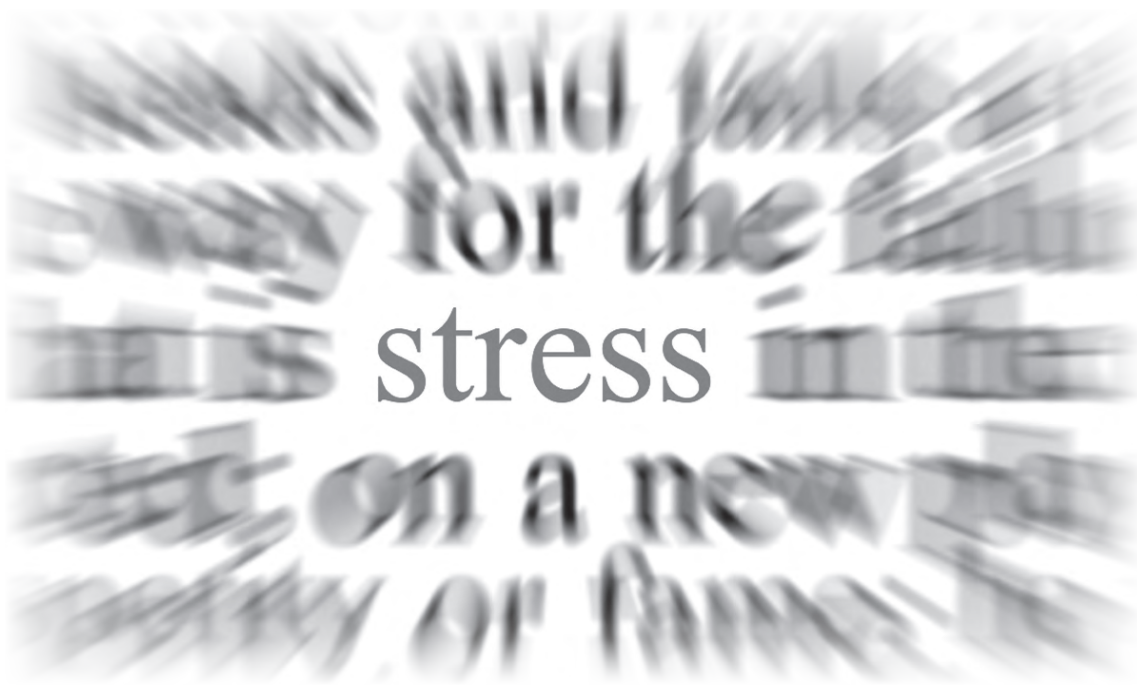


Photo courtesy of www.thestressreliefsite.com.

ways.

According to www.medicinenet.com, too much cortisol can slow your metabolism, causing more weight gain than you would normally experience.

Whether it's because of boyfriend/girlfriend problems, school or demands at work, the body responds as though it is about to be harmed.

To answer this need, the body experiences a burst of energy, shifting the metabolism and blood flow, and other changes.

If the body remains in this state for a long time due to chronic stress, a person's health becomes at risk, according to www.advance-health.com.

People experiencing chronic stress tend to crave more fatty, salty and sugary foods. These foods are typically less healthy and lead to increased weight gain.

Prolonged stress can alter blood sugar levels, causing mood swings, fatigue, and conditions like hyperglycemia.

Too much stress has even been

linked to metabolic syndrome, a cluster of health concerns that can lead to greater health problems, like heart attacks and diabetes.

Too much stress even affects where the body tends to store fat. Higher levels of stress are linked to greater levels of abdominal fat.

Another way that stress and weight gain are connected is through emotional eating.

Increased levels of cortisol not only makes the body crave unhealthy food, but excess nervous energy can often cause people to eat more than they normally would.

Eating fast food and being too busy to exercise can also cause weight gain.

Fortunately, there are things that can be done to reverse the pattern of weight gain and actually reduce stress levels and waistlines at the same time.

Do things like go for a walk, call up a friend and go somewhere, walk instead of drive, eat more fruit, drink more water and less soda and bake food instead of fry it.

Dionnejanee Campbell
The Carroll News

Chronic stress can cause the body to create a certain hormone

that contributes to a person's weight gain. There are several ways in which stress causes weight gain.

One has to do with cortisol, a stress hormone. When a person is

under stress, the fight or flight response is triggered in their bodies, leading to the release of various hormones. Cortisol contributes to weight gain in several different

New gastropub offers elegance

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Ballentine

4113 Erie Street



Lena Chapin
Staff Reporter

The Ballentine Gastropub is a new dining experience worth trying. Located on Erie St. in downtown Willoughby it is a little over a 20 minute drive from campus.

Though the distance may be inconvenient, Ballentine's atmosphere, food and drinks are a good excuse for a Saturday night trip to Willoughby.

The restaurant opened earlier this year bringing the gastropubs trend of New York to Cleveland.

"Gastropub" is simply a fancy word for a pub with good dining, something Ballentine achieves quite successfully.

Ballentine blends elegance and comfort well in their cool, relaxed vibe. It is dark like a typical pub, but also has a classy interior design that reminds one of a newer Geracie's.

The place is friendly and casual with good bar music (DMB, classic rock, and country) and nice comfy booths, as well as tables and the bar.

There are a few TV's around the bar for a good view of the game if you wanted to watch it.

Being a pub, the place is geared to those of legal drinking age, however, because it is also a restaurant, anyone can find something.

For those who are 21 years old they have an amazingly large selection of alcohol.

They have 29 draught beers on tap and over 56 available in bottles. That's not including beers like Miller and Heineken, which they also serve. Their wine and cocktails list are also quite extensive. They offer over thirty wines by the glass, ranging from \$5 to \$14.

Even the coffee is spiked. But don't get me wrong, as I said before, there are options for those of us who are underage. If you're looking for festive drinks they offer "The Four Virgins."

These drinks are fruity concoctions varying from the "Not So Bloody" Mary to the Sparkling Berry Bellini. Ballentine also offers the usual soft drinks and iced tea options. And they have root beer on tap.

Even though the drink menu is bigger than the food menu, there is still plenty to choose from.

They serve everything from burgers and pizza to linguini and steak. The pizza choices were endless, with over five specialty pizzas to choose from in either 10" or 16".

If you enjoy spicy food, the "Hot chicken and lots of peppers" pizza is for you. It's a colorful pizza that looks nice and innocent at first, but then attacks your mouth with fire.

The pizza is crazy kickin' because the chicken is sautéed in Tabasco sauce and then joined on the pizza by jalapeños and other spicy surprises.

But, not all the specialty pizzas are hot. In fact, if none of the specialty options sound quite as delectable as you would like, you can build your own choosing from fresh vegetables, various sauces, and meats.

Not a pizza fan? They also have sandwiches, salads and both large and small platter meals as well.

With names like "Peeky Toe Crab Cakes," "The Po'boy Sandwich," and "Spinach and Pear salad," there are many interesting things to try.

There were also dinner entrees serving chicken, fish, pasta and steak, all at reasonable prices ranging from around \$13 to \$24.

The tomato-basil fettuccine was the preferred dish at our table. It was served with spinach and the option of adding salmon or chicken for a fee.

When choosing the added salmon you receive a whole fillet, which is heaven to a salmon fan like me. The dish had good flavor, most of the basic food groups, plus it supplied a great escape for the mouth after trying the "Hot chicken pizza."

The service is friendly and on task, never leaving a glass empty for long and Manny, the manager, comes to check on how your meal is going and tell you a little about the place.

By Manny's description of the five other bars that are owned by the same people, my bias opinion says that Ballentine is by far the best.

Sophomore Laura McRickard said, "I really enjoyed the upscale restaurant/bar. Its friendly atmosphere and tasty food created a cool hangout for my friends and me. I'd definitely go back."



Photo taken by Lena Chapin.

Ballentine's combines elegance and comfort in their restaurant, which opened earlier this year in downtown Willoughby.



Photos taken by Lena Chapin.

The bar offers a wide variety beer, both bottled and on tap.

The Flat Iron Cafe: Cleveland's oldest Irish pub

RESTAURANT REVIEW

The Flat Iron Cafe

1114 Center Street



MJ LaPerch
Staff Reporter

Over the weekend I had the good fortune of dining at Cleveland's Oldest Irish Pub, The Flat Iron Cafe, located in The Flats since 1910.

The bar was gorgeous, done very much in the style of an old Irish pub with extravagant wood work and more Celtic sayings than you could read in a sitting.

You may have heard of The Flat Iron in the news recently because of a fire that happened in the upstairs banquet hall.

It put the bar out of commission for only ten days while repairs were done to the ceiling and air vents. But, it will take a little bit longer to repair the upstairs.

Although the location itself wasn't the best, the environment inside of the bar was very welcoming. It was made complete with a large bar, a spacious dining room, and plenty of TVs for anyone who wanted to watch highlights from the

stadiums located just down the road. In fact, the bar offers a shuttle service before and after games at both the Jake and Cleveland Brown's Stadium for fans looking to grab a bite to eat.

The menu is pretty typical of your average bar food done right. Everything from chicken fingers to pierogues to fish and chips are all sold at a reasonable price and in very large portions.

I ordered a cup of French Onion Soup, a Chicken Philly and a drink for just south of \$20 but probably could have made it out of there for less than \$12. The food was great and I would definitely eat there again, but I'm not sure the ride would be worth it unless I was going out in The Flats.

If I were to compare it to a place closer to school, I would have to say that you could grab the same thing at either the Winking Lizard or Panini's for a bit cheaper.

I had a good time speaking to the bartender, which was very fortunate because I was the only one there. She told me that business was usually stronger but most people probably thought that they were still closed.

Judging by the patrons that were there, the regular crowd seems to be in the 30-40 range.



Photo courtesy of www.flatironcafe.com.

The Flat Iron Cafe opened in 1910 and is located in The Flats.

I would recommend The Flat Iron only if you went with a group of friends or happened to be in the flats only because it was so empty when I

went. I'd say overall that I would give it a 3 out of 5 but that's based mostly on the dullness of the atmosphere.

GuitarMania 2007



Photo taken by Rachel Szuch.

Over 50 Fender Stratocaster guitars sit outside of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, in downtown Cleveland.

Rachel Szuch
Arts & Life Editor

GuitarMania is a public art project that raises money for United Way of Greater Cleveland as well as many Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum education programs in a fun and interesting way.

Standing approximately nine feet tall, over 50 Fender Stratocaster guitars have been sponsored by different corporations, organizations and individuals, to be designed by both local and celebrity artists.

While some may be purchased back by their sponsors prior to the event, most of the guitars will be auctioned off at the GuitarMania Gala Auction on Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

The guitars have been dispersed throughout the city of Cleveland since June.

However, they were recently moved to the front of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and

Museum where they await their October auction.

Some artists choose to creatively paint the guitars or simply decorate them, while others went as far as sculpting their own additions.

For instance, Gregory Glueck, the artist responsible for the "Cleveland Rock Garden Hybrid," sponsored by the Saint Luke's Foundation, went a little further than decorations. Glueck's design incorporates flowers, leaves and insects by adding vines around the guitar.

Brandon Woodle and Mike Discenzo, creators of "Forward," which was sponsored by Hyland Software, also had a very inventive approach.

Their design includes a computer monitor being impaled by the over-sized guitar, as well as a mess of computer printouts at the base of the structure.

These designs, as well as many others, make for extremely pleasing artwork. Not to mention, the art is for a good cause. United Way of Greater Cleveland is a local, independent non-profit organization that raises money to support over 130 agencies in Cuyahoga and Geauga counties.

These agencies offer health and human care service programs for those in need. They also raise money for Vision Councils, which is a community-wide health and human service agenda, according to Cleveland.com.

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum funds various educational programs that are very beneficial.

GuitarMania 2007 has raised over \$1.5 million for these two beneficiaries. The event will start at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 20, with the auction beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum. Tickets start at \$75.



Photo taken by Rachel Szuch.

The guitar titled "Cleveland Rock Garden Hybrid" is sponsored by Saint Luke's Foundation and created by Gregory Glueck.

Some of the programs sponsored by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum include: Youth Performance Program, Guided Tours, Rockin' the Schools, Saturday School, Appreciating Diversity Through Music, Summer Teacher Institute, Educators' Guides, Lesson Plans, Teacher Workshop, In-Services, Hall of Fame Series, American Music Masters Series, Black History Month, Summer in the City and Travel Programs.

CALENDAR:

Check out what's happening in Cleveland this week:

- 9/20
Martin Sexton / Ryan Montbleau
Grog Shop
8:00 p.m.
\$20
- 9/21
The Waiting Room
House of Blues
8:00 p.m.
\$10-\$20
- 9/22
DJ Nu-Mark (of Jurassic 5)
The B-Side Lounge
9:00 p.m.
\$10
- 9/23
Mandy Moore with Rachael Yamagata, Chris Stills
House of Blues
6:30 p.m.
\$23-\$30
- 9/24
Iron & Wine
Grog Shop
7:30 p.m.
\$20
- 9/25
Twiztid w/ III Bill & Mower
Peabody's
7:00 p.m.
\$20-\$23
- 9/25 and 9/26
Dustin Diamond
Cleveland Improv
8:00 p.m.
\$16
- 9/26
Finntroll
Peabody's
7:00 p.m.
\$17-\$20
- 9/27
Tom Simmons
Cleveland Improv
8:00 p.m.
\$10

- Compiled by Rachel Szuch



Photo taken by Rachel Szuch.

The guitar titled "Forward" is sponsored by Hyland Software and the artists are Brandon Woodle and Mike Discenzo.

Wide receiver battles on and off the field

Katie Mahoney
Editor In Chief

Ask almost any football player what his passion is and he'll say "football." But, for sophomore wide receiver Chris Esparza, it's also his saving grace.

Esparza was in just seventh grade when his mother abandoned him.

Ties with his father and other family members had been severed by his mom and at just 12-years-old, Esparza was left to fend for himself on the streets of Tampa.

He lived with friends, but the hardships of being left at such a young age did not escape Esparza.

In his freshmen year of high school, a football coach sat him down and handed him a note with his GPA on it.

"With this GPA, you can't play football," he said. Esparza said that was the turning point for him.

"I couldn't imagine not playing football," he said. "From there on I didn't care about anything – friends or girls or anything – I just cared about getting good grades so I could play."

That goal is just one of many that Esparza has put his mind to and accomplished.

With a new outlook on life, the Play It Smart program came to Robinson High School in Tampa and encouraged Esparza to succeed in school and on the playing field.

"Going through everything I went through, being at the bottom and then the top, it gives me the drive to never want to be there again," said Esparza. "Not to take anything for granted."

Play It Smart helped him work harder at school and get some attention from recruiters.

In his junior year of high school



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

Sophomore Chris Esparza has overcome many hardships on his way to John Carroll University.



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

Chris Esparza

Personal Information

- Class: Sophomore
- Major: Pre-Law
- Hometown: Tampa, FL.
- Height: 6' 0"
- Weight: 190 lbs.
- Position: Wide Receiver

Accolades

- A top ten receiver in the Tampa area coming out of T.R. Robinson High School.
- Given the player of the year award as a senior.
- A scholar athlete
- A member of the National and Spanish Honor Society along with Pre-med Club

his life got even brighter. His father was released from prison and became Esparza's biggest supporter.

"I'm really close with my dad. He works hard, really hard, and does manual labor every day just to help me pay for school costs,"

Esparza said.

He also re-connected with the rest of his family as he got older.

"My mom had cut off all ties with the family before she left. I was 12, I didn't have a cell phone or anyway of getting in contact with

them," he explained. "The rest of my family supports me 100 percent now. My aunt and uncle are like my parents."

His family only expanded when he came to John Carroll University. At a recruiting fair, JCU was one

of the schools Esparza took an interest in.

JCU Coach Andy Hoffman was responsible for getting Esparza here.

"At these recruiting fairs, there are about 600 kids looking for schools," said Hoffman. "The Play It Smart Academic Coach Kent Wilson grabbed me and showed me Chris. He knew JCU was a place that would take care of him."

After visiting a few schools Esparza said, "John Carroll was the best school for me. It has great traditions, a great background and the football team has become like a second family to me."

"Chris is what JCU is about – the Jesuit ideals of reaching out and serving," Hoffman added.

Hoffman also explained that getting Esparza to JCU wasn't easy.

"There was a lot of difficulty with financial aid and recruiting. As a coach I didn't want to be too involved in his personal life, but in this case I had to be."

With a past behind him, but not forgotten, Esparza has more big goals to achieve.

He is currently pre-law and hopes to go to law school at Stentson back in Tampa.

"Chris is going to be successful no matter what he does. He's basically lived on his own his whole life," Hoffman said, "He could have easily gone the other way if it weren't for football. When he's successful, he'll give back to the school."

His football and tough academic schedule keep him busy, but Esparza also participates in Multi-Cultural Affairs activities.

"Everything I went through has pushed me to succeed," Esparza said about his future. "I don't take anything for granted and I want to give my kids a better life."

INTRAMURAL UPDATE

Upcoming Events:

The deadline for the two person golf scramble is September 25. Additionally, the deadline for the racquetball league is September 25.

With the Intramural Season in full swing, Flag Football and Sunday Soccer teams are looking to gain a quick advantage with the first week coming to a close.

After Monday's Flag Football games, upperclassmen teams like Sickle and Hammer and T-Fat scored impressive blowout victories over freshmen teams.

In the Sunday Soccer League, FC Goal Me, were able to continue their winning ways with a 7-4 victory over Real Madrid, in their quest for a repeat championship.

In the closest game of the weekend, Molly's Team, captained by Molly Scholla, was victorious 1-0 over Meghan Brown's Team.

This past Thursday night, the IM Staff, led by Erin McBride, defeated Warrensville Heat in the inaugural Fall Softball Tournament.

Thanks to clutch pitching from Erin McKenna, solid fielding by Amanda George and consistent offense from John Skomra and John Moonan, the IM Staff were able to win their first Intramural Championship.

Roster cards are still being accepted for the Golf Scramble and Racquetball League.

For more information contact the IM Office at x3092 or imsports@jcu.edu

-Brendan McLaughlin

JCU ATHLETICS SCOREBOARD

SEPT. 12- SEPT. 18

Men's Soccer

JCU 2 OT
Allegheny 1

JCU 1
Wooster 3

JCU leaders:
Goals- Biasiotta 1
Kastelic 1
McKinney 1

Assists- Bernot 3
Buxman 1

Saves- Carro 5
DeMarchi 5

Volleyball

JCU 1
Ohio Dominican 3

JCU 0
Case Western 3

JCU 0
Notre Dame 3

JCU 3
Lake Erie (9/15) 0

JCU 3
Lake Erie (9/18) 0

JCU leaders:
Kills- Gambone 55
Blackley 39

Digs- Mastroine 104

Women's Soccer

JCU 1
Oberlin 0

JCU leaders:
Goals- Wilson 1

Assists- Pizzurro 1
Quenneville 1

Saves- Humphreys 9

Football defense shines in historic win

Sean Fagan
The Carroll News

It has been quite a while since the John Carroll University defense has given up a touchdown.

You have to go back to last season, and JCU's 31-14 loss to Mount Union to find the last team to score a touchdown on the Blue Streaks.

Both JCU and Heidelberg played a sloppy game which both teams totaled 17 penalties for 175 yards.

The 21-6 win marked the Blue Streaks' third in a row dating back to last season and was the fourth game in the last five where they did not allow a touchdown.

More importantly, the win moved coach Regis Scafe into sole possession of third place on the list of all-time wins for a JCU football coach with 60. He was previously tied with Herb Eisele.

Junior quarterback Mark Petruziello found senior tight end Chuck Sroka on a 45 yard touchdown pass in the first quarter.

The defense continued their dominant ways as they blocked a Heidelberg field goal attempt late in the first quarter.

While JCU's offense was potent in the first quarter and it looked like they were setting up for a route, things would not be so rosy for the remainder of the first half.

Heidelberg defensive end and last week's OAC defensive player of the week, Matt Grieves, blocked a JCU field goal attempt and JCU's

next two possessions would end in fumbles.

Each of their tailbacks, junior Tyler Gingrich and freshman Rai Stover, lost a fumble. The latter fumble led to a Heidelberg field goal that cut the score to 7-3.

JCU would miss out on another scoring opportunity as Heidelberg penalties pushed JCU into the red zone, but senior Josiah Kedzior's field goal attempt clanged off the crossbar.

The Blue Streaks were able to put the struggles of the first half aside and find the end-zone twice in their first three drives of the second half.

Stover hauled in a Petruziello pass for a 17-yard score, and five minutes later Petruziello called his own number on an 11-yard touchdown run.

The defense continued to clamp down, holding Heidelberg to just one more field goal the rest of the way. Junior defensive end Ken Bevington was disruptive again, notching 16 tackles, five for a loss and three sacks.

Petruziello's final numbers were also gaudy. He completed 19 of 30 passes for 246 yards and three total touchdowns.

JCU looks to extend their unbeaten streak to four games and improve their 2007 record to 3-0 as they travel to play Ohio Northern this Saturday. It will be a tall task for JCU this week as ONU beat up on the Blue Streaks last year 23-9.

Game Statistics



21 6

Passing-

JCU- Petruziello 246 yds.
2 TD
Heidelberg- West 223 yds.

Rushing-

JCU- Stover 13 att. 74 yds.
Heidelberg- Sims 17 att. 56 yds.

Receiving-

JCU- Sroka 95 yds. 1 TD
Heidelberg- Preston 72 yds.

Defense-

JCU- Bevington 16 tkls
Heidelberg- Cavotta 11 tkls



Streaks of the Week

Football



Mark Petruziello
junior

- Went 19-30 for 246 yards and two touchdowns. Added an 11-yard touchdown run in JCU's 21-6 win over Heidelberg.



Men's Soccer



Louis Kastelic
junior

- Scored the game winning goal in overtime in JCU's 2-1 victory over Allegheny last Wednesday.

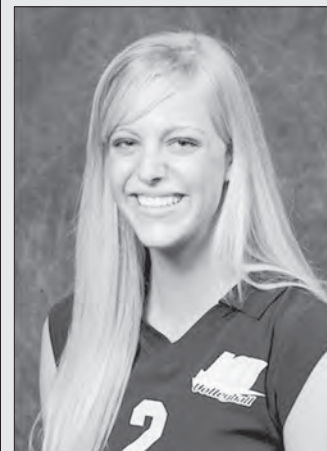


Volleyball



Meagan Gambone
junior

- Led JCU with 55 kills over the past five matches including 18 in JCU's back-to-back wins over Lake Erie



Women's Soccer



Lauren Wilson
junior

- Scored the lone goal in JCU's 1-0 victory over Oberlin College on Saturday.



Football



Kevin Bevington
junior

- Was the leading tackler in JCU's 21-6 victory over Heidelberg. Recorded 16 total tackles, including five for a loss and three sacks.



Men's and women's soccer edging way up standings

Tim Ertle
The Carroll News

Last season, the John Carroll University men's soccer team started the season with an 11 game winless streak.

The 2007 season has been a turn around of sorts as the team has started 3-4. This is why senior captain Alex Bernot is not ready to jump on the panic button.

"This team has the potential to be great. Everyone, including the coaches, feel that we have a very talented group of guys right now. The only thing holding us back is our unfamiliarity playing next to one another on the field," said Bernot.

The Blue Streaks split this week, going 1-1 in a pair of exciting matches played at Don Shula Stadium.

On Wednesday night, the Blue Streaks trailed Allegheny College 1-0 in the 88th minute when junior Mike Pinter tied it at one.

The game went into overtime, and six minutes into the extra period junior Louis Kastelic put in a rebound off a shot by Bernot to give JCU the win.

"It was a win we needed to prove to ourselves that we can compete against anyone on a given day as long as we put the work in," said Bernot. "I feel that this win is the turning point of the season and it will lead to a lot more hard fought wins."

On Saturday night, the Blue Streaks jumped out to the early 1-0 lead against Wooster after Scott McKinney scored in the 14th minute

Unfortunately, that was all the



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

Junior Lauren Wilson scored the game winning goal for JCU.

Blue Streaks could manage, Wooster went on to take a 2-1 halftime lead. They would add an insurance goal in the second half to claim top JCU 3-1.

The Blue Streaks will go on the road for the rest of the month, but return to action at home on October 2.

After falling to 0-3 to start the season, the women's team have won their last two contests, both by scores of 1-0.

In their season opener Saturday, the Blue Streaks staked and early lead over Oberlin.

Junior Lauren Wilson found the back of the net from 25 yards out in the 11th minute, her tally would turn out to be the game winner.

Although Oberlin fired nine shots in the game, all nine were

turned away by sophomore goalkeeper Natalie Humphreys.

The shut out came in her first collegiate start.

Head Coach Tracy Blasius described Humphery's performance as fantastic, noting the many big saves Humphreys made throughout the game.

JCU, now 2-3 on the year, has four remaining matches until they enter Ohio Athletic Conference play.

Aside from the stellar play between the pipes, the young squad should start to gain some familiarity with each other and begin to gel just in time for league play.

The women's team will play at home twice this week, Thursday night at 6 p.m. and then again Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m.



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Til death do us part

Times are changing and people are marrying at different ages and for different reasons. John Carroll University student Arielle Simpson is a 20-year-old wife, mom and full-time student.

Lannie Le
The Carroll News

Marriage. A simple word with so many connotations.

In the past few decades, modern changes on the view of marriage have taken two dramatic turns. One end deals with young, married couples and the other end concerns the rising trend in America to wait before saying I do.

Statistics prove that young adults are indeed waiting to get married. According to a USA Today poll in 2006, 73 percent of men ages 20-29 said they had never been married, compared with 64 percent in 2000. For women, 62.2 percent had never married in 2006, compared with 53.4 percent six years earlier.

According to Ad2000.com, from 1970 to 2004 the annual number of marriages per 1,000 adult women in the United States plunged by nearly fifty percent.

At JCU, 80.5 percent of graduates who applied for Federal Financial Aid from fall 2007 are not married and 19.5 percent are either married or remarried according to Vice President for Enrollment, Brian G. Williams. Out of the

undergraduates, 99 percent are not married, .9 percent are married or remarried and .1 percent of them are divorced or separated.

Someone who has no desire to get married young is JCU sophomore Crystal Uvalle. "If I found the love of my life now, at 19, I would still want to wait because I still have a lot of growing up to do and I'm sure he does too."

However, just because people are marrying later doesn't necessarily mean they are not going to get married at all in life. According to Findarticles.com, an estimated 90 percent of young women will marry at some point during their lifetime.

Society is starting to view marriage in a different way.

JCU sociology faculty member John Klein said, "Society's view of marriage certainly has changed dramatically post World War II and has evolved with increased diversity. For instance, greater acceptance of divorce, greater acceptance of remarriage, and the changing role of what it means to be a husband and a wife are quite different from the 1950s TV shows such as 'Leave It To Beaver,' 'I Love Lucy' and 'The Donna

Reed Show.'"

Klein also says these changed roles have to do with an increased acceptance of premarital sexual relations.

Wives are beginning to excel in society and do not have to depend on their husband in order to be successful.

Klein's words seem to focus on how wives' roles have changed. Society has opened up a myriad of options for women as wives to prioritize other commitments on their own such as a career, education and stability, instead of solely being a housewife.

Even though several statistics show that people are waiting longer to get married, this is not always true with celebrities.

Celebrities rush into a marriage, which is followed shortly by a divorce. Recent examples include stars like Britney Spears, Pamela Anderson and Angelina Jolie.

This also shapes people's view of marriage, whereas many years ago, it was unheard of to get divorced.

Klein believes that there is a greater acceptance of divorce and remarriage. According to

Chicagolandmarriage.org, in the early 1980s, the United States witnessed the highest number of divorces ever granted; over one million.

Today, more than ever, society is extremely comfortable with such ideas of divorce and remarriage.

Therefore, many couples find themselves submissive to society's drastic changes.

However, the idea of finding your soul mate early on in life still exists. Young couples do still marry at an earlier age; it is just less common nowadays.

At JCU, senior Arielle Simpson decided to tie the knot at the age of 20. Against the rising trend in society, she and her family have found much joy in spending their new life together.

There are several opinions and many different views on marriage. It changes depending on the person and the couple.

However, many couples discover their own view on marriage and their own meaning of love in a personal way.

And despite society's views and the influence of the media, they will know whether it is worth waiting two years or ten years for it.



This photo includes Arielle, her husband, Nate and her 4 month old son, Nathaniel.

Q: How long did you date your husband before getting engaged?

A: My husband and I dated for three years when we got engaged. We met in high school, my sophomore year, his senior year.

Q: Were your parents supportive?

A: Our parents thought that we should have a long engagement. I was a freshman at John Carroll when we announced our engagement (He proposed on Thanksgiving Day 2005). My mom sort of thought that we were too young to be really serious.

Q: Were your husband's parents supportive?

A: His parents were really supportive of all of our decisions. They gave us a beautiful wedding on August 5, 2006.

Q: Is your marriage what you expected it to be?

A: We lived together for almost a year before my husband, Nate, proposed. So, when we got married it didn't seem as though much changed. Shortly after we were married, I got pregnant. Now that's when all the reality of our responsibilities we'd taken on set in. It was a pleasant, but unexpected, surprise.

I would have to say marriage is better than I expected it to be. My husband and I understand each other on a level that no one else understands us. We have a beautiful son that is the absolute best part of both of us.

Q: Are people shocked when they find out your married?

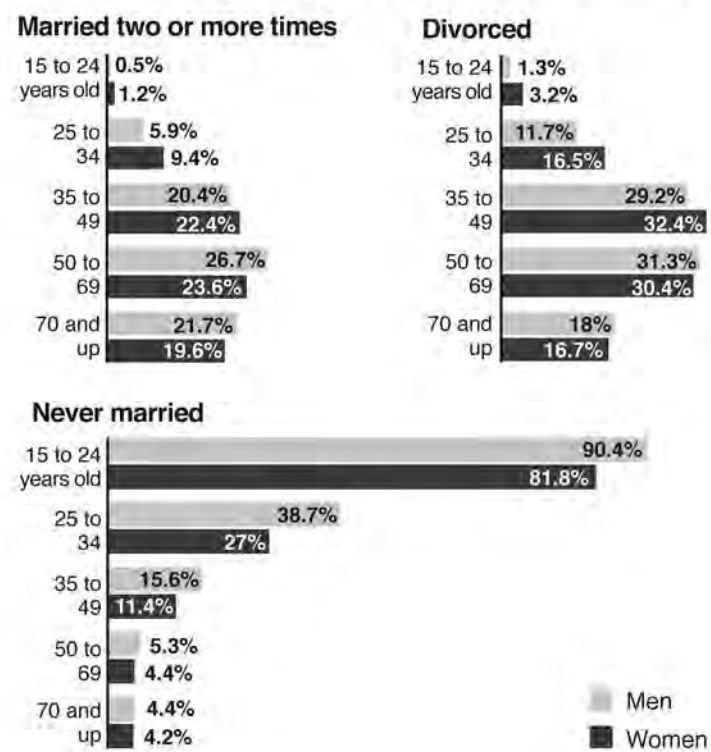
A: People are usually very surprised to hear that I'm married with a baby, especially since I just turned 20 on September 10. Now that there's a baby who is only 4 months old, I think most people believe that we got married because I was pregnant. But that's not the case. I wasn't pregnant when we got married; he is a honeymoon baby. But I don't mind... People can think whatever they want. That's another awesome thing about being happily married, it's not a show for other people to ponder over or be envious of. Our union was for no one but the two of us, and now our son.

Q: Anything else you would like to add?

A: A lot of people also say "Going to school must be hard..." So far, it has been a big challenge for both me and my husband. We can't really afford day care so we have to trade off for me to go to school and him to work, with the baby. I believe that it's a challenge that is well worth it. As a JCU student, I know the value of my education, and as a loving human being I know there is more to life than philosophy and religion classes. So, I wouldn't trade any aspect of my life for the world, and I'm certain that all of this will make me a stronger, better woman, wife and mom.

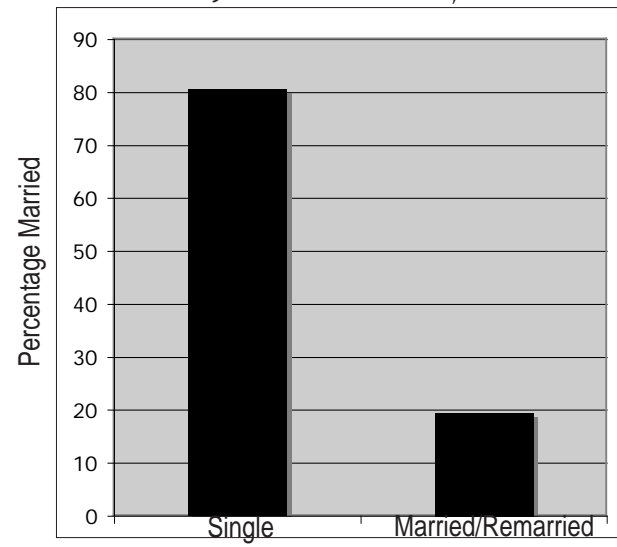
Tying and untying the knot

More than 90 percent of Americans are expected to be married at least once in their lives, but more than half first time marriages end in divorce. Within three years, half of those divorces are remarried.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

Graduate JCU students, Fall 2007



This data is compiled from Fall 2007 enrolled students and represents only those students that filed for Federal Financial Aid.

U.S. Marriage Index, 1970-2000

	1970	1980	1990	2000
Percent of Adults Married	71.7	65.5	61.9	59.5
Percent of First Marriages Intact	73.3	67.7	62.5	58.5
Percent of Births to Married Parents	89.3	81.6	72.0	66.8

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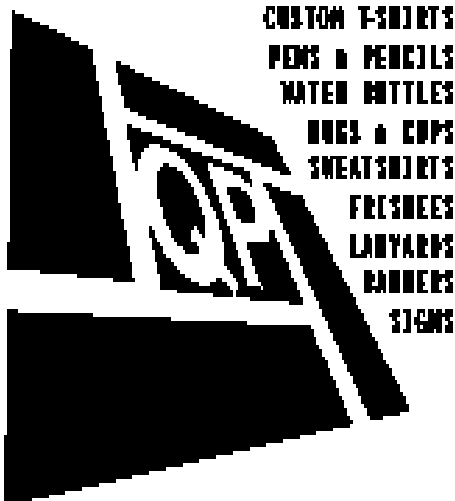
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Brad Michael Negulescu

World News Editor

On October 10, 2002, a very influential American politician said the following about Iraq: "In the four years since the inspectors left, intelligence reports show that Saddam Hussein has worked to rebuild his chemical and biological weapons stock, his missile delivery capability, and his nuclear program. He has also given aid, comfort, and sanctuary to terrorists, including al-Qaeda members, though there is apparently no evidence of his involvement in the terrible events of September 11, 2001. It is clear, however, that if left unchecked, Saddam Hussein will continue to increase his capacity to wage biological and chemical warfare, and will keep trying to develop nuclear weapons. Should he succeed in that endeavor, he could alter the political and security landscape of the Middle East, which as we know all too well affects American security."

If you guessed those were President Bush's words – you'd be wrong. Those are not even the words of a Republican, those were spoken by Democrat presidential nominee Hillary Clinton.

She supported the war at one point, voted to give the president the authority to use force back in 2002, and bragged when we captured Saddam Hussein.

Now she is against the war, and has even voted to de-fund our troops while they are still in harms way. We were once united as a nation at war, however now, divisive politics have made this country more polarized than I have ever seen it.

The war in Iraq has not gone the way we wanted to, and by we, I mean people like me who want the United States to win over there. Unfortunately, there are many people in this country who are actively rooting for us to lose this war. To me, that's treason.

Those people want us to lose because they have a hatred for President Bush and want him humiliated. Moreover, they want a Democrat to win the White House next year at any cost, even if that means us being handed a defeat to al-Qaeda.

Senator Harry Reid, a Democrat and Majority Leader in the Senate said earlier this year that the war is lost. There's nothing like telling your military that they have lost while they continue to put their lives on the line. Not to mention giving the enemy a moral boost. The Democratic Party seems to have an identity crisis. There seems to be a contest to see who can be the most against the war.

Last week, the commander of all U.S. military personnel in Iraq, General David Petraeus, reported to Congress about the state of the war. In January, General Petraeus implemented a policy of sending more U.S. troops into Iraq temporarily to stop the violence that gripped the country in 2006. The "surge" as it has come to be known, reached full strength only in June, and has already shown great success in defeating terrorism throughout Iraq.

Anbar Province, which is basically the entire western half of Iraq, was once considered lost to the insurgents. Now, after an extra 4,000 marines went in there and did what they do, Anbar is almost completely pacified. In Baghdad, a city of around eight million, most areas have been cleared as terrorists have either been captured, killed, or have fled.

This is not my assessment of the surge, this is what General Petraeus told Congress. And how was he repaid for his great service of this country? A liberal group called Moveon.org put out a full page ad in The New York Times on the first day of the general's testimony calling him "General Betray Us."

Moveon.org is a prime example of those who have politicized this war, and they have done it in the most disgusting way possible by spitting on an American war hero who has earned in his decorated military career the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Defense Superior Service Medal, four awards of the Legion of Merit, and a Bronze Star.

Every politician, on both sides of the aisle, should have denounced this personal attack, however not one Democrat presidential candidate would do so. Not one.

To me, that is considered guilt by association. If you don't condemn it, you must agree with it. And any person who would smear the leader of our troops in a theater of battle who did not deserve it, does not deserve my vote to be the Commander-in-Chief. Our military deserves better – America deserves better.



General David Petraeus bows his head prior to his testimony

Petraeus Speaks

Top General in Iraq cites progress in war during two days of heated testimony on Capitol Hill

Catie McLaughlin
The Carroll News

The senior American commander in Iraq, General David H. Petraeus, gave his Congressional testimony on September 10 and 11 amongst partisan uproars. He gave an assessment of the security in Iraq and gave his own recommendations that he recently laid out for his chain of command.

General Petraeus believes that the situation in Iraq is extremely complex and sometimes even frustrating.

Nonetheless, he believes that it is still very possible to achieve the objectives planned in Iraq; however it will not be easy and it will take some time.

In a joint meeting of the House Foreign Affairs and House Armed Services committees, Petraeus laid out his vision for reducing U.S. troop levels, beginning this month.

He said the recent buildup of U.S. troops has led to good results and that he predicts a transition to Iraqi security control. However, he does not guarantee that this will be a success.

In the testimony before Congress, Petraeus said that, "The fundamental source of the conflict in Iraq is competition among ethnic and sectarian communities for power and resources.

"This competition will take place, and its resolution is key to producing long-term stability in the new Iraq. The question is whether the competition takes place more or less violently."

According to The Associated Press, the main points of General Petraeus' testimony to Congress were met with extensive agreement among soldiers. It seems that the American troop buildup is working. It also seems that Petraeus solidified President Bush's support

among Republicans in Congress.

Few Democrats expressed anger that Moveon.org, an anti-war group, placed an ad in The New York Times, titled "General Petraeus or General Betray Us?" that criticized Petraeus on the day of his first appearance before Congress.

The strain on the military, with thousands of troops having served multiple combat tours, helped "inform" Petraeus' decision to recommend to President Bush that force levels be reduced. Petraeus' plan calls for troop reductions to begin this month, according to The AP.

The plan Petraeus outlined is predicted to leave at least 130,000 American troops in Iraq through next summer.

Coalition and Iraqi Security Forces have achieved progress in the security arena.

In his testimony, Petraeus said that he could have waited until April to start sending home the five Army brigades that constituted the bulk of President Bush's troop buildup.

However, the main reason Petraeus chose to start the drawdown earlier was because he recognized the enormous strain that the troop buildup has placed on troops and their families yet, Petraeus believes that the progress our American forces have achieved with the Iraqi counterparts has been quite substantial.

"I thought Petraeus was sincere, professional and composed in light of all the negative press," said Sarah Schiavoni, professor of political science at John Carroll University. Petraeus plans to build upon the security developments the troops and Iraqi counterparts have fought to accomplish in recent months.

Petraeus also stresses the importance of securing the population and the vital transitioning of responsibilities to Iraqi institutions and Iraqi forces.

As for political implications of Petraeus' testimony, Schiavoni said, "I think John McCain wants more troops and Petraeus' testimony validates McCain's knowledge of foreign relations. Petraeus' testimony is going to greatly help McCain's campaign."

O.J. Simpson arrested after armed robbery

Brad Michael Negulescu
World News Editor

O.J. Simpson was arrested on Sunday and faces multiple charges in an alleged armed robbery of collectors involving the former football great and Hall of Famer's sports memorabilia.

According to The Associated Press, the charges against Simpson will include robbery with a deadly weapon, conspiracy to commit robbery and burglary with a firearm, which are all felonies, said Las Vegas Police Captain James Dillon. More charges could be brought against him, he said. Police said two firearms and other evidence were seized at a private residence early Sunday.

Simpson, 60, has said he and other people with him were retrieving items that belonged to him. Simpson has said there were no guns involved and that he went to the room at the casino only to get stolen mementos that included

his Hall of Fame certificate and a picture of the running back with J. Edgar Hoover.

Simpson was reportedly very cooperative as he was taken into custody. At least one other person has been arrested and police said Sunday that as many as six people could be arrested in connection with the alleged armed robbery that occurred in a room inside the Palace Station casino-hotel on Thursday, according to The AP.

Besides his impressive football career, O.J. Simpson is also well known for his 1995 trial after being charged with the double murder of his wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman. Simpson was eventually acquitted in one of the most famous trials of the last century.

He was later found liable in civil court and was ordered to pay the families of those killed \$30 million dollars, which he has yet to pay off. A judge ordered Simpson be held without bail, police said. If

convicted of the booking charges, Simpson would face up to 30 years in state prison on each robbery count alone.

"He is facing a lot of time," said Clark County District Attorney David Roger. Simpson's arrest came just days after the Goldman family published a book that Simpson had written under the title, "If I Did It" about how he would have committed the killings of his ex-wife and Goldman had he actually done it. After a deal for Simpson to publish it fell through, a federal bankruptcy judge awarded the book's rights to the Goldman family, who retitled it "If I Did It: The Confessions of the Killer."

During the weekend, the book was the hottest seller in the country, hitting No. 1 on Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.com, according to The AP. "I think he will probably get away with it," said John Carroll University student Sarah Bals. "He should have gotten busted the first time."



Continental Airlines jets sit on the tarmac at Cleveland-Hopkins International Airport.

Hopkins Airport to expand

Deal means hundreds of jobs for NE Ohio

Meghan Wolf
Staff Writer

Cleveland Hopkins International Airport will undergo a significant expansion from Continental Airlines. The plans are accompanied by the anticipation of escalating profits, increased transit capacity, and a slew of new jobs that will bolster the Cleveland economy.

Continental Airlines, Governor Ted Strickland and Mayor Frank Jackson announced that a \$50 million expansion was under way, as well as a capacity increase through the next two years.

"Continental Airlines is making a significant investment in the City of Cleveland and Cleveland Hopkins International Airport," said Jackson. "This strategic investment is designed to maximize Cleveland's assets, create a positive environment for business, and serve as a vehicle for tourism to the entire Cleveland Plus region."

The investment will be funded, in part, by the state of Ohio, which has promised \$16 million from a combination of sources such as tax credits, grants and loans.

State officials used this money as a financial incentive for Continental Airlines in order to attract the business expansion to Cleveland, rather than to other possible candidates such as Newark, NJ, or Houston, TX, where the airline is based.

The expected changes include the addition of 50, mostly regional flights, and 20 nonstop destinations by this summer. In the year following that, there will be several additional mainline flights added to expand the global route network, according to The Associated Press. Also, new ticketing and passenger reception areas will be added.

"I think it's a good thing overall because it provides an improvement in transportation both to and from Cleveland," said Thomas Zlatoper, professor of economics and finance at John Carroll University. "By making it more convenient to come to Cleveland, it should enhance our area's image elsewhere."

Cleveland is Continental Airline's Midwestern base, currently employing about 2,000 people.

Along with the approval of a 10-year tax credit for Continental in July, the whole proposed project can be expected to add 711 full-time Ohio jobs. With the tax credit, the jobs would pay \$24.76 per hour on average, beginning in January.

The credit would be conditional to the maintenance of Continental's extra operations for 20 years.

An estimated 700 jobs and millions of dollars of revenue could be created by this expansion

"Obviously, we'll see more people working," said Dennis Roche, president of the Convention and Visitors Bureau of Greater Cleveland, according to The Plain Dealer. "It also makes us more attractive as a destination because we'll be more accessible. It's one good thing layered on another."

Christopher Rodgers, the director of strategic development at Erie International Airport said, "When a hub grows, it is good for all the spokes that feed into it.. When a hub gets bigger, it creates additional connecting opportunities."

These connecting opportunities include the possibility of the Erie airport being linked to the New York market. They have long wanted to be connected to bigger ports such as the Continental Branch in Newark.

However, Newark's airport has always had too much traffic to take on more routes.

The Cleveland port's expansion will likely be the thing to relieve Newark traffic so that Newark will add more routes and expand to the Erie port.

It will mean an overall expansion of business to affected ports because the increased capacity in the Cleveland area will be better able to satisfy the demand for flight connections.



Senator Hillary Clinton speaks about Health Care at a campaign stop

Hillary Clinton returns \$850,000 in tainted campaign contributions

Kristin Rudman
The Carroll News

New York Senator and Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton is immersed in a financial scandal. Sen. Clinton will return \$850,000 in campaign contributions raised by a major fund-raiser who has come under federal investigation on multiple fronts, reports The Wall Street Journal.

The \$850,000 is the largest sum ever returned by a candidate because of questionable fundraising methods. Businessman and Democratic fund-raiser Norman Hsu is responsible for the interest and inquiries into Clinton's monetary policies.

According to The Wall Street Journal, "Mr. Hsu had a 15-year-old warrant for his arrest in California for skipping a sentencing hearing on charges of grand theft."

Hsu not only gave donations to the Clinton campaign, but The New York Times reports that he "wrote checks totaling \$255,970 to a variety of Democratic candidates and committees since 2004 [and] included \$5,000 to the political action committee of Senator Barack Obama."

The Clinton campaign denies having any knowledge of Hsu's alleged illegal actions. In addition to giving away the \$850,000, the campaign has decided to establish vigorous additional vetting procedures which will include criminal background checks and affirmative steps to validate and authenticate the origins of donors' contributions.

Despite Clinton's claim of being unaware of the situation, this is not the first occurrence of questionable campaign practices concerning contributors and their finances for both Hillary and Bill Clinton. A lingering controversy surrounding Clinton's 2000 Senate campaign continues to exist. Peter Paul, a convicted felon "helped organize a gala Hollywood fund-

raiser for her in August 2000," reports The WSJ. "In a lawsuit in California state court that has been grinding along for years, Mr. Paul accuses Mrs. Clinton and former President Bill Clinton of deceiving him into spending well over \$1 million on the fund-raiser for her Senate campaign."

The Clintons were also unaware of Paul's previous convictions for cocaine possession and for conspiracy in a financial swindle aimed at the Cuban government which occurred in the 1970s.

\$850,000 is the most campaign money ever returned by a candidate because of questionable fund-raising methods

Paul's felony charges led to Clinton returning a \$2,000 contribution that he had made to her campaign. Attorney of the Clintons, David Kendall has said that "Mr. Paul, as a three-time convicted felon, has no credibility...He is the Picasso of con artists," according to The WSJ.

Regardless of accusations of foul play, the image of Hillary Clinton and the Democratic party will most likely not take as detrimental of a hit as the scandals that have plagued the Republican party over the past year.

The latest of the Republican scandals includes Idaho Senator Larry Craig being accused of soliciting sex in a men's room in a Minneapolis airport.

Regarding the Hsu-Clinton matter, Larry Schwab, professor of political science at John Carroll University said, "It'll hurt a little bit. It's the last thing they would want to happen, but in the long run it won't have too much of an impact on the results of the primaries."

This impending primary election is very important to the Democratic party. Frustration from the American public towards Republicans is higher than it has been in decades.

This dissatisfaction was prominent in the 2006 election, where the Democrats took control of the House and Senate. The war in Iraq, along with highly publicized scandals like the one involving Mark Foley, were disastrous for the Republican Party. According to The AP.

As the Democratic front-runner for that party's nomination, Hillary Clinton will continue to be a lightning-rod for criticism from critics from all sides of the political spectrum. Fellow Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama has a strategy of continual reiteration towards Senator Clinton's vote in favor of the Iraq war.

The Illinois candidate who was recently endorsed by media conglomerate Oprah Winfrey, has yet to bridge the gap with his competitor in political polls despite Clinton's vote for the war and her ties to Norman Hsu. Winfrey recently held a star-studded fundraiser for Obama which banked more than \$3 million for his campaign. However, even with the publicity boost from Oprah and other high-profile celebs, Clinton still holds a commanding lead in the polls.

"Most candidates won't hold this against her," says Schwab, of the Hsu fund-raising matter. "They'll continue their own strategies." In fact, within the last two months political polls have shown that Clinton has actually stopped Obama's rise and reversed it, said Schwab. "It's going to be competitive, but Senator Clinton is the front runner."

Japanese prime minister resigns

Shingo Abe quits amid scandal and electoral defeats

Nick Alberstadt
The Carroll News

Shingo Abe had a difficult and short tenure as Japanese prime minister. Scandal, government mismanagement, and humiliating electoral defeats finally led to Abe's resignation on Sept. 12, just under a year after taking office.

The grandson of a former prime minister and son of a foreign minister Shinzo Abe looked like a reasonable choice to succeed the immensely popular, reform-minded showman Junichiro Koizumi.

Having held previous government positions, and riding the wave of popularity of his predecessor, Shinzo Abe took control of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) on Sept. 20, 2006, and was elected prime minister six days later, according to The Associated Press.

Vowing to carry on the reforms begun by Mr. Koizumi, and even restoring relations with Japan's long-time rival China, Shinzo Abe's term as prime minister began on a high note. This early success would not last.

Doubts surfaced early about Mr. Abe's competence as a politician when scandal and public furor began to plague his cabinet. Even before his highly publicized trip to meet with prime minister of China, Abe's minister for deregulation was forced to resign amid accusations about fraudulent expenses.

His health minister then aroused public anger when he referred to women as "breeding machines." These incidents were only the beginning of Shinzo Abe's ministerial woes.



Former Japanese prime minister Shingo Abe walks off the stage after resigning his post

Mr. Abe's agricultural minister committed suicide when he became embroiled in a financial scandal, and the next two men he appointed to the post would both go on to resign as they became involved in financial and political funding scandals of their own. A June 4 survey in the Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun

showed that the support for Abe and his government had fallen by half, from 60 percent to 30 percent since his September election, according to The AP.

One more minister would find himself in hot water before Shinzo Abe's cabinet struggles abated. This time, Abe's defense minister enraged the public and politicians

on all sides by making remarks that seemed to justify the United States dropping the atomic bomb on Japan at the end of World War II. He would resign shortly thereafter. The miserable term of Shinzo Abe did not, however, end there.

Public anger would once again be focused on Abe when it came to light that his government had

lost 50 million pension records. Had he come out on the offensive against the pensions agency, the issue may not have caused Abe so much harm.

Instead, he tried to cover it up, and when the situation was finally exposed, Abe claimed he did not understand why it caused so much anger. Gerald Curtis of Columbia University in New York called the issue "Abe's Hurricane Katrina."

The final blow against Shinzo Abe and his government would come at the hands of the Japanese people.

Enraged by the incompetence of their government, Japanese voters took to the polls on July 29. In elections for half of the seats in the upper house of Japan's Parliament, Abe's Liberal Democratic Party was handed its worst electoral defeat since its foundation in 1955.

The LDP lost its majority in the upper house in a parliament that it has dominated almost continually for more than 50 years. Abe vowed to soldier on and remain prime minister, despite his humiliating defeat.

However, on Sept. 12, Shinzo Abe bowed to the pressure and resigned as Prime Minister of Japan, thus ending one of the most unimpressive political terms in recent memory.

Roger Purdy, who is the coordinator of East Asian Studies at John Carroll University, said Abe's difficulties come from the fact that he's not as charismatic as his predecessor and that he lacked power base within his own party. He went on to say that Abe was a new young figure who was supposed to heal all wounds but instead caused them.

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Editorial

Energy efficiency

For the first time, John Carroll University is finally taking the proper step in creating a more eco-friendly atmosphere. With an initiative being spear-headed by biology professors Miles Coburn and Sandra Buckles, the program aims to change the University's current energy policies.

JCU needs capitalize on green capabilities of recycling and energy reduction that will allow students to see better qualities of living and embark upon eco-friendly practices long after graduation.

JCU has made progress in promoting recycling. As of September 1, the University contracted with Landmark Disposal to handle its trash and recycling program. Landmark Disposal separates the trash from recyclables at its facilities in Medina County.

Additionally, JCU has instituted green recycling dumpsters replacing the former brown dumpsters.

While beneficial strides have been taken, there is still much progress to go that involves everyone's cooperation. An established green campus allows students express concern about recycling and the environment.

Other universities such as Oberlin College have already well-established themselves as green inspirations complete with solar panels to generate energy.

JCU needs to observe the practices of other institutions by conducting an energy audit.

This audit will allow the University to make the necessary changes it needs to reduce energy consumption in offices and classrooms around campus.

JCU cannot accomplish its goal without the unequivocal support of the local community—the University must be able to create beneficial relationships with the city of University Heights.



Editorial

Pro sports concerns

The actions of professional athletes off the field have always seemed to be a reason of public concern. In the past several months, the integrity of pro sports has been damaged.

Last week, the New England Patriots coaching staff was caught cheating. They were attempting to steal the defensive signals of the New York Jets during a game.

With a growing concern of the integrity of national sports, the public needs to consider its influence on younger generations. The commissioners of professional sports leagues should reconsider the punishments that are typically given to wrongdoers and implement a more severe policy, stricter fines, and longer suspensions. The Patriots incident joins the many and continuously surfacing scandals that continue to tarnish the name of professional sports. Along with the Patriots incident, this past summer, National Basketball Association referee Tim Donaghy was caught betting on games he had officiated.

Games are becoming increasingly illegitimate and pro athletes and coaches are no longer positive role models. Is this because we live in a society where money and winning are a number one priority? As children, we are first exposed to sports because they offer not only fitness, but valuable lessons on playing the game fairly. If the public is exposed to dishonest play, there is the potential in developing the notion that cheating is okay whether it be on or off the field.

People like Bill Belichick, NBA referee Tim Donaghy and Michael Vick are not role models. They are unfit influences on the public, primarily children.

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“The thing that I regret is that civil dialogue and civil discourse did not happen.”

-J. Bernard Machen, University of Florida president, in response to a public debate involving Sen. John Kerry that ended in the tasing of a student who was asking a question

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Avoiding that guy, Oliver

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That guy. I know you all know who I'm talking about. The guy you see out on a Friday night wearing a pink polo shirt and a popped collar. Let's name him Oliver after the Facebook account from Case Western (search "That Guy").

Oliver, you and I need to talk. I'm not sure if it's because this is a private school that we get so many "Olivers" to bless us with both their colorful personality and his daddy's money but something needs to change.

Oliver would cut across the Quad. Ask Andrew Rafferty, it's just wrong.

This year there have been several changes on campus. A new policy that I've heard about is that at house parties girls now are having to pay. This change was definitely Oliver's fault.

Girls, if you ever go to a party and have to pay, just look at the "bouncer" and call him an "Oliver," he'll understand. Then you should leave. Oliver, I'm going to let you in on a little secret. Girls won't come if they have to pay. If girls don't come then who is going to tag you in a picture on Facebook? You know the one with all your bros who also have popped collars and you're all repping those sweet shades that you guys got in your group trip to the mall earlier that afternoon.

I know this scares you, and you're right. If no one tags you in a picture then you have no one to poke on Facebook but your bros.

Just because you are "in an open relationship" with one of them doesn't mean you should be poking them. I wouldn't brag about poking them if you are, but then again, I also wouldn't pay \$150 for a pair of jeans with holes, so I guess we are

quite different people after all.

I've had an idea for a while now and if this trend of Oliver's continues I may have to put my idea into effect.

Business majors listen to this idea; we can get rich together off of it. I want to start a sticker company that makes stickers that say "Yes, I'm a tool."

Those would really show Oliver what's up. If I got really good at getting these on to people when they are acting like Oliver I could probably get one on the brim of the flat-brim New York Yankee's hat. Like the one Oliver constantly wears even though he cannot name three starters on the worst team in Major League Baseball. So, if anyone is interested in joining me in this business my e-mail address is m-flessner09@jcu.edu. That invitation is also open to all freshmen living in Pacelli Hall. Don't worry; I won't make you pay at parties.

And Oliver, don't make me have to call you out on all of this again. Next time I'm going to bring your bros into it, and I know neither of us wants that to happen.

Lo Castro's Lowdown



Jenna Lo Castro
Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

Gettin' the word on:

The preposterous nature of polygamy

Jesus Christ had many wives and dozens of children.

At least, according to a religious sect based in Salt Lake City, Utah called the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (FLDS).

This present day community has become a front runner in national news recently. Its leader and "prophet" Warren Jeffs, began his trial last week on accounts that he forced underage marriages and participated in rapes amongst the women within the sect (among other things).

But what this has done more so has brought to light the topic of polygamy—a practice seen as unorthodox, culturally immoral, degrading and illegal, in the United States.

I really didn't think this practice of having several wives and dozens upon dozens of children existed in our country today. But, in small, isolated parts of Utah and Arizona (and in some other areas of the Midwest as well) there are little communities that live by this doctrine. The people there are taught that Jeffs is a direct descendent of Jesus Christ and that, to get into heaven, you must have at least three wives and give birth every year to "replenish the earth," thus fostering the setting of massive families.

Ridiculous? Yeah, I thought the same thing as well. But it wasn't until I began hearing about the outpour of atrocities of these communities' young people and women, that I developed a strong sense of utter disbelief.

There are extensive reports of incest, child molestation and spousal abuse. Over 400 young men, now coined "The Lost Boys," have been exiled.

At this point, the only question

I have to pose is that if this practice is illegal in the U.S. then why has this been going on for generations? Why haven't officials stepped in and dissolved these cult-like communities?

This matter to me has become a moral issue far beyond a religious issue. All things aside, there is a lack of civil rights, rampant sexism, and various kinds of abuse being carried on by the men and officials in these areas of the country. Issues, that, in the United States, are deemed unacceptable and intolerable.

Many of the exiled Lost Boys are now turning to alcohol and drugs and various psychological effects are being exposed. These people have been brainwashed and manipulated by the leaders of their church and whatever "prophet" that rules over the community.

How can anyone, at this point, say it's just a religious denomination living in peaceful and humane conditions? I beg to differ.

It beseeches me to think about the children who are born innocently into these lifestyles. They're taught to believe that outsiders are bad, men are superior, and sex is a means of reproduction regardless of how old you are or what your feelings may be.

These children also have no choice in the lives they lead and if they do run away, they only find themselves in the harsh reality of a civilized society that practices customs and beliefs that are shunned from their small communities.

I only hope that the ensuing trial of Warren Jeffs in these next few months becomes the catalyst for the complete dissolving of these communities.

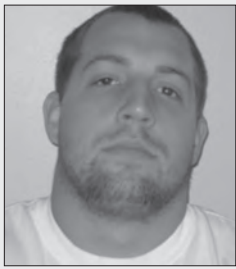
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Wonderword

What does purblind mean?



"A type of vision disorder found in cats."
Kristie LaCivita,
sophomore



"A type of flower found in the Amazon."
Todd Coonce,
junior



"To be facetious."
Chris DiNapoli,
junior

Purblind means having greatly reduced vision.

—Compiled by Jenna Lo Castro

You're wrong, I'm Rafferty: How to score heavenly points



Andrew Rafferty
Managing Editor

When my mind drifts during the Homily, which on occasion it has, I often wonder what heaven is like. Mainly, I wonder about its acceptance policy.

If heaven is like Harvard, I think I'm screwed. I'm crossing my fingers that the pearly gates has more of a state school acceptance policy.

I know its affordable and I think my SAT scores are good enough.

If it's like a community college, then I probably wouldn't want to show up anyway.

But, I'm worried that getting the nod from St. Peter is going to go about as well as the time I tried out for the freshmen basketball team.

I don't want to think that there is a scorecard with a certain number of points necessary for acceptance. But, if there is, how much is holding the door for someone worth?

If they're farther away do you score more for holding it longer?

More importantly, how much do you get docked for drinking, swearing and other stuff that really doesn't hurt anyone but yourself?

I'm hoping not a lot.

Labre can score you some big points. Immersion trips have to be worth double. Will it help that I live with a Manresa retreat leader?

I understand that the people who do these things don't do it to "score points."

But, it's easy to fall into the trap of thinking this way. Do I not punch someone in the face because it's the wrong thing to do? Or, is it because it will look bad when Jesus goes over my file.

You have to wonder how awesome heaven really is. I've been thinking about it, and I don't hope for too much.

A friend of mine once said he hopes when you get to heaven you

are immediately handed a stats sheet of every pickup game you've ever played in your life. I want to know my shooting percentage in that basketball game I played when I was eight. What is my lifetime record in checkers?

I also want one of those really moving montages that television always plays when someone famous dies. Like a highlight reel of my life, with some emotional music playing in the background.

Unlike Murphy Hall, I think you can move the furniture in heaven. It's customizable. You don't have to conform to it, it conforms to you.

Everyone's heaven is going to be different. Along with stats and montages, my heaven is on the beach

with a hot tub and a Chipotle.

My heaven is going to be the party heaven. Everyone is going to know about it, and Friday nights are going to be out of control. The other heavens are going to have to deal with the noise, because this is heaven and you can't get evicted. I know my landlord, (God) is going to love me.

I'll hopefully have a lot of time to think about this before I make the trip. By the time I get there I'll probably want my heaven to have an early bird dinner special and a Kraftmatic Adjustable Bed.

I'll still take the hot tub though.

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YOURVIEW

*Letters to the Editor***Music blunders**

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If there is one thing in this world that I could not live without it's music. I love listening to it while I relax, do homework, drive, party—anything. It fills a void in life. Coming to JCU, I figured there would be plenty of people who shared my affinity of diverse music. After my first semester here though, I realized something—people don't (well, most).

Going to a party on Warrensville pretty much proves my point. It's typical to go into a house and hear one of two songs: 1) a newly released rap song with lyrics that pretty much any person with a basic grasp of the English language could write or 2) a "classic" hit of the eighties, which most likely falls under the category of "Bon-Journey." This can be slightly irritating to say the least.

This is unfortunately not only limited to parties. A majority of the students listen only to what's on the radio, which is a problem, because there really isn't anything good on the radio anymore except a few stations (which nobody listens to anyways).

Now there are people who say they listen to good music, but it's weird that every time I'm with them they play a mind-numbing Rascal Flatts, Green Day (who if you didn't realize, two or three of their major hits in the past five years have been covers), or a rap song. A common response of people playing these songs on their iPod at a party is that "it's party/dancing music." My response to this statement is how can you not dance to the funk of "September" by Earth, Wind, and Fire? If you can't, then obviously you haven't heard the song or have no musical taste whatsoever.

I'm not saying to listen to songs written 20 or so years ago. Also, to everyone who knows me, I'm not trying to make you listen to "Phish, Man." I'm just saying, there is plenty of good music out there, be it Beck, P-Funk, Benevento and Russo, Jenny Lewis, etc. Just try to broaden your horizons so next time you have a party people can funk it out and do some actual dancing.

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Sexism

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The issue of sexism has been a long term problem since the beginning of time. Many articles, books, movies and more have been written on the topic with efforts to make changes.

Although some people believe change has been made, there is always room for more. Katie Mahoney, the editor-in-chief of The Carroll News, makes great arguments in her commentary about "the reason why sexism still exists." Although she is somewhat biased in her views, it is unexpectedly aimed at women; certain types of women.

She effectively uses examples that some people can relate to and she describes characteristics that are very noticeable in a select type of women.

She begins the article in a very biased manner. She states, "Let me start by saying I believe in the power of women—the power to change the world, run their own... company, and flirt to get out of a traffic ticket."

This bold opening paragraph ends with another strong statement, "However, I believe that this exceptionally amazing gender of people is shooting itself in the foot of success."

This is where a strong transition is made. The reader shifts from thinking she is going to criticize others for not respecting women to see she is actually going to criticize some women for not respecting themselves. This is an ongoing theme in the article. She classifies these women by saying, "I think you know who these women are—they are the mini-skirt wearing, cleavage popping, sloppy drunks we see every weekend." She does stereotype certain women; however, it is a very effective characterization.

She gives scenarios and examples that most readers could relate to: a mother, a best friend and a political figure. She uses these examples to show that strong women do not crave attention and happiness from "a creepy man cat-calling me from his car window" or from "drunken guys or a push-up bra" but instead, a strong woman finds it in herself.

This is very effective to many women readers because she is giving a common scenario that most women would go through. By bringing the topic to the reader's personal life, it adds a great amount of effectiveness to her argument.

Although she does not speak much on behalf of an opposing perspective, she comments in the end to anyone who is not swayed. She says, "For anyone who is still convinced that skimpy clothes create more attention, ponder this: Men will almost always look at a mini skirt dancing on the bar, but they're almost always asking out the girl wearing jeans, dancing with her friends."

Her arguments are very effective by the use of her bias, examples and scenarios.

Assessing Iraq

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Taken from a passage in Ecclesiastes, Pete Seeger's classic folk song, "Turn! Turn! Turn: (To Everything There is a Season)," begins with the verse: "To everything/(turn, turn, turn)/There is a season/(turn, turn, turn)/And a time for every purpose/Under Heaven."

If we substitute, "spin, spin, spin" for "turn, turn, turn," we might have a sense of the current season of assessment of U.S. policy in the war in Iraq.

Just in the past two weeks, we have seen the publication of major reports by the Government Accountability Office (GAO Report) and the Independent Commission on the Security Forces of Iraq (The Jones Report), as well as testimony before Congress by General David H. Petraeus, the top American Commander in Iraq.

I have spent the past week reading these reports, because, frankly, the Bush administration cannot be trusted. They have misled us on Iraq before and they are trying to do so again.

As Fred Kaplan put the point in Slate, President Bush's speech last week demonstrates that he is either deceptive or delusional. (I'm not sure why this is an either/or proposition.)

Nor are Democratic candidates any better about cherry picking information from these reports to suit their political ends.

Thus, although much in these reports and testimony is valuable, I would urge you to examine every appeal to these sources with great care, for they are already being misused.

Consider, for example, the way references to al Qaeda are being manipulated. The Jones Report is quite careful to distinguish what it calls "al Qaeda in Iraq" from "greater" al Qaeda and it admits that the relationship between the two "remains unclear."

Yet, this distinction—which is

important for avoiding the mistake of equating the War on Terror with the war in Iraq—is almost never acknowledged by advocates for the war in Iraq when they talk about the importance of "defeating al Qaeda." Throughout his address to the nation last week, President Bush consistently referred to "al Qaeda" and not to al Qaeda in Iraq.

In fact, it is probably a mistake to pick out any single set of statistics as definitive in assessing the success of the current surge or the overall success of the war.

Rather, we should be looking at the all-things-considered judgment, taken for the country as a whole.

And the reality that the spin-doctors on both sides would have us ignore is that the situation is incredibly complex and deeply ambiguous.

There are clearly some successes; there are, for example, provinces like Anbar where, by most accounts, security and stability is greatly improved.

And there are serious failures as well: twenty-eight percent of Iraqi children are malnourished, compared to nineteen percent before the 2003 invasion; the borders continue to be porous; sectarian violence is not under control; and, most significantly, almost no progress has been made toward political reconciliation.

My own all-things-considered judgment is that, despite some modest progress, the situation in Iraq is dire and is unlikely to change unless a process of national reconciliation can ameliorate sectarian hatreds.

The Jones Report is unequivocal on this point: "the single most important event that could immediately and favorably affect Iraq's direction and security is political reconciliation focused on ending sectarian violence and hatred.

Sustained progress with the Iraqi Security Forces depends on such a political agreement."

Unfortunately, the one thing that all parties agree on is that no meaningful process of political reconciliation is in place and that many of Iraq's neighbors have a vested interest in undermining any

attempts at reconciliation.

The last verse of the Pete Seeger song with which I began proclaims that there is "A time to love, a time to hate/A time for peace, I swear it's not too late." Reading these reports, it's hard to embrace the optimism of this song's last line.

The reality is that the situation in Iraq is incredibly grim and likely to get worse before it gets better. If any politician tells you otherwise, don't trust another word he says.

New Parking

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Does John Carroll University really care about our education or is JCU only concerned with generating more profit?

As any off-campus resident or commuter knows by now, you are not allowed to park on campus after 6 p.m. without a parking pass anymore.

This creates a significant problem because a lot of us use the library late at night to do homework and use the research facilities.

But we can't park in the parking lot without having that little orange ticket on our windshield when we come out!

Walking would be a solution except some live too far away and I sure don't want JCU men and women walking a few miles through The Heights at 12:30 at night.

Does JCU? Because that sure seems like negligence if, God forbid, anything would happen to a student walking home late at night?

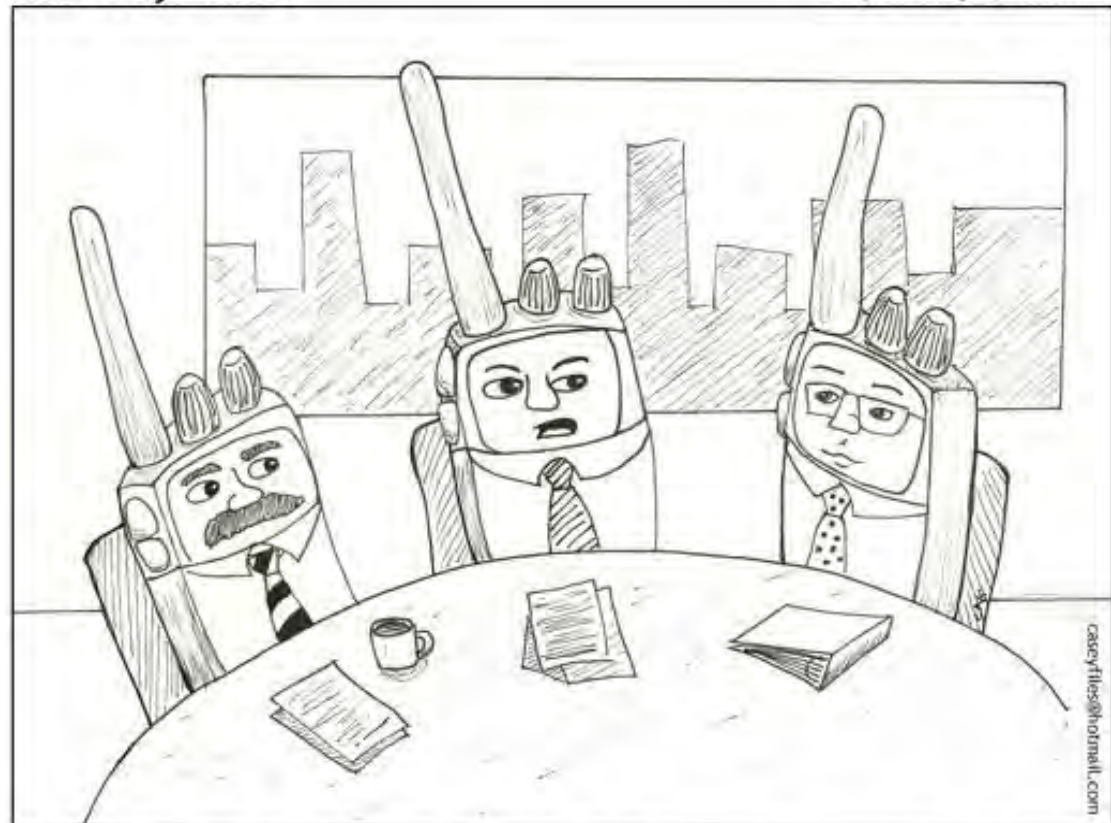
I have seen plenty of parking spots after 6 p.m. for us to use while at the library so why can't we use them without being punished with a silly ticket?

If you ask me, JCU can generate a profit at the expense of our education, safety, and for CSS to have another reason to troll the parking lots on yet another power trip!

JCU, I implore you, on behalf of all of us undergraduate and graduate students alike, let us use the extra parking spots after 6 p.m. during the week.

The Why? Files

by Casey N Kindle



"Well, I think we all agree that this new kid can talkie the talkie, but the real question is, can he walkie the walkie?"

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