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# No more same-sex dorms

### When Pacelli becomes co-ed next year, there will be no single-sex option

Nicole Green Campus Editor

John Carroll University's Pacelli Residence Hall will convert from an all-female dormitory to a co-ed housing option for the 2010-2011 school year.

The change will eliminate the singlesex housing option, in terms of building classifications, for students living on campus. JCU is joining other Jesuit Universities, such as Xavier University and Loyola University of Chicago, in offering only co-ed dormitories.

Pacelli will be co-ed by floor, with the exception of the third floor. All rooms on the third floor will be remodeled into

single rooms. The third floor will be a co-ed floor for sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Director of Residence Life Heather Losneck said that approximately 70 of 1793 students residing on campus requested living in a single-sex residence hall for the 2008-2009 school year. For the 2009-2010 school year, 40 of 1683 students requested the same arrangement.

"We just weren't getting many requests for that kind of living environment. The decline was not helping fill the building," said Losneck.

Losneck said students who requested co-ed living were sometimes assigned to

single-sex residence halls in order to fill them in the past.

Freshmen Melissa Gorup and Trisha Gruskiewicz are currently roommates in Pacelli.

"I don't want it [Pacelli] to go co-ed," said Gruskiewicz. "I think it's nice that they [JCU] have an all-girls dorm. My parents were glad I got into an all-girls dorm, especially my dad."

Gorup said Pacelli is known as a good place to study because it is an all-female hall. The roommates also said they would feel less secure in a co-ed dorm.

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Pacelli Hall, currently all-female and the only same-sex dormitory on campus, will be co-ed next year.

Photo by Taylor Horen

# 100 days

### Infeld reaches her 100 days as UH mayor

Emily Gaffney Campus Editor

Mayor Susan Infeld is already making changes in the city of University Heights. On April 10, Infeld completed her first 100 days as mayor of the City.

Infeld was sworn in as mayor in January, replacing Beryl Rothschild who served in the position for 32 years.

Infeld said her plan for her first 100 days was to study city operations with the intention of implementing measures in the next phase of her term.

"There is a learning curve; I needed to see how things worked," said Infeld of her initial plan.

Since her inauguration, Infeld has passed the City's budget, made personnel changes and revamped the City's newsletter.

Infeld said she is fairly on target with her plans thus far. There are several projects currently in motion that she hopes to accomplish.

Infeld plans to update the City's Web site. The new Web site will be more modern

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Mayor Susan Infeld celebrated 100 days in office on April 10.

# Relay will remain outside this year

Matt Mihalich Copy Editor

John Carroll University will host the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life" event on April 24 through the morning of April 25 on the campus quad.

This is the fourth annual Relay held at JCU. In years past, the Relay was held on the temporary lot outside of Grasselli Library and moved to the D.J. Lombardo Student Center at night, but this year it will be different – all events will take place and remain outside.

Rachel Ball, graduate assistant for the office of student activities, was adamant about keeping the event outdoors.

"That [moving Relay inside] doesn't make sense," Ball said. "That's not what relays are."

The purpose of the ACS tradition is to show that "cancer never sleeps," a theme of the Relay, and those who are raising money to fight cancer show their support throughout the entire night.

In an interview with Sun Press, Ball said, "We just want to be outside. We're willing to accommodate the community's concerns."

Since the location was moved to the quad, the event will be more enclosed by campus buildings, providing privacy to those in the community who want to maintain peace throughout the night.

Other accommodations include changing the time of the event. Instead of 3 p.m. to 9 a.m., Relay will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday and end at 4 a.m. on Sunday. Also, the amplified sound is scheduled to end around 9 p.m.

There are practical reasons for holding Relay outside, too.

"It helps us sustain our participation, it provides more of a unified front and it's cost effective," Ball said. "We no longer have to rent a stage for staging equipment, which saves about \$3,000."

According to Ball, both the attendance and morale take a hit when venues change.

JCU has seen problems with holding events outside. The community around the campus has voiced complaints with the nightly events. In fact, there are ordinances for things such as when the stadium lights can be used.

Dora Pruce, JCU's director of government and community relations, credits

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# **Campus Briefs**

### JCU Gospel Choir sponsors college night

The John Carroll University Gospel Choir will sponsor "Youth For Holiness (YFH) College Night 2010," featuring gospel choirs from several universities in the region for a night of praise and worship.

The event will take place at 7 p.m. on April 16 in Saint Francis Chapel.

The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Jeanniece Jackson at jjackson12@jcu.edu.

### American Red Cross Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Blood Drive, sponsored by the JCU department of military science, will be from 12-7 p.m. on April 20-21 in the Murphy Room.

Students can walk in or make reservations online at www.givelife.org.

Enter the sponsor code "JCU" and follow the instructions.

Blood donors must weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Bring a photo ID showing your date of birth.

For more information, e-mail jkrebs@jcu.edu.

### "Household Tales" opens Friday

"Household Tales," a new play by Cleveland playwright Jonathan Wilhelm, opens Friday in Kulas Auditorium.

This is the world premiere of the play, which was initially presented as a staged reading at the Cleveland Public Theatre's Dark Room series.

Performances are April 16, 17, 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. and April 25 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$7 in advance by calling 216-397-4428 and are \$10 at the door. Some mature language. Seating is limited.

For more information, call 216-397-4191.

# JCU selects new housekeeping service

### Cleveland's GCA Services signs three-year contract

Caitrin Cardosi Staff Reporter

Students may have noticed a recent change in the uniforms of the housekeeping staff at John Carroll. Green shirts and khaki aprons have replaced the familiar blue shirts. This change in uniform is due to a change in housekeeping companies on campus.

GCA Services, a housekeeping contractor based out of Cleveland, started servicing the campus on April 1.

The contract with SSC Service Solutions, the previous contractor, expired in 2007, and the contractor has been operating on a month-tomonth basis since.

"This was not good for either party," said Carol Dietz, the associate vice president of facilities. "We were not committed to them for a defined period of time so, in turn, they may not have been investing in the personnel and equipment needed to clean the campus to the level we desired. We decided to go out for bids shortly after housekeeping services was moved under the umbrella of the facilities department in January 2009."

The search for a new contractor took about six months.

A housekeeping bid review committee was formed, consisting of several faculty members as well as administrators and staff from residence life, athletics, facilities, purchasing and the finance office.

The committee began by looking at ten companies. These ten were narrowed down to three by

The final three companies made presentations to the committee in December of 2009.

The choice to have GCA Servic-

es as the new contractor was made early this year, and a three-year contract, with an option for two additional years, was signed.

"There were some savings primarily due to the current economic conditions and the competitive bid process," said Dietz.

The monetary details of the contract are confidential and could not be disclosed.

The switch to GCA also created two new jobs: an administrative assistant and a residence hall housekeeping manager. Rebecca Faletufuga and Derek Lowell have filled the positions, respectively.

GCA will retain all current employees who are eligible union workers, who were employed by SSC Service Solutions.

As for the workers who were laid off earlier this year, their future employment is uncertain.

"This will be up to GCA," said

Michael Roeder, the manager of facilities services.

Students and faculty will not be able to see a large change other than the uniforms anytime soon. The cleaning schedule for both dorms and offices will remain the same. Members of the facilities department are looking toward the long run for changes.

"One of the things that GCA will bring is a system for assessing effectiveness," said Roeder. "Through periodic walkthroughs of the buildings and logging the findings into a database, they will rate the overall cleanliness of areas in hopes to track problem areas and tag them for improvement"

Administrators are hoping that the long-term improvements will help keep the campus clean and extend the lives of campus facilities.

# University Heights Mayor reaches out to JCU during first few months of term

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and interactive, and will allow residents to pay bills online.

Infeld plans to put city processes, procedures and job descriptions in writing as well. This is something she said the City has not done in the past.

Infeld has also made strides to improve the relationship between John Carroll University and the City, which have been strained in recent years.

According to Infeld, a major part of this was improved communications between JCU and University Heights.

"It [improved communications] was a big part of my campaign. I didn't understand why it had been lacking," said Infeld.

Dora Pruce, director of government and community relations at JCU, said, "There has been a huge difference [in communications] for the better. The mayor and I are in frequent, steady contact with each other."

According to Pruce, Infeld has made an effort to work with the University.

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-Dora Pruce

Director of Government and Community Relations

Infeld alerted the University when she discovered there was funding available from the Cuyahoga County Board of Health for environmental justice, for which JCU has applied.

Infeld also approached the University with the idea of creating a bicycle program, in which the City would donate confiscated bicycles to JCU for students to use.

This program is still in the planning phase, but the City is working with JCU's Environmental Issues Group to formulate a proposal.

Additionally, the City is planning to create a community garden, in which residents can decide what to plant.

This project will first be implemented in one neighborhood, but she hopes eventually it will spread to more neighborhoods throughout the City. Infeld hopes to partner with JCU to create this community garden.

Infeld also made a motion to City Council to allow JCU to continually host its annual outside events including Relay For Life, the East-West high school football game and the Continental Cup without needing City approval every year.

Council agreed to the East-West high school game and the Continental Cup. City council also agreed to allow Relay For Life outside all night this year, but will re-evaluate it once the event takes place.

"The City had actually been limiting its [JCU's] normal operations by requiring them to come to council every year. I didn't think it was necessary," said Infeld.

Pruce said the University was pleased with this decision.

"That [motion] was a huge shift," said Pruce. "I think ideally in the future we will build on the momentum of working together and, hopefully, more trust builds."

Infeld said she is looking forward to the rest of her term and continuing to work with JCU.

"I think I've seen a change already, and I'm happy with that. It was really necessary to see that change. The University is important to the City," said Infeld.

### **Campus Safety Log**



### **April 2, 2010**

A student reported missing property from his room in Campion Hall at 5:06 p.m.

### **April 7, 2010**

A student reported that one of her tires was slashed at 4:45 p.m.

### **April 7, 2010**

A female was reported a victim of domestic violence in Murphy Hall at 11:23 p.m.

### April 9, 2010

Two males reportedly held another male against a brick wall in the Rec Plex at 3:18 p.m.

### **April 10, 2010**

Student Affairs reported that a closet door was thrown out of a Murphy Hall window at 12:27

### **April 10, 2010**

A student reported an alcohol-related medical emergency at 1:19 a.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.

# 2010 Beaudry Award Finalists

The Beaudry Award is given to a graduating senior who is voted by his or her senior class as most deserving of the honor. The Award recognizes outstanding leadership, commitment to Christian values, academic achievement, and service to the University and/or greater community. The following students are the Beaudry Award finalists for this 2010:



### **Emily Ferron**

Emily is a psychology major from Painesville, Ohio. She is member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority and served as Panhellenic president. Ferron is a four-year member of Christian Life Communities. She was recently accepted to serve with Jesuit Volunteer Corps in the Federated States of Micronesia for two years. She has been on the Dean's List since freshman year and was inducted into the Order of Omega, Phi Eta Sigma and Psi Chi. Emily also participated in three immersion experiences. She currently volunteers at University Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital and is the caregiver for three brothers with severe Autism.



### Laura Heid

Laura, a double major in sociology and religious studies, is from Center Twp., Penn. She was a mentor for first-year students and served as a First Year Retreat leader. Laura was a Christian Life Community leader and was chair of volunteers for JCU's Homecoming. She served as a student coordinator for the spring break immersion trip to Louisville, Ky. Laura achieved the Dean's List for six semesters and was inducted into Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society. She was also accepted to the Poverty and Solidarity Internship program. She recently was accepted to the Jesuit Volunteer Corps International Program.



### Alex Phillips

Alex is from Columbus, Ohio and is studying economics and Spanish and minoring in political science. She currently serves as the Spring Concert Committee chair and leads a Christian Life Community group on Thursday nights. Phillips also serves as a student representative on the Student Organization Budget Board. Alex has been a lector and Eucharistic Minister in St. Francis Chapel. She is a member of the Honors Program and was inducted into Alpha Sigma Nu. Alex participated in trips to Ecuador, Nicaragua and El Salvador. She will do a year of post-graduate volunteer service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps.



### Jimmy Rudyk

Jimmy Rudyk is a native Clevelander and is studying race and identity with a minor in philosophy. He is an Arrupe Scholar and a member of the Alpha Sigma Nu Honor Society. He served as a First Year Retreat leader and also serves as a lector and Eucharistic Minister. Jimmy presented at Celebration of Scholarship 2009 and 2010. Currently, he is writing his senior thesis on the intersection of race and sexuality in American popular culture. In his role as a community organizer with Empowering and Strengthening Ohio's People, he oversees a grant to provide foreclosure prevention services to 14 neighborhoods in Cleveland.



### Jurell Sison

Jurell Sison is an English major, minoring in religious and Catholic studies. He was elected to the executive board of Beta Theta Pi as new member educator. Jurell has also dedicated much of his time to Campus Ministry, leading various retreats and playing music for Murphy Mass. He is a part of Order of Omega and a resident assistant in Murphy Hall. He has been on the Dean's List and was awarded the Catholic Studies Scholarship. He also served on a trip to Charleston, W. Va., working with a local parish and Habitat for Humanity. After graduation, he hopes to complete a year of service in Washington D.C., Florida or California.



### Natalie Terry

Natalie is from Wynantskill, NY. She is studying religious studies and minoring in sociology and Catholic studies. She was awarded a Student Union Student Leader of the Year award and has been featured in the John Carroll Magazine for her commitment to Fair Trade. She has also served on the Student Affairs Subcommittee of the Board of Directors. She has been a Eucharistic Minister and lector. Natalie, an Arrupe Scholar, was the recipient of the St. Edmund Campion Service Award and the William F. Buckley Award for Catholic Advocacy. Natalie plans on committing to a year of service after graduation this May.

-Compiled by Nicole Green

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"For those women who prefer a more single-sex environment, it [Pacelli] will be single sex by floor. There shouldn't be much traffic from males," said Losneck.

Losneck said the majority of students in Pacelli are freshmen, and she expects she will need to have a few conversations with parents who are concerned about the elimination of single-sex residence halls. However, she does not anticipate many issues with the change.

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the city's new administration and better communication as reasons for the official event being allowed to stay outside all night.

"There is a new administration and that has changed the tone at the City and at Council," said Pruce. "The City and the University are

working more closely and are communicating on a more regular basis, resulting in some of these positive changes."

Before Mayor Susan Infeld was elected, John Carroll hosted open forums for mayoral candidates in University Heights. During that time, Ball made valiant efforts to sway the administration towards allowing this compromise to take

University Heights allows Relay for Life to remain outside

Her target was not only directed at the mayor, but also the city

"I stressed that it's a community event and not just a JCU event. We really wanted participation from the community," said Ball.

The city ordinance requires that the stadium lights are to be turned off at 9 p.m. for intramural events and 10 p.m. for varsity football and soccer (not including overtime). Any other additional event needed approval from the city.

Infeld made a motion at a council meeting that JCU be allowed to hold Relay outside all night, which city council approved for

"This was a huge shift, and a positive one," said Pruce.

### CAMPUS CALENDAR: APR. 15 - APR. 21

Thursday Tea Party will be held from 11 a.m. -3 p.m. at Keller Commons.

Friday The Silent

Auditorium.

SUPB's Rock Climbing will Comedy Film take place at 9 Screening will take place p.m. from 8-10 p.m. in Donahue

Saturday

Greek Week

Sunday

**Quad Games** will be held from 2-5 p.m. on the Quad.

Monday

Daily Mass will be held in St. Francis Chapel at 12:05 p.m.

Tuesday

The baseball team will play Case Western Reserve University at 4 p.m. at home.

Wednesday

The GYN Clinic will take place from 9 a.m. - noon in the Student Health Center.

The Carroll News



With the end of their years at John Carroll University approaching, The Carroll News presents its second-annual segment featuring outstanding graduating seniors

**Kaitlin Gill** The Carroll News

John Carroll's "Seniors to Watch" have been nominated by the faculty of their respective academic departments for their outstanding work ethic and passion for their studies. These five seniors were chosen among their peers and the faculty.

Rebecca Drenovsky, assistant professor of biology, and James Lissemore, chair of the biology department, nominated Elise Wygant. Drenovsky said, "As a student, I have watched [Wygant] grow academically during her time at John Carroll. She is a first-generation college student who has successfully navigated college."

Wygant is earning a double major in biology and environmental science. Since her second semester of college, she has worked as a research assistant in Drenovsky's plant ecology and physiology lab.

Wygant has a prestigious academic reputation. During the summer of 2009, she was awarded a Huntington-Codrington Summer Research Fellowship, during which she conducted important analysis on the functions of native and non-native understory shrubs. She has presented her work on plant nutrient recycling at the Botanical Society of America's annual conference, and she traveled to Australia to take part in a field biology course on the Great Barrier Reef.

This fall, Wygant will enter the University of Georgia's graduate program in plant biology.

Drenovsky said, "[For] Elise, she has only become more passionate and enthusiastic about her pursuits since she opened her mind to other potential career paths and considered pursuing plant ecology. Once she found her passion, her academic career really took off."

Matt Tomayko, a psychology major, was nominated by department chair Janet Larsen. She described Tomayko in her nomination as a caring and thoughtful researcher and having exhibited excellence in his work.

"Whatever career path he takes, [his] characteristics will move him to the top," Larsen said. "Matt makes good use of his strong intellectual ability by applying himself diligently to whatever he attempts. Persistence, good problem solving skills, and the ability to grasp the big picture contribute to his success. Furthermore, he is a genuinely nice person who is considerate of others and willing to help."

Tomayko will be receiving the Nicholas DiCaprio Award for the Distinguished Graduate in Psychology.

His research with Larsen involved measuring the effect of reaction time on people's brains identifying words they could not consciously see.

Tomayko's achievements earned him a Huntington/Codrington Research Fellowship as well, this one with the Cleveland Clinic last summer and continuing during the school year on the effectiveness of psychotherapy.

Larsen believes that even though Tomayko will likely find a research job after graduation, big plans are ahead of

"I am sure he will eventually go to graduate school and will either be a fine clinical psychologist or teacher," she said.

Phyllis Braudy Harris, chair of the sociology and criminology department, nominated Andy Johnson. Andy's academic excellence has led him to receive the John Carpenter Award in Criminology.

In describing an extraordinary accomplishment of his internship with the U.S. Dept. of Justice's Bureau of Alcohol, Treasury, Firearms and Explosives, Harris explained, "It is very unusual for an undergrad to get an internship with this organization."

Johnson is also very involved on John Carroll's campus.

"Andy has also been the head of the JCU student EMS unit, one of the first responders who dealt with the difficult student deaths last semester, and he has been active with the admissions department as a tour guide," said Harris.

Johnson, outside of campus activities, earned the rank of Eagle Scout, which takes many years of hard work and determination, according to Harris.

The future may include a government job in criminology for Johnson. He has applied for a position with the Secret Service.

Jill White was nominated by Walter Simmons, chair of the economics and finance department. White is an honors student, majoring in finance with a minor in mathematics.

This semester she received the prestigious Financial Executive Institute (FEI) Scholastic Achievement Award at the Union Club of Cleveland.

After graduation this summer, White will be working as an investment analyst for GE Capital, which is located in Chi-

Paul Murphy, a logistics professor, nominated Jason Miller. According to Murphy, Miller has shown incredible intellect and passion for his studies in logistics.

"Jason ranks as one of the top five students — either undergraduate or graduate — that I have taught in 30 years" he said. "Moreover, Jason has been accepted into the Ph.D. program in logistics at The Ohio State University for Fall 2010."

This is a remarkable achievement for a number of reasons, according to Murphy.

"OSU offers one of the world's preeminent Ph.D. programs in logistics," he said. "OSU rarely admits Ph.D. students unless they have several years of full-time work



# Jason Miller

Hometown: Hicksville, Ohio

Majors: Logistics, Marketing

**Awards Received at JCU:** Boler School of Business 50th Anniversary Scholarship; Department of Management, Marketing, and Logistics' Outstanding Scholar; Dean's List

### The key to success is determination, dedication, desire, goal setting, having

a strong, supportive network of friends and family.

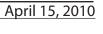
Plans after JCU? I'm starting a Ph.D. program in logistics at Ohio State University in the fall of 2010.

Any advice for incoming **freshmen?** Treat college as though it's a job, but maintain balance in life.

### Who is your role model? My mother lost her parents and husband (my father) within a 10 year period, but has remained strong.

### Any additional information you want us to know?

I would like to thank my professors and friends (those still here and those that have moved on) for making these last four years amazing. [I want to give] special mention to the Boler London Program.





# Matt Tomayko

Hometown: Solon, Ohio

Major: Psychology

Awards Received at JCU: Dean's List, Nicholas DiCaprio Award for the Distinguished Graduate in Psychology

# What are your extracurricular activities?

Varsity Tennis, Club Ultimate Frisbee

# The key to success is applying what you learn [in the classroom] to your own experiences.

Plans after JCU? I want to move to North Carolina and find a job.

### In ten years, I will be

either finally finishing up a Ph.D. in psychology, teaching guitar and busking, or going on tour playing music.

### **Fondest memory at JCU:** I liked playing Frisbee out

on the quad on the few beautiful, sunny days of the year.

Any advice for incoming freshmen? Apply what you learn to your own life experiences.

### Who is your role model?

Thich Nhat Hanh, who is a Vietnamese monk and poet is my role model.



# Jill White

**Hometown:** Mount Pleasant, Penn.

**Major:** Finance with a minor in Mathematics

### **Awards Received at JCU:**

Dean's List, Pi Mu Epsilon, Phi Eta Sigma, Alpha Sigma Nu, and Beta Gamma Sigma, Clifford Scholarship in Finance, Boland Ernst and Young Scholarship for Women, Student Union Student Leader Award, Financial Executives Institute Outstanding Graduate Award

### The key to success is

enjoying what you do. If you like what you're doing, you're going to put effort into making sure you succeed and help others to succeed simultaneously.

**Plans after JCU?** Moving to Chicago to start a job with GE Capital as an investment analyst.

### In ten years, I will be

researching and teaching logistics and/or supply chain management at a major university.

### Fondest memory at JCU:

My fondest memory of John Carroll is definitely winning the inaugural JCU Intramural GUTS Tournament last year. It was fun, competitive and my team was awesome.



# Andy Johnson

**Hometown:** Prescott, Wis.

**Majors:** Communication and Theater Arts, Sociology

### Awards Received at JCU: Student Leader of the Year, JCU EMS Provider of the Year, Alan Stephenson Scholarship, John R. Carpenter Award in Criminology

### **Extracurricular Activities:**

John Carroll EMS (Chief 2009-2010), disc jockey and production director for WJCU, tour guide for the JCU admissions department

### The key to success is

figuring out what you love and striving to do your best at it.

Plans after JCU? I plan to work for either Target Corporation or the United States Secret Service.

### Fondest memory at JCU:

I liked anything that has to do with my floor in Pacelli (second floor T-wing) during my freshman year.

### Who is your role model?

My grandfather, who taught me never to give up on my dreams and that you're never too old to learn is my role model. He completed his GED when he was 83.



# Elise Wygant

Hometown: Erie, Penn.

**Majors:** Biology, Environmental Science with a concentration in Chemistry

### Awards Received at JCU: Dean's List, nominated for

Fenton D. Moore Award in Biology

### **Extracurricular Activities:**

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Order of Omega, Environmental Issues Group of the Biology Club, research assistant for Prof. Drenovsky's Lab, previously a resident assistant and a member of the Residence Hall Association

Plans after JCU? I am attending the University of Georgia to get my master's in Plant Biology as a Teaching Assistant.

### In ten years,

I hope to have my family started and have a job where I will be able to continue research.

### Fondest memory at JCU:

My greatest memories have all involved Kappa. I know that these friendships [I made through Kappa] will last.

Any advice for incoming freshmen? Learn to have fun and study hard, and make sure to always have a stress relieving back-up plan.

# JCU student rises to the R&B scene

**Ethan Bell** The Carroll News

Hip-hop group BEDROC may have found itself some competition ... literally.

John Carroll Junior Ty Tate, a Cleveland native and Communications major, is a rap and R&B musician making his way onto the scene.

Tate, also known as "The-Snake," has had a passion for hip-hop since he was an 11

But, only recently has he begun recording in a studio, partly thanks to BEDROC's Mike Brownyard.

"We were at a party and they [BEDROC] were freestyling in front of a group of people," said Tate.

After a friend persuaded him to jump in the freestyle, Tate's talent caught the eye of Brownyard.

"And so I started and they actually liked it, and Mike Brownyard said that I should get in front of a microphone."

Tate soon formed a valued relationship with BEDROC, as he said that "it's good to have someone looking after you."

"I really look up to them," Tate said about his bond with the hip-hop duo. "They pretty much brought me in. Mike is kind of like an older brother to me and he's taught me

Tate's "up-tempo R&B" style was originally inspired by rapper Soulja Boy, but his love for all genres plays a part in his musical creations

"I don't just listen to rap, I listen to all types of music and try to pick new styles and find out new ways to create new music," he said.

Producing catchy songs that are relatable to all audiences is Tate's main goal in creating music.

"I don't want to do the same thing that everybody in today's music business is doing," he said.

Utilizing his artistic talents (he creates graphics and animations as well), Tate hopes to introduce a brand new kind of sound and look to the industry. "It's my type of music, so why not make what I'm comfortable with?"

Writing all of his own lyrics, Tate has found his drive for music usually develops from school and his relationships. Whatever the inspiration may be, Tate has found that being compensated for his performances able hobby.

"A lot of people say that it isn't about the money," said Tate. "But, important to him, Tate expressed eventually it will be. You're spending money to make music, so why as well. not try to make money making music?'

Although life in the music industry may seem glamorous, Tate has found that it's not always so alluring.

"One of the challenges I face is tying it in with school and work,"

Juggling his job, studies and recording has proved to be a difficult less than a year ago, Tate has been task. He said that "[it's difficult] a busy student. finding a time to record and actually write a song when I know I have to write an essay for class. It's hard to put one of those things off."

isn't the only trouble Tate faces being a student solo-artist.

"One of the major things I've come across is scamming," said how far he has come as a solo-Tate, who has received numerous artist. e-mails from MySpace and Facebook fans, asking him to come and where I'm at," said Tate, whose perform at their venues. In one case, he dodged a scam that could have have been played in five countries cost him nearly \$400.

"It's definitely a challenge deci- I've come a long way." phering whether someone's inter-

is just a bonus to the already enjoy- ested in you, or just trying to get your money," said Tate.

Although his music career is his enthusiasm for being a student

'Music is kind of like my backbone," he said. "But, getting a degree from John Carroll would be my main focus. I would say that I'd like to be a musician, but that's not my main goal."

Tate sees himself one day being a producer or directing music

Since he has entered the scene

"I performed with BEDROC a couple of times, and I'm performing at Relay for Life, and a Relief for Haiti performance. I also have Time management, however, a couple of shows with Chip the Ripper from Cleveland," said Tate about his busy schedule.

Looking back, Tate reflects on

"I feel pretty comfortable with MySpace page includes songs that and 24 states. "In seven months,

photo from Tyrone Tate

### Carroll Cinema Society presents classic short films

**Katie Fraser** The Carroll News

The Carroll Cinema Society will be hosting a silent film festival this Friday, April 16, at 8 p.m. in the Donahue Auditorium in the Dolan Science Center.

The John Carroll jazz band will accompany the silent films, including "Felix the Cat" and "The Immigrant."

"In the midst of recent tragedies and controversies as well as the traditional specter of school work, I think that the students on this campus have lost something important," said Pietro Shakarian, president of the Carroll Cinema Society.

"That is, a sense of humor. The students here need to lighten up and laugh once in awhile; that's why I propose they come to this event."

Shakarian created the group last SUPB event– a screening of the "Dark Knight."

When the movie started playing, Shakarian was impressed by an ad about illegal copying of videos, which started out with a scene from "Casablanca."

He thought students at this campus needed to be able to enjoy great classics like "Casablanca," and so, the Carroll Cinema Society was created to try and achieve this goal.

When he spoke with Karen Gygli, chair of the Tim Russert Department of Communication and Theatre Arts, about starting it, she suggested that Shakarian put together silent films and live musical accompaniment.

Shakarian thought this idea was ingenious and has been working on it ever since. Almost a whole year later, it is finally ready for the John Carroll Community to enjoy.

Shakarian said he is sad to be April when he was inspired by an moving on from his position as president next semester.

"It's bitter sweet, but I have to move on," said Shakarian. Stacy Pendergrass will succeed him as President, and that she has already thought of some excellent ideas for the upcoming semester.

The event will consist of two short films. The first will feature "Felix the Cat" in "Comicalamities."

Felix was the first cartoon character created for the big til Mickey Mouse was invented.

The short involves a quick plot where Felix tries to hit up the ladies and win over a specific girl's heart.



screen, and he was "The Immigrant," starring Chaplin is one of the short films the most popular un- CCS will present this Friday, April 16.

The second, a short film by Charlie Chaplin called "The Immigrant," is a short about a poor immigrant who travels to America and gets into all sorts of mischief along the way.

The film, referred to as one of Chaplin's best, is only about a half

# Entertainment Calendar

### Check out what's happening on campus and in Cleveland this week!

4.15 **Ben Folds** House of Blues 7 p.m. \$35-\$50

4.16 **Adam Green** Grog Shop 6 p.m. \$12

4.16 **Household Tales** Kulas Auditorium 7:30 p.m.

\$7 in adv. \$10 door

4.17 **Deadstring Brothers** Beachland Ballroom 8:30 p.m. \$7

4.18 **Robin Stone** House of Blues 8 p.m. \$10-\$12



### Are they the films of the future?

Joe Marino The Carroll News

witnessed the beginning of the golden era of 3D cinema.

Currently clocking in at a \$2.7 billion worldwide gross, 2009's sci-fi smash hit "Avatar" single-handedly proved to audiences and Hollywood itself that 3D films could be

Since December of last year, there has been an exponential rise in 3D films on the

But with this added cinematic luxury comes the consequence of radically higher ticket prices, with at least an extra \$5 put on

But "Avatar" was at least able to show there are films out there which audiences are willing to pay the extra money for 3D

and "Clash of the

Titans" are the

Sopho-

most bank-

able 3D of-

ferings.

Last year, film audiences everywhere

both popular and bankable.

roster to be released in the near future, including much-anticipated popular franchise sequels "Toy Story 3," "Tron Legacy," and "Shrek Ever After."

the final price.

It appears that films like "Avatar," "Alice in Wonderland'

more Nathan Noga thinks that epic movies hold more of a specific appeal in 3D than in 2D.

"3D is by definition more of an interactive experience than your normal film," he said. "Take Avatar, a film with great visual effects. Adding 3D to those effects make the alreadyawesome special effects mind-blowing."

Noga, who has seen "Avatar" both in 2D and 3D, said he prefers the 3D version.

"It's without a doubt a better experience with how it stimulates your senses," he said. "Avatar showed that movies are getting much more appealing visually and that makes it much easier for 3D to amplify those appealing attributes."

The box office money matches Noga's

"Alice in Wonderland," for example, has earned nearly \$750 million at the box office.

"Clash of the Titans" made over \$100 million in its first week of release, even though the film itself was critically slammed and received only a 29 percent approval rating on Rotten Tomatoes, a Web site dedicated to movie reviews, trailers and news.

Now this is not to say that 3D is necessary for all films.

There is an obvious attraction by viewers

to Train Your Dragon" and "Alice in Wonderland" account for \$1.2 billion of all domestic ticket sales (which fully amount to over \$3.5 billion).

In 2009, total box office revenue was \$10.6 billion, according to an article posted on thefreelibrary.com.

Noga considers the rise in public interest and acceptance of 3D films to come from the better-looking films that sometimes surpass the at times, been-there-done-that storylines.

"Avatar's plot wasn't that original, to be honest," he said. "So I think a lot of people went to see it and loved it because of the 3D effects combined with the phenomenal visual effects."

Owen Coughlin, a freshman, agrees. "The big reason (for 3D's popularity) is the success of Avatar," he said. "The effects were just incredible and opened the door for a lot of movies to try and grab a piece of that

And apparently, Hollywood studios recognize the potential goldmine of making 'okay' movies much more bankable.

"3D enhances special effects so much that it can make fairly boring movies look much

more interesting," said Coughlin. Vicente Davila, a senior, said he's unsure as to whether the 3D technology is really

movies. The original experience was good, but after a while it begins to wear down on your eyes and your enjoyment. There's only so long that your eyes can deal with that kind of thing. It's kind of like a sensory overload."

So ultimately, what kind of future are we looking at for theaters? So how long can we expect 3D to last as being such a prominent aspect of cinematic theater culture?

Are we just watching a cool fad come and go right before our eyes or are we witnessing the beginning of a massive business model change in the industry?

Davila sees 3D as being this decade's big trend. "In the 60s, they had rock," he said. "70s was disco, 80s was rap, 90s was pop, and now in 2010 we've got 3D."

Each decade comes with a trend and it seems 3D is determined to take this one's

Coughlin, on the other hand, sees 3D as just a fad just like any other fad. "This isn't the first time 3D has been big," he said.

Davila's thoughts are a bit different "As long as they don't overkill 3D, the industry should be okay," he said.



photos from 3dglasses.cc, and Time.cor

# Pick-Up Line the Week



"Will you marry me?"



### Celebrity Tweet of the Week

This section is dedicated to honor those Twitter-happy celebrities who take the time out of their busy day to drop us a line or two of wisdom and humor. If there is a celeb tweet you find worthy, e-mail it to jholton12@jcu.edu!



Bow Wow, a Columbus, OH native, is staying true to his roots. Not only does he want LeBron on the court before the regular season ends, he seems certain that the Cavs are going to take the title in this year's NBA Playoffs.

"If Kobe is playing, LeBron should be playing. We will rest once we win the championship. Now is not the time."

### 'Household Tales' premieres this weekend



Students practice for this weekend's perfomance of 'Household Tales.'

### **Jennifer Holton** Arts & Life Editor

"Household Tales," a dark comedy by Cleveland Heights playwright Jonathan Wilhelm, will have its world premiere as John Carroll University's Spring Theatre Department production beginning this Friday, April 16 in Kulas Auditorium.

Wilhelm, who has had an interest in playwriting since his childhood, began by writing his own Tintin adventures, based on a character from the Belgian artist Georges Remi.

Beginning to become more involved in the business, Wilhelm started writing plays called "Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre" in the late 1980s, writing more than two dozen

'Those [scripts] were the first of my scripts that were publicly performed, and was a really great school in terms of learning," he said. "It was a great learning ground for how to

present exposition, how to end a scene so that the audience is wondering what's going to happen next and how to create characters.'

'Household Tales' follows a newly engaged couple, Giles and Jordan, as they journey through four different households and four unique sets of parents.

According to Wilhelm, its first version was written in 2008 and presented at a staged reading at "The Dark Room," a local program co-sponsored by the Cleveland Theatre Collective and Cleveland Public Theatre for artists to present their work.

"[During that reading], Karen Gygli (director of 'Household Tales,") played the part of all of the mothers," he said. "She liked the script so much that she asked me, 'how do you feel about collegiates doing your work?' I said I would feel great about anybody doing my work."

Since then, the play has gone through some changes during

the rehearsal process, yet its overriding sense of humor has remained constant.

"This play is more of a flat out, farcical comedy [in comparison to my other plays]," said Wilhelm. "I don't think I can write anything that doesn't have humor in it, but in 'Household Tales' there are definitely more laughs."

He also indicates the parallels college audiences will find with the characters on stage.

"The play is really about the main character, Giles, trying to forge his own sense of identity by looking back and trying to understand his family," he said.

"There's a difference between the family of choice and the family you've been given, and I think that's something that college students can really relate to because they're at that cusp of being set adrift in the world and trying to break away to forge their own identities."

# How to transition from winter to spring

### Commentary by Alex Egan

It's springtime in Cleveland. It's cold out, then it's hot out, then it's cold out, then it's hot out. And then it's warm out, but still kind of cold.

Now, I may be the only one, but the only sensible question I ever feel the need to ask myself about this little temperature yo-yo is "What do I wear?"

Don't worry, I think I've figured it out.

First step: Don't get rid of all your winter stuff. Keep a few staple items out, like a cute pair of boots, a cardigan, maybe a few scarves, etc.

These can help you make an easy transition from winter

Take that cardigan and pair it with shorts, dress up a skirt can "spring" up the look of a cardigan and scarf with a pair this season.

There's also a point in time where you just say "who cares, it's April" and throw a jacket on with your new spring clothes. But until then...

As we all know, springtime doesn't necessarily mean nice weather all the time. It's still a little chilly, and

lately it has felt like there's always a rain cloud somewhere nearby.

That means it's important for your wardrobe to have at least one (or more) flashy little jacket. My favorites are short little trench coats (preferably in a bright color or pattern) which go great with what you'll need next, a flashy pair of rain boots

"I love spring trench coats, especially since you can bring them out every spring. I love them because they're so classic," said senior Adrienne Petrella.

Now, for what we've all been waiting for: this year's spring trends. To sum it all up, I have one word for you: floral. As I was "researching" at Beachwood Mall (sarcasm intended), that's the one prominent look I noticed in just about every

Floral dresses, floral tops, floral skirts, and even floral with those boots, and keep your scarves on hand. Also, you shorts are flooding spring catalogs as well as the runways

"Floral frocks are my favorite," said Petrella.

H&M recently came out with their "Garden Collection," which is clearly where you want to go to fill your closet with some horticultural duds. Now don't let this next trend scare you off, but denim is coming back this season.

Not just jeans or jean skirts, but literally head to toe denim.

Stores like H&M, Gap and J.Crew have been showcasing it like crazy. Although denim-on-denim may not be most people's cup of tea, they somehow surprisingly make their mannequins look cool.

However, there is a catch: you can't be monochromatic about it. Be sure to mix noticeably different hues of denim, or else you'll just look like a big denim jumpsuit.

Still, if you're not into the whole head to toe look, a denim jacket is a seasonal must and can be paired with anything.

I'm sure many of you still have one collecting dust somewhere in the back of your closet, so you should be in luck!

According to the latest magazines and store windows, nothing says springtime (or "Ahoy, matey") than some nautical stripes.

H&M, J.Crew and just about every other store in the mall, has plenty of options as they carry a variety of nautical shirts, dresses, and even some skirts.

Bonus points for a necklace with an anchor pendant.

Of course, the trends don't end there.

Nude colors, neon colors, and even some western gear (cowboy boots, anyone?) are coming in big this season, though nude seems to be the most popular.

"Traditionally I only wear neutral colors, so I'm excited to see nude as a trend this spring," said junior Alex White.





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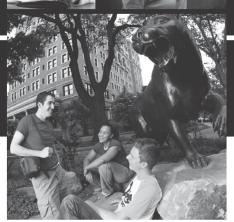






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### WORLD WIDE WEB



Sean Webster World News Editor

### Don't let yourself be defined

So the JCU Tea Party is today. Hopefully you're planning on going. If not, you have until 3 p.m. to change your mind. And I have about 500 words that may change your mind for you.

The goal of today's Tea Party is to promote a grassroots effort that gives a voice to the common person that is sick of high taxes and wasteful spending. Even though that's a message that probably resonates with many ordinary Americans, people often identify the Tea Party as a conservative political movement

But the words "conservative" and "liberal" should be completely removed from the country's political dialogue. Why? Because they prevent Americans from thinking for themselves.

Often times, when a person labels himself as a "liberal" or "conservative," it's because a few of his or her most important views correspond with the stance of a certain ideology. For example, pro-life supporters often identify themselves as conservative, while supporters of gay marriage usually identify themselves as liberal.

What ends up happening, however, is that a person's ideology will then determine the rest of his or her political views. The pro-life supporter who labels himself a conservative will automatically adopt the rest of the conservative platform.

What's even worse is that since Americans identify the conservative ideology with the Republican Party and the liberal ideology with the Democratic Party, ideology also often determines who Americans vote for.

Furthermore, the ideologies of liberalism and conservatism in the United States are significantly inconsistent. How can conservatives be pro-life while supporting the death penalty, or advocate for small government while pushing for massive armed forces? And how can liberals argue for "freedom of choice" in the abortion and gay marriage debates and yet continually deny Americans the right to own a gun?

It's almost as if the term "liberal" and "conservative" are nothing more than labels for arbitrary combinations of policy views.

So here's a word of advice: don't let yourself be defined by ideology. Instead, confront each issue individually and try to come up with a stance that's consistent with your own principles.

The Tea Party will focus primarily on economic issues, specifically taxes and government spending. It will apply a consistent set of principles to these issues to derive its policy positions.

Even if its principles are different than yours, keep an open mind and remember that your principles are not set in stone but are constantly evolving – especially while you're in college.

And whatever you do, don't let the labels of "conservative" or "liberal" keep you from experiencing an opportunity to define yourself.

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### 1. Anti-government riots in Kyrgyzstan

Fighting between police and protesters left nearly 75 dead in the central Asian nation. Opponents accuse Pres. Bakiev of consolidating power by appointing friends and relatives to key economic and security positions. Protesters forced Bakiev to flee the capital to his stronghold in south Kyrgyzstan. Former defense minister, Roza Otunbayeva, has assumed the presidency and has called for Bakiev to resign and offered him free passage out of the country. However, he has refused.



### 2. Polish President killed in plane crash

The body of former Pres. Lech Kaczynski returned to Poland Sunday after a plane crash in Russia. The plane crashed Saturday morning while trying to land at an airport near Smolensk in Russia. Soldiers carried the casket from the plane to the tarmac where it was greeted by crowds of mourners. Thousands of Poles participated in a two minute period of silence in honor of the late president and a week-long time of mourning began on Monday.



### 3. Unrest in Thailand

Fifteen people were killed Saturday in a clash between protesters called "Red Shirts" and Thai security forces. The "Red Shirts" are calling for new elections to remove Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva, who they claim was not elected democratically. Both the protestors and the security forces claim the other side fired live rounds during the demonstrations.

- AP images and information compiled by Joe Toohey

# Obama reaches arms control treaty with Russia

Michael Reiser Staff Reporter

President Barack Obama and Russian Pres. Dmitry Medvedev finally reached an agreement regarding arms control last Thursday. The two world powers put aside their differences over the issue and began a new era of friendly negotiations. The New START pact was signed in the luxurious Prague Castle, and was filled with signs of mutual agreement and even signs of a growing personal relationship between the two presidents.

The signing culminates a frustrating struggle to reach a new agreement, including a visit made by Medvedev to Washington, D.C., and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton visiting Moscow two weeks ago. The meeting held a rather amicable tone, despite other factors of the recent tenuous relationship between the two countries, such as Russia's war with Georgia in 2008, which were not brought up at the meeting.

The two sides were only in accord with one another, though, on Thursday. Medvedev referred to the treaty as a "historic event," and said, "What matters most is that this is a win-win situation. No one stands to lose from

this agreement. I believe that this is a typical feature of our cooperation." Medvedev also expressed support for the U.S. on imposing new restrictions on Iran in an effort to curb its nuclear efforts, saying that the two sides "cannot turn a blind eye to this."

Obama agreed with his Russian counterpart, saying, "Together, we've stopped that drift, and prove the benefits of cooperation. Today is an important milestone for nuclear security and nonproliferation, and for U.S.-Russia relations."

Not everything was brought to the public eye, though. Medvedev said that limits had been outlined, but would not go into further details regarding the private conversations between the two presidents. Obama and Medvedev also strayed away from speaking about the missile defense system in Europe proposed by Obama, despite Russian threats of withdrawing from the treaty if the system did not reach their sanctions.

Under the proposed treaty, each side would be barred from expanding their arsenals by 1,500 warheads and 700 launchers. Neither side would actually have to deplete their current stockpiles by large amounts, though. This treaty could act as a building block for even further barrings of nuclear proliferation in the near future.

The most significant thing to take away from the meeting, though, would be the rare friendly negotiation that occurred between the two super-powers. Obama referred to the Russian president as a "friend and partner" and credited Medvedev with the allowance of such easy negotiations. "Without his personal efforts and strong leadership, we would not be here today," said Obama. Medvedev responded by saying the two have "a very good personal chemistry."

Other European countries expressed their disconcertedness over the whole agreement, though, including condescending commentary from Polish and Czech media outlets. On the cover of a popular Czech weekly newspaper, Obama was shown kissing former Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev, with the caption "Dangerous kisses with Moscow." Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk expressed his feelings on the matter, and said the pact "may affect the security of countries in the region," and that he had received "assurances on the part of the United States."

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Do you think the United States should pursue a policy of ridding the world of nuclear weapons – including its own?

Go online at www.jcunews.com to place your vote, and tune in next week for the results.

Last week we asked, "With health care reform completed, what do you think Pres. Barack Obama's next domestic priority should be?" Out of a total of 26 votes, 35 percent (nine votes) said, "Renewable Energy/Environment," 23 percent (six votes) said, "Financial Regulation," 19 percent (5 votes) said, "Other," 15 Percent (4 votes) said, "Deficit," eight percent (two votes) said, "Immigration," while "Social Security" received no votes.

### **CASUALTIES**

The Department of Defense confirmed the death of three U.S. soldiers in Iraq and seven U.S. soldiers in Afghanistan during the week of April 4 - 10.

According to icasualties.org, a total of 4,390 U.S. soldiers have been killed in Iraq since Operation Iraqi Freedom commenced in 2003, while 1,043 have been killed in Afghanistan since Operation Enduring Freedom commenced in 2001.

# Matthew Hoyt: student, athlete and soldier

### JCU freshman Matthew Hoyt offers a first-hand account of the War in Afghanistan

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Sean Webster World News Editor

It seemed like just another ordinary day for Police Mentor Team Viper. Enduring the scorching heat of summer in southern Afghanistan, the team was on its way to a village about 60 kilometers north of Kandahar, the country's second largest city. The village led right up into the rugged Afghan mountains – the same mountains that the Taliban used as its hidden sanctuary to plan attacks against Afghan and U.S. forces.

Leading the convoy were two Afghan National Police

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trucks, followed by three U.S. Humvees, the workhorse vehicles of the U.S. military. Atop the second Humvee sat Pfc. Matthew Hoyt, a current freshman at John Carroll University. At his fingertips was a whole lot of firepower. Hoyt manned both an MK-19 - a machine gun that shoots grenades - and a 240B 7.62mm machine gun. As the gunner, Hoyt's role was crucial to the unit. It also left him extremely vulnerable to an enemy attack.

But on this day, PMT Viper wasn't looking to engage the enemy. Instead, its goal was to simply make it to the village, where it would talk to the village elders and try to get a sense of **Pfc. Matthew Hoyt was stationed in Jalalabad (1) from Dec.** where the village's loy- 2008 until March 2009. From March 2009 until Sept. 2009, alties lied - not an easy he was stationed in Shar-E-Safa (2), about 60 miles north of job, considering that Kandahar. many Afghan elders are

notoriously corrupt, often saying one thing while doing another, especially in the face of a growing Taliban presence.

After an uneventful ride on one of the country's few paved highways, the convoy eventually arrived at its destination. But as the ANP trucks entered the village, a group of Taliban militants hiding in buildings opened fire. The convoy had been ambushed – and they were surrounded. So Hoyt took to his machine gun, unleashing a deafening drone of automatic fire on the militants. Faced with the convoy's overwhelming force, the Taliban took to the cover of the mountains, followed closely by PMT Viper.

In a pursuit that lasted almost an hour, the convoy went as far as possible into the mountains. Then the air support arrived, first in the form of U.S. Apache attack helicopters, which strafed enemy positions from above the treetops. The thundering echo of F-16 Fighting Falcons could then be heard dropping bombs on where it thought the enemy was hidden.

But it was impossible to tell whether or not the aerial attacks were successful. The Taliban had melted away into the Afghan mountains. PMT Viper had restored the peace for the time being - but there was no doubt that the Taliban militants would eventually be back.

For Hoyt, this encounter with the Taliban was just one of several that he experienced during his nine months in Afghanistan. A Chicago native, he was first deployed to Jalalabad, a city in central Afghanistan, in Dec. 2008. In Jalalabad, he spent four months at a forward operating base (FOB) before he was transferred to Shar-E-Safa in Afghanistan's southern

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Zabul province.

It was during Hoyt's five months in Shar-E-Safa that he was part of PMT Viper, where he had the crucial role of training young Afghan recruits for the Afghan National Police. After multiple skirmishes with the Taliban, he earned his Combat Infantryman's Badge, a decoration that is only awarded to soldiers who have personally fought in active ground combat.

Hoyt returned from the battlefield to civilian life in Sept. 2009, enrolling at John Carroll University, where he plans on majoring in marketing. A member of the Blue Streaks' football team, he will battle for a starting position on the offensive line next season. Hoyt is also a passionate supporter of all Chicago sports teams. And if you can't tell by his pictures, he's an avid Notre Dame fan.

However, in the same month Hoyt left Afghanistan last year, Gen. Stanley Mc-

Chrystal, the top U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan, released a report that warned that the U.S. and its allies were losing the war. Not only did he request more troops, but he also stressed the need for a revamped strategy to deal with the reemergence of the Taliban.

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In December, Pres. Barack Obama expressed his commitment to the effort in Afghanistan when he announced his plan to send an additional 30,000 troops. So as the United States increases its troop levels in Afghanistan by the thousands, it's likely that some of JCU's own ROTC students will be deployed there – perhaps even this year.

However, many students at JCU still don't know much about Afghanistan, a country we've been at war with for almost nine years. So The Carroll News brought in Matthew Hoyt to give an in-depth first-hand account of his experience in Afghanistan.

See the interview on page 13.



Pfc. Matthew Hoyt in his gunner position atop a Hummer in A Carroll University and plays offensive line for the Blue Streaks



During the final five months of Hoyt's deployment, he helped t side-by-side with the ANP to fight Taliban militants.



In one of the lighter moments of his deployment, Pfc. Matthew and a few Afghan children.

April 15, 2010



fghanistan. Hoyt, a Chicago native, is now a freshman at John football team.



rain Afghan recruits for the Afghan National Police and worked



Hoyt, left, takes a break with roommate Pfc. Christian Weidman



Police Mentor Team Viper, made up of U.S. Army soldiers and members of the Afghan National Police force. Pfc. Matthew Hoyt is in the top row, third from the left. PMT Viper was stationed in Shar-E-Shafa, where it trained Afghan recruits for the Afghan National Police force.

### WORD FOR WORD WITH JCU'S MATTHEW HOYT

CN: What is your perception of the Afghan people? KIA [killed in action] or retreated. Were they different than what you expected?

MH: Not really. In the north, the Afghans are more educated and less religious. And in the south, many of the Afghans are farmers who live day by day.

### CN: What is the tribal structure like in Afghanistan?

The tribal structure in Afghanistan is in a lot of ways more important than the political beliefs of officials in office. In the south, I am not so sure about the tribes. In the north, people would normally support a tribemate more than a person who believed in the same values as the individual person. Getting around that is difficult but not impossible.

CN: What is Afghanistan like in terms of its climate and terrain? Did it have an effect on the way you carried out your missions?

MH: [The conditions are] different all over the country, which is the size of Texas. In the north, winters are harsh and can last over several months. In the south, summers are very harsh and temperatures never dropped below 90 degrees, including the night temperature. During the day, there was no shade and it was usually 120 degrees and the desert had no water except for a few water holes. We were a

team that normally carried out missions in HMMWV's and would only go on foot once we got to terrain that would allow our vehicles to go forward. With that said, the climate didn't really have an effect on the way we carried out missions.

### CN: How skilled is the Taliban as a fighting force? What kind of tactics does it use?

MH: The problem with the Taliban and many of its soldiers is the fact that they don't have any military training, so they are limited in the way they fight the war. Their main tactics are "shoot and scoot," which means they would shoot at us for a couple minutes and then retreat to fight another day, and "spray and pray," which means that they would just shoot blindly under cover and hope that we get hit. Not all of them fight like that, but it is common to see this battle plan used.

### CN: Did you ever have to change your tactics to deal with the Taliban's unorthodox fighting style?

MH: Even though the Taliban fought guerilla style warfare, we did not change our tactics in fighting. We had superior weaponry and equipment, added with the fact we usually had numbers on them. We still continued firing on the target area and pushed through the objective until the Taliban were either

CN: When you were on PMT Viper, how long did it take to teach an Afghan to become a police officer? Do you feel that when the recruits finished the training program, they were ready to take on the Taliban?

MH: When Afghan men volunteer for the ANP, they are sent to ANP Boot Camp, usually in a big city, for a certain period of time. When they finish that, they are sent to their posts, where it then becomes the responsibility of the PMT teams to make sure that cops are up to par and capable of doing the job required of them.

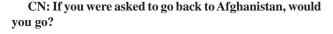
For us, this meant we taught them how to become better marksmen, went on combat missions with them and, when possible, we taught them the proper tactics of fighting. Basically

> we taught them everything we could because they are going to be the ones fighting the Taliban after the U.S. leaves.

CN: In general, did it seem as though Afghan civilians support the U.S. effort? What do most Afghans think of the Taliban?

MH: Most of the Afghans support the American effort – for the sole purpose that we are better than what the Taliban did when they were in power. Many of the ANP cops that we fought with had family members who were killed by the Taliban, and women as a whole are very anti-Taliban because of the anti-women stance that the Taliban has.

The Afghans will be happy when the U.S. is no longer needed in Afghanistan, but they are in no rush for us to leave. Just like I mentioned earlier, in the north the U.S. has complete support and in the south, there is not as much support.



MH: If I were asked to go back to Afghanistan, I would most definitely go. There are many reasons why I would go back. First and foremost, the mission is not over and I had many friends who did not come back with us. I do not want to see that their deaths would be in vein.

Secondly, the friendships that I made in the year I spent over there are going to last a lifetime. It is true that when the bullets start flying, the only thing that soldiers care about is the guy next to you. We put the safety of our teammates in front of our own.

Thirdly, even though it was tough being away from home, the time spent with the team flew by. As long as I could be with guys like the ones I was with, and doing a job that I believed in, I wouldn't even think twice about going back to Afghanistan.



Pfc. Matthew Hoyt atop an HMMWV (Hummer) during a mission on one of Afghanistan's many unpaved roads.





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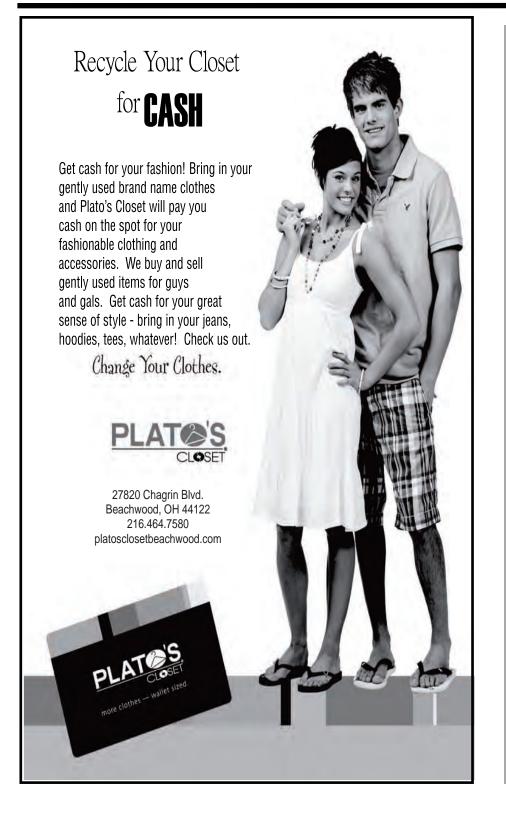
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### Tim's Turn



Tim Ertle
Sports Editor

### The pros and cons of being famous

I love the Cleveland Browns as much as anybody. Because of this, and I know "hate" is a strong word, I hate Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger more than anybody.

He's a heck of a football player and yeah, I wish he played for the Browns. He's probably a tiny bit better than Jake Delhomme, fresh off his eight touchdowns and 18 interceptions last season.

The point is, I'm not a guy that is rooting for Roethlisberger ... ever.

However, with "Big Ben" constantly in the news lately for an alleged indiscretion with a college student in Georgia – his second alleged offense with women in the past two years – I'm not ready to put him in the slammer just yet.

In no way is Roethlisberger a victim. Should he be hanging around with 20-year-old college students? There probably is no need for a big celebrity to be hanging out with co-eds from Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, Georgia.

But at the same time, he is a 28-year-old male with millions of dollars at his disposal. From the time his season ended last January 3, until mid-July when training camp starts, there isn't an awful lot for Roethlisberger to do except lift weights and stay in relatively decent football shape.

Sure, Steelers fans are going to hope he watches film all offseason and dedicates himself to getting better and winning the seventh Super Bowl in franchise history, but that's not too realistic.

Roethlisberger, and all athletes, are going to go out and have fun with friends. They have the funds to do whatever it is they want to do. When they do choose to go out, they're subject to unwanted attention from media and fans ... and even from female fans. That's the price they pay for getting those boatloads of money.

The fact is many women want to be with Ben Roethlisberger because he's Ben Roethlisberger.

We saw it with Kobe Bryant in the summer of 2003 in Eagle, Colorado. Women throw themselves at athletes, and then make allegations about what happened.

While what the men are doing may not be morally right, it's not illegal. I don't feel bad for Roethlisberger in any way. He just signed an eight-year, \$102 million contract in 2008.

You can have all the money in the world, but with those perks comes this type of attention. Athletes need to remember that.

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### Blue Streaks baseball wins three of five

Adam Miller Staff Reporter

After winning three out of their last five games, things are looking up for the John Carroll University baseball team. The men of the diamond have run their record to 14-8 overall on the season.

After dropping the first game of the conference opening double-header to Otterbein College, the Blue Streaks bounced back, scoring 33 runs in their next three games.

Four of those runs came in the second game of the doubleheader against the Cardinals, when JCU squeaked out a 4-3 victory over Otterbein in 12 innings.

Two-thirds came in their next contest as the bats seemed to awaken. The Blue Streaks crossed home plate 22 times against Notre Dame College, edging their neighborhood rival by a final score of 22-20.

It wasn't just the batting that was such a key role in the two wins but the pitching was there for the Blue Streaks. With a solid performance against Otterbein, junior Michael Eden was chosen as the Ohio Athletic Conference pitcher of the week.

"In a conference with a lot of great pitchers, I'm glad to be recognized for having a few good innings," Eden said. "The team



Photo courtesy of the JCU Sports Information Departm

Senior Bryan Robinett, batting above, has been on a terror as of late, earning himself conference "Hitter of the Week" honors.

did the work, I just popped a few fastballs the best I could."

Next up was a seven-run outburst over The College of Wooster, but they were an important seven runs as they were enough to knock of the No. 4 team in the country, 7-6 on April 7.

Four of those runs came in the top

half of the ninth as the Blue Streaks came from behind to stun one of the top teams in the country.

Three singles in the inning by junior John Hastings, senior Tim O'Brien and junior Chris Larry drove in one run to cut the Scot lead to two runs after Hastings scored on the Larry single.

A three-run blast by freshman Ryan Pacyga put the Blue Streaks ahead for good as senior pitcher Chris Koller shut the door in the ninth.

The team had little time to celebrate as a doubleheader with Baldwin-Wallace College was on the horizon.

The teams split, with the Blue Streaks coming from behind to win the second game. JCU trailed 7-1 in the early going, then scored in each of the last five innings to snatch the victory.

Two homers each from seniors O'Brien and Bryan Robinett helped the cause.

Eden was again clicking on the mound as he came out in the ninth and held the one-run lead to pick up his third win of the season.

Robinett finished the second game three for five at the plate with two homers, a double and three RBIs.

"For me, homeruns are just a stat," Robinett said. "I was more happy to be able to contribute in a big way to help rally our team and pick up the win."

Editor's Note: Conference play continued yesterday against Muskingum, but results were unavailable before this edition went to press.

# Softball team continues to find a way in close games



Junior second baseman Angela Vistocco ranges to her right to get to a ball and flip it to shortstop Brittany Danilov for the out.

Tim Ertle Sports Editor

The John Carroll University softball team continued their season-long trend of playing in closely contested games this past week, going 3-1 in their four games which were decided by a combined four runs.

As if the extremely competitive games weren't enough themselves, JCU had to do it against a pair of rivals: their cross-town and conference nemesis Baldwin-Wallace College and Notre Dame College from just down the street.

Continuing the trend from last season when JCU and B-W had their pair of games decided by three runs, the two teams each won a one-run affair in their doubleheader held on April 10.

JCU dropped the first game 2-1, but used small ball as junior Angela Vistocco went station-to-station and came around to score when classmate Jamie Colley put the ball in play to score the third and final run of the game in the fifth inning.

Senior Samantha Thompson held B-W in check the rest of the afternoon to give her team the split.

Against Notre Dame College, a run in the third and a two-run single by sophomore Olivia Mathews keyed a three-run fifth inning that was a nice cushion for sophomore pitcher Brittany Danilov.

A leadoff homer by sophomore Erin Riccardi gave the Blue Streaks their fifth run on the afternoon, and Notre Dame came up short by only tacking on one run in the seventh.

In the second game, JCU jumped out to a 6-0 lead that was insurmountable for the host Falcons. They scratched and clawed their way back, but Thompson again shut the door in the seventh.

JCU currently sits at 14-12 overall, and 3-3 in the OAC.

# Track led by jumpers

Josh Borgese Staff Writer

It was another tough, but successful weekend for the John Carroll University track and field team as they competed in the 2010 Mount Union Track and Field Invitational in Alliance, Ohio.

The men's team took third in the ten-team field.

The team was led by the jumpers. Most notably, senior RK Glover who took second in the triple jump and third in the long jump.

Besides Glover, senior Kyle Fiegel came in fourth, junior Bryan Wideman sixth, and senior Stephen Kedzuf came in seventh in the triple jump.

In the long jump competition, Mike Minjock, a freshman, was runner-up with a distance of 6.97 meters. Glover was third, and Wideman was right behind him in fourth

Junior David Hickey came in first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 54.40 seconds, and talked about how it has been seeing the team progress so far this season.

"In previous years, we found it difficult to be a contender for a first place finish at a scored track meet," Hickey said. "Now we have proved to be a formidable opponent from throws to jumps to running events and we've managed to build a team that is able to compete well in all events."

Junior Denny Love and sophomore Michael Hlatky finished in the top ten in the short hurdles event.

Not to be outdone by the jumpers, the throwers performed just as well; junior Lou Galiano placed fourth in the shot put and Matt Najdovski came in third in the javelin.

Sophomore Steve Borowy came in fifth in the javelin and sixth in the discus.

The women's team took sixth at the same event.

Senior Maura Stepanski continued the success of the jumpers by taking second in the triple jump, and sophomore Cassandra Figueroa took fifth.

Although that effort from Stepanski really helped the team, it wasn't what she took away from the meet.

"To me, the most exciting part of the meet was our performance in the 4x100," Stepanski said.

The team, which consists of freshmen Stephanie Charlillo, Maureen Creighton and Maribeth Keppler in addition to the experienced Stepanski, is a very young and talented relay team.

"We are less than half a second away from breaking the school record. It is nice to see that we all are improving, especially at this time of the year because it means all of our hard work is starting to pay off," said Stepanski.

Senior Katie Manjerovic came in fourth place in the javelin toss with a hurl of 32.21 meters.

Aside from her team success in the 4x100, Creighton had a good day individually with a pair of top-five finishes.

She took fifth in both the 100-meter and 200-meter dash to round out her fantastic day.

All of these efforts will be put to an even greater test this Saturday when both the men's and women's team compete in the All-Ohio Outdoor Championships in Delaware,

# The Carroll News previews the 2010 MLB season

### American League

**Chris Koller** Staff Reporter

AL East: As if it were possible for the Yankees to get any better, they did. In adding outfielder Curtis Granderson and pitcher Javier Vazquez, the Bronx Bombers solidified themselves as the favorites to repeat as champions of not only the American League East, but the entire Major League.

They definitely will be pushed by their long-time rivals from Beantown, though, as the Red Sox made a splash in the offseason adding the top free agent pitcher on the market in John Lackey. A revamped defense may push the Sox ahead of the Yankees, but all signs point at the Boston boys taking a backseat in the division and holding on to the AL Wild Card.

Projected Finish: Yankees - Red Sox - Rays - Blue Jays - Orioles

AL Central: Indians fans be prepared to get ready for Cavaliers and Browns games a little earlier than usual, as the Tribe will more than likely be out of contention for anything by the middle of the summer. The Central Division has three teams that all have legitimate chances a winning the division.

With Boston taking the Wild Card, the Tigers, Twins and White Sox have their sights set on the division crown. Arguments can be made for each of the three clubs, as they all combine solid hitting, pitching and defense. The Twins boast one of the most potent, yet underrated lineups in the Bigs. Detroit and Chicago both have concrete pitching rotations that can compete with some of the best. In the end, the M&M Boys of Mauer and Morneau from the Twin City will head into October with the division.

**Projected Finish:** Twins - White Sox - Tigers - Royals - Indians

AL West: The Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim have owned this division for the last three years and it appears as though the supremacy of the West still resides in Los Angeles. Even though the Angels lost leadoff hitter Chone Figgins and ace John Lackey, their only real competition appears to be from the Oakland Athletics. The A's made strides towards locking down a rotation with the signing of the oft-injured, yet equally dominant Ben Sheets. The job of the rotation is to get the ball to stud closer, reigning American League Rookie of the Year Andrew Bailey.

The Rangers offense will be potent again, however, their pitching still looks to be one of the worst staffs in all of baseball. Even though Seattle brought in big name players like Cliff Lee and Figgins to go along with bonafide superstar Felix Hernandez, an inconsistent offense will prevent the Mariners from taking any significant steps forward in the division.

**Projected Finish:** Angels - Athletics - Rangers - Mariners

### **Other Predictions**

### Rookie of the Year

AL: Brian Matusz, Orioles This standout lefty will be the lone bright-spot in the 2010 Orioles season.

NL: Jason Heyward, Braves Believe the hype. This kid is an absolute phenom and will show it this season.

### Most Valuable Player

AL: Evan Longoria, Rays In his third full year, expect to see Longoria put up monstrous numbers with on-base machines like Jason Bartlett and Carl Crawford ahead of him in the lineup.

NL: Albert Pujols, Cardinals It's tough to argue against this already three-time league MVP. He's in the prime of his career, and facing the worst pitching in the majors in the NL Central; might as well start engraving the award now.

### Cy Young Award

AL: CC Sabathia, Yankees With lights-out stuff, and a dominant offense backing him, Sabathia is a lock to get 20 wins this year.

NL: Roy Halladay, Philies After commanding the juggernaut of the AL East for 11 years, Halladay will have a much easier time against the weaker lineups of the National League, and should bring in his second career Cy Young award.

### **World Series**

Cardinals over Red Sox

### National League

**NL East:** Coming off a tough World Series loss to the Yankees, the Phillies will be looking to bounce back in an exceedingly competitive division. They added arguably the best pitcher in the majors when they acquired Roy Halladay in a trade from Toronto during the off-season winter meetings. The two teams that stand in the Phills' road back to the October Classic both will be relying on young talent to carry the club.

The Florida Marlins, who have the third-youngest team in the league, are carried by stats monster Hanley Ramirez. Atlanta is trying to send their longtime, and sure-fire Hall of Fame coach, Bobby Cox out on the right note with a championship, in his last year at the helm. The "other" New York team has a lot to prove after a very disappointing 2009 season, which was plagued with numerous injuries to big-time players. Don't expect a repeat of the 2000 Subway Series this year though. Philadelphia's starting rotation and loaded lineup make them shoe-ins for a fourth straight division title.

Projected Finish: Phillies - Marlins - Braves - Mets - Nationals

**NL Central:** As close as the AL Central appears to be, the NL side of the card may be the most uncompetitive division in the majors. The Cardinals are head and shoulders above every other team here. The one-two punch of starting pitchers Chris Carpenter and Adam Wainwright is dominant, to say the least, and that duo has the ability to produce 40 wins by themselves.

Package that pair with the best hitter in the game in Albert Pujols and allstar outfielder Matt Holliday and the Cardinals should run away with this division. The five remaining clubs will be battling for second place.

**Projected Finish:** Cardinals - Reds - Brewers - Cubs - Astros - Pirates

**NL West:** The West looks to be a genuine four-horse race as the Giants, Dodgers, Rockies and Diamondbacks will all make serious bids to bring home a division title. The California teams are projected favorites, although each team aims to win with different styles.

San Francisco will do it with pitching as their top two pitchers are warranted Cy Young candidates and their ace Tim Lincecum has won the award the previous two seasons. Los Angeles will rely on their big bats to win them games. Outstanding young players like outfielders Matt Kemp and pitcher Clayton Kershaw are set to play a deciding role in whether or not the City of Angels sees two teams in the playoffs this year. Pitching wins championships, however, and the Giants are simply too strong in that department.

Projected Finish: Giants - Dodgers - Rockies - Diamondbacks - Padres

### STREAKS OF THE WEEK



**Baseball** 

Bryan Robinett senior

Robinett was named the OAC's "Hitter of the Week" after going eight of 11 against Wooster and Baldwin-Wallace. He clubbed three homers and drove in seven runs as JCU went 2-1.



Track and Field

**RK** Glover senior

Glover led the charge for the Blue Streak jumpers at the Mount Union Invitational. He placed second in the triple jump, totaling 13.39 meters and then took third in the long



**Tennis** 

Amy Marchlen senior

JCU fell to Baldwin-Wallace 7-2, but it was still a decent day for Marchlen. She was victorious at third singles, and then teamed with junior Ashley Bauer to win in second doubles.



Golf

Blake Furgerson senior

Furgerson, an All-American from a season ago, helped propel the Blue Streaks to a second place finish at the Pat Flowers Invitational. His sixth place finish is the latest on his long list of top-ten finishes.



**Softball** 

Samantha Thompson senior

Thompson continues to pitch well behind Brittany Danilov, earning the win in the second game in each of the Blue Streaks last two doubleheaders. She has run her record to 7-4 this season.

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### **Editorial**

### Relay For Life outside for better or worse

The John Carroll University Relay For Life will be held entirely outside this year. The location will be changed to the main campus quad and will be held on April 24 and 25.

The Carroll News commends the University Heights City Council for approving this movement in a unanimous decision.

We also commend Mayor Susan Infeld for moving to allow JCU to hold Relay For Life as well as the East-West high school football game and the Continental Cup outside annually.

Lastly, we commend Rachel Ball, the graduate assistant for the office of student activities, for her dedication to assuring that Relay For Life would be held outside throughout the night.

This is an event which not only benefits the school, but also the community. The outright support from the University Heights City Council has shown they are willing to compromise with the University and work together.

It's important to note that this year's Relay For Life is a test run and although it's being held outside, Mayor Infeld and the University Heights City Council will evaluate the event and vote again next year.

The John Carroll University community needs to ensure that this year's event demonstrates they are capable of conducting the relay appropriately. The JCU community should understand that this is a privilege and not a right.

Dora Pruce, JCU's director of government and community relations, stated that amplified noise would be turned off around 9 p.m. to limit the disturbances for the residents. This is an excellent step to take and we commend the University and those involved for taking this precaution.

Through residents' responses Mayor Infeld and the council will evaluate the events. The University and the participants must keep that in mind during Relay. The event is slated to end at 4 a.m. on Sunday morning, and so a safe and quiet return home for both those living on and off campus is imperative.

A step to help make this event an overall success is using common sense. The JCU community should act responsibly, respectfully, and try to keep the activities within the designated space for the relay.

The school needs to stay on the ball and prove to the City that they can act maturely, while having fun and fighting cancer.

### **Editorial**

### Say goodbye to single-sex dormitories

As of next year, John Carroll University will no longer offer same-sex dormitories. Pacelli Hall will be converted from an allfemale dormitory to a co-ed housing option for the 2010-2011 academic year.

With the recent decline in requests for living in a same-sex dorm, we feel the administration made the more practical choice. For the 2008-2009 school year, 70 out of the 1,793 students requested the single-sex option and for 2009-2010 school year, 40 students out of 1,683 on-campus residents requested this option.

For next year, it was the best option; however, in following years, the administration should continue to take note of the want for single-sex dorms.

Students who are already members of the JCU community may have concerns about the changing policy and should speak up if they have a strong feeling about the elimination of singlesex dorms.

JCU is not the only Jesuit university to make this change, as Xavier University in Cincinnati and Loyola University Chicago have both switched to strictly co-ed dormitories.

The administration made a strategic choice and the correct one, but must remember to keep the students' opinion in mind as they continue housing development in future years.



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"Children are our future. We need to teach them what and how to eat so that their bodies are sturdy and strong."

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### **OURVIEW**

### Last chance to dance, romance, advance and pee your pants



**Matt Mihalich** Copy Editor

The pressure is on.

There are four weeks left in my college career and cramming everything in messes up my schedule every day. I can count on one hand how many Thursday nights are left or how many issues of The Carroll News I can be a part of. Any weekly event, really, is of the essence.

I can't believe how fast this all went. Just yesterday, I was a sophomore sitting in the Inn Between in April, thinking to myself, "This is great. I get to double all the time I just spent in college. I have plenty of time."

Now I'm panicking. I feel like Mikey Walsh giving the rest of the Goonies the, "It's their time up there, but it's our time down here" speech, and it's all over as soon as we ride up out of the cave in Troy's bucket.

With so little time left, I realize I need to start making some choices. A lot of people my age have been

urging each other to get it in while we can, because in six weeks we can never live this college lifestyle of 100 percent thrill and zero percent consequences again. I've been offered the chance to start boozing on Monday morning, Tuesday night, Thursday during class, and of course, all weekend long.

I've loved college. Those people are somewhat right - this lifestyle only comes but once a lifetime and it only lasts four years (maybe more for the really smart people, or the really 'not smart' people). I'm proud of the amount of birthdays or holidays I over-celebrated, or how many classes I couldn't attend on account of the Irish virus. Confession time - I thought FYS was just a suggestion.

Yes, in a way, this is the last month for those shenanigans. But it's also the last chance for more than just that. This is the last chance to ever play intramurals, the last couple weeks when it's socially acceptable to sit in the cafeteria and scope chicks, go to the library and do work with your classmates or just sit outside with your friends. This is the last chance I'll ever have to write for The CN or run with the track team. Shoot, if your last wish is to get a good grade in a class, now is the only time to get it done.

I know some people might look

at this and just forget it, because now is the time to go out every single night. That's fine. But think of the times when you and your friends did homework at the library (but just a little bit because being at the library sucks when you're swamped). It's a great spot to see the people you don't normally hang out with. How good did it feel to finish your work and go bother your buddy? Or, if you're still doing things and someone comes and gives you a break?

I loved wasting time on campus, and those days are almost done. Sure, in the next couple of weeks I'm going to go out, spend money, stuff my face with Guy's Pizza, and do the chicken wing on McNulty's stage. But that's not the only kind of "living it up" that I'm going to do. Make that distinction – there's more to experiencing college to the fullest than just that. With the friends I've made here, I know that every time we hang out after graduation, we will be going out and having a blast. There's always time for that. That's why in the next couple of weeks (and underclassmen, I envy your extra time), it's important to live it up to the actual, real "fullest" with the rest of this magical mystical experience known as college.

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# Sher it like it is:



Katie Sheridan Editor in Chief

Last weekend, the Masters was on, and in case you're not a huge golf fan like I am (sarcasm), Phil Mickelson won. His wife and family congratulated him as he walked off the green. Mickelson's oldest daughter was also there to greet him, and while I'm sure she will grow into a beautiful woman like her mother, right now she is clearly in the middle school phase of her life.

A middle school phase is when boys and girls try to figure themselves out. It usually occurs in sixth, seventh and eighth grade.

In grade school, we were acceptably still children; but as we got older, we had to figure out how to be adults.

Beanie Babies and American Girl Dolls had to be pushed aside as we attempted to quickly mature. Now, we could waste our nights playing Sims, calling our friends to see if they would be on AOL Instant Messenger (AIM), and updating our MySpace pages with the latest songs and coolest backgrounds.

My middle school phase happend in Grove City Middle School. It was home to the most awkward years of my life, and I didn't have a clue. I thought I was cool.

Butterfly clips crowned my head, and on the days I wasn't wearing those I might sport the single butterfly clip with the movable wings, or the comb headband that dug into my scalp and probably looked as bad as it was painful.

For special occasions I'd break out Bath & Body Works Art Stuff Glitter products and cover my arms, neck and sometimes add a little to my hair. The more glitter you used the better you would

When it was time for school

dances, my lips were usually a metallic shade compliments of Lip Smackers, and I'd choose colored bands for my braces that matched

Butterfly clips, Art

Stuff glitter, and

slap bracelets

While I don't remember wearing them to dances, I would occasionally get out the always stylish black stretchy choker necklace and slap bracelet.

And, for dances my nails were almost always a pastel shade of nail polish that I would peel off the next day. I'd finish off my dance look with some bright (usually blue) eye shadow.

So to recap, Beanie Babies, American Girl Dolls and being a kid are out. Sims, MySpace, AIM, butterfly clips, glitter, metallic chapstick, slap bracelets, choker necklaces and maturing into adults are in.

By looking at my young face, some might think I'm still in the middle school phase, but believe me, I've come along way.

Now I'm in my college phase. Right now I can't see what will mark this era, but I know I'm not ready for the real world phase yet, and thankfully I have another

As I'm watching so many of my friends prepare for the real world stage, part of me wants to buy them Art Stuff glitter and Lip Smackers chapstick in hope that it might push them back into the middle school phase and delay their graduation. If it meant they could stick around for a little while longer, I'd help them apply their bright blue eye shadow and lend them my, I mean buy them, butterfly clips.

But since even the middle schoolers have to mature, I guess I'll have to save my glitter for another day and just be glad I still have another year.

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### Vonderword

### What does nettlesome mean?



"Nosey." Jacob Breunig, junior



"Mischievous." Nicky Phelps, junior



"Needy." Chris Charlillo, freshman

Nettlesome means causing irritation, vexation or distress.

### That's what See said: The spoils of my very busy week



**Bob Seeholzer** Managing Editor

This past weekend I was really busy. The rest of last week: ditto. What I'm trying to say is that I didn't come up with an awesome and entertaining column topic for this week.

Don't fret though my wonderful nation of loyal readers (I bet you guys didn't know I made you your own country yet, did you?), I've still got something for you to read during your 12:30 p.m. class today.

You might be surprised to know that I keep a file of all the column ideas I think of and punchlines that I come up with saved on my computer. Then again, you might not be all that surprised; but either way it means that I've got a stockpile of things to say on a week where I caught a case of the dreaded WBS (Writer's Block Syndrome).

Think of it as the ultimate backup

So, from this paragraph until I run into my own contact info at the bottom right corner of the page, I intend to drop a dimebag of knowledge on you (told you I'd use it someday, Prof. Metres!), and if that's not a goal of mine then I don't have goals.

Speaking of dimebags, what if someone paid for one with a bag of dimes? Wouldn't that be cool? Also, it'd be more dislexically ironic than house." "Stone Cold" Steve Austin working behind the counter at a Cold Stone

I was thinking of writing a sequel to my famed column titled "Forget Webster's. Try the Bobtionary," which, for those of you wondering, was in fact an underhanded shot at Sean Webster, our World News editor. You're my boy, Webbie!

That sequel might actually happen at some point next year.

It's probably a good thing that I never gave this next one the full 500 words, but I've always wanted to shout from the mountain tops that I don't hate Ryan Seacrest. He's got approximately four of the jobs that are on my list of "top 10 jobs I would like to do for more than a summer in order to make enough money to move out of my parents'

Speaking of jobs I'd like to have, there are a few on campus that I'd like. Number one on the list: Schott Dining Hall DJ. Don't get me wrong, there's some great music played in the cafeteria as it is, but I think it could benefit from a more thought-out song order and flow.

I'm kinda, sorta, pretty good at making playlists, so it's entirely possible that I'm overqualified for the position, but that's never stopped me before.

Doppelganger. Panjandrum. Junta. Debouch. Tarradiddle. Quidnunc. Fatidic. Nettlesome. I just used a bunch of words I don't even know the meaning of - maybe I should read the Wonderword more often.

Fact: people who don't know what they're talking about just need to not talk.

I had an idea for a column about JCU-themed texts from last night, but then someone made an actual Facebook group. Plus, I realized I'd just be giving away too much inside information about myself, which is something I definitely don't already do on a weekly basis.

That reminds me, a lot of people bring up the fact that the awardwinning Carroll News didn't come out with an issue last week. They say "Bob, what's up with The Carroll News? You guys come out with an issue like once a year now."

To you I quote former CN Editor in Chief Andrew Rafferty, who once said, "First off, no we don't. Secondly, shut your mouth." You'll get a newspaper when I decide you've earned one.

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# The Op/Ed Top Ten:

### Best ways to make new friends

- 1. Chatroulete.com
- **2.** Walk around every floor of every dormitory
- **3.** Go to every school sponsored event feasible
- **4.** When you make a new Facebook friend, friend at least 50 non-mutual friends
- **5.** Write for The Carroll News
- **6.** Play a musical instrument on the quad ... preferably not the bagpipes
- 7. Take a ride on Cabbie D's bus
- 8. Brush your teeth
- **9.** Go to Jimmy John's in Coventry on a Thursday night
- 10. Go to Amy's Power Yoga class

-Compiled by Lena Chapin and Craig Willert

# Okay, here's how I did number four: first I found ... ... the magnetic field inside the cyclotron ... ... and I then used that to solve for What?



Joe Toohey Craig Willert

Concerned Seniors

Growing up.

It's what we're expected to do when we graduate from this place. But do any of us – barring that overachieving Boler School graduate student – really know how to tackle it?

We could tell you more than you care to know about Argentinean economic policies or the male XLR cord needed to power a speaker system. But, when we leave here in four weeks, will any of that matter?

Not really. Now, don't get us wrong; John Carroll University is a fine institution and has taught us invaluable skills, which will no doubt help us in our professional careers or mold us into Jeopardy-dominating machines (I'll take "Non-practical Information for \$37,000 a year, Mr. Trebek").

Aside from the aforementioned awesome Boler student, do you know the differences between a W-9 and a 940-EZ tax form? Or how about actually understanding what it says in your first tiny studio apartment lease?

Still blanking? We have a plan, more of a proposal, actually a marginal concept.

We, the people (Joe and Craig), in order to form a more perfect graduating senior, would like to establish Last Year Seminar (LYS), or Life 101. We know what you're thinking: How did Buzz Aldrin get booted from "Dancing with the Stars?" He's an American hero! He walked on the moon! How many people do

never take
you know that have walked on the

moon? Kate Gosselin, really?

Life 101:

The most valuable

class you'll

But, we should really talk about our plan. If you think about it, it's an easily comprehendible concept. JCU gives you a First Year Seminar to grow as a class and expand your horizons and all that tomfoolery. Well, how about a class to help you transition out of college and into the real world?

First, the course objective: "To educate graduating seniors on the fundamental concepts of living an adult life. Upon completion, students will be able to more thoroughly identify and understand the necessary steps, including, but not limited to the following: financial responsibility, taxes, insurance, health and fitness, interview preparation, adapting to a new setting, governmental procedures, and dating (not that we need that part, but maybe other people; but definitely, DEFINITELY not us. We're actually leading that discussion)."

Now, we realize that these components can all be currently learned at JCU; however, it would require a few more classes that we really can't fit because of our precious core requirements.

A major part of the class would be speaker-based. Professionals or professors with expertise in each of these fields would give a 50-minute talk about the basics – maybe with a handout of some sort to take home. Unlike FYS, it would not be a requirement because too many people wouldn't take it seriously, and would waste the time and energy put forth by the speaker. This class would be held once a week and be

worth one credit with no homework, yet attendance is mandatory (except in cases of death, kidnapping or Mexican drug cartel violence).

Now, some highlights of the

First, financial responsibility. These are things like paying off your credit card debt, buying a car, or actually, pretty much anything that involves a dollar bill. Finance majors can skip this day. What about a 401K ... what is it? Is it just a shortened form of 401,000, or is it a financial investment program for employees to maximize their retirement benefits? No, definitely not the latter.

Secondly, health and fitness day. Whether you're working a 40-hour workweek or crashing in your parents' basement, you're not going to have Jeff's cheese enchiladas to power you through the day. It's a completely different lifestyle – we think – we read it in Cosmo.

Finally, interviews. Do you know how to professionally present yourself? How much company research is necessary? Are you ready for that curveball question: "If you were an eagle that had to defend your un-hatched eggs, how would you creatively problem solve while maintaining your sales quota?"

Look, all we're saying is that if a class like this were available, you're looking at the star pupils. Jokes aside, considering we are entering the real world, a class that taught you important adult-living concepts would really get us ready for being big boys. We'll take, "Awesome Ideas" for 401K (Is that the proper use?).

### YOURVIEW Letter to the Editor

Wake up and grow up M.G. Tokmenko Class of 2002

John Carroll University

As a John Carroll University

alumnus, I was extremely disappointed to discover you published Mr. Bob Seeholzer's bitter tirade about reverse sexism (3/25/10 issue).

It was of no more intellectual

substance than a drunken Facebook blog (which, it seems, is about the highest form of communication I see many young men and women possess).

Perhaps when Mr. Seeholzer finally enters the real world of working adults (and leaves that of coddled Internet-addicted sociallystunted collegiate underachievers), he will discover that, lo and behold, Caucasian men DO hold the majority of high-paying, supervising positions. Then and only then, I suppose, will he feel justice.

America has changed and while it is not completely for the better, it is our home. Seeholzer might be a happier man if he moved to a more misogynist Middle Eastern locale. His article summed up why so many young women are staying single: there is a dangerous anger brewing in young men who don't have the strength of character to suck it up and deal with adversity.

They pout about what they aren't getting. They have had so much given to them and are stunned when things don't fall in their lap. Seeholzer feels entitled to much more than he deserves or has earned. Per-

haps the military would hold a more promising future for someone so intoxicated by the social structures of yesteryear.

My mother is a college professor who, like many of your moms, has worked extremely hard to be respected in the workplace and home. Women have to strive for a respect that men take for granted.

As a female cook in a maledominated kitchen, I KNOW that women are looked at first as sex objects and second as fellow employees. All women want, Mr. Seeholzer, is to be looked at as fellow employees first.

And, perhaps you will score a date if you drop the sarcasm and resentfulness. Until then, I doubt anyone wants to "put up with" "hormonal" you.

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