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# THE CARROLL NEWS

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## University Heights cracks down on texting and driving

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The Carroll News

John Carroll students now have even more of a reason to be cautious with their cell phone use while driving.

University Heights City Council recently passed a law that bans texting while driving for all motorists and forbids drivers under age 18 from using any kind of electronic wireless device. The two ordinances are identical to laws passed by Ohio Gov. John Kasich in House Bill 99.

Mayor Susan Infeld stressed that this legislation is meant to benefit the people of University Heights.

"The law was passed in the state of Ohio to keep motorists safe," she said. "I think every community is in favor of this law. This is meant to protect people's lives."

According to Infeld, without the ordinance in place in University Heights, offenders would be forced to go to downtown Cleveland to deal with the charges, rather than handling it more locally.

Both the University Heights and the Ohio laws went into effect on Aug. 31. However, people will not have to worry too much about accidentally forgetting the law in the first few months after it is enacted, as there will be a six month grace period for the enforcement of these laws and there are two levels of prosecution.

Choosing to text and drive for adults is a secondary offense, meaning that a police officer cannot pull someone over just on the suspicion of texting while driving. The

officer must have a primary reason, such as speeding, to pull the driver over. Then, if he or she has been texting, the charge will be added to the ticket. Breaking this law will result in a minor misdemeanor, which can include a fine in addition to the punishment for the primary offense committed.

Minors will have much more reason to be concerned about their cell phone use, because drivers under 18 will be punished more severely texting or using any electronic device will be a primary offense resulting in a \$150 fine for first-time offenders. If the fine does not deter teenagers, second-time offenders will have to pay a \$300 fine and will face a one-year suspension of their license or permit.

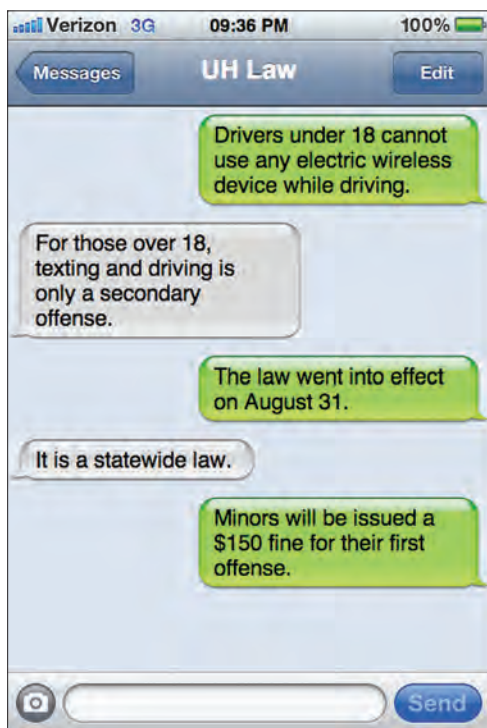
The law passed with a unanimous 6-0 vote to ban texting while driving, while the law for banning the use of a cell phone for minors passed with a vote of 5-0 with one member passing. Similar laws exist in the neighboring city of Beachwood, where cellphone use for all drivers has been completely banned.

While only some JCU students have cars on campus, the ban has received mixed reviews. Some students do not think that it will deter the number of distracted drivers on the road.

Sophomore Brianna Lazarchik says she thinks that the ban on texting while driving will be just like any other law.

"Unless there is a cop on every corner, there will probably be just as many people using their cell phones," said Lazarchik.

She also noted that the law has existed in her home state of Pennsylvania for



six months, and she said that she has actually noticed more people texting while driving because she now knows it is illegal.

Not all JCU students agree though. Junior Ijaza Saadat has a different opinion on the law.

"I do not believe the police will have a problem with enforcing the new texting and driving ban in University Heights at all," she said. "Personally, when driving around with friends, I rarely ever experience my friends trying to multi-task while driving. As a student and a fellow Blue Streak, I like to hold my peers to the highest standards, and so far I have not been corrected."

## JCU men's and women's lacrosse score varsity status

Zach Mentz  
Sports Editor

For the first time in 13 years, John Carroll University will officially be adding a new sport to the list of funded Division III varsity sports. After spending its first years as a club sport at JCU, both the Blue Streaks' men's and women's lacrosse programs will officially become Division III varsity sports beginning during the 2013-14 academic year in the spring of 2014.

When the news broke on Monday, July 30 that the men's and women's lacrosse teams would officially become a varsity sport at JCU, it was obvious that John Carroll University President Rev. Robert L. Niehoff, S.J., was gleaming with excitement about the opportunity to add a rapidly growing sport to the list of varsity sports at JCU.

"We are excited to add one of the fastest growing sports in the country to our varsity athletic program," said Niehoff when first breaking the news to the media in a press release. "With this level of student and alumni interest in lacrosse, we know it is the right time for us to move forward with expanding our varsity sports in this way."

Moving from a club sport to a varsity sport is quite the jump, as the move will add extra funding and support to the men's and women's lacrosse teams here at JCU. For the men's team, the decision comes as no surprise to those who have spent time around the program, as this was a move that has been spread around the rumor mill for some time now.

"I wasn't too surprised when I heard the news because it was a rumor around the organization that the team was going to go varsity," said junior Sean Hockensmith. "They actually said the goal was for 2014 to be the year for the program to make the leap to varsity."

Hockensmith, who played on the team during his freshman season but now plays club hockey at JCU, is now reconsidering the idea of playing lacrosse for the Blue Streaks.

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Photo courtesy of JCU Sports Information Dept.

The lacrosse team will face bigger challenges at the Division III level.

## Violations aplenty in first weekend back on campus

Abbey Christopher  
Brian Bayer  
The Carroll News

Since returning to campus two weeks ago, many rumors have been circulating about crime during the first weekend and policy violations that took place in the residence halls, particularly Murphy Hall. While Murphy is notoriously the "party dorm," there seem to be more rumors about the first weekend than usual.

Senior Emmett Morton, a resident assistant in Murphy Hall, estimates that at least 30-40 warnings and write-ups were issued on the freshman class's first night in the residence halls.

"[However], judging by the first weekend, the amount of policy violations is much lower than last year," said Morton.

He also stated that most of the warnings and write-ups involved violations of the alcohol, marijuana and vandalism policies.

One freshman (who preferred to remain anonymous) hopes that nothing will be as crazy as the first weekend. She and her roommate witnessed another freshman resident running away from his resident assistant and Campus Safety Service officers.

The female resident said that she saw the student yell at the officers to "stop shining their flashlight on him," as he kept running in the opposite direction.

After that, the officers asked her and her roommate to go back inside the building.

Both she and her roommate felt that seeing the student running from the authorities scared them, but they have not had any problems since the first night.

They also noted that they realize consuming alcohol in the residence halls is not a good idea because of the harsh consequences

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## Campus Briefs

### Study abroad photo contest announced

Students that went abroad on a study abroad, community service or spring break program are all eligible for the Study Abroad Photo Contest held by the Center for Global Education. Students can submit one photo for the categories: people, landscape, buildings, monuments, city life and miscellaneous.

The photographs must be on 5-by-7 inches photographic paper and include the student's name, email address, title and location of the photo.

Winning photos will be displayed in Grasselli Library throughout the month of October.

Entries are due at the Center for Global Education by Monday, Sept. 24.

For more information contact the Center for Global Education at (216)-397-4320 or email [kschiffer@jcu.edu](mailto:kschiffer@jcu.edu).

### Students take part in common grounds video series

John Carroll University has started a video series sponsored by "Streak the Vote." A video shoot will take place at five different locations where students can talk about issues that matter to them in the upcoming election.

Students will be put into discussion groups where they can discuss different topics of their choice. The goal of the video series is to have students come to a common ground.

The video shoot will take place on Thursday, Sept. 6 in the Lombardo Student Center Atrium at 4 p.m. and in the Schott Dining Hall, in the corner closest to Dolan Hall, at 6:30 p.m. The series will continue on Friday, Sept. 7 in the main atrium of Dolan Science Center, and the O'Malley first floor at 2 p.m., and on Monday, Sept. 10 in Keller Commons.

## New semester brings new renovations to campus

**Spencer German**  
Campus Editor

As a new fall semester commences at John Carroll University, both returning and new students have witnessed some renovations around campus.

The projects that have gone into effect since the beginning of summer include masonry restoration of Grasselli Tower, the Administration Building arcades, Dolan Residence Hall and the Boiler House; fire alarm device upgrades in Hamlin Hall; HVAC replacements in the Boler School of Business and Millor Hall; RecPlex patio replacement, which includes a snow-melting system; new carpet in Boler and the third floor of the AD Building; as well as the finishing touches to the Hamlin Quad, according to Carol Dietz, associate vice president of facilities.

Students can now also reap the benefits of an improved living environment in Millor, which received new carpeting, a fresh paint job and new furniture for the rooms and lounges.

Sophomore Colleen Reilly, who lives in Millor, said, "I personally love the renovations, especially the new furniture for our dorm rooms; [I] think that they greatly improve the building."

Reilly said she likes that JCU is always renovating different parts of campus.

"It shows that we are constantly looking for ways to improve our already amazing campus and make it better," she said. "It also shows that John Carroll is interested in maintaining and continuing to improve our school's image."

Dietz also emphasized the importance of the University to continue making improvements to campus.

"It is important that we preserve and maintain the campus buildings and infrastructure. The building envelope improvements will make the buildings more energy



Photo by Katie Warner

**A newly renovated room in Millor Hall.**  
efficient," said Dietz.

Every year, Dietz added, JCU continually makes it a priority to make campus-wide improvements. "We must maintain and make planned improvements to the campus buildings, grounds and infrastructure in order to provide a safe, clean environment that supports the University mission and meets the needs of the students, faculty and university community," said Dietz.

As the year continues, students can expect to see renovations taking place in some other areas of campus as well, Dietz said. This includes the installation of blinds in the O'Malley Center classrooms, the fountain currently under construction in the Dauby Plaza, outside of Boler and major plans to gut and restructure the inside of Murphy Hall.

"A lot of the Facilities staff will be very busy this year working with the Murphy renovation team of architects and engineers designing and planning for the Murphy renovation," Dietz said. "The work is scheduled to begin in late May of 2013."



Photo by Katie Warner

**Workers restore the masonry of Grasselli Tower.**

## Entrepreneurship program earns top rank in Ohio

**Ryllie Danylko**  
Campus Editor

Despite being only four years old, John Carroll University's entrepreneurship program has already made its way to the top of Bloomberg Businessweek's rankings as the best of its kind in Ohio. Nationally, it comes in at 18, a drastic improvement from last year's ranking of 43. Mark Hauserman, director of the Muldoon Center for Entrepreneurship, is pleased but not surprised by the honor, and credits its success to a combination of factors.

Hauserman credits JCU's Jesuit education principles as a major factor in the program's success.

"In the Cleveland area, there are over 500 companies owned or run by JCU graduates," Hauserman said. "How did they get there? Because of Jesuit education-critical thinking."

While entrepreneurship is fairly new to JCU, the program was competing against more than 500 other colleges and universities nationwide in Bloomberg Businessweek's ranking. Statewide, there are almost 30 entrepreneurship programs.

"There are some big names out there," said Hauserman, naming the University of Dayton, Xavier University, University of Cincinnati, The Ohio State University, and the University of Miami of Ohio as schools with entrepreneurship programs. "These programs are well thought of. Even cracking the Ohio market is pretty good because there are a lot of schools here," he said.

He also noted that the creation of the

Muldoon Hatchery sets the program apart from others of its kind. It is one of only six student hatcheries in the U.S., and the most recently developed one. Hauserman stated that the other five hatcheries are all in top-25 programs.

In a previous interview with The Carroll News, recent graduate Katie Moss, an entrepreneurship minor, praised the hatchery for its utility in her business endeavors.

"We use [the hatchery] for meetings. Through John Carroll, we were given a mentor to help meet with us," said Moss. "It really helps to use the resources that John Carroll can provide for us, because otherwise we would have to pay for it ourselves."

According to Hauserman, the criteria for the ranking in Bloomberg Businessweek include how many hours it requires, course content and whether the faculty are full-time or part-time.

"Eighty percent of the faculty who teach in the minor are Arts and Science professors," said Hauserman, "which is very unusual and automatically makes us stand out from most other programs."

In fact, Hauserman estimates 75 percent of all entrepreneurs were arts and science majors. Another unique aspect of the program is that it offers two different tracks: one for arts and science students and another for business students.

While many schools offer entrepreneurship as a major, JCU only offers the minor, but not for lack of interest or success. "I'm against the major," said Hauserman. He thinks that the program will offer more long-term success for

students if they have experience and education in other areas as well as entrepreneurship.

Through the entrepreneurship program, students are assigned a mentor to work with them on an idea.

"It's not about us trying to tell them something; it's about us trying to help them do their own thing," said Hauserman.

The program was originally built for about 60 students, according to Hauserman. This spring, however, 331 students registered for it, making entrepreneurship the second-largest program at JCU, second only to business.

Hauserman believes that recognition by Bloomberg Businessweek will mean even more growth for the program. "National ranking helps because people want to go to the school that has the best program," he said.

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**— Mark Hauserman**  
Director the Muldoon Center  
for Entrepreneurship

## Campus Safety Log



**August 26, 2012**

Criminal damage reported at 5:19 p.m. at the main drive entrance.

**August 28, 2012**

Reported theft at 2:26 p.m.

**August 27, 2012**

Reported auto theft at 8:36 p.m. at Green Road Lot.

*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.*

# In memoriam: English professor Chris Roark

Commentary by Clara Richter  
Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

English department professor Chris Roark died in early June of a heart attack, and his presence at the University has been greatly missed, even within these first few weeks of classes. Roark was respected and loved by his students and his co-workers. Roark came to John Carroll in 1990 and taught here for 22 years.

He was head of the English Department for five years and in 2008 he was nominated for, and won, the Lucrezia Culicchia Award for Teaching Excellence.

Phil Metres, who nominated him for the award, praised Roark highly, saying, “Roark demonstrated an exemplary ability to engage the students in a high level of collaborative analysis, modeling a way of reading that emerged from the students’ own readings, and proposing a method to navigate the thorny language of literary criticism. He clearly shared a good rapport with his students, who obviously

respected him and find him amusing.”

Roark was deeply passionate about his students and it showed in their reception of him. He was demanding, but fair, and although the work that he asked of his students was difficult, students were seldom unwilling to do the work asked of them. Senior Joe Fisher had the privilege of having Roark on three separate occasions. “Roark was hands-down the best professor I have ever had the three semesters I took him. Most importantly, he made me feel like he legitimately cared about me as a person. His passion and love for his work and his family could not help but show through everything he did and it was inspiring.” As his advisee, I always loved visiting Roark in his office and asking his advice on what books to read, classes to take, and what I should do with my life.

On April 23, 2013, Shakespeare’s birthday, the English department will be holding a marathon reading of The Bard’s sonnets in order to raise money for the Chris Roark Memorial Scholarship.



## Lacrosse earns Division III varsity status

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“Since it will be my senior year, I have contemplated trying out for the team again,” said Hockensmith. “Either way, I think it will be great for the school. This just proves that lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the country.”

With the addition of two more varsity teams, John

Carroll will now sponsor a total of 23 collegiate varsity teams, including 12 for the men and 11 for the women. Women’s golf was the last sport to be added to the list of varsity sports at JCU back during the 1999-2000 academic year.

“With such a great demand for lacrosse, we are looking forward to building this team,” said John Carroll University Director of Athletics and Recreation

Laurie Massa said in the press release. “We expect to hire the coaches this fall and to attract student-athletes that have the leadership skills and pioneering spirit to start a new varsity program.”

Both the men’s and women’s lacrosse teams will be put together with a combination of the current athletes on the club teams as well as the addition of incoming freshman recruits.

## CSS encounters early criminal mischief to start semester

“Get to know your RA. That’s probably the best way to help build a strong community on your floor. The best way to stay out of the judicial system is to understand what the policy violations are and what will get you in trouble.”

– Dan Imfeld  
Senior Resident Assistant  
in Pacelli Hall

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many other freshmen have faced.

“I would never drink in the dorms because it’s too much of a liability,” she said.

The resident assistants feel that when students violate the res. life policies, they not only undermine their sense of dormitory community, but also potentially risk the safety of other residents.

Senior Dan Imfeld is currently the Senior Resident Assistant in Pacelli Hall, and has been a resident assistant in freshman halls for the past three years.

According to Imfeld, the Office of Residence Life has not made any major policy changes this year, but safety is still their top priority.

“There’s definitely a host of things that are high priorities, [including] the safety of everyone [and] building a strong community that’s not only inclusive, but respectful of everyone,” said Imfeld.

The list of problems range from endangering the health of their neighbors to risking their individual safety.

Brian Hurd, the assistant director of CSS, said, “A big part of lowering crime this semester was [creating] more visibility in the resident buildings.”

He also credited Residence Life for training the Resident Assistants to be more proactive. Hurd feels this is an important part of keeping crime in dorms under control.

Imfeld agreed, saying that one of the most important aspects of being an RA is being available and accessible to the residents, whether by keeping their door open or even texting.

“Get to know your RA,” said Imfeld. “That’s probably the best way to help build a strong community on your floor [...] The best way to stay out of the judicial system is to understand what the policy violations are and what will get you in trouble.”

So, although the first night on campus was full of violations and write-ups, the RAs are still optimistic about the year ahead.

Sophomore Dave Schillero, an RA in Murphy Hall, said he still loves his job, because “[I have] the opportunity to send a message to residents that we [the resident assistants] care about their education and safety, and that makes the job all worthwhile.”

### Crimes from the first weekend included:

- Underage drinking
- Marijuana use
- Vandalism
- Endangering the health of neighbors

## CAMPUS CALENDAR: SEPT. 6 – SEPT. 12

6	Thursday	7	Friday	8	Saturday	9	Sunday	10	Monday	11	Tuesday	12	Wednesday
SUPB sponsors Jackie and Tom’s Shoe Event in The Underground at 9-11p.m.		Student Involvement Fair in the Intramural Gym at 3-7 p.m.		Comedian Diana Yanez in the Marinello Little Theatre from 10-11:30 p.m.		Mass in St. Francis Chapel at 6 and 10 p.m.		The Netherlands: Gateway to the Great Lakes conference in Donahue Auditorium 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m.		“Organizing for Health Care Reform” lecture 7 p.m. in Donahue Auditorium		Women’s soccer vs. Oberlin College at 4 p.m. at Don Shula Stadium	

## Mentz's Minute



**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

## PSU football deserved Death Penalty

For decades, the football program at Penn State University was viewed as a marquee model of how to properly combine athletics and education at the highest level of amateur sports. In a matter of just a few months, that mystique and awe that once surrounded the PSU football program has completely disintegrated.

The aftermath of the Jerry Sandusky child abuse scandal at Penn State is a topic that will be hotly debated and remembered for years to come. Even after the NCAA placed sanctions on the PSU football program that will cripple the program almost entirely, I still don't believe that PSU was handed what they truly deserved.

A \$60 million fine, a four-year postseason ban and the vacation of all wins since 1998 still isn't enough punishment for Penn State. Did I mention that the Nittany Lions must also reduce 10 initial scholarships and 20 total scholarships each year for the next four years? Yeah, that's *still* not enough.

When a situation as heinous as the Sandusky scandal arises, it's better to simply drop everything and begin back at square one. PSU football deserved to be given the Death Penalty, which would shut down the football program entirely at PSU for any number of years. If it were up to me, I would have given the PSU football program a three year Death Penalty and let the university begin building the program back up from the bottom in 2014.

In situations like this, football is no longer of any importance. Put football on the backburner and focus on building credibility back at your school before focusing on winning a couple of Saturday afternoon games. Atrocious crimes were committed initially by Sandusky, and the men in power at Penn State, including the once-glorified Joe Paterno, did nothing to stop the demented monster that is Jerry Sandusky. In fact, they helped cover up the situation.

Yes, I see how the Death Penalty would be unfair to the current athletes, coaches and fans at PSU. Unfortunately, life isn't fair. By giving the Death Penalty to Penn State, you're not telling the current players that they can't play collegiate football. They still can; it just can't be at Penn State.

Let's rewind to one year ago today: If I told you what would happen in the next few months with PSU and the Jerry Sandusky sex abuse scandal, you'd never believe a word I said. Funny how unpredictable life is, isn't it? Oh how far the mighty have fallen.

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# Blue Streaks football makes history in Dublin

## JCU defeats powerhouse St. Norbert 40-3 in season opener

**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

To say it was a historic weekend for the John Carroll University football program would be a massive understatement. When the news broke on March 3, 2011 that the Blue Streaks would open the 2012 football season in Dublin, Ireland, as part of the Global Ireland Football Tournament, the anticipation began to build. Nearly 18 full months later, the Blue & Gold made the most of their opportunity by defeating the St. Norbert Green Knights by a dominating score of 40-3 at Donnybrook Stadium.

Playing in the first overseas NCAA Division III regular season game in 20 years, the Blue Streaks fell behind early as Randy Hill kicked a 39-yard field goal to give the Green Knights the lead with 5:13 remaining in the first quarter. From that point on, the Blue Streaks completely took control of the game.

A 14-play, 97-yard drive ended when senior DaQuan Grobsmith scored on a one-yard touchdown run to give JCU their first touchdown of the game. Moments later, sophomore Mark Myers threw his first touchdown pass as a Blue Streak when he connected with junior Randy Greenwood for a 73-yard touchdown pass to give the Blue Streaks a 13-3 lead with 6:35 remaining in the first half.

Looking to build upon their



Photo courtesy of Stephen McCarthy/Sportsfile.com

**The John Carroll University football team celebrates following a 40-3 victory over the Green Knights in Dublin, Ireland.**

10-point lead before the end of the half, the Blue Streaks stuck a dagger in the Green Knights' spirits when they scored two touchdowns in the final 87 seconds of the first half. Both touchdowns came on 20-yard passes from Myers to senior Lane Robilotto, swelling JCU's lead to 27-3 at the intermission.

In the second half of action,

Myers tossed two more touchdown passes, this time with both of them going to junior Alex Kline. Kline caught the first touchdown, a 27-yard reception, with 21 seconds remaining in the third quarter. Minutes later, Kline scored again on a 57-yard throw from Myers to increase the lead to 40-3, thus securing a blowout victory overseas for

the Blue Streaks.

Myers, a transfer from the University of Pittsburgh, set the JCU record for the most passing yards in a game, with 457 yards, breaking the previous record of 452 yards that was held by current Blue Streaks quarterback coach Tom Arth. Myers also threw five total touchdowns in his Blue Streaks debut.

Kline finished the game with eight catches for 143 yards and two touchdown catches. Robilotto, on the other hand, recorded nine catches and racked up 116 yards and two touchdowns as well.

For the first time since the 2008 season, the Blue Streaks won their season opener. Considering the best record that the Blue and Gold have posted since then is 5-5, this may be a good omen towards what the future holds for the 2012 JCU football team.

Playing in front of a crowd of 4,877 people, including U.S. Ambassador to Ireland and Pittsburgh Steelers owner Dan Rooney, the Blue & Gold proved to make the trip overseas more than worthwhile with a dominant victory over a program that is consistently strong.

With a bye week coming up this Saturday, the Blue Streaks will have an extra week to prepare for their week three match-up with conference rival Baldwin Wallace Yellow Jackets. The two teams will play at Don Shula Stadium on Saturday, Sept. 15.

# Cross country teams perform well at Salisbury Opener

**Men's cross country**

**Gabriella Kreuz**  
Staff Reporter

The John Carroll men's cross country team showcased their summer work by placing second at the Salisbury Seagull Opener on Saturday, Sept. 1 in Salisbury, Md. Four of the top seven Blue Streak finishers were freshmen, who seem to be sufficiently filling the footsteps of valuable graduates from the 2011 season.

The Blue Streaks tallied 75 total points in the event, finishing behind the United States Naval Academy (32 points) to take second place. The eight-hour trip to battle in the 90-degree-heat and heavy humidity proved to be worth claiming some early season hardware.

Senior Pat Burns led the way for JCU, finishing in fifth place in the 8k with a time of 26:41.19. Freshman Patrick O'Brien stuck on the shoulder of Burns through the finish line, literally, clocking in at 26:41.59 for sixth place.

Sophomore Tadhg Karski was the third finisher for the Blue & Gold, timing in at 27:46.00 for 22nd place overall. Not far behind was sophomore Johnny Honkala, who finished in 25th place in 27:53.00, shaving nearly 40 seconds off of his performance from last season at the same meet. Following was freshman Mike Hurley, who finished in 27th place (28:01.00).



Photo courtesy of Pat Burns

**Senior Pat Burns and the men's team finished in second while the women's team took third at the Salisbury Sea Gull Opener.**

Also finishing in the top 50 for the Blue Streaks were freshman Drake Sulzer (31st, 28:09.00), freshman Matt Chojnacki (33rd, 28:13.00), sophomore Gage Marek (39th, 28:28.00) and senior Nick Wojtasik (47th, 28:36.00).

JCU will be looking to tighten their gap as they head into competition this Saturday, Sept. 8 at the Ric Sayre Invitational hosted by Walsh University. The team is out to earn their first win of the season at this meet, in hopes of laying a stepping stone to their main 2012 goal of winning an OAC Championship title.

**Women's cross country**

**Beckie Reid**  
The Carroll News

The John Carroll University women's cross country team came in third place out of 11 teams while competing in Salisbury, Md. this past weekend at the Salisbury Sea Gull Opener. This is the second year the team has participated in the invitational, and the Blue Streaks again turned in an impressive third-place finish.

John Carroll, with a total of

67 points, finished behind Rowan University (first place, 57 points) and George Washington University (second place, 58 points). The Blue Streaks had 10 different runners finish in the top 50 out of a total of 146 contestants. This was a highlight looking forward to the upcoming Ohio Athletic Conference schedule for the women.

The invitational was held at Winter Place Park on the humid morning of Saturday, Sept. 1. The Blue Streaks arrived to the invitational ready to run and proved just that by having two runners finish in the top 10.

Rowan University's Danielle Czohla took first place with a time of 22:21 while teammate Megan Borz followed second (22:26). From John Carroll, sophomore Emily Mapes led the Streaks in the 6k race, with a finish time of 22:44. Mapes notched fourth place in the event, falling short to the event winner, Czohla, by only 23 seconds. Freshman Jenny Vrobel was close behind Mapes, recording a time of 23:15 for ninth place. Junior Gabriella Kreuz finished in 17th place with a finish time of 23:26, while freshman Hanna Sterle took 19th (23:34) and sophomore Caroline Kapela claimed 20th (23:39) to help pick up points for the Blue & Gold.

The Blue Streaks cross country team is on the road this weekend in North Canton, Ohio to participate in the Ric Sayre Invitational for their second meet of the season on Saturday, Sept. 8.

# Men’s soccer starts 1-1, women’s soccer 0-2 on opening weekend

Joe Ginley  
Staff Reporter  
Men’s soccer

While the John Carroll football team was beginning its beatdown of the St. Norbert Green Knights in Dublin, Ireland this past weekend, the John Carroll University men’s soccer squad was locked in battle in its own season opener outside of the spotlight in Crest-view Hills, Ky. The Blue Streaks soccer team faced off with the St. Thomas More Saints, putting up a good fight before falling 2-1.

Despite the disappointing opening loss, the Blue Streaks earned a hard fought victory over crosstown rival Case Western Reserve University, with a score of 1-0 on Sunday, Sept. 2. Time seemed to stand still on this quiet Sunday afternoon, as senior goalkeeper Carl Contrascier made breathtaking plays when he dove with hands outstretched, leading the crowd to cheer madly as he emerged with ball in hand.

After falling short of the Ohio Athletic Conference title in 2011, the JCU soccer team worked during the offseason to ensure history doesn’t repeat itself and opened the season with high hopes. The hunger to be better, combined with the talent on the roster, makes for a dangerous combination, and also for great expectations.

“This is by far the most talented team we have had at JCU in my tenure,” said head coach Hector Marinaro. “Anything short of an NCAA tournament appearance will be a disappointing season.”

The Blue Streaks lived up to the hype for the first 62 minutes of their first game, as JCU peppered the Saints’ goalkeeper with shots. Senior Thor Eriksen eventually broke through the Saints’ defense when he put one home in the 51st minute, giving JCU the 1-0 lead. The Saints then took control with a Christopher

Lehan goal in the 63rd minute and an Andrew Sullivan score off a penalty kick in the 75th minute. Though the JCU men outshot St. Thomas More by a whopping margin of 23-7, the Blue Streaks shot themselves in the foot as they were caught offsides eight times, called for 14 fouls and given two yellow cards.

“Nobody was happy with our performance. We’re capable of better and it was really a disappointing start to the season,” added Marinaro.

The Blue Streaks were determined to perform better against CWRU at Don Shula Stadium. JCU came out of the gates hot, repeatedly denying the Spartans’ attempts to score thanks to the outstanding leadership of Contrascier. The Blue Streaks soon struck back with scoring threats of its own, narrowly missing chances to snag the lead. With time winding down in the first half, the Blue Streaks finally put a tally on the scoreboard as freshman Shaq Bridges sent a corner kick to senior Ion Coadă, who headed the ball perfectly past CWRU goaltender Ryan Koepka.

Despite numerous opportunities by both sides, Coadă’s goal turned out to be the game-winner, giving JCU the 1-0 victory over the Spartans.

Contrascier played masterfully in net, frequently denying what looked to be sure goals. Marinaro called one particularly great Contrascier save “the best save I’ve seen live in outdoor soccer.”

The Spartans had at least three quality chances in the last fifteen minutes of the contest, including one in the waning seconds of the game before a hand pass on CWRU was called by the referee.

In the upcoming games, the Blue Streaks will be concentrating on converting opportunities into goals.

“We created a lot of chances, but we need to work on scoring more goals. In the Case

game, we could have been up three or four to nothing at half time instead of one to nothing. We really had to battle in the second half,” said Marinaro.

**Women’s soccer**

With a new head coach and high expectations, the John Carroll women’s soccer team embarked on a new season on Friday, Aug. 31. Though the Blue Streaks fell to Centre College 2-1 in their opener and lost to Transylvania University on Saturday, Sept. 1 by a score of 2-0, the outlook remains hopeful for this squad.

Michael Marich, formerly an assistant coach for the team, took over the helm during the offseason. He assumed control of a young, talented squad that lost its top defender and scorer to graduation. Though many good players graduated, many worthy players remain. Among the talented crop of returning players are midfielders Genny Goergen, Kristen Profeta and Kelly Kertis as well as defenders Carolyn Vespoli and Kayla Acklin.

The team traveled to Danville, Ky. on Friday for a contest with Centre College as part of the Centre Showcase. The Blue Streaks’ offense struggled to get going in the opener, as the Colonels limited the Blue Streaks to only two shots on goal and six shots total. Midfielder Kelly Kertis did take advantage of an opportunity in the first half, though, as the sophomore put one past Centre goalie Megan Foley in the 42nd minute. But once the Colonels substituted Holly Hilton at goalkeeper after the half ended, the Blue Streaks could not manage a shot on goal.

At the opposite end, JCU goalkeeper Haley McDonald was busy fending off Centre’s offensive attack, which recorded 16 shots on the day. The sophomore goalie managed to keep the Colonels off the board until the 80th minute, when Centre’s Liz Miller knotted the

game at one. The Colonels then went on the attack again, with Morgan Collins notching the game winner for the home team in the 86th minute, leaving JCU with little time to answer.

The Blue Streaks attempted to get back on track on Saturday in their second game in the Centre Showcase. JCU did just that in the first half against the Transylvania University Pioneers. The Blue Streaks peppered Pioneer keeper Jerrica Scovel with nine shots (six on goal) and held the Transylvania offense to three shots, only one on goal. The Pioneers opened the second half with an early goal, however, as Natosha Boden scored to put the home team on top, 1-0. The Blue Streaks battled to come back, but the Pioneers scored with under a minute to go to seal the game, 2-0. The JCU squad could not score despite posting 14 shots, including 10 on goal.

After his first two games on the job, Marich commented on his team’s performance: “The results were not the way we wanted to start the season, but the way we played at times and the effort on the weekend was what we are looking for. We want to be able to put the ball on the ground and make the other team chase and during both games we had periods where we did this and were very successful.”

One area in which the team needs to improve is converting chances into goals. The team was held to one tally and 16 shots on goal in two games. Marich acknowledged this after the first weekend of play.

“Finding our touch in front of the net is [crucial]. It will be key to get our players sharper in the final third and we are counting on this to start to happen as the players become more used to playing a new system and to each other,” he said. “Knowing that you may only get one chance, we need to get sharper from the first minute to the 90th.”

# Volleyball starts season with 1-3 record at Elmhurst Invitational

Zach Mentz  
Sports Editor

With a new head coach and reason for optimism, the John Carroll University volleyball team kicked off the 2012 season on the road in Elmhurst, Ill. Competing in the Elmhurst College Invitational, the Blue Streaks went 1-3 on the weekend, with the lone win coming against Bethany Lutheran College.

The Blue & Gold began the weekend with a 3-0 loss to Carthage College on Friday, Aug. 31. Later in that same day, the Blue Streaks picked up their win over Bethany Lutheran College to even their record at 1-1. Unfortunately, Saturday, Sept. 1 proved to be a more difficult day for JCU, as they fell to Whitman College by a score of 3-0 before narrowly falling to 3-2 to Lake Forest College.

Junior Charlotte Sykora highlighted the

weekend by recording 28 kills over the span of two days and four matches, including five kills in the Blue Streaks’ victory over Bethany Lutheran (25-17, 25-13, 25-18). Senior Sarah Slagle also added 11 kills in the winning effort. Junior Teresa Noewer also had eight kills and 10 digs while sophomore Jessica Kodrich racked up 26 assists and three aces to help lead the Blue & Gold to their first victory of the season.

This coming weekend, JCU will compete in the Marcia French Memorial Tournament held in Cleveland and Berea, Ohio as they try to get on the winning track early in the 2012 season.

**Editor’s Note:** The Blue Streaks played on Wednesday, Sept. 5 against Hiram College at the Tony DeCarlo Varsity Center in their 2012 home opener. Match results can be found at [www.jcusports.com](http://www.jcusports.com)

## STREAKS OF THE WEEK



### Football



Mark Myers  
junior

The lefty transfer from Pitt set a JCU record with 457 passing yards in his Blue Streaks debut while also throwing five touchdowns to lead JCU to a 40-3 win over St. Norbert’s College in Dublin, Ireland.



### Volleyball



Charlotte Sykora  
junior

While the Blue Streaks volleyball team only went 1-3 on the weekend while competing in the Elmhurst College Invitational, Sykora led the team in kills with 28 total on the weekend to help JCU.



### Cross Country



Pat Burns  
senior

Burns led all men’s Blue Streaks competitors this past weekend as he finished in fifth place at the Salisbury Sea Gull Opener in Salisbury, Md. with a very solid finish time of 26:41.19.



### Cross Country



Emily Mapes  
sophomore

Competing at the Salisbury Sea Gull Opener in Salisbury, Md. this past weekend, Mapes led all women’s Blue Streaks competitors by taking fourth place in the 6k run with a finish time of 22:44.



### Football



Alex Kline  
junior

The Pittsburgh, Pa. native had an impressive weekend in Dublin, Ireland as he reeled in eight catches for 143 yards and two touchdowns while helping lead the Blue Streaks to a 40-3 win.

# Chatting Browns football with Cleveland native Jay Crawford

The current SportsCenter anchor helps preview the upcoming 2012 Cleveland Browns season

**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

**Carroll News:** Let's rewind to April when the Browns drafted Trent Richardson with the No. 3 pick overall. It was a move that was highly debated but also one that seems pretty popular among most fans. What was your reaction initially to the Browns drafting a running back that highly, and do you think it was the right pick?

**Jay Crawford:** Well, the beauty of the draft is that it's not a science, and the other beautiful thing about the draft is that time will tell. My initial reaction was that I wanted Justin Blackmon. I wanted us to address what has been our Achilles for a while – depth at wide receiver. I feel like, and I know so far that pick looks like it would have been a disaster because he's already had the DUI, but I think long-term, Justin Blackmon would have been the pick that most addressed our needs and would also benefit our football team the most. I think he's going to change lives for people in the NFL. When you just judge what he's done on the field, I think Jacksonville looks like they made a pretty solid pick. I think that you [can] look at the successful teams from just this past decade. The Patriots, I don't want to say they devalue running backs, but they seem to be able to identify the backs that maybe already have three or four years on them and still have something left to give, and they've obviously built their entire offense around the passing game, as have the Green Bay Packers and New Orleans Saints. If you look at the teams that have had the most success in the past decade, those three teams certainly come to mind. I think that in today's NFL, you better be able to throw the ball for 250 to 300 yards a game. If you can't, you're going to be in trouble. I've bought into that philosophy, so with that in mind, I place a higher value on wide receivers than I do running backs.

**CN:** Let's talk about Colt McCoy, and that takes us back to the Draft again, where the Browns seemingly drafted his replacement, Brandon Weeden, with the No. 22 pick overall. Do you feel that McCoy got a 'raw deal' in Cleveland?

**JC:** I don't know if I'd go that far, but they didn't do him any justice. Giving him the short look that they gave him and then deciding off of a very small body of work that he wasn't the guy, I think it's emblematic of the problem that the Browns have had for the past 15 years. To be great, sometimes you have to emulate greatness. If you look at the Steelers, the Patriots and the Giants, these are teams that, even in valleys, although their valleys haven't been very low, they have a plan, they have a blue print and they stick with it. With Pittsburgh, you know their defense is going to be great, and with New England you know their offense is going to be great. What are the Browns? What is their philosophy, their blue print and how long has it been in place? They've just been so quick to change through the years. I just was a little mystified in the Browns pulling the cord on Colt [McCoy] so early in his career. I mean, if you look back through time, I know the trend now is to go with young quarterbacks and let them go. Matt Ryan, Joe Flacco, Ben Roethlisberger and especially last year with Cam Newton, it's proven that you can do that, but you have to have pieces around them. I just think they were on to something with Colt. You have to protect him and you have to have guys for him to throw the ball to; and if you don't, you're probably going to have similar results with whoever you put in there. It is what it is now. Being a Browns fan, I'm 100 percent behind Trent and 100 percent behind Brandon [Weeden] and I hope they tear it up.

**CN:** Although they didn't get Blackmon



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**Crawford, a lifelong Cleveland sports fan, is optimistic that new Cleveland Browns owner Jimmy Haslam can turn the Browns' fortunes around.**

at the wide receiver position, there seems to be some optimism around Josh Gordon, the former Baylor wide receiver who was chosen in the supplemental draft. With Greg Little coming into his second year after pacing the team in receptions and yards last year, do you feel that Weeden can really succeed with these guys?

**JC:** I do like what I've seen so far. I really do. Everything that I've seen from him so far seems to point in that direction. The other thing is that I love Brandon Weeden. We had him on [ESPN] First Take before he was drafted. He's an impressive young man, very smart and I think he has a nice skill set. My only trepidation is that so does Aaron Rodgers. That doesn't mean he can't perform in the NFL; by no means does that mean he can't play. [With Weeden being 28 years old] I just like to project out further than five or six years at the quarterback position. I'd like to think that we could find the next, for Cleveland fans, Bernie Kosar so we don't have to worry about that position because it's been a constant worry for the Browns since their re-birth. It gets frustrating after a while, particularly when you look at perennial play-off teams like the Packers, Patriots, Steelers and Saints. Those teams all have one thing in common – they don't have quarterback issues. Maybe Brandon Weeden takes hold of this position and we re-sign him to a new deal and he plays here for 10 years; that'd be great. I hope that's the way it works out. I just feel better about drafting a 22-year-old, although that hasn't necessarily worked out for us either. Again, with Colt [McCoy], you have to let him have time to cook and time to mature.

**CN:** A few weeks ago, the Browns had a change in ownership as Jimmy Haslam purchased the Cleveland Browns from Randy Lerner for just over \$1 billion. From the looks of it, Haslam looks like a pretty passionate guy and a passionate owner who is committed to restoring the glory back to the Cleveland Browns. What's your opinion of Haslam and what was your reaction to the news?

**JC:** Love him. Love everything I've read about him. I'm not at all bothered by the fact that he was a huge Steelers fan and a part owner of the team. The reason I'm not bothered by that is, again, you emulate greatness if you want to be great. I tell people who want to be young broadcasters, find someone that you deem to be great and emulate them. Don't rip them off, don't do a parody of them and don't do everything they do, but blend your style. You have to shape your own style and

it's the same thing in football. This guy has been around the Steelers, and losing will not be acceptable to this guy, I can just tell. He's not a loser, he hasn't lost at anything in life and he's not in this to make more money.

**CN:** On the chances of the city of Cleveland one day winning a sports championship...

**JC:** [Haslam] is in this for the pride and for the winning. That's what Cleveland really deserves, to have owners like that. I think the Indians deserve to have an owner who is committed to them not just playing 162 games and seeing how many people you can get to come to your games. Cleveland has proven that if you win, they're going. Being a Cleveland guy on the national scene, I took a lot of grief this year early when the Indians were in first place but last in attendance. My message then, before we fell out of the race, was very simple: Cleveland fans are skeptical. They know it's smoke and mirrors; Cleveland sports fans are very intelligent. There wasn't a good Cleveland sports fan that I talked to that realistically believed we could win the Central. They were hopeful that we could, they were thankful we were in first place, but the educated sports fan knew that it was smoke and mirrors. I looked at our roster and I knew that there was absolutely no way we could sustain what we were doing. Impossible. The same thing happened last year. That's why the season isn't 81 games. Cleveland fans would come to the Indians games if they had an owner who was absolutely interested in making a run at winning the division. While I love the owners of the Cavs and Browns, I wish that we had a better ownership situation with the Indians, but you can't pick your owner. I'm extremely pleased and very optimistic [about Haslam]. I think he's in it because he wants to win and he wants to bring a championship team to Cleveland. I've long said that the first owner of the team that wins a championship in Cleveland for the first time since 1964 will have instantaneous Hall of Fame stature in Cleveland forever. It will mean so much to the fans of Cleveland for whatever team it is that finally wins a championship. I'm asked constantly, "Which team do you think can do it?" Really, I just don't know. I fear that I'll never see a championship in Cleveland in my lifetime. The last one happened the year before I was born. I look realistically at the financial disparity in baseball and it's very difficult for all those teams to win. It's not impossible, but very difficult. I think it can happen, where we win a World Series, but it's unlikely. In the NBA, now that it's become a league of "super teams," do you see three

or four super free agents deciding to come together in Cleveland? No. They're looking for [the teams like] the New Yorks, Miamis and Los Angeles. It's become a league of geographic advantage, and if you're not a coastal city who is an international player like those cities, you're in trouble. I really do think that the Browns have the best chance of winning a championship in my lifetime based on who their owner is and the structure of the league. Remember, the NFL has by far the most fair and just and competitive league in all of pro sports. If you just go by that, we have a one in 32 chance every year of winning it, and you can't say that in basketball or baseball. It's sad because we're watching an entire generation of baseball fans be washed away, because fans of 70 percent of the teams know that their teams have no chance to win on a yearly basis. There's only a select few teams that can pretty much assure themselves that they'll be in contention every year because they're outspending everyone else.

**CN:** This is a big season for the Browns, as there have been a lot of changes, but head coach Pat Shurmur stays constant as he returns for his second season. Shurmur received a lot of criticism in his first season and fans seemed disgruntled over how he ran the offense and handled the team as a whole. Is he the right coach for this football team?

**JC:** Honestly, I don't know the answer to that, but my gut [feeling] is that he's not going to get a chance. When you have a change at the very top, trickle down change is not far behind. My guess is, and this is just a guess, no reporting or sources, but my hunch is that [general manager] [Mike] Holmgren probably won't be around long for Cleveland. So if they change the general manager, typically the next change is the coach. It seems like [Haslam] is a sound man, and he didn't get to where he is by making bad decisions. I think what he'll do is just take the year and observe. He'll see how the team is coached, who the players respond to, who the players don't respond to. I'm sure he'll have a meeting with Holmgren and they'll make a decision at that time whether or not their philosophies match up. But Haslam will watch and he'll make mental notes and he'll probably make physical notes and at the end of the day, he'll either decide that Holmgren is the guy for the future or not. My guess is that he'll move on and Shurmur probably won't be coaching in Cleveland much past this year, but you never know. If they go 8-8, I think that would exceed everyone's expectations and maybe that can buy them some more time. Basing off history and gut, I would think that they would move on.

**CN:** Can I get a prediction for a final record for the Browns this season?

**JC:** I have two. I have my realistic prediction, which is 4-12. That's where I realistically see the Browns finishing because I'd be real disappointed if they couldn't win at least three games. I believe that they have four wins in them. My optimistic prediction is 7-9. I think if things go wildly their way, we can win seven games. That's not my prediction, that's my hope. If we finish 7-9 at the end of the year, I wouldn't be saying "Oh my, how did we do it?" I'd be saying that we got a lot of breaks, things went our way and we finished with seven wins. So while my realistic prediction is 4-12, my pessimistic pick is 2-14. That's if things just go absolutely haywire, the wheels fall off and we have one injury after another and the team packs it in during mid-November. Optimistically, I see us going 7-9, but realistically, I'm afraid we're a 4-12 team.

**Editor's Note:** For the full, uncut interview with Jay Crawford, log on to [www.jcunews.com](http://www.jcunews.com).



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# Arts on campus take center stage

Have a thirst for creativity, but not sure where to turn? The CN has you covered.

**Alexandra Higl**  
Arts & Life Editor

The dog days of summer, relaxing poolside have trickled away; students once again flock to the library the night before an eight-page research paper deadline in pure pandemonium; the theater department and dance ensemble’s auditions are underway; the warmth of instrumental tones fills the halls in the student center and the arts are alive and well at John Carroll University.

For those who have recently joined the JCU community, the upperclassmen who have become tired of playing Guitar Hero night after night or students who are baffled with what to possibly do with all their spare time, the performing and visual arts departments are in search of creative minds, performers, artists and patrons to continue JCU’s thriving arts legacy.

Both the performing and visual arts offer numerous opportunities and organizations for students to express themselves through a creative outlet and ultimately explore their passions.

The Tim Russert Department of Communication & Theatre Arts has announced ongoing auditions for both the main stage fall production, as well as three one acts. “The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940,”

directed by Martin Friedman, runs Nov. 2 through Nov. 11 in Kulas Auditorium. “Math For Actors,” “The Jewish Wife” and “Talk to Me Like the Rain and Let Me Listen” marks its performances Oct. 18 through Oct. 21 in the Marinello Little Theatre.

JCU’s student-run Little Theatre Society is the perfect culmination of all avenues of theater-performance, working behind the scenes and watching live shows. In fact, you don’t have to be an actor or even have experience to be part of this group – you just have to appreciate the craft. Students in the society are typically presented with the opportunity to see at least one off-campus professional production per semester.

“I love theatre because it’s a group of people who like what I like,” said Little Theatre Society president, senior Sara Abbott. “We all just mesh really well together and are always willing to welcome others into our circle. That’s how I met some of my best friends here. John Carroll gave me so many opportunities to work on every aspect of theater – I have been able to build sets, stage manage and direct.”

Students seeking the chance to come together in song, friendship and harmony should look no further than JCU’s choirs. JCU offers a wide range of choirs, including

The Sweet Carrollines, the women’s a cappella choir, and Rhapsody Blue, the men’s a cappella choir. Both choirs welcome students from all years to come out and audition for a chance to perform at various concerts and events throughout the academic year.

The choirs not only allow students to do what they love, but also develop a sense of community amongst the members.

“It’s such a great group of girls, and I love that I not only get to sing, but I get to share the experience with my fellow Sweets,” said Sweet Carrolline and junior Brianna Eucker. “We just have so much fun together during rehearsals, and I think that comes through during our performances.”

Missing those long evening dance sessions sashaying across the studio? Look no further than JCU’s own student-run Dance Ensemble, featuring styles ranging from lyrical, Broadway, ballet, tap, hip-hop and jazz. These students are presented with a variety of opportunities to perform on campus, including Christmas Carroll Eve, Relay for Life and the annual Dance Ensemble show, presented in April.

Junior Katie Kilianny has found solace in this organization.

“Dance Ensemble has enabled me to continue my passion for dance in my college years, in addition to



Photo by Charles Kukawka

**The Dance Ensemble performed at their annual show in April.**

allowing me to meet a great group of dancers and friends. We have a lot of fun while dancing, and it’s a great break from all the stress of classes. I also enjoyed choreographing many of the dances that were performed in the show,” said Kilianny.

Auditions will be held Sept. 11 and 13 in the Fitness Studio in the DeCarlo Varsity Center.

Not one to step in the spotlight, but eager to transform a blank canvas into a masterpiece? JCU’s informal sketch group, the “Sketch-crawl,” organized by Cathy Anson, consists of both JCU faculty and students who wish to channel their inner Picasso. The group meets at

various locations on campus on Fridays from noon to 1 p.m.

Anson said, “The ‘Sketch-crawl’ is designed to capture everyday locations in person. Due to the locations, working in pencil or ink is a better bet than charcoal or paint, although a travel watercolor set or watercolor pencils come in handy. Given the time constraints, working quickly is a plus.”

These groups are a mere sample of the many visual and performance opportunities that are on campus making it possible for students to unleash their knack for creativity and pursue their thirst for the arts.

## ‘Fall’ into fashion this season

Panama hat and bright jeans highlight upcoming trends

**Grace Kaucic**  
**Karyn Adams**  
The Carroll News

From the colors and the layers, to the mixers and the matchers, to the warmth of the jackets in the chill of the September air, fall fashion is coming around again. Whatever your style, start prepping your fall fashion sense, and pack away your flip flops and swimsuits, because autumn wear is back again.

Certain items are necessary for fall style. There are the obvious essentials to autumn’s look, such as closed-toed shoes, thick layers and denim. A very important part of fashion is having your own personal flare. Also, the trick to moving fashion forward is to put a twist on the classic essentials. The rustic, hipster look exemplifies a “be-your-own-you” mentality. It has been all the rage this year, and the trendy, yet casual, classy yet comfortable look is perfect for fall and heading back to school.

Denim is a given in every season; all that varies are size, design and color. Conveniently, some

seasonal styles roll over. Bright colors are no longer just for the summer. Add a little pop with some neon colored jeans.

Another trend coming around is destructed jeans. More denim options include exciting prints, from florals to plaids to animal. They pair well with solid colors and are “a fantastic way to incorporate some pattern into your look,” according to collegefashion.net. Check out coated jeans, which have a waxy, leather-like texture and give any closet an edgy look.

Finally, acid wash jeans are making yet another comeback. They’re casual and pair comfortably with a slouchy sweater or vintage T-shirt. Col-



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**Heed the call of the wild and join the denim animal print epidemic.**

legefashion.net offers more jeans suggestions to accommodate any mood.

Another trend that is making an appearance this season is color blocking. Magazines such as the August 2012 editions of Allure and InStyle both suggest that pairing neutral colored tones with bright pops of neon is perhaps the classiest way to attract attention to yourself and your fashion sense. The best way to achieve this look is to start with neutral, earthy tones; for example, a white blouse with a cream or navy blazer.

Next, choose an eye-catching pair of brightly-colored shorts or jeans. According to Collegeloss.com, a website designed to promote the latest fashion trends for college students, orange has been voted this upcoming fall’s “it” color, especially when dealing with colored denim.

Burnt orange will really bring an autumn vibe to any outfit, and pairing it with the navy blazer previously mentioned provides a

chic contrast.

To finish the look and pull it all together, throw on some bright, chunky jewelry and wedges and voila; you’re ready to turn some heads on your way to class. For extra boldness, give yourself a bright red lip and some bright, shimmery eyeshadow to really capture the runway look. The best part about color blocking is that there are countless options for you to add your own individuality, and it never goes out of style.

A final trend that you can try this fall is the Panama hat. Very similar to a fedora, the Panama hat is a bit rounder and taller, and is described by Collegeloss.com as a “new classic.” You can rock this hat on almost any occasion: in the classroom, on a romantic date, to girls’ night out or even just on your weekly errand run. No matter what you pair it with, you



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**Say hello to the Fedora’s cousin, the Panama hat.**

can always count on ending up with a cute, polished look.

The important thing to remember about fall fashion this year is to bring out your own sense of style with each trend.

The sole purpose of fashion is to present yourself in a unique way that displays your creativity and confidence. So, keep in mind while you’re trying on those exotic animal print jeans and bright blazers that expressing your own style truly is the best way to impress.



Photo from ketiscloset.blogspot.com

**The colorblock dress combines two main themes this fashion season: class and individuality.**

## Entertainment Calendar

Check out what’s happening in Cleveland this week!

9.6

**Tom Papa**

Hilarities 4th Street Theatre  
8 p.m.  
\$15

9.7

**Dance Showcase**

The Palace Theatre  
7 p.m.  
Free Admission

9.8

**Psycho Circus Paint Party**

Sherwin-Gilmour Party Center  
9 p.m.  
\$12

9.9

**Harp and Heels**

14th Street Theatre  
2 p.m.  
\$25

# The how-to “survival” guide for college

It may not be Bear Grylls’ advice, but it will get you through your freshman year and you’ll live to tell the tale

Commentary by  
Jessica Lipold  
The Carroll News

When you first graduate high school and are going to college, everyone gives out advice. From parents, to friends, to the old creepy guy living down the street, people seem to know how to “survive” college, even if they themselves have never been there. There is, however, a difference between merely surviving college and actually experiencing it and growing from it. Here are some tips on how to not only survive college but how to grow from it and to have fun too.

1. Go to class and study. This is probably the most obvious piece of advice, but it is the most important, most of the time. It is nearly impossible these days to get a decent job without a college degree, especially in this recession, which is why getting a degree is so important (as if you haven’t heard this a million times). Also, considering most people are probably not getting a full ride at John Carroll, no one wants to pay more for college because they did not go to class or study the first time around, or the second time around for that matter. So put down those red Solo cups and pick up a book, preferably one of your textbooks.

2. Make new friends. Some people come to JCU knowing no one, which is the perfect opportunity to make new friends. Others come to John Carroll with their significant other or best friend, which should not be an excuse for failing to make new friends. Making new friends is an essential part of the college experience and you should keep making new friends all four years of college as well.

If you surround yourself with the same people all the time, you are not going to

grow as a human being. Besides, people get tired of hanging out with the same people all the time anyway, which is another great excuse to make new friends.

3. Get involved, but not too involved. At JCU there are over 100 clubs and activities in which to get involved. Join something, anything. However, you do not want to become too involved and become overwhelmed. No one wants to be that person running around like a chicken with their head cut off because they are

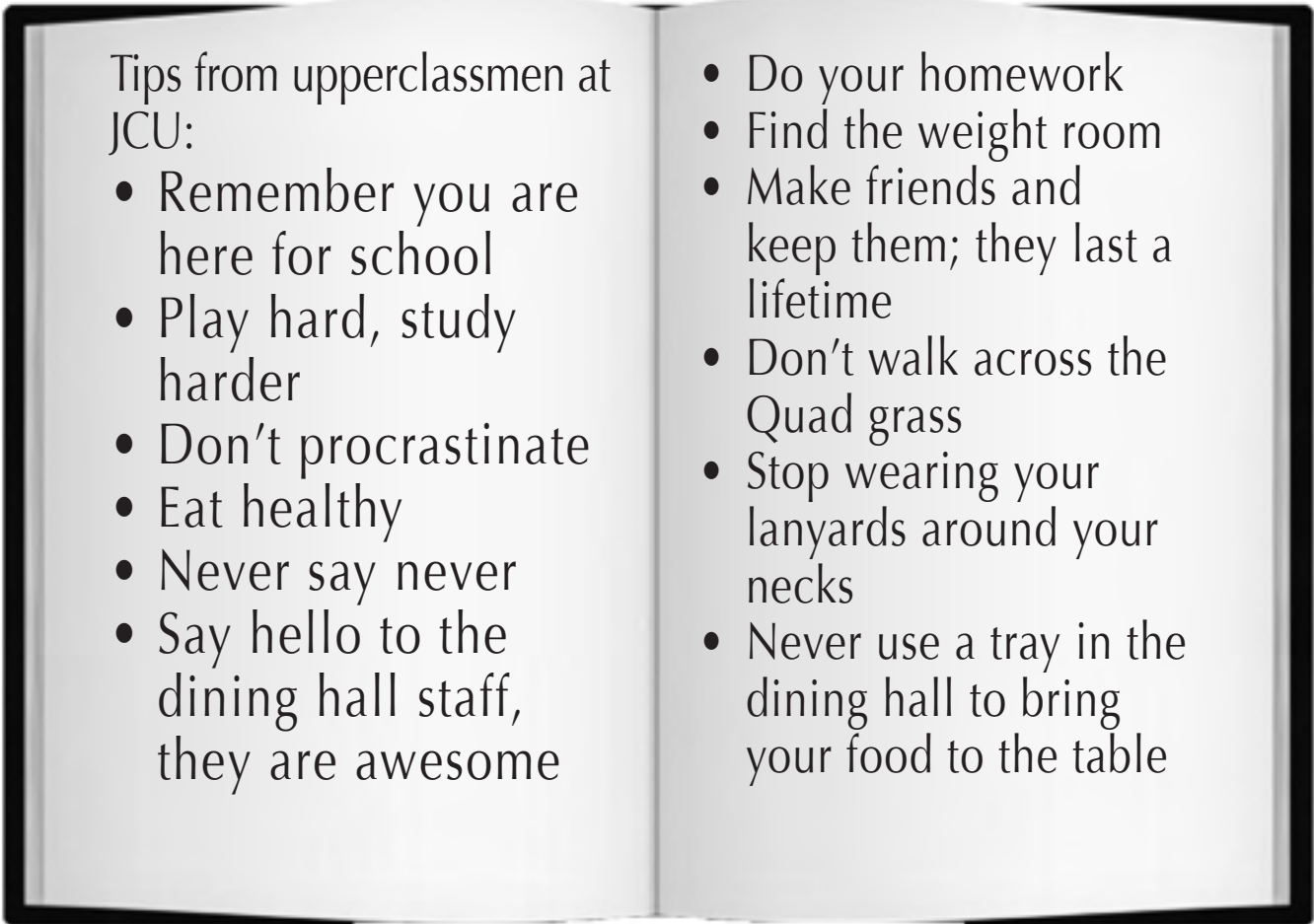
too involved. Balance is essential, so learn how to pick and choose the activities to be involved in and learn to say no to those activities you can do without.

4. Take care of yourself. Don’t be the smelly kid in the hall that everyone talks about. No one wants to smell bad breath either. So shower and brush your teeth, for everyone else’s sake. Please. Also don’t take life too seriously. While getting good grades is important, it is not all there is to college. So don’t give yourself a heart

attack over every little assignment. It’s not worth it.

Have some fun too. Go see a movie, shop at Legacy or attend an SUPB event. Go tour some houses on Warrensville if you want as well. Just make sure to have some “you” time.

Go out, have some fun and experience the sometimes wonderful world of being a college student. If this advice is followed, you will not only survive college, but actually love it ... maybe.



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## The do’s and don’ts of being a good roommate

For those who are new and those who need work, read some tips on how to be a better roomie

- Don’t eat your roommate’s food
  - Don’t wear your roommate’s shower shoes
  - Don’t walk around recklessly early in the morning or late at night
- Do turn off the TV if it is late at night
  - Do ask permission to use their things
  - Do respect their space
  - Do your laundry
- Don’t exclude your roommate
  - Don’t have guests late at night without permission
  - Don’t listen to your music too loud



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### Soundbites



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“Michael Clarke Duncan walked with me to the locker rooms after the Bonnar fight and told me what a great fight it was. Great memory!”

**UFC fighter Forrest Griffin on Twitter, commenting on the death of Duncan, which occurred Tuesday, September 4th.**

“The partying is long gone. Enjoy the sun & margaritas ... I’m not yet, I’m breast feeding. But have one for me!”

**Nicole “Snooki” Polizzi says, discussing her past on Twitter and with Yahoo! and her change of lifestyle.**



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## 1) Syria

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The Carroll News

After 17 months of turmoil and political insurgency, Syrian president Bashar Assad is warming to foreign aid. He recently held talks with Red Cross. President Peter Maurer and is open to improving the delivering of aid to the citizens of Syria as well as resuming prison visits. This bodes well for Syrian citizens, who have been at war with each other for some time now – especially recently, as over the past few weeks, the amount of fighting has increased greatly.

Assad is reported to have said that he “welcomes the work which the Committee (ICRC) carries out on Syrian territory as long as it is carried out in an independent and neutral way.”

As the fighting has increased, nearly 100,000 Syrian citizens fled the country, according to The United Nations Refugee Agency. The agency’s chief spokeswoman, Melissa Fleming, said, “If you do the math, it’s quite an astonishing number.” Some estimates are currently at a total of 200,000 refugees fleeing from Syria and the increasingly violent uprisings. She later added, “and it points to a significant escalation in refugee movement and people seeking asylum, and probably points to a very precarious and violent situation inside the country.” So far these words have proven true.

Over the past 17 months, what started as a small revolution that occurred from the Arab Spring soon became an all-out civil war between Assad’s men and the people of Syria who desire more political and legal rights.

The people of Syria are fleeing to neighboring Turkey, which is currently housing some 80,000 refugees. Another 8,000 are on the border or being processed by the Turkish government. If the conflict gets worse, Turkey is going to accept up to 150,000 refugees. The nation of Jordan has 77,000 refugees and is also expecting up to 150,000 total refugees. They are currently building up more camps to accommodate the influx of Syrian civilians fleeing their nation.

The fighting is spreading to Syria’s two major cities, the capital, Damascus, and the commercial hub of Aleppo. 264,000 are currently taking shelter in public buildings in Aleppo, which will create a host of problems once the war escalates severely there. The escalation will result in many people being uprooted from their homeland and forced into the neighboring countries of Turkey, Lebanon or Iraq.

## 2) Euro Crisis

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The Carroll News

Monday morning proved a good start to the week for Europe regarding the stock market. This was the second day of a significant rise of stocks. Further stimulus efforts are in the works, as is growth from the central banks.

The shares in Spain climbed for its best gain in two weeks. IBEX 35, Spain’s stock market index, went up .22 percent, which proved good news as it is fighting to avoid the same fate as Greece. France’s CAC 40 index went up .61 percent, London’s FTSE index .30 percent, and Germany’s DAX 30 index went up .23 percent.

Policy makers will have to follow up with this good news, ensuring they will take the necessary steps to keep the stimulus going.

Investors are raising speculation of Greece as meetings are to be held there this week to consider matters needed to take into control for the country. The country has faced a shrink in the economy to 6.2 percent as compared to the period of last year.

The European Central Bank’s plan to buy more bonds might not be enough according to market specialists, as matters in some countries are headed for continual faltering. The economies of Spain and Italy are also in main focus because of their borrowing costs rising each day. The potential purchased bonds will raise expectations on a reduction of these borrowing costs given by the central banks.

The chairman of the Federal Reserve, Ben Bernanke, said that he would not rule out further stimulus efforts for Europe.

Europe’s crisis is on a thin line and there will be two essential meetings this week to put things into perspective. Italy’s prime minister Mario Monti will greet Francois Hollande, the president of France, in Rome. Germany’s chancellor Angela Merkel, met with the European Union president, Herman Van Rompuy, in Berlin as well on Tuesday. These meetings were held to discuss the central banker’s agreement to defend the Euro from a possible bond-market disaster.

Merkel addressed a crowd with attention on the face that Germany would plan to show solidarity with Europe and has agreed to present an important position in fighting Europe’s crisis at the ECB.

## 3) South Africa

Katie Warner  
Staff Reporter

Global attention has shifted in recent weeks to areas throughout South Africa as unrest in the mining industry takes the political stage.

What began as a series of labor strikes across regions of South Africa has ended in bloodshed, wrongful convictions, a public outcry and has recently culminated in a muddled prosecution and dropped charges.

Tensions began in mid-August at the Marikana platinum mine of Lonmin in South Africa, as miners stopped their work in protest and demanded a substantial pay raise as well as recognition of a new union. Over 270 miners took part in the strike but were soon defeated in their efforts when police arrived at the scene and opened fire.

According to a report from BBC News Africa, “Police said they opened fire on the strikers at Marikana after being threatened by a crowd of protesters who advanced towards them, armed with machetes.”

Although the police assert that they were acting in a manner of self-defense, the protest ended in bloodshed and the loss of 34 miners. The remaining 270 protestors were arrested on site and charged with the murders of the 34 who were shot and killed.

On Sunday, after weeks of public outcry aimed towards the government, prosecutors decided to set aside the murder charges against the 270 striking miners. Since then, 50 South African miners have been set free.

“The prosecution announced the murder charges would be suspended until the outcome of a judge-led inquiry into the events of August 16 at the Lonmin-owned Marikana platinum mine,” reported BBC News Africa. The miners will be released in batches with no bail requirements.

While miners celebrate their release, many are left to question the strategic moves made by the prosecution, a move that was reminiscent of the all too familiar apartheid-era rule.

According to a report from The Wall Street Journal, South Africa’s state prosecutor charged 270 protestors under the “common purpose” doctrine, an apartheid-era law that allows authorities to lay charges for a crime against a group of people because of their association to a larger group.

During the apartheid era, which ended in 1994, the white minority held a majority of the power and utilized the “common



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**South African President Jacob Zuma speaks to reporters regarding the mining situation.**

purpose” doctrine to oppress its black opponents.

The now governing African National Congress has vehemently opposed this type of regime and its standards and reports that “questions and eyebrows have been raised regarding the National Prosecuting Authority’s prosecutorial strategy,” according to The Wall Street Journal.

The situation hits close to home as the police brutality has been reported as the worst bloodbath in the country since the end of the apartheid in 1994.

While the miners celebrate a small victory in their release, talks continue in hope of resolving the clash, and the protestors are due back in court in February to face charges of public violence and holding an illegal gathering. The mine remains closed in the meantime.

Jacob Zuma, South Africa’s president, commented on the crisis as concerns over rising platinum prices mounted, saying, “We cry with you, all of us ... It is not acceptable for people to die where talks can be held,” according to The Washington Post.

The labor unrest has sparked a series of similar protests across South Africa, the most recent taking place Monday near Johannesburg in which four were injured. The tensions arising from the mining industry serve as a reflection of the political unrest and perceived inequalities across the nation as a whole since the dissolution of the apartheid.

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# Campaign 2012

## Republican Convention makes its mark



Mitt Romney made his Republican nomination acceptance speech last Thursday.

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For the Republican party, August centered on only one political event: the Republican National Convention. Scheduled to feature several events on Monday, including a speech by Ann Romney, the convention had to be postponed due to tumultuous weather brought on by Hurricane Isaac.

To the great disappointment of the Latino voting base, very little attention was paid to Republican candidate Mitt Romney's likely plans for immigration legislation. During a speech on Tuesday, Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida, said that there could not be any decision made on immigration laws as long as Democrats and Republicans failed to come to a compromise on the matter. On the same day, former Sen. Mel Martinez (R-Fla.) an-

nounced that Romney would not reveal his plans for immigration reform until the end of his campaign.

Also occurring on Tuesday were speeches by New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and Romney's wife, Ann Romney. Although Christie excited the audience, it took over 16 minutes for him to speak about Romney. Romney's speech, on the other hand, had the sole purpose of promoting her husband's personality. She spoke of meeting him in high school, and described the growth of their relationship into what it is today. The importance of her speech was made clear by the constant applause in the audience and was used as the main tool to make Romney appear more relatable to the public.

Wednesday marked Paul Ryan's acceptance of the vice presidential nomination. He opened by comparing Romney to President Obama, explaining that Romney's "...whole

life has prepared him for [the presidency] — to meet serious challenges in a serious way, without excuses and idle words." He also stated, "After four years of getting the run-around, America needs a turnaround, and the man for the job is Gov. Mitt Romney."

However, Ryan's speech was mainly characterized by the stretching of truths and a lack of fact-checking. He alleged that the Obama administration has taken over \$700 million from Medicare in order to pay for the Affordable Care Act; in reality, that figure amounts to the anticipated savings over the course of ten years.

Additionally, the vice-presidential nominee connected Obama with the shutdown of a General Motors plant in the city where Ryan was raised. "A lot of guys I went to high school with worked at that GM plant," Ryan explained. "Right there at that plant, candidate Obama said: 'I believe that if our government is there to support you ... this plant will be here for another hundred years.... Well, as it turned out, that plant didn't last another year. It is locked up and empty to this day.'"

Finally, Ryan accused Obama of causing Standard & Poor's to lower the credit rating of the United States from a AAA rating to that of AA in 2011. Thursday, the final day of the convention, featured Mitt Romney accepting the nomination to be the Republican presidential candidate. Today the time has come for us to put the disappointments of the last four years behind us," Romney said, "to put aside the divisiveness and the recriminations; to forget about what might have been; and to look ahead to what can be. Now is the time to restore the promise of America."

Contrary to prior expectations that the Republican National Convention would boost Romney in the polls by as much as 11 points, there has been little change since its conclusion.

## Firing Lane



**Sam Lane**  
World News Editor

## A New Party

Well, here it was, the moment many of us had been waiting for. There were threats of hurricane, potential protests by opposing ideologies, along with other tiny, yet crucial issues. Yet the Republican National Convention went on as planned with millions of Americans watching.

To many, the three days in Tampa appeared to be nothing more than a run-of-the mill convention. There were the keynote speakers, political tributes and the closing with the presidential candidate's speech, which is exactly what makes the difference as well.

The first look is at the speakers: Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey, Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida and even the vice presidential nominee, Paul Ryan. These men had certain qualities that were rather obscure when compared to past conventions. These men were either in their first terms of their respective offices or were not statewide officeholders. Furthermore, all three men were under the age of fifty and non-WASP. Although this has not been a first for the Republican Party, it is uncommon for the party to host this demographic. In fact, it was just four years ago that many coined the Republican Party as one made up of old, white Christians. Well, the party may not have strayed completely from this label, but they certainly have made progress in terms of their image.

Convention rhetoric has begun to change as well. During previous conventions, there had been strong emphasis on conservative social issues, support for military strength and strong displays of patriotism. Ironically, economic issues, despite Reagan's influence, were only highlighted as a status-quo issue for conservatism. This time, there was almost a complete reversal. Fiscal issues were dominant; the rest was clearly just taken from the standard script. The biggest sign of this was when Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky called out support for the military, indicating that a strong military contributes to the country's financial burden. It is unlikely that this claim would have been welcomed under John McCain's "Country First" slogan in 2008. Taking all this into account, it is apparent that the Republican is moving toward the party of economic ideals, a party that aims to keep watch on the nation's fiscal issues.

The party is also beginning to become a youthful party. This may sound odd, considering the fact that this is the party that supports policies that are not always beneficial to America's youth. But when looking at the Republican roster in congress, there are younger members than the Democrats. In some ways, this is just timing for some, but the bigger picture is in regards to the fact that fiscal issues appeal much more to this generation than the previous one. Young people who wish to enter into politics also have some desire to gain financial perks along with their service, which Republicans highlight more than Democrats.

So in the end, one question is: Will these changes be beneficial to the party? Not immediately, but it is progress. There is one thing that this tells voters, it is that the party is not as out of touch as it seems to have been the last 20 years. Sticking to the situation of the economy rather than social issues demonstrates clear understanding of the tasks at hand. If it doesn't work for 2012, 2016 could certainly be a good year.

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## President reacts to the RNC

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Despite the 2012 Republican National Convention, which was held between Aug. 27 to the 30 in Tampa, Fla., causing Gov. Mitt Romney to fill a narrowing point gap in the presidential race, the President Obama's team reported high spirits after last Wednesday's closing of the convention. While different polls have reported that Romney has now gained the edge over Obama, David Axelrod, a head staffer for the president, said, "I saw absolutely no movement, and I don't think there would have been... People walked away unsatisfied from that convention...The race is exactly where it was before they walked in, and now it is our turn."

Axelrod also asserted that Romney missed a precious opportunity to sway the undecided vote by failing to address specifics, especially on how he plans to move the ailing economy forward.

When the president himself was questioned about his reaction to the 2012 Republican National Convention he said, "I have to tell you that I didn't watch the convention last week, but I read about it and heard their accounts."

However, that did not stop the President from taking an aggressive stance against the various speeches and accounts that took place over the three day convention. The president stated, "If you didn't DVR it, let me recap it for you. Everything's bad. It's Obama's fault. And Gov. Romney is the only one who knows the secret to creating jobs and growing the economy. There was a lot of talk about

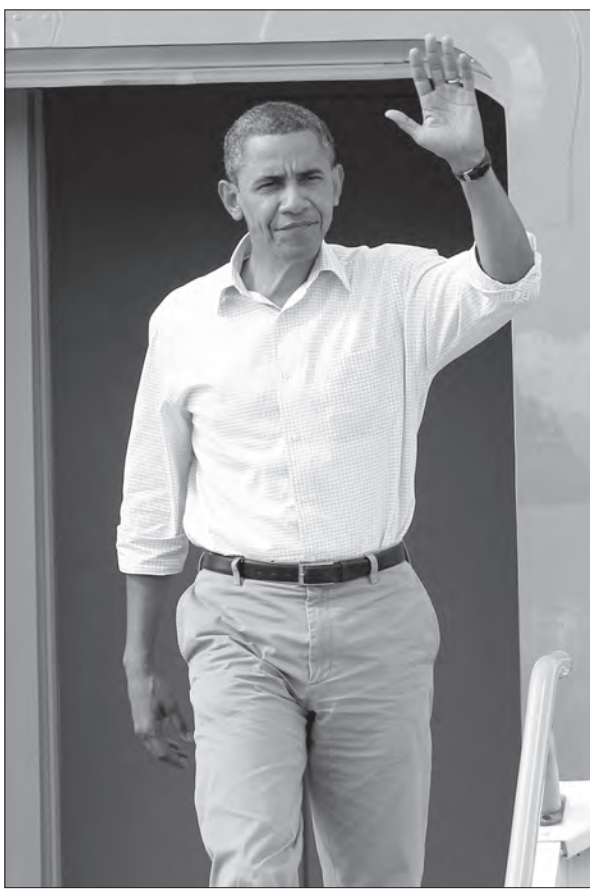
hard truths and bold choices but nobody ever bothered to tell you what they were."

The president then went on to say, "When Gov. Romney has a chance to let you in on his secret, he did not offer a single new idea. Just retreads of the same old policies that have been sticking it to the middle class for years."

John Carroll University professor Colin Swearingen, who specializes in U.S. politics and elections, predicts that the American public is not likely to hear specifics from either party throughout the race. Swearingen said: "General speeches [at the convention] won't be about specifics... each of the conventions has to walk a fine line between satisfying the partisans and attracting swing voters." Swearingen is not optimistic about the President offering specifics as to what his second term could bring either. As to Romney's rise in the polls, Swearingen highlighted that conventions often result in an increase in popularity for the candidate.

However, he noted that, "convention bounces are short-lived," meaning Obama can expect an increase in the polls with the onset of the Democratic National Convention this week.

The president will look to raise support this



**President Barack Obama arriving at New Orleans to inspect damage from Hurricane Isaac. He will speak tonight at the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte.**

week at the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC., where he's hoping to widen the gap between himself and Romney.

# Rough month puts beating on Samsung stock

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The past several weeks have not been incredibly kind to the Korean-based electronics maker Samsung. Over this time frame there was a major legal event that was not ideal for the company and took a toll on its reputation.

If you own a smartphone or a tablet, you may be at least somewhat familiar with the ongoing legal battles between Apple and Samsung over these devices.

Long story short, Apple accused Samsung of creating a wide array of “copycat” products based off theirs and argued that they are flooding the market, thus hindering sales.

Most recently, Apple targeted the Galaxy S III smartphone, which they claimed is nearly an identical product. They claimed that this product infringed on its patent rights and should be banned.

So far Samsung took a beating, as the case turned in Apple’s favor. Although Samsung products haven’t been fully banned yet, they are to pay Apple roughly \$1 billion in damages for copyright infringement.

Apple has also revised its claim within the past week and seeks to bar Samsung from further infringement while claiming more damages.

However, the legal battle rages on outside of the United States as well and has battle-grounds in four continents over a myriad of other patent issues. Within the past few days, a judge in Tokyo ruled that Samsung didn’t violate Apple patents regarding music synchronization.

A week prior in Seoul, a judge found that both companies were guilty of infringing on each others’ patents. Overall, the two companies are exchanging legal victories and losses, left and right.

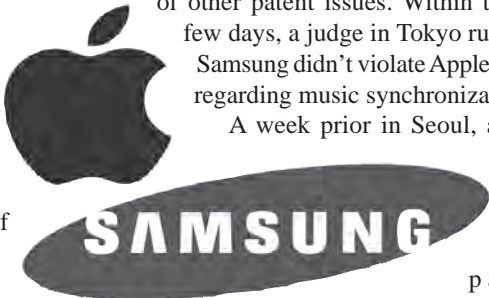
As long as these two behemoth electronics producers are in legal gridlock, it is hard to be optimistic about Samsung. The massive damages Samsung has been ordered to pay may well strike a cord, at least with American investors.

The smartphone space is a considerable part of Samsung’s revenues, and this segment will now carry a negative reputation as well as uncertainty about the success of the Galaxy S III and future products.

There is some evidence of this in the markets. If you look up Samsung’s ticker (005930:KS) and how they’ve been trading in the South Korean stock exchange, you can see a pretty significant drop in share price over the last month. At the stock’s peak in August, it was trading for 1,348,000 KRW (South Korean Won). However, with the plethora of bad news revolving in these legal proceedings, stock has fallen considerably as it is trading for 1,219,000 KRW. Looking forward, it is hard to say what the scale of all Samsung’s troubles will be.

With any more bad news from Samsung, Wall Street could continue to see a drop in share price. Samsung, however, is well diversified in the electronics space and is not overly dependent on smartphone sales.

One might consider purchasing this stock when all is said and done with these lawsuits and when the price is a low buy. Once all the dust of these legal battles settles, I would expect to see Samsung climb back up in value.



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## MONEY MART



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### High waters ahead on Wall Street for Facebook stock?

The Wall Street Journal reported that due to recent investigation into the performance of Facebook stock, the worst may be yet to come for the social media giant.

Beginning in late October of this year, 247 million shares will be available for sale. Then, on Nov. 14, 1.24 billion shares will be released to the public.

In other words, 70 percent of the company’s shares outstanding today will be eligible for sale. These shares are becoming eligible for sale as their “lockup” ends.

The term “lockup” refers to the time, usually after a company’s initial public offering, that investors must hold onto their shares before selling them.

A flood of shares may hit the market for the social media company once that lockup period ends. This would add insult to injury when speaking of the disappointing performance of Facebook stock since its initial public offering.

The WSJ also reported that the third quarter will be a big opportunity for Facebook to prove to the investing world that they are worth investing.

Many on Wall Street felt that the initial public offering of Facebook would have been more worthwhile in 2011. At that time, the social media company had been in a better period of growth.

This third quarter could see Facebook become even more valuable than it already is and the stock price will not take as large of a hit as many are predicting. But this could just be wishful thinking.

As November comes closer and its lockup periods end, will investors hold onto those shares and ride out the storm?

David Weidner of The WSJ is not convinced. He feels that even more hard times will be seen by Facebook and their stock price come Thanksgiving.

It was reported that other Internet and social media sites, such as Groupon, have had trouble after their own lockup periods.

Most recently, LinkedIn reported gains in their last quarter as well as positive stock performance after its lockup period ended this summer.

Mark Zuckerberg and Facebook will hope that investors hold onto those shares and do not sell them once it is legally available to do so.

Even as the stock trades at half of what its IPO was listed at, many on Wall Street may be ready to cut their losses and move on from the investment.

Needless to say, Facebook and its investors must prepare for this fall and what may be on the horizon for its stock price. If David Weidner of The WSJ is correct, then perhaps it is about time for investors to prepare to sell their Facebook stock.

The end of the lockup period is approaching quickly and the flood of shares to the market may significantly lower the stock price of the company.

The coming months will be important for Facebook to show that they are capable of sustainable growth. The future of their company on Wall Street depends on how the investors react to the end of the lock up period for their shares.

That being said, Zuckerberg and company should be preparing for the worst. Facebook investors may not be feeling so ‘thankful’ this November.

# Libor manipulation leads to lawsuits

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Staff Reporter

The London Interbank Offered Rate, or Libor, has a direct impact on financial instruments across the globe. It is a crucial benchmark for short-term interest rates worldwide, and represents the average interest rate estimated by leading banks in London that they would be charged when borrowing from other banks.

During the financial crisis four years ago, Libor rates were manipulated, which has caused a ripple effect of resignations, stricter regulation of the financial sector and allegations against banks that contribute to setting the rate.

The Wall Street Journal reported recently that banks being probed for interest-rate manipulation potentially face “tens of billions of dollars” in claims from dozens of lawsuits in the U.S.

Libor is published each business day by the British Bankers Association at 11:45 a.m. GMT. Certain contributor banks, depending on which currency is involved with the rate, report their perceived federal funds rates to a third party calculating agent named Thomson Reuters. The middle 50 percent of this rate

information is averaged to make the actual Libor rates. Libor rates have 15 separate maturities, with 10 separate currencies for each. The Libor rate serves as a reference for the pricing of financial products worth an estimated \$350 trillion. These products include floating rate mortgages, savings accounts, car loans, student loans and credit cards.

In early July of this year, U.K.-based investment bank Barclays Capital admitted to lying in its Libor submissions during the financial crisis. The British Broadcasting Corporation reported that Barclays was frequently lobbied by its derivatives traders to put in figures which would benefit their trading positions, in order to produce a profit for the bank.

The staff put in artificially low figures to avoid the suspicion that Barclays was under financial stress and thus having to borrow at noticeably higher rates than its competitors. Barclays Capital’s CEO Bob Diamond, COO Jerry Del Missier, and Chairman Marcus Agius have resigned, and 20 banks have undergone investigation. These banks include and are not limited to Bank of America Corp., Citigroup Inc. and J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.

According to The WSJ, Barclays Capital paid \$453 million in a settlement with the U.S. and U.K. regulators, which “triggered a burst of new lawsuits” against the Barclays and the other financial institutions and the other banks under investigation.

These lawsuits are being claimed by U.S. cities, insurers, investors and lenders, reports The WSJ. The banks have filed motions asking the courts to dismiss the main suits due to the plaintiffs “failing to show the banks acted together to manipulate the rate.”

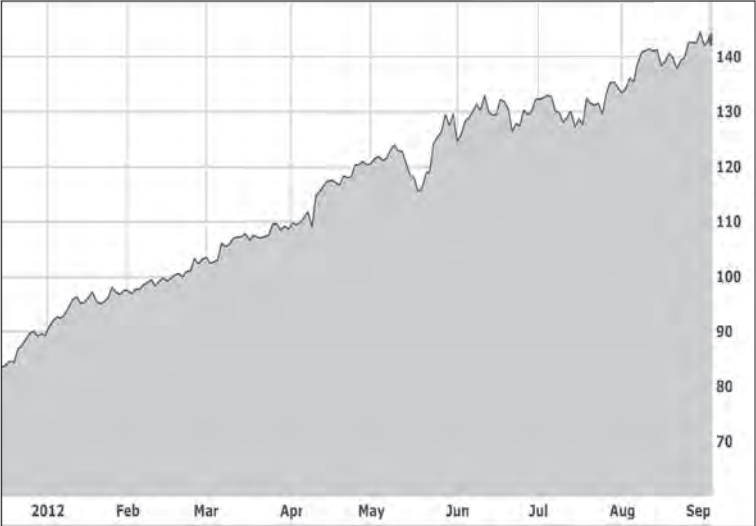
Macquarie Group, a global investment banking and diversified financial services group, reported that the suspect contributor banks face a potential legal liability of about \$176 billion, based on the assumption that Libor was understated by .04 percentage points in 2008 and 2009. This statistic partly shows the magnitude Libor has on our global financial system.

Regulatory investigations are now being conducted on the banks allegedly involved. According to investopedia.com, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or CFTC, is working with Barclays to develop a more transparent and robust rate-setting process.

## Cleveland Company Spotlight

### Sherwin-Williams

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- Public company traded on New York Stock Exchange (SHW)
- 564 branches worldwide
- Revenue: \$7.8 billion
- Share price: \$143 per share
- Market cap: 14.69 billion
- Website: [www.sherwin-williams.com](http://www.sherwin-williams.com)



SHW share prices from January 2012 to Sept. 4, 2012.

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**Thursday, September 13, 2012**

**Mass will be held at Noon in Gesu Church.**

(Across Miramar Blvd. from Rodman Hall)

- A lunch will follow immediately after the liturgy
- No classes or labs will be held between Noon-2:30 p.m.

**See below for an adjusted class schedule.**

Original Class Time	Adjusted Class Time
8:00-9:15am	8:00-8:50am
9:30-10:45am	9:00-9:50am
11:00am-12:15pm	10:00-10:50am
12:30-1:45pm	11:00-11:50am
2:00-3:15pm	2:30-3:20pm

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Henry David Thoreau

# AUDITIONS!

The Tim Russert Department of Communication and Theatre Art  
Fall productions

**Dates: September 5 (7-9pm Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 only),  
September 6 (5-7pm all productions and 8-10pm One Acts only),  
September 7 (5-7pm)**

Auditions for Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 are in Kulas Auditorium  
Auditions for the One Acts are in Marinello Little Theatre  
Auditions are open to all JCU students, Staff and Faculty

**THE Musical Comedy Murders of 1940**  
**Plays November 2-11**  
**BY John Bishop**  
**Directed by Martin Friedman**

Be prepared to read from the script. Call backs will be held on Friday September 7 if needed.

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and the infamous Broadway "slasher" making his appearance during  
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four different people and you've got an evening of laughter.**

**Cast requirements (5 Males, 5 Females)**

## Marinello One Act Series: Plays October 18-21

### Math for Actors

Directed by Ali Karolczak

Math meets mayhem when studious Kate agrees to tutor Keith, an arrogant actor who's more interested in Kate than in calculus. He shows up late, he's still in costume, and he doesn't know or care what the angle of inclination is. Answering such burning questions as how many actors it takes to screw in a light bulb, Math for Actors explores the relationship between art and algebra, and finds a common denominator.

Cast requirements: 1 male, 1 female

### The Jewish Wife

By Bertold Brecht

Directed by Sara Abbott

When the curtain goes up we find Judith Keith packing her bags. We find out that she is a Jew married to an Aryan and Hitler's propaganda is beginning to infiltrate their lives. Fritz, a surgeon, has been facing some unpleasantness at work on her account and she worries it is all going to get much worse. By now Judith has worked herself up into near hysteria as she lashes out at the powers that have divided the country and its people.

Cast Requirements: 1 Male, 1 Female

## Talk To Me Like The Rain...And Let me Listen

By Tennessee Williams

Directed by Robert (Bo) Smith

A favorite with actors—it's a two person play. There are two unnamed characters: man and Woman. They live in a cold water flat on the Lower East side. He is drunk. She is wasting away to nothing. There is intimacy between the-the intimacy of desperation.

Cast Requirements: 1 man, 1 woman



Scripts are available after August 31 from the Dept. Secretary at  
O'Malley center #45 - between 10am and 5pm!  
Questions? Call Keith Nagy at 216-397-4308

## Editorial

### Renovation station

Starting this past summer, the facilities department began several projects to renovate and beautify certain areas on campus, including restorations of the Grasselli Tower, the Boler School of Business and Millor Hall.

Though temporarily inconvenient, these projects are worthy investments that will help the school to improve itself and be more attractive to prospective students.

There are several water projects underway on campus, including two fountains: one that will be built on Dauby Plaza, located northeast of Boler, in front of the Mary statue; the other will be St. Ignatius Plaza, located directly in front of St. Francis Chapel, once the University has raised adequate funds.

With a huge renovation of Murphy Hall planned, many are concerned about the effects that this will have on student housing for the '13-'14 school year.

Rather than doing several huge projects all at once and creating a major inconvenience, as in the case of Murphy Hall, which will complicate distribution in on-campus housing, consistent maintenance and gradual renovations can expedite construction when major renovations take place for these buildings.

The University should also consider the timeline of these projects, as many of the current students will not be able to appreciate their final product, but will have to tolerate the burden of construction.



Cartoon by Nicholas Sciarappa

## Editorial

### Hands off

University Heights City Council recently banned texting while driving for all motorists and drivers under the age of 18 from using any wireless electronic devices while behind the wheel.

The use of cellphones while driving, in any capacity, is dangerous and it is important that lawmakers take note of that and enforce laws that will keep people safe while on the road. It is important that state and local laws are the same.

In University Heights, an officer must have another reason to pull a driver over, such as reckless driving. However, even if it is suspected that a driver is texting and driving, it seems like it would be hard to prove that texting was taking place as a secondary offense.

In Beachwood, the law is different. Cellphone use for all drivers has been banned, unless it is hands-free.

Cities across the region need to make their laws consistent with one another. While the law is good in that it will promote safer driving practices, it is difficult for drivers keep track of variations in the laws in closely neighboring suburbs, like Beachwood and University Heights. Region-wide consistency in cellphone laws would help to eliminate confusion for drivers.

Younger generations are increasingly technologically reliant so it is important and fitting that these laws be enforced early on in drivers' careers.

## NOTABLE QUOTABLE



“We’re in a different America today than my mother and grandmother, so, of course, since the circumstances have changed, the politics have changed.”

— Julián Castro, the first Latino to deliver the keynote address at the Democratic National Convention

## HIT & miss

**Hit:** The first issue of The Carroll News **miss:** Hurricane Isaac **miss:** Riots in North Belfast, Ireland **Hit:** The return to campus for the new school year **miss:** Homework also returns **Hit/miss:** McDonald’s will open two vegetarian restaurants in India next year **Hit:** The Inn Between changes the menu **miss:** It still takes forever to get a sandwich **Hit:** September looks to be a great month for the music industry **Hit:** Clint Eastwood is special guest speaker at the RNC **miss(ing):** Obama in the chair **Hit/miss:** FRESHMEN **miss:** Bomber in Afghanistan kills at least 20 at funeral **Hit:** Julian Castro is the first Latino to deliver the keynote address at the DNC **Hit:** The Olympics **Hit/miss:** Stanford study casts doubt on the health benefits of organic foods **Hit:** Murphy Hall to be renovated for the first time in its history **miss:** Potential costs of said renovation **Hit:** The McDonald’s on Warrensville is now open until 11 p.m., with the drive-thru open until midnight

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## OURVIEW



**Spencer German**  
Campus Editor

Let me start by saying that I have a very strong, passionate, tenacious dislike for texting.

That being said, I'm probably texting as you read this sentence.

But before you call me a hypocrite, let me defend myself by saying, unfortunately, I, like many other people in the world today, have been forced to accept texting as a common part of our culture, and in my adaptation to the changing world, I do it. But, again, if I had it my way, I'd get rid of it all together.

In my eyes, texting is completely ruining our society. That might be a bold statement, but as a communication major, it is one I stand behind 100 percent.

Texting puts our society backwards from how people are actually supposed to interact. I'm all about one-on-one, personal interactions with getting to know someone by being around them, spending time with them, and asking questions about them, which in turn leads to conversation. In a

## Call me maybe?

text, I can barely even tell when someone is being sarcastic, angry, excited or even upset. There is no emotion in texting, and emotion is the best way to connect with people.

Texting is even worse when it comes to someone you might like or have feelings for. I'm sure we have all had those situations where we have a million thoughts running through our head like "Should I text them? I don't want to bother them... But if I don't text them, someone else might be right now. What if they think I'm not interested anymore? But what if they're busy, I wouldn't want to get annoying or overwhelming... but I should go for it... right?" And then when you do send that text it's "Why haven't they responded?" Or, "How long should I wait to text back after they text back?" And "How do I respond to 'LOL'?"

Not fun.

People have a better relationship with their phone than they do with the person they are trying to talk to through it.

Believe it or not, for centuries-people had relationships without texting, and I guarantee if they could do it, so can we. But it's now so ingrained in our society

that it seems like there's no going back. To me texting just makes things harder.

Add onto that problems with texting and driving, people sneakily texting during class instead of paying attention to that day's lecture and those awkward times when you're having a conversation with someone and they start texting while you're talking, and you pretty much have nothing good.

I admit wholeheartedly that texting is a valuable tool. It allows us to keep in touch with one another like never before. It makes it easy to confirm an appointment or meeting with someone like we do when we're meeting up with our crew to head to lunch in the dining hall. And it allows us to share and spread information faster than ever before.

With all that in mind though the positives don't outweigh the negative effects I believe it has had on our society. Bottom line: I'd take phone calls and personal interactions with people over texting any day.

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## Cooney Meets World: This year, look forward



**Dan Cooney**  
Editor in Chief

Three years ago, I walked into a half-empty room in Sutowski Hall and moved in with my bins of stuff. At the time, all I could see in front of me were empty walls; I had no idea what was going to transpire over the next few years. Was I going to like John Carroll? Could I expand my comfort zone, as college requires us to do?

The answer to both of those questions turned out to be "yes."

Thinking ahead is something I've further developed throughout my college years up to this point. As the leader of an important campus organization, forward-thinking is a necessity. That quality is also especially crucial this year because it's my last year at John Carroll.

We have a lot to look forward to... so let's highlight some of the big things going on this year.

Number one on the list is the most important: Election 2012. It really needs no explanation – you've probably seen enough campaign ads to last you until the next presidential election. The Republicans had their convention last week, and it was the Democrats' turn this week. Face-to-face debates between President Obama and Mitt Romney will start about a month from now. The first is on Oct. 3 in Denver.

I'm looking forward to how the election will shape up on campus. We college students have issues that uniquely affect us: the rising cost of college education and prospects in the job market. Last semester, The Carroll News highlighted a political issue that made waves on campus: health insurance coverage of contraception at a Catholic university.

For some of us, this is the first election when we can vote for a president. I'll be watching all the action closely as both a first-time

voter in a presidential election and a journalist.

Moving from the battle on the campaign trail to the one on the gridiron, this year's edition of Blue Streak football looks like something that deserves our collective attention. The team looked stellar in their 40-3 shellacking of St. Norbert College last week in Ireland. Starting QB Mark Myers, a transfer from Pitt, led the way with his own impressive debut. He set a new school record by throwing for 457 yards. Kudos also goes out to the defense, which limited St. Norbert to less than 100 yards of total offense in the entire game. If the Streaks continue playing like they did last week, I'm looking forward to what this season has in store. I think more people will fill Don Shula Stadium for games.

Speaking of Shula Stadium, you can expect a few more night games at the facility this year.

Because JCU and University Heights agreed to a compromise last September, instead of just one football game at night, we now have three. One of them is coming up next weekend against cross-town rival Baldwin Wallace. BW was picked to finish second in the OAC this year, so this should be an interesting game.

And, even though the years change, you can always expect The Carroll News to be a constant.

We have an eager staff that is ready to learn and grow, and I am excited to see what this year holds for all of them. I know they're going to do a great job. We're going to do our best to make the news relevant to you every Thursday when you pick up the newspaper. You're already off to a great start if you've read this column.

We have much more to expect this year, but that's all this column space will let me write. The new year offers potential for growth. So let's not see it as a blank wall, but one that has lots of room for new things.

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## Wonderword: What does ombrifuge mean?



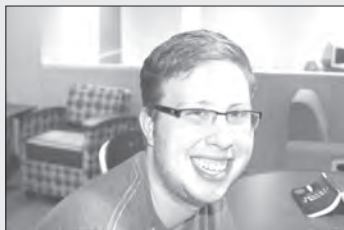
"A perpetual chicken egg army."

**Kenny Farona,**  
sophomore



"To fall in love with someone under extreme circumstances."

**Casey Hall,**  
sophomore



"A historical war fought in Great Britain over food."

**Tom Shay,**  
sophomore

**ombrifuge:** something providing shelter from the rain

## The Bayer Necessities: Teaching new dogs old tricks



**Brian Bayer**  
Managing Editor

Four years and seven days ago, a chipper, young lad walked timidly (but excitedly) to his first day of classes at John Carroll University. Although nervous, he decided to tackle the whole "college" thing with an open mind and see where that got him.

It worked.

If you haven't guessed, that dapper chap was yours truly. Needless to say, I've come a long way since then, and picked up a thing or two along the way.

So here's your Bayer-Exclusive Starter's Guide to College:

Tip one: Raise your hand, and open your mind.

My grandpa once said to me, "Brian, always, always volunteer."

He proceeded to tell me that in the

1950s, his C.O. in the Marines gave him the same advice. Several months later, right before his crew boarded the bus to head to Korea, a lieutenant came into the room and requested four volunteers to go to another destination (details withheld); naturally, good old Papa raised his hand to volunteer, without any knowledge of this new assignment – he and three others spent the next four years in air conditioned barracks in Panama safely fixing weapons, while the rest of their platoon fought in Korea.

Although no one at JCU is trying to send you to war, the advice holds true. College is a time of tremendous opportunity, and you really never know where raising your hand might take you. For me, among many other amazing experiences, I was able to go on two separate trips to El Salvador and explore a beautiful part of the world that I didn't even know existed.

Keep an open mind, and always volunteer.

Tip two: Own your body.

It's true – your body is a sanctu-

ary. But it's a sanctuary where you can throw the wildest parties and have a rockin' good time. So let's break this tip into two fun and easy categories: Eating and Sex.

If you want to go to the cafeteria and eat soft serve for breakfast, lunch and dinner, go for it. You'll probably get fat. Fortunately, a lot of people feel that big is beautiful, so pour some hot fudge on your ice cream and find yourself a lover.

If you don't want to pack on the "Freshman 15," many college students discover the majesty of exercise. Granted, exercise hurts; but there's no greater reward than looking in the mirror after a session of power yoga, elliptical-ing or pumping iron and seeing your new, hot Greek god bod.

And, of course, there's the famous "college hookup." It's Thursday night, you're down at Coventry dougie-ing the night away, when suddenly that cute girl or guy from FYS is dancing with you. Cabbie D pulls up at the end of the night, and, by some miracle of college life, you end up in his or her

room. What next?

Sex is a fact in college – and it can happen to you. Cheers. But, you should never do something with your body that you or your partner feels uncomfortable with. Just because it can happen, doesn't mean it has to.

You should know what you are comfortable doing with your body and stick to that. Ladies, if you never want more than a kiss on the hand, don't feel pressured to go beyond that. And gents, if all you want is a warm hug at the end of the night, don't think you need to fulfill some stereotyped college quota of bedroom machismo.

Tip three: Boozing vs. losing.

Just like no one will stop you from binging on frozen yogurt for all your meals, no one is really stopping you from drinking either. Want a beer? Have one. Want 32 beers? Enjoy (the hospital, as they pump your stomach).

If you don't want to drink, your true friends won't pressure you. And more power to you for having the confidence to enjoy your nights without the nectar of the gods.

If you do want to drink, go ahead and have some good, old-fashioned, responsible fun.

The most important thing is to know what happens when you drink, know your limit and don't be stupid. Alcohol is one of those things that could either make your night really fun, legitimately kill you or anything and everything between.

Moral – Be smart, have fun, don't die.

Tip four: Let it happen.

College is life unabridged, and it really only comes once. If you're a freshman, seize the next four years to define who you are. There's no better place than John Carroll to learn how to "set the world on fire."

Sophomores and juniors, you know the ropes. The time is yours to grow. Grow as a friend; grow as a student; grow as a leader; and grow as a person for others (go Jesuit or go home, right?).

And seniors – let's do this thing!

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## The Op/Ed Top Ten: Places to camp

1. The Grand Canyon
2. Stikine River Valley, British Columbia
3. Everest base camp three
4. The Quad
5. Bivouaching from a 4,000 foot vertical rock face
6. Patagonia, Chile
7. Mohican State Park
8. Beartooth Pass, Montana
9. Wai'anapanapa State Park, Hawaii
10. Te Araroa Trail, New Zealand

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## Nick's Knack: The great human road trip



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The arrival of summer vacation, Spring Break and other intermissions from the normal rhythms of life, bring with them the aroma of adventure. It's a flavor consistently resident in the caverns of the human brain and spirit that's tasted at all opportunities of deviation. When a period of liberation presents itself, it seems to have become standard procedure for humans to flee their settlements to exchange one status quo for another. The common form for these pursuits to take is that of a road trip.

This summer, I road-tripped around the perimeter of the country with John Steinbeck in a truck, called "Rocinante," and a dog, named Charley. I then hitch hiked with Christopher McCandless to various locations in the Western United States, finally settling outside of Fairbanks, Alaska, living off the land by our own devices. Finally, I travelled the world with Wade Davis, being enlightened by priceless knowledge of indigenous and realizing that the ethnocide taking place is perhaps the greatest human tragedy of our age.

Is it a coincidence that the books I read this summer all dealt with an exodus of some kind? Having no iron-clad plans to go on any adventures, I was forced, by necessity, to make such selections to help unsettle my soul and sate my wandering thirst. But why was it a matter of necessity, having such compelling power over my being that moments not spent immersed in the black and white, double-dimensioned spirit of adventure were filled with restlessness and despondency?

Many make a point during their first 20 or 25 years to explore the world and its cultures. The existence of exchange student and study abroad programs gives this opportunity to nearly every young person. As we age, it sometimes seems that a chain grows around us, tethering us to settled lives, often bringing with it more wretchedness than its supposed comfort. In many ways, the nature-denying way we live today is very wrong and causes many problems. It doesn't seem

absurd to attribute stagnant afflictions to the same culprit.

This idea cannot be more clearly illustrated than by Steinbeck, "When I was very young and the urge to be someplace else was on me, I was assured by mature people that maturity would this itch. When years described me as mature, the remedy prescribed was middle age. In middle age I was assured greater age would calm my fever and now that I am 58 perhaps senility will do the job." He encountered a strong sense of wanderlust throughout the country and the only explanation for its recurrent presence is that this desire is hard-wired in our nomadic roots as humans.

We are very different creatures than our hunting and gathering ancestors and travel plays a much different role that it has in the past. One much more psychological, but no less essential.

The adventurous spirit of humans brought our more recent ancestors to America as immigrants, in search of a better life. The same things subconsciously motivate us to get out and experience the world. How often do we become captivated by far off lands, getting glimpses of cultures and somehow forming the impression that different way of life, that beach, that religion or those mountains supersede anything to which we've ever been exposed? Every people, everywhere has their troubles. Yet, it is the hope of stumbling upon a utopia that keeps us searching.

A comfortable life never brought about many exuberant discoveries. Chris McCandless, though he died in the process, sought to have urgency force sensations and situations upon him. Often, finding that, especially in the U.S. every place and person can shockingly and frighteningly uniform. At the very least, grasping the breadth of the world could remedy our short-sighted tendencies and realize the importance of our place.

A body can feel miniscule and powerless in this world of constants and end up returning to its genesis, never again leaving. Yet, nothing will corrode the soul more than the vampiric draining powers of unanswered questions of hope.

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I guess you could say it began with John Steinbeck.

He wrote a book called "Travels with Charley," in which he describes his circumnavigation of the United States, which he did with only his poodle, Charley, for company. The book is essentially about one big camping trip.

Steinbeck's camping trip inspired our own. We ("we" being my friend Kayli and I) even tried to name our car after a literary steed, like Steinbeck did (his was named Rocinante, after Don Quixote's horse) but we could never agree on one.

Kayli and I decided to use her family's moving out of state as an excuse to go on one last circumnavigation of Michigan, and with a little help from musician Sufjan Stevens' "Greetings from Michigan: The Great Lakes State" album (the album is all about the state of Michigan), we picked a few of the choicest destinations (Sleeping Bear, The Upper Peninsula, Tahquamenon Falls, Sault Ste. Marie, Paradise, Alanson and Crooked River).

The camping trip went off without a hitch (minus that one time when we lost the car keys) and I came away from it with an appreciation for the beauty of my home state and a few tips and rules for how to survive the wilderness.

Rule number one of a camping trip: When it comes to packing, there are no set rules, other than to remember that if you forget anything it may

not be easy to get it.

If you're camping in a tent, like we did, the most important things to remember are cooking supplies (we forgot a spatula and had to make one out of two knives and duct tape). Other than that, you can take as little or as much as you want. We went the minimalist route.

Rule number two: a good outdoor playlist is vital to any camping trip. Try artists like Fleet Foxes, Bon Iver, Sufjan Stevens, Grizzly Bear, Nick Drake and Beirut — any music that is relaxing and meshes with nature, rather than disturbs it.

Rule number three: Have good food. By good food I don't mean food that is just delicious, but also good for you (gasp!). You know what I mean: granola, yogurt, fruits, vegetables, good loaves of bread, etc.

I highly encourage stopping at local farmer's markets and picking up fresh fruits and vegetables. Our wisest purchase turned out to be a small bottle of homemade maple syrup that we still talk about a month and a half later.

Rule number four: Don't let the tent stress you out (and believe me, it probably will). If you're camping in a tent, the set-up of said tent can be very stressful. Don't let it get you down. I am seriously lacking when it comes to patience, and even I can set up a tent. Most arguments while camping stem from the set-up of the tent.

The tent is the "Ikea" of camping trips, aka it has the ability to dissolve all bonds of friendship and camaraderie. To avoid this, keep in mind that

there are theories out there that a tent might actually have a mind of its own, and if all goes wrong, it is probably no one's fault. And if, despite all this, an argument gets really heated and no progress is made on the tent, scrap it and sleep in the car.

Rule number five: Stop everywhere that looks interesting. In the course of three days; I swam in three Great Lakes, climbed to the top of a lighthouse, put my toes in the lake on which Ernest Hemingway spent his summers (arguably the highlight of my summer. Yes, I am a nerd), stopped at the best little coffee shop no one knows exists, hunted for (and found) Petoskey stones and found out that there is literally nothing to do in Cheboygan, Michigan.

Take the scenic route. That's rule number six. Stick to two lane highways when you are able, and never be in any sort of rush to get from place to place. Maybe you do have someplace to be by the end of the day (in our case, our campsites), but take your time getting there.

Ramble. See as much as you can. Pack up your tent after two nights and hit the road. Be a human sponge and soak it all in.

I'm not telling you to rush through things and not take the time to fully appreciate your surroundings. Only move on when you have adequately taken in the beauty around you. Read some Emerson. Embrace your inner tree hugger.

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## Alumni Corner

Written by Rona Proudfoot '01, Alumnus of The Carroll News

This may be your first year at John Carroll or your fifth. Either way, the new year means you've earned a fresh start. I urge you — seize the opportunity and try something new.

Some of you are here with no idea what career path your college experience will take you down. Others of you have your major picked and your course charted.

I fell into the latter category when I showed up at JCU 15 years ago. I was majoring in physics and running cross country and track. I had it all figured out.

I was intrigued, however, to hear that The Carroll News was looking for writers. All I knew was writing sounded like fun, and the idea of having my name in the paper was pretty cool, too.

To make a long story short, I was hooked from my very first assignment — a women's soccer game. I went on to become the paper's sports editor and then Editor in Chief, and 15 years later, I have

more than a decade under my belt as a newspaper journalist.

Not a bad outcome, in my opinion, for something I tried out one day on a whim.

The opportunity John Carroll afforded me to find a passion I didn't even know I had is what I consider the most valuable part of my college education.

Even if you don't realize it now, one day you will come to understand the invaluable experience a liberal arts education provides.

I have so many memories from my time at John Carroll that have nothing to do with my physics major or even my eventual career. And these are so much more than just happy memories — they shape the person I've become and give me a sensitivity that affects how I interact with people both personally and professionally to this day.

For example, I tutored in inner-city Cleveland, I traveled to Rome over spring break and I spent another Spring Break cleaning up hurricane

damage in North Carolina. I worked one summer welcoming freshmen as an orientation adviser, I tried out drama and I realized how much I enjoy photography. The classes that I remember 11 years later are largely the religion, sociology and history classes that I thought at the time I was only taking to check off a requirement.

At John Carroll I never felt pigeonholed due to my major. Much the opposite, I was encouraged every step of the way to expand myself.

So I challenge you, too, to step outside of your comfort zone.

Sign up for a club sport you've never heard of, take a class that isn't required or join a service trip to a place you've never heard of.

You may just find your new passion, too.

But even if you don't, you'll be one experience richer and one step closer to becoming the unique, empathetic, sensitive and cultured individual who is a John Carroll alumnus.

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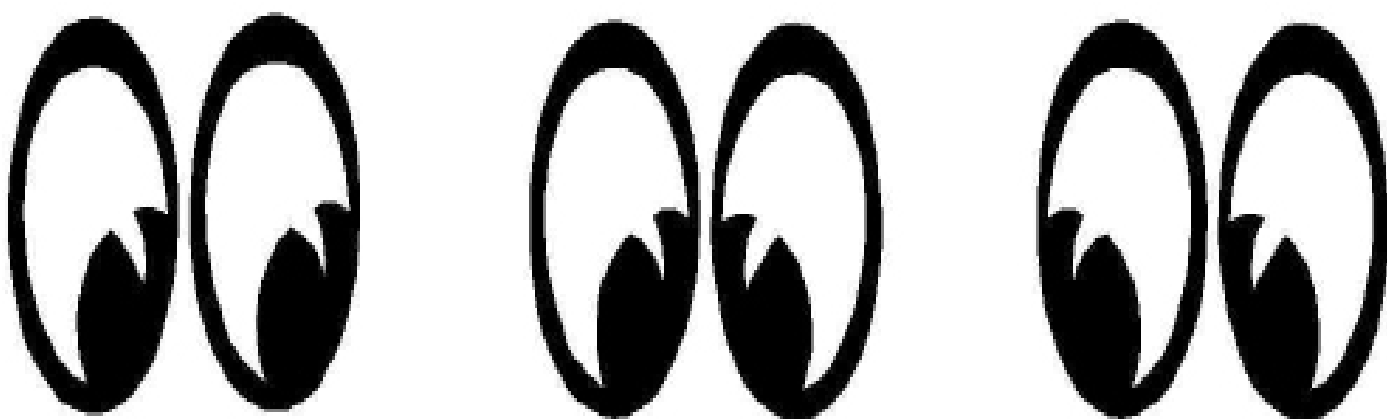
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