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# THE CARROLL NEWS

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## Danie's Day celebrates the memory of Danielle Rose

**Abbey Christopher**  
Staff Reporter

On Saturday, April 13, children from The Upside of Downs organization participated in Danie's Day in the IM Gym. Danie's Day gave children with Downs Syndrome and their parents and siblings a chance to interact with college students, doing various fun activities such as playing corn hole, dancing, bowling and hula hooping.

Many different student and community organizations, such as Sigma Phi Epsilon, the Arrupe Scholars Program and the Latin American Student Association, supported this event in memory of Danielle Rose, a sophomore in the Arrupe Scholars program who passed away earlier this school year.

Some students ran the different stations for the event, and other students were given the opportunity to be "buddies" with the children for the day. The "buddies" took the children to each station and interacted with them throughout the entire day.

Sam Barsa, the graduate assistant for the Arrupe Scholars program, stated that the program was a way for students to remember Danie, because working

with children with disabilities was something that was important to her.

"Danie's sister has Downs Syndrome, and the Arrupe class of 2015 wanted to do something to honor her," Barsa said. "Since working with children with Downs Syndrome was important to Danie, the students thought that having this type of program would be the best way to honor Danie's memory. Many other student organizations heard about this idea and decided to partner with the Arrupe Scholars to support it."

Barsa became involved in Danie's Day because of her job as the graduate assistant for the Arrupe Scholars program. However, she also had a relationship with Danie and liked that this event would involve many students.

"I really liked that I saw many different students involved with this event. It was great to see so many students that I didn't know getting involved," said Barsa.

Barsa spoke about her favorite part of the event saying, "It brought a different population to campus and gave students an opportunity to interact with the children. I also liked that the children's parents had a

chance to relax and see a great side of college students."

Students who volunteered for Danie's Day also had a positive view of the event. Jess Yurick, a member of the Latin American Student Association, said, "It was a great day to be a part of." **Please see DANIE'S DAY, p. 3**



Photo courtesy of Arthur Sloane

**Lobo finds a dancing "buddy" during Danie's Day event in the IM gym on Saturday, April 13.**

## General Carter Ham named commencement speaker



Photo courtesy of Tonya Strong-Charles

**Four-star General Carter Ham will  
speak at graduation in May.**

place where I found my faith and my wife."

The press release also quoted JCU President, the Rev. Robert L. Niehoff, S.J. "General Carter Ham is an American hero and we are proud to call him part of our John Carroll family. Through his exemplary service and commitment, General Ham is living the mission of Jesuit Catholic education, inspiring today's students to become great leaders who have a lasting, positive impact on our world," he said.

Prior to attending JCU, Ham served as an enlisted infantryman in the 82nd Airborne

**Jackie Mitchell**  
Campus Editor

John Carroll University alumnus and four-star General Carter Ham will deliver the Class of 2013 commencement speech on Sunday, May 19. During the ceremony, he will receive an honorary doctorate degree from John Carroll University.

As one of 12 four-star generals in the U.S. Army, Ham is the only JCU alumnus to hold this title. He most recently served as Commander for the United States Africa Command, overseeing all military operations in Africa. He also served assignments in Italy, Saudi Arabia, Macedonia, Iraq and Germany, among other locations.

In a press release announcing Ham as speaker, he was quoted stating, "It is truly an honor to be the keynote speaker at my alma mater's commencement. I feel as though I've come full circle at John Carroll, as it is the

**Please see COMMENCEMENT, p. 3**

## Sorority comes under scrutiny for actions at formal

**Jackie Mitchell**  
Campus Editor

John Carroll University sorority Gamma Phi Beta has been suspended from Greek Week 2013, and their chapter has been placed on probation because of an incident that occurred during the sorority's formal on Saturday, April 6 at House of Blues Cleveland.

Gamma Phi Beta International Headquarters issued the following statement about the incident: "Gamma Phi Beta does not condone the behavior that occurred at a recent social event hosted by our chapter at John Carroll University. Our International Council swiftly placed the chapter on probation, and will be taking this opportunity to continue to educate chapter members about conducting themselves in a manner that exemplifies love, labor, learning and loyalty – the core values of our organization. Our mission is to inspire the highest type of womanhood, and we take every opportunity, positive and negative, to teach our members how to live our mission and be role models for the communities in which they reside. We look forward to seeing our Zeta Omicron Chapter continue to grow, learn and lead on the John Carroll campus and in the surrounding campus community."

**Please see GAMMA PHI, p. 3**



Photo from Gamma Phi Beta-Zeta Omicron website

**Gamma Phi Beta Zeta-Omicron on bid day**

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## Campus Briefs

### Annual Relay for Life event taking place this weekend

John Carroll University will be hosting Relay for Life on both Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21. The event will celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember those who have lost their lives and raise money and awareness to find an end to the disease.

This is an annual event on campus and student organizations and community groups will be walking on the Main Quad from noon to 12 a.m.

Those interested in volunteering for the event should contact [kdenton15@jcu.edu](mailto:kdenton15@jcu.edu) for more information.

### JCU students will attempt to break a Guinness World Record

John Carroll University's nonprofit administration students are attempting to break the world record for the largest human chain to pass a hula-hoop.

Participants will attempt to break the record on Saturday, April 20 at 2 p.m. on the Main Quad during Relay for Life.

In order to break the record, the group is looking for a maximum of 250 participants. Those looking to be a part of this opportunity should contact [chpillar@yahoo.com](mailto:chpillar@yahoo.com) and are encouraged to pre-register.

### JCU plans end of the year celebration

As the semester comes to a close, an all-campus year-end celebration and spirit day will take place on Wednesday, May 1 at 2 p.m. in the Muldoon Atrium of the Dolan Science Center.

All students, faculty, staff and administrators are welcome to attend. Everyone is encouraged to wear their favorite John Carroll University apparel and celebrate the end of another academic year.

### The Labre Project is looking for van drivers for over the summer

The Labre Project is seeking van drivers during the summer break. Volunteers are needed to drive once or twice over the summer for Labre in order to continue visiting the homeless of downtown Cleveland. Drivers are reminded that they will have a "co-pilot" directing them to the location.

Anyone who is staying in the Cleveland area over the summer is encouraged to contact Labre president Josh Sefcik at [jsefcik14@jcu.edu](mailto:jsefcik14@jcu.edu).

# Flats East Bank Project will give students more entertainment options

**Abigail Rings**  
Campus Editor

Cleveland has begun a complete overhaul of entertainment facilities and places to go in the last two years. After the approval of the casino, medical mart and convention center, new building projects are appearing everywhere. One of these projects is the plan to rebuild the Flats East Bank area, so it can become its own popular entertainment destination. Scott Wolstein, the developer in charge of the project, explained in a statement that they do not want to bring the old Flats back, but instead they want to revitalize it and make it better than before.

The \$500 million project, headed by Fairmount Properties LLC and The Wolstein Group, has been planned in two phases. The first phase consists of a cutting edge office building with an open-air deck that will house tenants such as Ernst & Young and Tucker Ellis, among others. In addition to the office building, a 150-room boutique Aloft hotel by Starwood will be opened along with restaurants, a 16,000-plus square-foot health club, a 1,200-foot riverside boardwalk and other entertainment venues. The second phase of the project will include a 140-unit residential complex, as well as other restaurant, shopping and entertainment options.

The first phase is nearly complete, including the office building and three restaurants, Ken Stewart's, Willeyville and Lago. Further details about the second phase were announced Wednesday, April 10. The new restaurants to the area include Toby Keith's I Love This Bar & Grill, Flip Side burger joint, the Columbus-born sports bar BBR with live music, a Chicago pub called the Beer Market

and The Big Bang dueling piano bar.

One of the most exciting restaurants for the area is a two-story Panini's Bar & Grill complete with multiple outdoor patios, fire pits and boat docking. Panini's originally started in the Flats area in 1986, and their return to Flats area has been much anticipated since closing their original restaurant on the east bank of the Flats.

In addition to the restaurants and entertainment sites, there is going to be a vast amount of public area for Clevelanders' use. The boardwalk will connect many of the public areas, and there are 10 acres of planned green space that will include open recreation fields. Three acres of beach will be open to the public for lounging, sunbathing and beach volleyball. A market pavilion and public space for street fair, art exhibitions, farmer's market and concerts will be located next to the boardwalk by the river. Finally, there will be an access point from the Flats to the Towpath Trail, a 100-mile long path of the historic Ohio and Erie Canal.

Not only will there be lots of green space, but there is also an emphasis placed on ensuring that the whole project is as eco-friendly as possible. The United States Green Building Council certified the Flats East Bank Project as meeting the requirements for Leadership in Energy Efficiency and Design for Neighborhood Development (LEED-ND). The project underwent careful scrutiny and was approved as one of the first LEED-ND certified areas in the country. It was certified by the use of both recycled building material and reduced water use in the project.

Students have expressed excitement

about the prospect of having a whole new entertainment area in Cleveland.

"This sounds awesome, especially for me, as an upperclassman who can actually go to bars," junior Christin VanAtta said. "But, for underclassmen, this might not help the issue of not having places to go much, since they typically lack transportation. My friends and I love going downtown, mainly to West 6th, so this would be a great asset."

Sophomore Steven Henderson agreed, saying, "I definitely could see myself going downtown to take advantage of the developed Flats. I think it will be great during the parts of the semester in which the weather is nice, due to the fact that this will all be built right on the lake."

Henderson, who also serves as vice president for student organizations, continued, "I think these developments will positively affect the economy of Cleveland. It makes John Carroll and the Cleveland area an even more attractive atmosphere for college students."



Photo rendering from Dimit Architects

**Pictured is an architect's rendering of the new Flats.**

## Student Union passes pasta bar legislation

**Karly Kovac**  
Staff Reporter

Student voices are being heard through the work of the Student Union and their recent legislation and discussion with the Committee on Dining Services, which has proposed changes in the way that the student body can use meals swipes and dining dollars.

One of the main pieces of legislation the Student Union has recently been focusing on is the addition of a pasta bar in Schott Dining Hall. Freshman Cole Hassay, senator and chairman of the Committee on Dining Services, was one of the sponsors of this change that is projected to go into effect this fall.

"We meet with Mr. [David] Turska, the director of dining services, every other Thursday for our dining committee meetings. [Dining services] recently took a survey of the whole student body and the biggest concern seemed to be variety in the cafeteria. We decided that if we added a pasta bar to the pizza station, it would help address the students' needs," said Hassay.

This new option would provide more diversity in dining options by alternating every other day with the current pizza counter.

Hassay added, "Students have often said that they would like a pasta bar, and this is why it came up in our committee meetings." He also explained that SU strives to represent the suggestions that they receive and propose these ideas.

Around campus, many students offered up their take on the Schott dining experience and what options could be added for next year.

Sophomore Brad Beattie said, "One thing I practice at home

is a nice Mediterranean diet with very lively colors which there are a lot at the caf, but I wish they would serve it more as the main meals instead of being set off to the side. I feel that this will promote healthier options."

Many students, like senior Joe Cahill, said they liked certain consistency, but would like an assortment in the different staple items available.

"One thing that I really like is when the sandwich bar has different selections of meats rather than just turkey, ham and salami," said Cahill. "When they have different types of meats and cheeses, it gives a greater variety to the students."

Freshman Marissa Dickerson said, "A smoothie bar where you can add your own fruit would be nice. I think that if they had that in the cafeteria, I would definitely go more often."

Junior Rachel Friend referenced a throw-back item that used to be a part of the cafeteria: "When I was a freshman, there were big containers of water with tasty cucumbers and fruits in them. It's nice to have fresh, fruity water," said Friend.

Another student, sophomore Rachel Distler, said, "It would be nice if we could use a meal swipe at the Inn Between." This option was available to students in previous years.

SU has also been working with JCU Dining on legislation to change the way that meal swipes are used. These changes would allow students to use a meal swipe in an alternative on-campus dining service, such as the Inn Between, and the swipe would count for a certain amount of money towards an entrée.

Committee meetings for the dining services are held every other Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Underground, and are open to all students.

## Campus Safety Log



**April 9, 2013**

Theft of wallet from Campion Hall at 4:30 a.m.

Telecommunications harassment: roommate made threats in Dolan Hall at 1:57 a.m.

**April 13, 2013**

Damage to multiple ceiling tiles in Campion Hall at 8:30 p.m.

**April 14, 2013**

Fire extinguisher expelled on the 3rd floor of Sutowski Hall at 3:41 a.m.

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



## 2013 Beaudry Award winner: John Jackson

Jackson provides insight for JCU students and explains what winning meant to him.



Photo by Robert Wetzler

### What was your reaction after you learned that you had won?

I was feeling a lot of different emotions. I was surprised, happy, thankful and honored all at the same time. It is still sinking in a bit.

### What are your plans for after graduation?

I will be entering the University of Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education Service Through Teaching program. It is a two-year program where I will take Master’s of Education classes in the summers and teach fifth grade at St. Elizabeth’s in Oakland, California during the school year.

### Is there any advice you want to impart on John Carroll University’s students?

I would tell all fellow Blue Streaks to take advantage of the variety of opportunities available to be involved with on campus. Our University’s mission statement’s tenants of learning, leading and serving provide a nice guide. Do what makes you happy and motivates you to inspire others through your passion. Find your joy by becoming interested in learning, leading and serving in some capacity and you will have a very balanced and satisfying collegiate experience.

– Compiled by Abigail Rings

### From DANIE’S DAY, p. 1



Alyssa Brown and her buddies participate in Danie’s Day activities.

## Four-star General Carter Ham to speak at commencement

### From COMMENCEMENT, p. 1

Division. In 1976, he was commissioned as second lieutenant. He holds the distinction of being the only serving Army four-star general to begin his career as an enlisted man.

Ham has collected several distinguished awards throughout his nearly 40-year career, including the Army Distinguished Service Medal and the Joint Service Commendation Medal. He was awarded the John Carroll Alumni Medal in 2010 and is a member of the University’s Reserve Officers Training Corps Hall of Fame.

Ham also spoke at JCU in May 2011 to discuss military issues in the United States. “At its core, John Carroll remains committed to the individual self-development of each and every one of its students, and I think that’s what makes John Carroll special and different than many other places,” he stated in a previous interview with The Carroll News.

In the interview, he also expressed his happiness at returning to his alma mater over the years. “It is a place that has largely shaped who I am today, and I have appreciated the opportunity to come back over the years and see how it changes and evolves,” he said.

“It is truly an honor to be the keynote speaker at my alma mater’s commencement. I feel as though I’ve come full circle at John Carroll, as it is the place where I found my faith and my wife.”

– General Carter Ham  
2013 Commencement Speaker

## Gamma Phi Beta members respond to recent events

### From GAMMA PHI, p. 1

Senior Gamma Phi Beta member Kaylie Carnes voiced her disappointment and frustration over the situation.

“The seniors have looked forward to participating in senior year Greek Week and planning lip sync for our sorority since freshman year at John Carroll,” said Carnes. “It seems as if our hard work, dedication and role in the Greek community up to this point was not taken into further consideration when determining our consequence.”

Junior and Panhellenic Council President Deirdre Byrne emphasized Gamma Phi Beta’s positive impact on the JCU community.

“Gamma Phi Beta is moving forward and has one of the most supportive sisterhoods at John Carroll, especially when it comes to attending service events on campus and supporting the philanthropies of their Greek organizations,” said Byrne. “The Panhellenic Council is continuing to promote unity throughout the Greek community, as well as the common values associated with all five sororities that encourage women to be responsible and active leaders on campus. As far as the situation with Gamma Phi Beta is concerned, they are entitled to respect and deserve their privacy at this time.”

Senior Gamma Phi Beta member Madilyn Maruna said, “Even though I am a senior and will be graduating in May, I am confident that Gamma Phi will come back strong next year and continue to be a fabulous JCU organization. We are confident this will not happen again and that Gamma Phi will continue its long positive legacy at JCU.”

Senior Sarah Skiviat, former chapter president of Gamma Phi Beta, also voiced frustration over the situation. “I’m frustrated with the way this situation was handled. However, the other chapters have been extremely supportive and we’re excited to cheer them on during Greek Week,” said Skiviat.

## CAMPUS CALENDAR : APRIL 18 – APRIL 24

18	Thursday	19	Friday	20	Saturday	21	Sunday	22	Monday	23	Tuesday	24	Wednesday
Carroll Cinema Society showing of “Much Ado About Nothing” at 6 p.m. in Donahue Auditorium.		Dance Ensemble Spring Performance at 7 p.m. in Kulas Auditorium.		Relay for Life event on the Main Quad beginning at noon.		Mass in St. Francis Chapel at 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.		Men’s and women’s tennis teams competing at Capital University.		Greek Week talent show at 7 p.m. in Kulas Auditorium.		Free massages from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the LSC Atrium.	





The Carroll News brings you the tastiest scoop on cooling off in the heat

Best custard:



Want to take your ice cream to the next level? Why not trade it in for a cone full of custard? East Coast Custard, a shop native to the Cleveland area, offers custard flavors from classic chocolate and vanilla to more unique flavors such as mud pie, caramel sea salt and red velvet cake. Locations include Mentor, Lyndhurst, Fairview Park, Parma Heights and Painesville Township.

Commentary by  
Alexandra Higl  
Arts & Life Editor

Best place to satisfy your  
sweet tooth:



Have a sweet craving you can't seem to fix? Head over to Honey Hut, where your sweet tooth can be satisfied. The Cleveland-based shop features their signature flavor, honey pecan. Locations include Cleveland, Brecksville, Parma, Edgewater Beach and Solon. Look for a brand new location coming soon to Brunswick.

Best fair trade  
ice cream:



Have you contemplated living in solidarity with your craving for a chilled dessert? Ben & Jerry's features an array of Fair Trade ice cream flavors such as Chocolate Therapy, Late Night Snack and Imagine Whirled Peace. Check out the nearest location on John Carroll Blvd.

Best old-fashioned  
ice cream parlor:



Cleveland's own Malley's Chocolates isn't just known for their endless supply of chocolate – they feature old-fashioned ice cream parlors complete with a classic counter. Featuring summer classics reminiscent of decades ago, the parlor's house specialty is their signature hot fudge sundae. Locations in Bay Village, Lakewood and North Olmsted are open year round. Malley's Aurora location is open during the summer months only.

Best frozen yogurt:



Have you jumped on board the Menchie's craze yet? If not, drive over to their nearest location on Cedar Road. The self-serve shop features a variety of frozen yogurt flavors, which can be sampled in miniature cups. After mixing and matching as many flavors as the cup can hold, a toppings bar complete with candy pieces, syrup, fruit and much more awaits the customers.

Entertainment Calendar

Check out what's happening in Cleveland this week!

4.18  
"War Horse"  
Playhouse Square's  
Palace Theatre  
6:30 p.m.  
\$10

4.19  
Lake Erie Monsters vs.  
Chicago Wolves  
Quicken Loans Arena  
7:30 p.m.  
\$15

4.20  
"The Shining"  
Cedar Lee Theatre  
9 p.m.  
\$9

4.21  
The Coventry Kids Present:  
Trillwave  
The Grog Shop  
6:30 p.m.  
\$5 under 21, Free 21+



# Kelly Clarkson rocks crowd at Beachwood mall

**Brooke Hollowell**  
The Carroll News

When Kelly Clarkson became the first “American Idol” in 2002, there was no way of knowing if this singing phenomenon was fleeting or the start of something bigger and more permanent. After 10-plus years, Clarkson has won multiple Grammys, sold millions of albums and released her first greatest hits CD. With that said, it is clear that this singing phenomenon is here to stay.

On Saturday, April 13, Clarkson performed at Beachwood Place Mall. The concert was sponsored by Microsoft, which was promoting its new store opening at Beachwood. Just over 700 people attended, but only the first 100 fans, who began lining up Friday night, were given tickets to the concert and free passes to a meet and greet with Clarkson.

People of all ages showed up for Clarkson’s concert. The excitement radiated from the crowd as they prepared for Clarkson to take the stage. Her performance began at 6 p.m. sharp, with her song “My Life Would Suck Without You,” showing that not only does she have great charisma, but is still the girl next door her audience fell in love with when watching “American Idol.”

After singing her opening song, a few of the audience members in the front row tipped Clarkson off that her zipper was down. She handled herself gracefully by saying, “At least I’m wearing blue panties. Thank god I wasn’t going commando. This hasn’t happened

to me in the past decade. I almost had a skirt fall off once, though. Can you guys please tweet me one of those pictures?”

Clarkson performed songs from her album “Greatest Hits, Chapter 1.” The album contains her pop songs from the past, including, “I Forgive You,” “Miss Independent,” “Dark Side,” “Catch My Breath,” and “Because of You.” She also performed her new country-inspired hits, “Mr. Know It All” and duet with Jason Aldean, “Don’t You Wanna Stay,” which her guitarist Chris Rodriguez sang along side her.

Clarkson thanked everyone multiple times throughout the show as the weather changed from a light rain, to snow, and then hail. She apologized for the miserable weather, which she talked about not being accustomed to because she is from Texas.

Towards the end of the show, she even changed from her leather jacket to a warm, red petticoat and infinity scarf that belonged to her makeup artist, and gloves from an audience member. When she discovered a surprise package in the coat pocket, she exclaimed out loud during her song, “Oh, they’re hand warmers. God bless you.”

Clarkson also performed her newest singles, “Don’t Rush” and “People Like Us.” She also sang a unique remix of the song “We Are Young” by Fun. Both were met with enthusiasm and cheers from the crowd. Clarkson closed ironically with a strong performance of her hit song “What Doesn’t Kill You (Stronger),” which not only kept the crowd entertained and singing along the entire time, but received a standing ovation.



Photos from billboard.com and wikipedia.org

Clarkson performed at Beachwood Place Mall last Saturday, promoting the opening of the new Microsoft store.

## Pick-Up Lines of the Week

**“Baby, you’re the next contestant in the game of love.”**

**“Don’t walk into that building – the sprinklers might go off!”**

**“Hi, I’m Mr./Miss Right. Someone said you were looking for me.”**

**“If you were a burger at McDonald’s, you’d be the McGorgeous.”**

**Have a pick-up line you’d like to share with us? Submit it to [ahig115@jcu.edu](mailto:ahig115@jcu.edu).**

## Comedian Paul Varghese gets laughs at ‘Thursday Night Live’



Photo from comedymoonlower.com

**COMEDIAN  
REVIEW  
Paul Varghese**



**Lauren Michalak**  
The Carroll News



Photo by Alexandra Higl

Knock knock. Who’s there? A funny guy. A funny guy who?

A funny guy who made the students of John Carroll University laugh on Thursday, April 11, when comedian Paul Varghese performed an hour-long gig on the stage in the LSC Atrium. The act was a part of SUPB’s “Thursday Night Live” performance, which was a benefit for the Labre project.

This SUPB sponsored performer was born in Dallas, and became famous on the reality show, “Last Comic Standing 2.” Varghese also made it big time when he was featured on Comedy Central in 2007 with his very own show in the series, “Live in Gotham.”

His show on campus focused on three main topics: race, candy and being an adult. The performance could have been considered either mildly offensive or utterly hilarious – though it seemed as if more people found it to be the latter.

As soon as Varghese hit the stage, he talked about his Indian-American nationality, and was extremely willing to joke about it. He joked about how the aroma of Indian food traveled for miles and how it was like a GPS for his family, following the scent of curry through the neighborhoods to find a relative’s house. He didn’t strictly focus on his own Indian descent; he also made plenty of jokes about other nationalities.

Varghese related just about every joke to a love for candy. He mentioned that he is like a child when it comes to candy, and has even gone as far as picking M&M’s out of cookies to get a sugar rush.

Varghese also explained how becoming an adult and living on his own has changed his life. For example, he is able to eat as much candy as he would like without anyone stopping him, and if the situation arises, he can purchase an entire birthday cake for himself without anyone to judge him. He also joked about his relationship with his parents, and the effects of being beaten, with the one thing he could trust as a child, his teddy bear.

The performance given by Varghese had some students laughing; although, as he mentioned during his show, he might never be as famous as the “sneezing panda” off of YouTube.

## JCU celebrates scholarship with ‘The Arts at Night’

**Madeline Smanik**  
Staff Reporter

John Carroll’s 12th annual “A Celebration of Scholarship” continued last Wednesday, April 10 with “The Arts at Night.” Coordinated by Cynthia Caporella, director of liturgical music and music arts, and English professor Philip Metres, the event consisted of both musical and spoken-word performances.

Previously called “The Arts at Lunch,” the event was moved to a later time slot this year. The night commenced with JCU students performing original poetry. These poems varied widely, ranging from comedic and light to deep and moving. Topics of these works included fly-fishing, the city of Detroit and the passing away of loved ones.

Musical performances also took place throughout the evening. Caporella, co-coordinator of the event, directed and accompanied one of these musical acts. Another musical performance consisted of the Schola Cantorum choir performing cover songs.

Near the end of the night, Metres read two of his original poems. These works both centered on the events of the Iraq War.

The final spoken-word performances were by associate professor of English, George Bilgere. He first read “The Pelican,” a short but comical poem by Ogden Nash. Bilgere finished with his poem entitled, “Corned Beef and Cabbage,” which described memories of his late mother.

“The Arts at Night” provided its audience with a diverse collection of poetry and music, celebrating the abundance of talent and creativity at JCU.



Photo by Zak Zippert

Schola Cantorum performed at “Arts at Night” under the direction of Cynthia Caporella.



## Cup of Joe



**Joe Ginley**  
Sports Editor

## The Lake Catholic-JCU

### Basketball Pipeline

Next year, John Carroll might reconsider naming its women's basketball squad the Lake Catholic Blue Streaks. Current team members junior Missy Spahar, sophomore Beth Switzler and freshman Erin Mog all hail from Lake Catholic. Now adding to that list is Spahar's sister, Katlyn, who has decided to play basketball at JCU.

The pipeline opened in 2010 when Missy Spahar decided to become a Blue Streak, following in the footsteps of her brother Nick, a former tight end for JCU and first-team All-Ohio defensive lineman at Lake Catholic. Her decision started a domino effect. Switzler, best friends with Missy in high school, joined the team a year later. Mog, a close friend of Switzler's, became a Blue Streak last May.

Recently, Katlyn Spahar chose to unite with her sister and her former Cougar teammates to form a Lake Catholic contingent on the JCU women's basketball roster. The opportunity to play with her sister and her high school teammates proved too tempting for Katlyn.

"My family is very close. Missy had the biggest influence on my decision because I love playing with her right by my side," the incoming freshman said. "I already feel [like] a part of the team knowing all of the girls. I am looking forward to being a part of a talented team with a lot of potential to go far next year."

Katlyn will likely play either small forward or power forward next season for the Blue and Gold. Standing at 5 feet 9 inches, the younger Spahar possesses skill in the post while also having the ability to dribble the ball down the court if necessary.

Three of the team's starting five players could conceivably be Lake Catholic grads. Mog, who showed great promise before suffering a season-ending injury, will probably start at shooting guard. Switzler will most likely claim a starting role at guard, too. The elder Spahar projects at a forward position, providing a post presence for the Blue Streaks.

The question remains: what makes Lake Catholic a pipeline for Blue Streaks basketball?

"Lake Catholic reminds me of John Carroll, [because it is] a smaller school," Missy Spahar said. "I feel like it's an easy transition coming into John Carroll because it's like the same thing."

Switzler added, "We had a strong program [at] Lake Catholic. Erin, Missy, Katlyn and I loved playing there. Luckily, JCU noticed."

With four talented, former Lake Catholic players on the roster, JCU has high hopes for next year. Overall, the JCU women's basketball squad has a combination of experienced veterans and young guns that meshes, which could spell success.

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# JCU baseball enjoys home stretch, wins three of four

## Blue Streaks split series with Mount Union on Friday, sweep Otterbein on Sunday

**Dale Armbruster**  
Staff Reporter

When the John Carroll baseball team worked out in the offseason, head coach Marc Thibault unveiled a new philosophy: his team would be accountable, blue-collar, competitive, relentless and tough.

Midway through April, that philosophy seems to be taking hold.

The Blue Streaks split a doubleheader with the Mount Union Purple Raiders on Friday, April 12 and dominated the Otterbein Cardinals in a doubleheader on Sunday, April 14.

Junior Mitchell Herringshaw drove in six runs over the weekend, but it was JCU's pitching that

made the biggest splash in the three victories.

John Carroll struck early in the first game Friday afternoon, taking a 1-0 lead off an Aaron Miller RBI single. The Purple Raiders fought back, scoring four runs off junior starter Jimmy Spagna in his complete game effort. Miller would add another run in the sixth, scoring freshman Tyler Gentile on a groundout, but it was not enough, as Mount Union would take the game by a final score of 4-2.

Freshman Aaron Lapaglia led the way for the Blue Streaks in the second game, striking out eight and only allowing one run in the 5-2 victory. Herringshaw would drive in

two with a double in the third inning, but the biggest play came off the bat of Spagna. The junior connected on a Sam Clarke pitch and punched it deep over the left center field wall for a two-run home run.

Weather delays caused a rare Sunday doubleheader against the Cardinals. In game one, senior pitcher Patrick O'Brien delivered what might be his signature performance as a Blue Streak. O'Brien re-

ceived only six hits of support, but the hurler allowed just two Cardinal hits and struck out five. Herringshaw gave O'Brien the team's lone run in the third inning when the third baseman sent a double to left field, scoring freshman Tyler Gentile on the play. JCU would go on to win, 1-0.

The long dormant Blue Streaks bats came alive in the second game, as the team teed off on four Otterbein pitchers on the way to an 11-3 victory. Herringshaw had just one hit, but it was an opposite field double that brought home three and broke the game open early.

Sophomore Andrew Doring struck out nine batters in 5.1 innings, but was pulled early after throwing over 100 pitches. Sophomore Kevin Rosinski, junior Billy Turosky and freshman Zach Verner slammed the door on the Cardinals in relief, clinching the doubleheader sweep.

With the wins, the Blue Streaks improved to 18-9 overall and 7-3 in the Ohio Athletic Conference. The three victories pushed the team above Otterbein and left them just a game behind Baldwin Wallace University and Marietta College in the OAC standings.

"We have to continue to play one game at a time, and not look past any weaker opponents," Herringshaw said of the remainder of the season. "We have been coming out with a lot of intensity and we must keep that up."



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"I have made a conscious effort to swing early in the count ... It has really helped me put better swings on the ball every at-bat."

**-Mitch Herringshaw**  
Junior

### Herringshaw's Hitting Streak

**The Skinny:** Junior third baseman Mitch Herringshaw is on a 12-game hitting streak, and has a hit in 25 of his 27 appearances.

**Overall Stats:** .441 batting average, 17 2B, HR, 33 RBI, 5 SB

#### Last Four Games:

4/12 vs. Mount Union: 3-3, 2B, run

4/12 vs. Mount Union: 1-4, 2B, RBI, run

4/14 vs. Otterbein: 2-3, 2B, RBI

4/14 vs. Otterbein: 1-5, 2B, 3 RBI



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**Senior Patrick O'Brien pitched a gem in game one of JCU's Sunday home doubleheader against the Otterbein Cardinals.**

# Blue Streaks split pair of weekend doubleheaders

## Softball snags wins over Case Western Reserve and Otterbein, sweeps Ursuline

**Jake Hirschmann**  
Staff Reporter

John Carroll traveled into Westerville, Ohio this past Sunday, April 14 hoping to move into first place in the Ohio Athletic Conference. Unfortunately for the JCU women's softball squad, they were only able to split the series against the Otterbein Cardinals, winning game one, 8-0, and falling in game two, 5-3.

It took no time at all for JCU to get on the scoreboard in game one, as the first batter of the game, junior Samantha Becker, crushed a home run to give the Blue Streaks the early 1-0 lead. JCU continued its hot start in the second inning when sophomore Ashlee Unrue connected on a clutch two-out RBI single up the middle. The Blue Streaks went on to go scoreless in the third inning, but erupted in the fourth with five runs, large part in thanks to a monster three-run homer by sophomore Ally Kleinhans. The damage was done after one more insurance run in the sixth, and JCU closed it out with an 8-0 win in game one.

Another brilliant pitching performance by sophomore Rachel Byrnes led the way for JCU, as she tossed a complete game three hitter, along with five strikeouts. Becker, who had the leadoff home run, also had a great game, batting a perfect 3-3 and falling a double shy of the cycle.

Game two of the doubleheader was not as kind to the Blue Streaks. The Cardinals, just as the Blue Streaks did in game one, struck first in the opening inning. Three Otterbein baserunners crossed home by the end of the inning, and the Cardinals never looked back.

JCU answered in the top of the second with a solo home run from freshman Gina Tosti, followed soon after by Becker continuing her great day with an RBI single, scoring junior Lia Locey. Unfortunately for the visiting Blue Streaks, the



Photo courtesy of JCU Sports Information

**JCU middle infielder Sam Becker safely slides into the bag. The junior led the JCU offensive attack against the Otterbein Cardinals on Sunday.**

Cardinals would not cool off, as they responded with a homer of their own in the bottom of the frame to push the score to 4-2.

After a scoreless third and fourth for both teams, JCU pulled it to within one run on a sacrifice fly by junior Colleen Brady. Once again, the Cardinals had a direct response when Kristen Ramer connected on an RBI single to stretch the lead to two. That would end up being the final run of the game for either team, and Otterbein would escape the doubleheader with a 5-3 win in game two.

Becker, the star of the weekend, had this to say on the weekend series and on the upcoming push towards a conference title: "We played well overall. Our bats and defense were on fire, and Rachel pitched great to get the win in the first game. In game two, we got behind early and tried to fight back throughout the whole game, but we couldn't string the hits together that we needed. The OAC is a really good conference."

"No team is an easy win, and being ranked high in conference, we have a huge target on our

back. No one expected us to come out as strong as we did this year. We need to keep playing hard and play Blue Streak softball."

Although a series sweep would have been a huge step in the right direction, this series split was in no way devastating for the Blue Streaks as they continue their push towards an OAC title. JCU currently stands at third place in the standings at 16-8 overall and 7-3 in the conference, but they are only one game behind the conference leaders, Marietta College and Capital University. The Blue Streaks have three doubleheaders scheduled this coming week, including one set at Marietta. If JCU wants to vault themselves to the top of the standings, this coming week is their time to strike.

**Editor's Note:** The Blue and Gold took on the Ursuline Arrows on Monday, April 15 for a doubleheader that was a late addition to JCU's non-conference schedule. The JCU softball team came up with a series sweep of the Arrows, notching victories of 5-0 and 5-4.

In the top half of the doubleheader, Byrnes provided a no-hit performance, walking three and striking out three in the contest. Following the stunning performance, Byrnes now has a 13-1 record and a 1.90 earned run average on the year. Griffin and Robinson each hit 2-3 in the game to lead the JCU offense. Griffin also tacked on a pair of RBIs while Robinson had one of her own in the shutout victory.

A combined pitching effort from Tosti and junior Trisha Pike limited Ursuline to four runs, allowing Robinson to play the hero for the Blue and Gold in game two. The junior outfielder singled home the winning run in the bottom of the seventh, handing JCU a 5-4 victory over the Arrows. Griffin again hit well in the bottom half of the doubleheader, going three-for-three with an RBI. Pike was credited with the win, advancing to 4-4 on the year.



# Road to Otterbein, Medina turns treacherous

## Both tennis teams stumble against Cardinals

**Joe Ginley**  
Sports Editor  
**Men's Tennis**

The struggles of the JCU men's tennis squad continued on Saturday, April 13, as the Otterbein Cardinals easily handled the Blue and Gold at the Paramount Tennis Club in Medina by a score of 7-2.

Fresh off a narrow 5-4 loss to the Mount Union Purple Raiders, the Blue Streaks were looking to gain some momentum heading into the home stretch of the season. Despite the best efforts of junior Eric Grimaldi, the Blue and Gold could not achieve a much-needed Ohio Athletic Conference triumph.

Grimaldi was the lone Blue Streak to claim an individual match victory, as he defeated Otterbein's Jacob DeVore 6-3, 6-0. Grimaldi also combined with fellow junior Paul Olexa to take down Cardinals competitors Andrew Sutter and DeVore in doubles play, 8-4.

With the loss, Otterbein soared to 10-5 and

3-2 in the OAC, while JCU fell to 2-10 overall and 1-3 in conference play.

**Women's Tennis**

The road was not kind to the JCU women's tennis team, as the squad's trip to Westerville, Ohio resulted in a tough 8-1 loss to the Otterbein Cardinals on Saturday, April 13.

The Blue and Gold have recently fallen victim to challenging opponents and tough luck. Unfortunately, the story did not change against Otterbein. The lone bright spot was a victory earned by sophomore Hannah Baumwell. The Pennsylvania native captured a well-deserved win over Otterbein's Kelsey Leachko, 7-5, 6-4. Besides Baumwell's match victory, the Blue Streaks had a tough afternoon.

With the triumph, the Cardinals upped their record to 10-4 and 2-1 in the Ohio Athletic Conference play. JCU's record fell to 3-9 overall, including 2-4 in conference matches.

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# Men's track & field team sprints to 3rd, women's to 11th at All-Ohio meet

**Men's Track and Field**

**Haley Turner**  
Staff Reporter

The men's track and field team continued to demonstrate their depth at the All-Ohio Championship Meet at Ohio Wesleyan University on Saturday, April 13, impressively finishing third out of all the Division III schools in Ohio.

The day was filled with several outstanding performances for JCU. Sophomore Nick Williams had a particularly successful day, placing third in the 110-meter hurdles with a new personal record of 15.07, earning him All-Ohio honors. In addition, he was fifth overall in the 400-meter hurdles (56.81).

Senior Mike Minjock had an impressive day, winning the long jump with an incredible distance of 7.25 meters. Minjock also took third in the triple jump (13.31 meters) and fourth in the 100-meter dash (10.93). Also scoring points was junior Anthony Chizmadia,

who was sixth overall in the men's shot put with a distance of 15.02 meters. Junior Nick D'Amico also contributed with a seventh place finish in the 400-meter dash, running a time of 49.90.

Williams, Minjock, D'Amico and senior Anthony Colbert teamed up for the 4x100 meter relay, placing fourth (43.16). D'Amico and Colbert, along with teammates senior Bill Zaccardelli and freshman Mike Hydzyk, were also fourth in the 4x400 meter relay (3:22.67).

Scoring in the 1,500-meter run were senior Pat Burns (4:00.32) and sophomore John Cameron (4:02.68), who were fifth and seventh, respectively. Senior Will Rial dropped a significant amount of time in his 3,000-meter steeplechase, which led him to fourth place (9:26.30).

The highlight of the day was the men's 5,000-meter run, when sophomore Johnny Honkala sprinted the final 200 meters to earn second place with a new personal best of 15:12.26. Senior Nick Wojtasik snagged sixth,

# JCU golf team drives its way to fourth at OAC Spring Invite

**Joe Ginley**  
Sports Editor

The John Carroll men's golf squad entered the 2013 Ohio Athletic Conference Spring Invite with high hopes. Though the Blue Streaks did not achieve their original goal – a regular season title – JCU achieved a solid fourth place finish in the championship standings.

Held on both Monday, April 15 and Tuesday, April 16, the tournament was hosted by Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio. The Invite determined the 2013 OAC regular season champion, as the team with the best combined score from the 2012 OAC Fall Invite in Findlay on Sept. 17 and the 2013 Spring Invite would be crowned the winner.

Following a first place finish among OAC squads at the fall invite, the Blue Streaks looked to be in the driver's seat in the race for the OAC crown.

After one day of play, the Blue and Gold stood in third place. Senior Nate Kreutzer was the top performer for JCU, finishing at four over par with a score of 76.

Though rain shortened the third and final round to nine holes instead of 18, there was no question as to which team earned the title. The host Cardinals easily snagged the title by a remarkable 41 strokes, totaling only 736 strokes overall in the Invite. Four of Otterbein's five golfers, including overall champion Taylor Harle, finished in the top five individually.

The Blue Streaks still managed to be competitive, ending the invite with a score of 794, good for fourth place. Led by head coach Mike Moran, the Blue Streaks narrowly finished behind Capital University by a mere four strokes.

Junior Alex DiPalma and freshman Nicholas Boccio led the charge for the Blue and Gold. Both DiPalma and Boccio finished at 15 over the overall par of 180, good for a seventh place tie with Wilmington's Mat Stuart.

Kreutzer finished out his JCU career with a 20 over par performance, allowing the senior to finish the day tied for 17th place with Capital University's Parker McComb.

Boccio had the best third round for JCU, finishing just three over par on the day.

running a personal record of 15:18.00.

"It was exciting to finish third as a team overall," Honkala said. "That's something that the program has not done in a while."

**Women's Track and Field**

**Joe Ginley**  
Sports Editor

Facing off with some of the best competition Ohio had to offer in Saturday's All-Ohio Meet, the JCU women's track and field squad managed an 11th place amidst a 20-team field.

The Blue Streaks were looking to build on a solid outing at last week's John Homon Invitational. Though the Blue and Gold did not control the pace as the team would have hoped, JCU turned in a good performance overall, thanks to a slew of sophomores who ran well.

Leading the charge for the Blue Streaks was sophomore Emily Mapes. The 2012 All-American captured second in the 3,000-meter

steeplechase, as she finished with a time of 11:09.67. Junior Caroline Kapela wasn't too far behind, as she placed eighth with a time of 11:50.61.

Sophomore Megan Martinko did her teammates proud in both hurdle events she competed in. She took fourth in the 400-meter event (1:07.01) and fifth in the 100-meter race (15.57).

Rounding out JCU's top five individual finishers was junior Nicki Bohrer. She notched a time of 4:51.17 in the 1,500-meter run, good enough for fifth.

In the relay category, a team of four Blue Streaks took fourth in the 4x400 event. Sophomores Haley Turner, Danielle Sample and Martinko, along with Bohrer, recorded a time of 4:11.04.

*Editor's Note:* Both teams will be running on Friday, April 19 at the first Annual Blue Streak Twilight Meet, the team's only home meet of the year. Field events start at 4 p.m. and running events commence at 7 p.m.

## STREAKS OF THE WEEK



### Baseball



Mitch Herringshaw  
junior

The Cleveland native has been hitting the cover off the ball lately. The third baseman hit 7-15 over the weekend, including a bases-clearing double in a 10-3 win over Otterbein. He is also in the midst of a 12-game hitting streak.



### Softball



Samantha Becker  
junior

The middle infielder batted 7-15 over the weekend, with her best performance coming against Otterbein. She hit 3-3 in Sunday's first game, notching a triple, homer and RBI. Becker is currently on a nine-game hitting streak.



### Softball



Rachel Byrnes  
sophomore

The sophomore ace anchored the Blue Streaks on Sunday, pitching a total of 11 innings, allowing only one run on seven hits. Byrnes tossed her first-ever no-hitter against Ursuline on Monday, earning a shutout win.



### Track & Field



Mike Minjock  
senior

The veteran jumper snagged JCU's lone championship at the All-Ohio Meet at Ohio Wesleyan on Saturday. Minjock captured first in the long jump with a leap of 7.25 meters, and also took third in the triple jump (13.31 meters).



### Track & Field



Emily Mapes  
sophomore

Mapes represented the Blue and Gold well on Saturday at the All-Ohio Meet, picking up the team's best individual finish. The sophomore snatched second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, with a time of 11:09.67 in the event.





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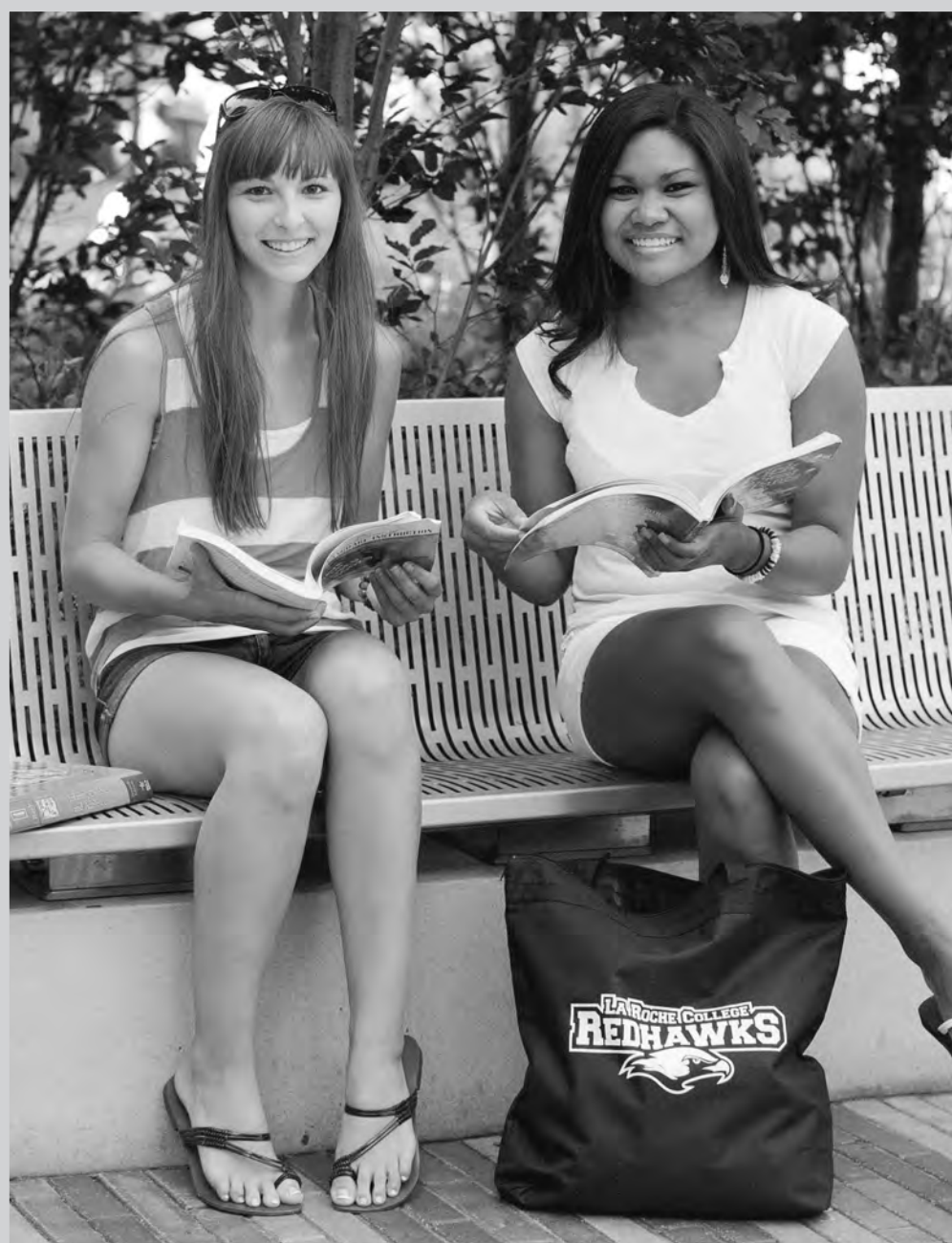
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# Around the World



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## Two bomb explosions rock Boston Marathon

The Associated Press

The bombs that ripped through the crowd at the Boston Marathon, killing three people and wounding more than 170, were fashioned out of pressure cookers and packed with metal shards, nails and ball bearings to inflict maximum carnage, a person briefed on the investigation said Tuesday.

The details on the apparently crude but deadly explosives emerged as investigators appealed to the public for amateur video and photos that might yield clues to who carried out the attack. The chief FBI agent in Boston vowed, “we will go to the ends of the Earth” to find those responsible.

A person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the investigation was still going on said the explosives were put in six-liter kitchen pressure cookers, hidden in black duffel bags and left on the ground. They were packed with shrapnel, the person said.

A doctor treating the wounded appeared to corroborate the person’s account, saying one of the victims was maimed by what looked like ball bearings or BBs. Doctors also said they removed a host of sharp objects from the victims, including nails that were sticking out of one little girl’s body.

At the White House, President Barack Obama said that the bombings were an act of terrorism but that investigators do not know if they were carried out by an international organization, a domestic group or a “malevolent individual.”

He added: “The American people refuse to be terrorized.”

Across the U.S., from Washington to Los Angeles, police stepped up security, monitoring landmarks, government buildings, transit hubs and sporting events. Security was especially tight in Boston, with bomb-sniffing dogs checking Amtrak passengers’ luggage at South Station and transit police patrolling with rifles.

Pressure-cooker explosives have been used in Afghanistan, India, Nepal and Pakistan, according to a July 2010 intelligence report by the FBI and Homeland Security. Also, one of the three devices used in the May 2010 Times Square attempted bombing was a pressure cooker, the report said.



Scene at the Boston Marathon immediately following the two bomb explosions, where three people were killed and approximately 170 were wounded, some critically. Authorities are still searching for those responsible.

“Placed carefully, such devices provide little or no indication of an impending attack,” the report said.

The Pakistani Taliban, which claimed responsibility for the 2010 attempt in Times Square, has denied any role in the Boston Marathon attack.

The two bombs blew up about 10 seconds and around 100 yards apart Monday near the finish line of the 26.2-mile race, tearing off limbs, knocking people off their feet and leaving the streets stained with blood and strewn with broken glass. The dead included an eight-year-old boy.

Governor Deval Patrick said that contrary to earlier reports, no unexploded bombs were found.

Federal investigators said no one had claimed responsibility for the bombings, which took place at the world’s best-known distance race, held every year on one of Boston’s biggest holidays, Patriots’ Day.

“We will go to the ends of the Earth to identify the subject or subjects who are responsible for this despicable crime, and we will do everything we can to bring them to justice,” said Richard DesLauriers, FBI agent in charge in Boston.

He said investigators had received “voluminous

tips” and were interviewing witnesses and analyzing the crime scene.

Boston police and firefighter unions announced a \$50,000 reward for information leading to arrests in the bombing.

At a news conference, police and federal agents repeatedly appealed for any video, audio and photos taken by marathon spectators, even images that people might not think are significant.

“There has to be hundreds, if not thousands, of photos and videos that might help investigators,” state police Col. Timothy Alben said.

Boston Police Commissioner Edward Davis said investigators also gathered a large number of surveillance tapes from businesses in the area and intend to go through the videos frame by frame.

FBI agents searched an apartment in the Boston suburb of Revere overnight, and investigators were seen leaving with brown paper bags, plastic trash bags and a duffel bag. But it was unclear whether the tenant had anything to do with the attack.

A law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release details of the investigation said the man had been tackled by a bystander, then police, as he ran from the scene of the explosions.

But the official said it is possible the man was simply running away to protect himself from the blast, as many others did.

At least 17 people were critically injured, police said. At least eight children were being treated at hospitals. In addition to losing limbs, victims suffered broken bones, shrapnel wounds and ruptured eardrums.

Dr. Stephen Epstein of the emergency medicine department at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center said he saw an X-ray of one victim’s leg that had “what appears to be small, uniform, round objects throughout it — similar in the appearance to BBs.”

Eight-year-old Martin Richard was among the dead, said U.S. Rep. Stephen Lynch, a family friend. The boy’s mother, Denise, and six-year-old sister, Jane, were badly injured. His brother and father were also watching the race but were not hurt.

A candle burned on the stoop of the family’s single-family home in the city’s Dorchester section Tuesday, and the word “peace” was written in chalk on the front walk.

The attack may have been timed for maximum bloodshed: The four-hour mark is typically a crowded time near the finish line because of the slow-but-steady recreational runners completing the race and because of all the friends and relatives clustered around to cheer them on.

Davis, the police commissioner, said authorities had received “no specific intelligence that anything was going to happen” at the race. On Tuesday, he said that two security sweeps of the route had been conducted beforehand.

Richard Barrett, the former U.N. coordinator for an al-Qaida and Taliban monitoring team who has also worked for British intelligence, said the relatively small size of the devices in Boston and the timing of the blasts suggest a domestic attack rather than an al-Qaida-inspired one.

“This happened on Patriots’ Day — it is also the day Americans are supposed to have their taxes in — and Boston is quite a symbolic city,” said Barrett, now senior director at the Qatar International Academy for Security Studies. For now, answers remain unclear.

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## North Koreans show no sense of panic amid rising tensions

The Associated Press

North Koreans celebrated the birthday of their first leader, Kim Il-sung, Monday by dancing in plazas and snacking on peanuts, with little hint of the fiery language that has kept the international community fearful that a missile launch may be imminent. There was no sense of panic in the North Korean capital, where very few locals have access to international broadcasts and foreign newspapers speculating about an imminent missile launch and detailing the international diplomacy under way to try to rein Pyongyang in.

Foreign governments have been trying to assess how seriously to take North Korea’s recent torrent of rhetoric, warning of war if the U.S. and South Korea do not stop holding joint military maneuvers just across the border.

North Korea has warned that the situation has grown so tense it cannot guarantee the safety of foreigners in the country and said embassies in Pyongyang should think about their evacuation plans. But British Foreign Secretary William Hague said Monday that although there is

reason for concern over the “frenetic and bellicose” rhetoric, Britain believes there has been “no immediate increased risk or danger” to those living in or traveling to North Korea.

He said Britain does not see an immediate need to draw down embassy staff, but is keeping that under constant review. He added that, from discussions with other governments, the U.K. does not believe any foreign embassy in Pyongyang plans to close.

While concerns over North Korea continued to dominate headlines abroad, Pyongyang’s own media gave little indication Monday of how high the tensions are.

Kim Jong Un’s renovation of the memorial palace that once served as his grandfather’s presidential offices opened to the public on Monday, the vast cement plaza replaced by fountains, park benches, trellises and tulips. Stretches of green lawn were marked by small signs indicating which businesses — including the Foreign Trade Bank recently added to a U.S. Treasury blacklist — and government agencies donated funds to help pay for the landscaping.

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Kim Jong-un applauding in an undated photograph. The North Korean leader has continued to threaten neighbors with talk of launching nuclear weapons.



## From NORTH KOREA, p. 10

Starting early in the morning, residents dressed in their finest clothing began walking from all parts of Pyongyang to lay flowers and bow before the bronze statues of Kim and his son, late leader Kim Jong Il, as the mournful “Song of Gen. Kim Il Sung” played over and over.

Their birthdays are considered the most important holidays of the year in North Korea, where reverence for the Kim is drummed into the people from the time they are toddlers. The largest basket of flowers at Mansu Hill was from Kim Jong Un, whose elaborate offering was cordoned off with ropes.

But while there was little sense of crisis in Pyongyang, North Korea’s official posture toward the outside appeared to be as hardline as ever.

The North’s military issued an ultimatum demanding an apology from South Korea for “hostile acts” and threatened that unspecified retaliatory actions would happen at any time. The military, through the KCNA state media agency, took issue with a protest in downtown Seoul, where a portrait of the North’s late leader, Kim Jong-il, was reportedly burned. It said it would refuse any offers of talks with the South until it apologized for

the “monstrous criminal act.”

Seoul had pressed North Korea to discuss restarting operations at a joint factory park on the border and President Park Geun-hye has stressed peace opportunities after taking power from her more hard-line predecessor, Lee Myung-bak.

A top North Korean leader, Kim Yong Nam, president of the Presidium of the Supreme People’s Assembly, told officials Sunday that the North must bolster its nuclear arsenal further and “wage a stronger all-out action with the U.S. to cope with the prevailing wartime situation,” according to state TV.

North Korea has also pulled workers from the Kaesong factory complex on its side of the Demilitarized Zone, the last remaining symbols of inter-Korean rapprochement, in a pointed jab at South Korea. South Korean-run factories provided more than 50,000 jobs for North Korea, where two-thirds of the population struggle with food shortages, according to the World Food Program.

On Sunday, Pyongyang rejected Seoul’s proposal to resolve tensions through dialogue. A Unification Ministry spokesman in Seoul, Kim Hyung-suk, called the response “very regrettable” on Monday. It is still unclear how things will unfold.

## 3 Gun control laws to be proposed in Congress

**Dan Kepple**  
Staff Reporter

On April 11, Senate lawmakers voted to defeat an attempted filibuster of gun control laws, following a series of emotional appeals by families of the Newtown shooting victims to take action.

Despite pledges by high-profile Republicans such as Texas Republican Sen. Ted Cruz and Kentucky Republican Sen. Rand Paul to vote in favor of the filibuster, a majority of 68 senators from both parties voted to allow gun control bills to be discussed on the floor, clearing the way for what will likely be an intense debate on such measures in the upcoming weeks, as indicated by The New York Times.

Despite the broadly bipartisan nature of the vote, it is not guaranteed that any measures debated will pass on a similar margin, or at all, as many of the senators who supported debating gun control have stated their opposition to any new restrictions. In addition, any bill passed by the Senate would face heavy opposition in the Republican-controlled House of Representatives, according to The Wall Street Journal.

This vote follows an April 10 unveiling of a compromise bill aimed at expanding background checks to purchasers of weapons online and at gun shows by Sens. Pat Toomey

(R-Pennsylvania) and Joe Manchin (D-W. Virginia). The two senators described their proposal as a “common sense” measure that would prevent criminals and the mentally ill from exploiting loopholes in current laws while “...strengthening the rights of law-abiding gun owners.”

The bill also has provisions for the commissioning of a study on the causes of mass violence, and a specific prohibition of a nationwide database of gun owners.

President Barack Obama tentatively voiced his approval of the plan, saying that while it was not as comprehensive as he would have preferred, it is a partial fulfillment of his gun-control proposal involving background checks.

However, the NRA immediately condemned the proposal, saying that it would not stop the next mass shooting and that the organization remains opposed to any expansion of background checking, a reversal of public statements the organization made in 1999.

Some gun-control advocates were ambivalent towards the compromise as well; Ladd Everitt, a spokesman for the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, raised concerns that there would still be loopholes left by the bill.

Background checks remain popular among the general American public, with some polls showing roughly nine in 10 supporting universal background checks, even in households



**Republican Sen. Patrick Toomey of Pennsylvania and Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia announced that they reached a deal on background checks.**

that own firearms. Such legislation is seen as being more likely to be enacted than other aspects of Obama’s gun-control plan, such as a renewal of an assault weapons ban that expired in 2004 and a ban on high-capacity magazines.

Even in its diminished capacity, should any kind of background check legislation be enacted into law, it would be the most significant gun-control measure taken since 1994, when then-President Bill Clinton signed the aforementioned assault weapons ban.

*Information from The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal was used in this report.*

## 4 Budget proposal brings issue with both parties



**President Barack Obama, with Vice President Joe Biden, announced the budget proposals to reporters.**

**Abbey Vogel**  
Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, April 10, President Barack Obama released his annual budget proposal, generating a great deal of political dialogue. In an article published on April 13, The New York Times revealed that the budget includes some cuts to Social Security and Medicare. Though this concession has moved national budget negotiations forward significantly upon Capitol Hill, the change has garnered hostile responses from liberal Democrats who are damaging the Democratic Party’s image on the campaign

trail. As both parties prepare for midterm elections, the Republicans are using Obama’s budget concession as evidence of hypocrisy within the opposing party, while left-wing Democrats claim that Obama has rescinded his campaign promises. Some Democrats even protested outside the White House last week in anticipation of the cuts.

One of the most controversial portions of Obama’s budget involves the switch to Chained CPI, a different way of measuring inflation. According to CNN, this modified fiscal method would allow the administration to reduce the increase of government benefits related to a rise in the national cost of living. As a result, Obama hopes to raise \$230 billion over 10 years. Many left-wing party members worry that the benefits will become pointless if they are not enough for a family in the modern economy. The White House has responded to this concern by claiming that this change will not apply to low-income veterans, seniors or families who are receiving Supplemental Security Income.

Obama’s budget calls for more allocation to education, infrastructure and nondefense research. Though both political parties are frustrated by Obama’s proposed budget, the Task Force on American Innovation, The American Chemical Society and the teachers’ unions are

all ecstatic with the funding increases this new budget provides. CNN is calling the proposal Obama’s attempt at a “Grand Bargain.” Though it demands wealthy citizens pay more in Medicare costs, it slashes defense by \$200 billion, Medicare by \$400 billion and non-health spending (unemployment and agricultural subsidies) by \$600 billion. This part of the budget should appease Republicans, and the budget includes a slight tax increase on the wealthy and the closing of certain financial loopholes that large corporations and Wall Street investors currently take advantage of liberally. In his attempt to appease both sides of the aisle, Obama has initiated a great deal of hostility from extremes on both sides.

The New York Times and the Huffington Post anticipate further debate centered on Obama’s budget, but are hopeful that by placing a starting point on the table, the President has rekindled discussion that has been stagnant since December 2012. However, the White House has made it clear that this budget is already a compromise, and the administration hopes the Republicans will finally agree upon this proposed balance of revenue and debt deductions.

*Information from The Huffington Post, The New York Times and CNN News was used in this report.*

## Katelyn’s Candor: Where do we stand on guns?



**Katelyn DeBaun**  
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In the recent uproar caused by North Korea’s threats of a nuclear missile strike, much of the American public’s attention to the domestic gun debate has been lost. Just last week, a bipartisan group of senators announced that they have negotiated an agreement on gun control that will be sent to Congress. While this sounds like progress, it has taken several months to even get to this point. Additionally, all this agreement entails is that background checks must be a necessity when buying guns at gun shows and for online sales. It doesn’t include any mention of mental health checks or of banning assault weapons.

Here’s what I fail to understand: many government leaders and U.S. citizens are against any of these bans. Coming from a family of hunters, I know that an AK-47 or a Bushmaster isn’t needed to hunt. As for background checks, if one has nothing to hide, then a background check will not keep someone from obtaining a firearm. A word of advice: if you are really upset about having to get a simple background check to get a gun, I may worry that you committed a heinous crime at some point in your life. If this is the case, then you probably should not have a gun anyway.

On the subject of ensuring the mental wellbeing of those attempting to purchase guns, allow me to give an example. Adam Lanza, the shooter who killed 26 children and employees of Sandy Hook Elementary School several months ago, is commonly considered by law officials and court-approved psychologists to have had serious mental health issues that possibly led to his choice to purchase firearms and take innocent lives in cold blood. If mental health checks would have been required for him to purchase these guns, it is possible that this tragedy would not have ever occurred.

Theoretically, if a soldier comes home from being stationed overseas and is affected by PTSD after having been in heavy combat situations, I personally would like him or her to go through serious mental checks before purchasing a weapon. I have the utmost respect for the men and women who serve our country. However, if the soldier’s neighbor is mowing their lawn and the soldier identifies the sound with something they heard while in combat, which is entirely possible, it puts the neighbor at risk.

All this being said, I do not want to see legislation that will put a ban on all guns. Frankly, that will never happen. However, it is time for Congress to stop talking and do something. Last week on “Saturday Night Live,” Jay Pharoah, portraying the role of President Obama, announced that “the Senate voted 68 to 31 to begin debating the idea of discussing gun control. Let me say that again: They’ve agreed to think about talking about gun control.” While SNL is known for delivering news in a satirical light, this statement nears the actual truth.

Both Republicans and Democrats need to stop their endless bickering about the other side not doing what they want and come together to help the American people. The United States government is supposedly a “government of the people, by the people,” yet I can’t help but feel like Congress is acting for its own sake.

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## Hot Topics

### Scott London

- Prosecutors have brought criminal insider trading charges against ex-KPMG partner Scott London.
- London allegedly reaped more than \$50,000 in cash and gifts from a close friend, Bryan Shaw, as reward for tips on non-public information about KPMG clients Skechers, Deckers Outdoor and Herbalife.
- Shaw helped the FBI build a case against London, after Shaw allegedly made more than \$1.27 million by illegally trading on London's tips.

### Gold

- Gold has fallen into bear-market territory, defined roughly as a 20 percent drop from a recent peak.
- Prices for gold have fallen due to gold investors exiting in pursuit of better returns in the U.S. stock market, causing analysts to cut forecasts.

### J.P. Morgan & Wells Fargo

- These banks, two of the nation's largest, released first-quarter results that showed significant slowdowns in home loans.
- Revenue for J.P. Morgan fell four percent from the same period a year ago, while Wells Fargo reported a 1.7 percent revenue drop.
- The lackluster performance of these banks comes along with numerous government and investor lawsuits over mortgage securities that went bad during the financial crisis, and new regulations that keep interest rates low and crimp profit margins for the banks.

– Information compiled by Anthony Ahlegian

## SEC's new EDGAR will be incompatible with 2011 XBRL

Adam Morgan  
The Carroll News

In June 2011, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) required all corporate filers reporting under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) to provide a copy of their financial statements written in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL).

The new method for reporting was seen as a huge step in enhancing the comparability of companies by applying standardized computer "tags" to each piece of data and text block on the faces of electronic financial statements.

XBRL sounds complex, but it is really quite simple. It allows users to create a computer-generated instance report by applying tags to pieces of data and text blocks.

When filing annual financial statements, companies originally retrieved tags from the 2011 U.S. GAAP Taxonomy, acting like a large dictionary of the 17,000 valid words in the new business reporting language.

Suddenly, a figure that once had no context could immediately be identified as "cash" or "income tax expense" by any computer using XBRL programs. Users then query specific pieces of data and the computer pulls the information that directly matches what the user requests.

The result is an instance document that provides all necessary financial data in a format that can easily be transferred to familiar applications like Microsoft Word or Excel. Computer programs even sprouted up that allow users to select multiple companies and extract desired information based on the tags, creating reports of great comparative value.

Each financial statement filed with the SEC is stored in the EDGAR online database. However, according to an Accounting Today article published on April 5, the SEC announced that its updated financial statement database – EDGAR 13.1 – will no longer support the original 2011 U.S. GAAP Taxonomy.

Instead, filers are encouraged to make the switch to the most recently updated 2013 U.S. GAAP Taxonomy for all XBRL statements filed after the April 29 launch date. Updated taxonomies are



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### The SEC aims to streamline cross-company data analysis by updating taxonomies.

created each year and can be thought of as a dialect of the same XBRL root language; however, the SEC now wants everyone speaking in the most contemporary version.

What will this switch mean for companies? They will now be forced to use only tags found in supported taxonomies from 2012 or later. While there are costs associated with learning the new tags and applying them, the focus is on users of financial statements.

The goal is to streamline cross-company data analysis to make investment decisions easier. Also, the 2013 U.S. GAAP Taxonomy reflects tags associated with recent changes in accounting standards.

Given the Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) convergence projects of U.S. GAAP with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), use of the most recent taxonomies that reflect new joint standards will aid in international investment strategies.

Information from Accountingtoday.com and a lecture by John Carroll Accountancy professor, Patti Weiss, CPA, was used in this report.

## FULL DISCLOSURE



Anthony Ahlegian  
Business & Finance Editor

### Economic perspective

When you read articles or news stories that relate to business and finance, whether in magazines, online or in newspapers, do you ever feel overwhelmed? With so many details being reported by our various news outlets, and a limitation on how much we know and have experienced in business and finance, reading articles about current events and occurrences may be confusing enough at times to stop reading and give up on.

My advice is that you try to persevere through these complications, as understanding the business and finance environment can be valuable and pay dividends. In other words, keeping up to date with what's going on in the business world can cause immediate benefits, and future benefits as well.

There are various reputable news outlets to take advantage of that will inform you on emerging stories and occurrences relating to business and finance, the marketplace, money and investing. It is important to make an effort to read multiple sources for business news stories. This is because there are many forms of media bias that can give you only certain sides of a story.

Newspapers that I recommend for catching up on relevant business and finance news, that will give you diverse perspectives, are The Wall Street Journal and The New York Times. These publications are available to us daily on the JCU campus in the Administration Building and Boler School of Business.

Some websites that I recommend for staying current on what's new in the marketplace are CNN Money (money.cnn.com), Bloomberg Businessweek (businessweek.com) and The WSJ MarketWatch (marketwatch.com). These websites have numerous articles that touch on a variety of topics and news highlights. These articles also may contain links to resources that further explain terminology, companies and titles.

When complications arise in your reading, I have a few tips that may help you in understanding and comprehending the information. First off, I advise that you highlight any parts of the article that cause you confusion after reading through the article the first time.

Any terms or concepts that you have highlighted will need light shed on them for you to understand their meaning and context in the story. I suggest using resources like Investopedia.com or Businessdictionary.com, where you may look up business terminology, historical events and concepts. These websites will give you definitions, explanations and examples that will help you to fully understand your news story.

Another tip is to bring the article to one of the many professors in the Boler School of Business, at their availability and convenience. Professors in the accountancy; finance and economics; and management, marketing and logistics departments have a wealth of knowledge and economic perspective that they will share with you in your quest for learning and understanding the business world.

Henry Ford said, "If money is your hope for independence, you will never have it. The only real security that a man will have in this world is a reserve of knowledge, experience and ability." Being current with what is going on in our economic environment will help you to grow and develop your views on many issues, such as politics, how you spend your money and new innovations that can be taken advantage of. The knowledge you acquire from gaining further understanding of articles you read will also help you in conversations you may have with prospective employers or family members. Go out and read, learn and grow your knowledge by utilizing your resources and continuing to persevere.

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## Cleveland Company Spotlight

### Parker Hannifin Corporation

- Diversified manufacturer of motion and control technologies and systems
- Employs approximately 58,000 globally
- Corporate headquarters in Mayfield Heights, Ohio
- Founded in 1918
- CEO: Arthur L. Parker
- Public company, traded on NYSE as PH
- Share price: \$88.02 (April 16, 2013)
- Market cap: \$12.8 billion
- Earnings per share: \$6.73
- Fiscal Year 2012 revenue: \$13.1 billion



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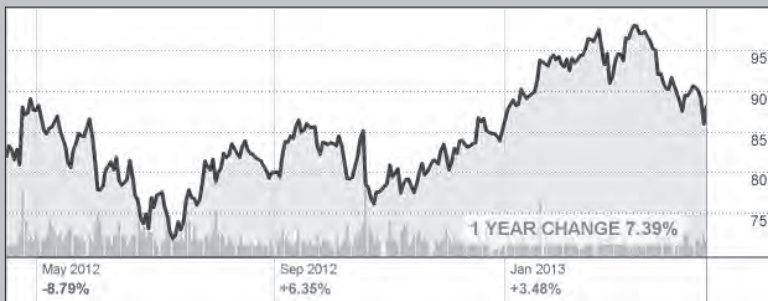


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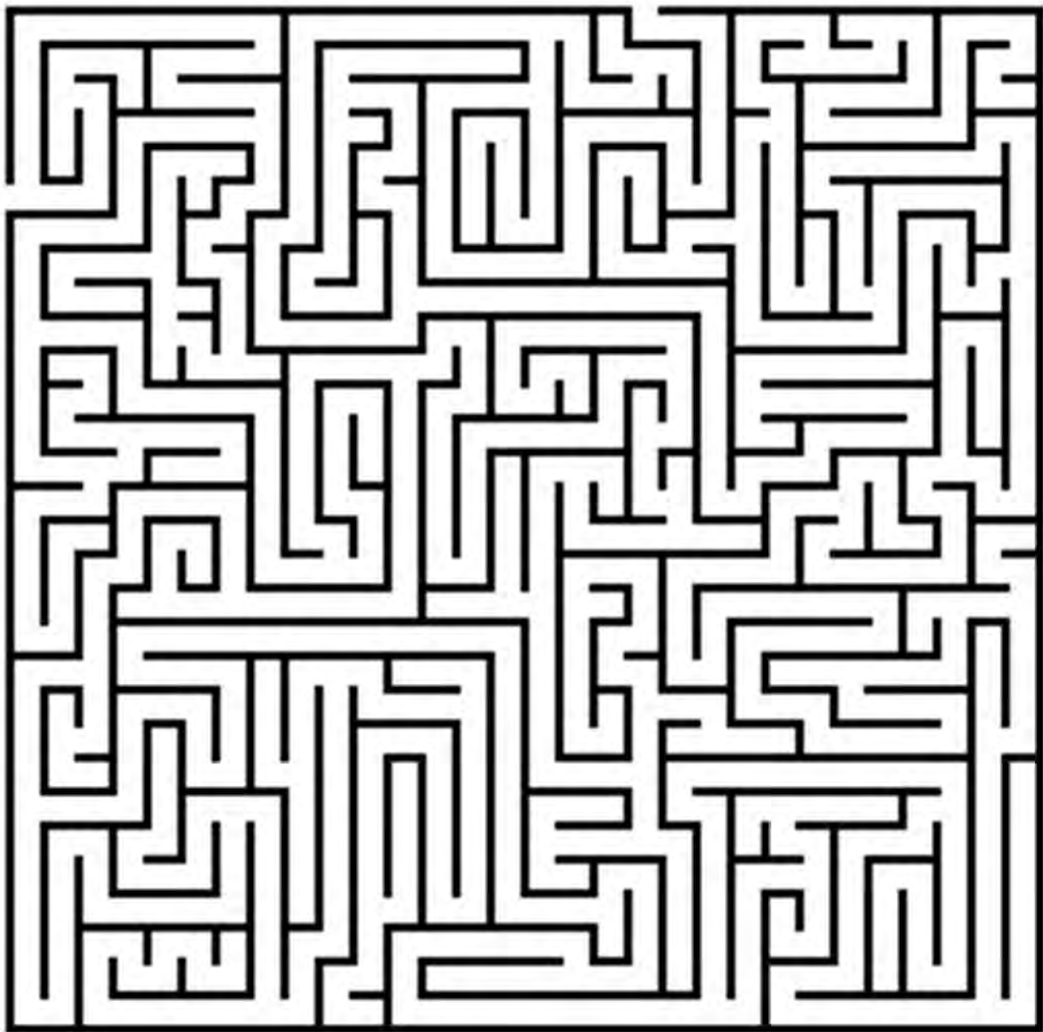


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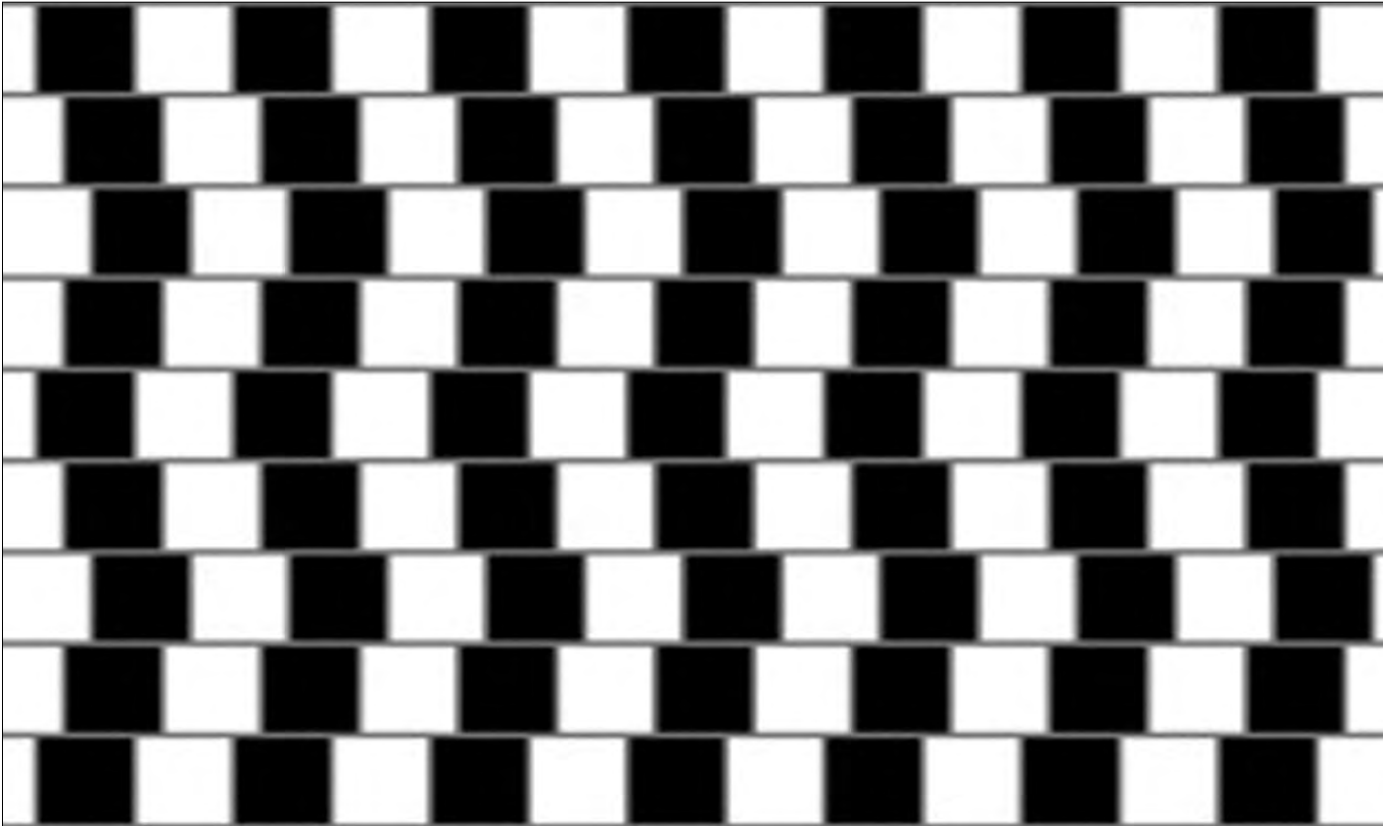


# Boggle Board of the week

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# Test your mind with some optical illusions!





## Editorial

### Dark side of the moon

The Panhellenic Council at John Carroll University recently announced that the Gamma Phi Beta sorority will no longer be allowed to participate in upcoming Greek Week 2013 due to an incident that occurred during their formal at The House of Blues in Cleveland on Saturday, April 6.

The Gamma Phi Beta International Headquarters also issued a statement which declared John Carroll's Zeta Omicron chapter on probation. Other details about the incident have remained exclusive to those in the sorority.

The national leadership's firm stand on this issue reflects positively on Greek life as a whole. The Panhellenic Council should also be commended for its support and guidance. It is important that upperclassmen leaders in all Greek organizations emphasize the importance of responsible socializing. While it is a shame that Gamma Phi Beta cannot participate in Greek Week, it is necessary that all people, not just those in sororities and fraternities, understand that their actions have consequences.

Members of Gamma Phi Beta should take advantage of this situation to further build their core values of love, labor, learning and loyalty, as well as strengthen their presence on campus.

John Carroll's administration and students should be supportive of all of the sorority's members, and understand that although the actions of a few may result in consequences for all, it does not indicate the overall character of all of the women in the group.

Other Greek organizations on campus should use this opportunity to educate all of their members on the risks and potential repercussions of irresponsible socializing.



Cartoon by Nicholas Sciarappa

## NOTABLE QUOTABLE

“Truly inspiring to be able to come here. Anne was a great girl. Hopefully she would have been a believer.”

— Justin Bieber's controversial comment in the Anne Frank House guest book

## Editorial

### Rosebuds of hope

Last weekend, numerous student organizations at John Carroll University teamed up with The Upside of Downs organization to participate in Danie's Day, an event centered on engaging with children who have Down's Syndrome.

Over 20 children attended the festivities last Saturday, which included dancing, bowling, painting and playing cornhole. The event, formerly called Project H.O.P.E., was renamed and organized by the Arrupe Scholars Class of 2015 and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity in memory of Danielle Rose, a sophomore Arrupe Scholar who passed away earlier this school year.

This program was the best possible way to honor the memory of Danie Rose. It displayed the tremendous community of support at John Carroll as well as the University's strong commitment to service.

It is important that the parents of the children with Down's Syndrome, as well as others in surrounding communities, recognize this dedication to service, which will strengthen the University's image as a Jesuit school.

Furthermore, the program was beneficial because it provided a safe space for children to have fun and engage with others. It gave student organizations a chance to act out their mission statements and serve as positive role models.

## HIT & miss

**Hit:** Only 11 days of classes left **miss:** Explosions at the Boston Marathon left three dead and 183 injured **Hit/miss:** Dish Network made a \$25.5 billion bid for Sprint Nextel Corporation **miss:** Disneyland shut down Space Mountain due to employee safety violations **Hit:** A House of Representatives proposal could potentially make it easier for students to obtain degrees by expanding online courses **miss:** An earthquake in Iran with a magnitude of 7.5 left at least 34 people dead and more than 80 injured **Hit/miss:** A new Arkansas law bans most abortions after the 12th week of pregnancy **miss:** A deadly poison was found in a letter sent to Mississippi Sen. Roger Wicker **miss:** Nickelback **Hit:** The Environmental Protection Agency reported that greenhouse gases in the U.S. dropped 1.6 percent from 2010 to 2011 **miss:** Southern Florida is experiencing a growing infestation of the giant African land snail, which is considered one of the most destructive invasive species

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## OURVIEW



**Sam Lane**  
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Well, this is a familiar time of the year. It's the last three weeks of school, and everyone is trying to get ready for finals. Aside from that, events and other commitments seem to be springing up all at once. Naturally, it can be expected that everyone is going to be a little strung out. Trust me, I know that feeling. But at the same time, talking to my friends and fellow classmates, it seems as though we are also bogged down by something we may be able to fix: the desire to obtain perfection.

A few weeks ago, I thought that I had lost my mind. I had several assignments to complete and deadlines to make. Long story short, despite my best efforts, I could not seem to get it all adequately finished. I am sure everyone can relate. In all honesty, I have faced dilemmas involving over-work before. The difference was, in past academic terms, I could admit to myself that I could have worked harder and maybe made a little better use of my time. This time, there was no such solace. After a very poor performance the previous

## End of semester advice

semester, I was determined to be on my A-game. I spent much of my break planning how I could get myself back into shape. I successfully stuck to the plan up to a few weeks ago, but in the end it was pretty much to no avail.

As you can imagine, there is no worse feeling than knowing that you have given something your all and it was still not enough. I definitely thought so. But I realized that what was worse was blaming myself for all of this, as well as comparing myself to others who were unsuccessful with managing their lives. That was my biggest problem. With the help of good friends and family, I finally began to come to terms with this.

These days, we find ourselves in an age of uncertainty. Nothing seems to be going as planned. We keep telling ourselves, "if only I did this" when something goes wrong. In my newfound opinion, I say to hell with that. I am tired of this constant urge to be perfect. Everywhere we go, we are told that we have to be the best. Now, there is nothing wrong with striving for the best. But there is a fine line between striving and being the best. The latter is simply non-existent, and that is absolutely fine. When you read this, you may feel that this is a call to give up on ambition and

embrace mediocrity, but that is far from what I am referring to.

We have to come to terms with the fact that, at certain times, we cannot do everything we want. It is true that sometimes this results from our own actions that could have been avoided. But other times, it is the result of something being out of our control. Managing our lives during college years, I feel, is a perfect example of this reality.

Let us be honest with ourselves – we have way too much to do these days. We are constantly being told that we have to be on the ball in order to have any hope of succeeding and getting a job. Personally, I do not subscribe to this fear mongering that is prevalent today, and there is no reason anyone else should have to either. No matter how stressful these next few weeks get for all of us, it is important to remember that it is not the do-all or end-all of our lives.

So as we approach this semester's closing, there are two things to remember. The first is fairly obvious, work hard and pull through. But more importantly, acknowledge that you're human and find time to kick back, relax and still have a good time.

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Mentz's Minute:  
Cherishing  
the gift

**Zach Mentz**  
Editor in Chief

As a sports guy, I was originally planning on writing this column about Kyrie Irving and the future Cleveland Cavaliers. But, as we've all learned by now, life doesn't always go as planned. And life sure as hell didn't go as planned for the runners who competed in the Boston Marathon this past Monday, April 14.

When the 27,000-plus marathon runners woke up in Boston on Monday morning, I'm sure they didn't envision themselves being involved in a bombing that left hundreds injured and three dead. Even more disturbing, one of the deaths was that of an eight-year-old child.

When that eight-year-old boy woke up on Monday morning, he probably envisioned a day full of joyous competition and early-spring weather in downtown Boston. What should have been a celebratory occasion for thousands turned into a national tragedy and resulted in the death of a third grader.

So what do we do next? What do we, as a culture, as a country, as a human race, do next? In any crisis situation, you have two options: rise to the occasion or fold like a stack of cards.

When I say "rise to the occasion," I'm saying quite clearly that it's time for us, all of us, to put our foot down and say enough is enough. How many planes have to crash into buildings, how many elementary school shootings, how many bombs must go off before we, as a culture, decide that enough is finally enough.

Enough of the violence. The anger. The hatred. Our culture feeds off of those unsettling elements, and I can promise you this: it doesn't work.

This isn't a change that will happen overnight, nor is it a change that will be easy. But we, as a culture, are desperately in need of a culture change – and we need it now. We need to get back to our roots, our basic human elements. Somewhere along the line, we, as a culture, lost our compassion and empathy for others.

Most of us live our lives full of hatred and anger, focusing on the negative and living with a pessimistic view of this gift called "life."

I don't know about you, but I'm sick and tired of living in a world where the top stories on the nightly news are based on shootings, bombings, stabbings and the overall topic of fear. This isn't how life is meant to be lived. Rather, this isn't the way that life should be lived. And it doesn't have to be this way. It shouldn't be this way.

Unfortunately, it is this way. We live in a world where we can't send our kids to their first day of kindergarten without thinking "What if?" We live in a world where an eight-year-old boy can't heroically compete in a marathon race and return home safely to his family at night.

So ask yourself: Did Monday's tragedy in Boston really bother you? Or did it just upset you until you changed the channel and forgot about it? I know the answer for me, and I'm shaken to the core.

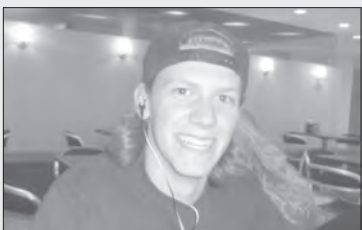
We shouldn't have to live in fear of what may happen, but instead we should live our lives with excitement and enthusiasm, embracing what's ahead. The world, and our lives, shouldn't be run by fear and violence. Because when you live in fear, you're not really living.

We need to be appreciative of what we have in our lives while we have it, and we need to take a stand to make a cultural change now. If we don't make that change now, when will we? It's now or never. Our future isn't promised – we learned that on Monday.

Next time you're upset, make sure it's over something that's worth getting upset about. We shouldn't allow our days to be ruined because McDonald's messed up our order or because we scuffed a new pair of shoes. After all, if you have your loved ones and a place to sleep at night, life can't be that bad.

Bottom line: Show some compassion, some empathy towards those around you. Life isn't easy for anyone, so let's all make it a little easier on each other.

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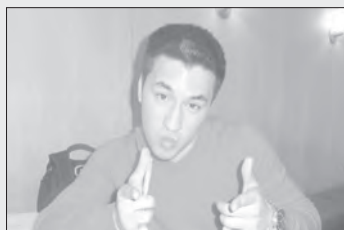
"Description of Ned Barnes' head."

**Pat Vecellio,**  
freshman



"Something that is irrelevant."

**Kim Hoag,**  
junior



"When a bird flies too far south and spontaneously combusts due to the heat."

**James Kertcher,**  
junior

**Nebbish:** A weak-willed, timid or ineffectual person



**Ryllie Danylko**  
Managing Editor

Hi, my name is Ryllie, and I like cats, dogs, Starbursts and long walks on the beach ... is how I could start my first ever column. However, I'd like to introduce myself in a way that is a little more interesting and a little less Match.com.

Let's start with my name. While you might be alarmed by the unusual spelling, fear not. When I first saw it, I thought it was a typo, too. But take a moment and realize that you're reading The Carroll News, where typos go to die. Over the years, I've gotten Riley, Rylie, Rhyllie, Railey (I'm looking at you, Einstein's employee) and several other variations. I've even gotten mail addressed to Mr. Ryllie Danylko (I'll let you be

## The Ryllie Factor:

the judge of my true gender identification from the photo to the left). I can't take credit for my unique name, though. All credit goes to my mother on that one. I've grown to like my name, though, and it's kind of cool being the only Ryllie around.

The first thing you should know about me is that I live an awkward life. I'm not talking tripping-in-front-of-a-cute-boy awkward (although I have experienced this in record numbers), I'm talking accidentally-breaking-the-main-door-of-Rodman-Hall-and-then-running-away awkward. While these experiences can be pretty embarrassing, they teach me to take life a little less seriously, and also serve as hilarious stories that I probably won't ever share with anyone.

One of my most prominent characteristics is my tendency to procrastinate everything. I live to procrastinate, and I procrastinate to live. Nothing beats the rush of turning in an important paper or

application just seconds before it's due, then releasing tears of joy, relief, misery, desperation and various other emotions. Actually, many things beat that feeling, like getting a full night's sleep, for example, or being able to sit back and relax on a Sunday evening – at least that's what I've heard.

Something about me that has cost me friendships, family ties, love interests, etc. is my hatred of ketchup. And mustard. And mayonnaise. And ranch. And anything else that falls under the categories of "condiments" or "dressings." However, given that in the past year, I have overcome my aversion to such exotic food items as cheeseburgers and omelets (which I now consider two of my favorite food items), there may be hope for those slimy concoctions.

In an attempt to redeem myself from those less-than-likeable qualities, I'm going to move on to something about me that is more positive, albeit obvious: I like to write. When I came to college, I took courses in

## Allow me to introduce myself

everything from neuroscience to education to economics to English trying to find my academic niche. I had always done well on essays in high school, so I gave journalism a try and fell in love. There's something about telling a story and seeing people read it and be affected by it that gives me a rush even greater than that which I get from procrastinating.

If you have the good fortune meeting me in person, the first thing you might notice about me is that I'm tall. You can catch me tearing up the basketball court on a daily basis, dunking on everyone in sight.

I'm lying. While roughly 75 percent of people ask me whether I'm a baller upon meeting me for the first time, the fact is that I've never played a day in my life. Actually, I spent my whole life in the dance studio, training mostly in ballet. I won't bore you with the sob story of how a back injury crushed my dreams of performing lead roles at Lincoln Center with the American Ballet Theatre, which effectively

scarred me for life and left me with a perfectionist complex ingrained in my psyche by my failure to achieve my childhood dreams. But maybe I just did.

Nonetheless, I'm looking forward to sharing with you some of my sardonic commentary in an attempt to be as extraordinarily offensive and insensitive as my predecessor, Brian Bayer. Every once in a while, though, I experience moments of clarity in which I abandon my cynical tendencies in favor of positive, inspirational wisdom. These moments may or may not be the result of a profound quote placed on an artsy background that I found on Pinterest, but who's to say? Just know that this column will be the first place I go to share these philosophical ponderings.

Lastly, you should know I honestly, truly, sincerely, really do like long walks on the beach.

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# The Op/Ed Top Ten:

Things to do when the weather  
is warm in Cleveland

1. Tribe games
2. Frisbee/cornhole/  
Kan Jam on the quad
3. Sunbathing
4. Swimming in  
Lake Erie
5. Go to West Side  
Market
6. Outside porch  
at Panini's
7. Concerts at Blossom
8. Tennis
9. Hikes in Shaker  
Heights parks
10. Golf

—Compiled by Grace Kaucic

## Higl's Squiggles:



**Alexandra Higl**  
Arts & Life Editor

Greetings. I'm sensing you may be slightly confused. You probably have no idea who I am or why you can't stop staring deeply into my eyes in the picture printed above the text you are now reading. Before you hurl your copy of this award-winning publication across your dorm room, office or our beloved school's quad for the savage squirrels to devour in a fit of rage, I would like to clarify a few things.

My name is not Nick. Nor is this Nick's Knack. I have taken over. Yes, my conspiracy to take over the Op/Ed section is beginning to succeed. After an entire year of blackmailing the staff, sending anonymous letters to the editor demanding that the current Arts & Life Editor should be granted column space and sneaking in late at night changing the "Nick's Knack" to "Higl's Squiggles," my brilliant plan has prevailed. Cue evil villain laugh.

Next up: ultimate control over John Carroll University.

Just kidding. I'm actually a pretty laid back person who just goes with the flow. You'll eventually get used to my abnormal sense of humor around the fourth column or so. Please realize that this quirky sense of humor is how I stay sane on a daily basis.

However, it is true. The spot that used to belong to Nick's Knack has become Higl's Squiggles (just so you know, Higl rhymes with squiggle). Not because I have overthrown the previous columnist due to my tyrannical tendencies, but simply because he's graduating and the space on the page was open.

I bet you're thinking the same thing I am – the first explanation sounded way cooler. However, I'm an honest Abe (or Al) so it was merely the right thing to come clean.

Getting down to business, you and I will (hopefully) be spending a great deal of moments together during toilet time, procrastination opportunities or whenever you choose to read Higl's Squiggles. With that said, let's start off on

## The first installment

the right foot, shall we? My name is Alexandra Elizabeth Higl and I would like to be your friend. This is the point of the introduction where we shake hands, partake in a warm embrace or chest bump.

Since we are already such good friends, I would like to share a secret with you. Now that I actually have a column, I'm a bit nervous. The columnists that have come before me in this very space have shared everything from humor to philosophical insights. The previous columnist sported a picture with an awesome mustache. Unfortunately, chances are pretty great that I will not be able to grow such a mustache due to the fact I am a girly girl composed of estrogen. I can wear a Gossip Girl-style headband in a new picture if that would please you.

What I'm trying to say is my predecessors have been known for their unique style that you, as a John Carroll community, have grown to love. As a brand-spanking new columnist, I bring with me my own sense of style: one filled with mass amounts of estrogen, sarcasm fueled by caffeinated beverages and an overwhelming passion for the words I put on the page.

Columns are like television shows. The audience tunes in week after week, eager to continue the saga. Each attracts different people who have different personalities. After serious searching, everyone eventually falls in love with a series. Canceling a series is like going through a bad breakup. The same can be said when an opinion column comes to an end. You feel as though you'll never learn to love or trust again.

Then that new series comes around. You watch that pilot episode and it's like you're on a first date. A spark ignites, and next thing you know, you're curling up on the couch each week with a bag full of movie theater popcorn stuffing your face. To quote pop sensation Rihanna, you've "found a love in a hopeless place."

What I'm trying to say is we're on our first date. It may be too soon to start throwing around the "I" word or whip out the movie theater popcorn with extra butter, but I hope that we can reach that point one day. If we ever do, just make sure not to get any popcorn grease on my picture.

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**Grace Kaucic**  
Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

I like to write uplifting columns. God knows that there aren't enough positive messages going around in the world right now, and especially after the events at the Boston Marathon on Monday, I feel this is the time to spread some love around. On a quick side note, I offer my most sincere prayers to any and all who have been affected by Monday's happenings. However, I do not want to dwell on any sadness and pain, so I now shift the topic of my column to something every single person on planet Earth must deal with – mistakes.

"Oh yeah, Grace, that's definitely a much more cheerful topic. Let's have a nice, uplifting heart-to-heart about all of the things we've done wrong in our lives" (insert sarcastic tone). I imagine that's what many of you are thinking right now. However, before we get carried away with the sarcasm, I want to clarify my intentions for this piece. First and foremost, this is not going to be my own personal diary. I will not confess my deepest and darkest secrets, which may please or disappoint you, depending on who you are. I will not talk about what's right and wrong, and I most certainly will not call anyone out on past mistakes. I just want to talk about something that I have always had difficulty accepting, which is that mistakes really are a necessary

## Goodness Gracious: Mistakes shmistakes

part of life.

Let me start off by saying that I have made many mistakes in my life. Shocking, I know. Seriously, though, I have made A LOT of mistakes. Some happened yesterday, some happened last weekend, some happened over a year ago. There are some mistakes that I've dealt with, some that I am currently dealing with and some that I still haven't truly addressed. It gets better, too, because chances are I'm not done adding to that list yet. Truth is, it's a balancing act. When I mess something up, I fix something else. So, in reality, my plate will never really be completely clear. For some reason, though, that is so hard for me to come to terms with.

I've always believed that everything comes at a price. There are very few things in life that come for free. In that sense, I imagine that you can essentially "buy" mistakes. Every single action you take is absolutely, 100 percent your choice, and no one at all can decide what you will or will not do. That's this great thing we call "free will." However, all choices come with a price. If you are considering doing something bad, no one can stop you. But, you will have to pay for whatever it is you want to do. Sometimes, the action may outweigh the price. For example, if you lie to your parents and get away with it, then the price wasn't really all that high. Those are rare cases, though, and most of the time, the price of a particularly bad action outweighs the action itself.

My idea used to be that once

you pay the price for something, that's it. You buy your mistake, pay the fee, and move on with your life. That hasn't been the case so much recently, though. Even after paying my "fees" for certain past actions, I haven't felt balanced. I still feel like I either owe a fee, or continue to pay it even when my debt should be settled.

I've found myself weighed down by things that I wish I'd done differently. However, I've learned to accept that there are simply some things I cannot control, and that holding onto the past does nothing but disrupt your future.

I think Rafiki from "The Lion King" sums it up perfectly well: "The past can hurt. But the way I see it, you can either run from it, or learn from it." Mistakes happen, whether you want them to or not. There comes a point in time when you just have to chalk them up for what they were and let yourself grow. That's not to say you shouldn't take responsibility for your actions. As I've discussed, everything comes at a price, and it is always best to apologize and retribute for things you may have done to hurt another person, whether they were intentional or accidental.

My point is that in order to truly grow, you have to let mistakes happen, because they let you grow in a way that nothing else can. So, for my last uplifting sentence, let me say this: no matter what, it'll all be ok.

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## Alumni Corner

Written by Tom Wancho '83, Carroll News Alumnus

The last article I wrote for The Carroll News appeared in the May 3, 1983 lampoon issue (The Carroll Newz). It was so long ago that I typed the article. On a typewriter. I don't even think there were any computers on campus, and if there were, no one had any idea how to use one. Don't believe me? Ask your parents.

In less than two months (June 14-16) I'll attend my 30th JCU reunion. Seeing classmates with expanded waistlines, thinning hair, and slighter in stature will be a blast because the older you get, the better you were. We not only grew together, we grew up together. There is nothing better than spending four years among your peers. The highs and lows prepare you for the rest of your life.

I know what current students reading this are thinking: what does this old geezer know? And if you saw my JCU GPA, you'd have

every right to ask that question. But I do have 20/20 wisdom, enough to know that nothing teaches you about life like living it each day.

Times were different. Communication was more personal because it was all we had. There was no email, no texting, no instant messaging. Plans were made and carried out, whether everyone showed up or not. Without realizing it at the time, we were communicating far more effectively than Dr. Miller (who I understand still teaches communications classes at Carroll) could have imagined. And while John Carroll did not enjoy the variety of student ethnic backgrounds it does today, for the first time in our lives, we mingled with kids from different states with weird accents.

What I learned most at John Carroll wasn't necessarily in the classroom. Far from it. Backgammon games for hours straight, play-

ing quarters at the Rathskeller (the campus bar), continuing to flush the toilet when someone was taking a shower (all in good fun, of course), staying up late to cram for an exam and endless fraternity pranks are all part of my Carroll experience. I'll be reminded of more in just a couple of short months.

College is supposed to prepare you for the rest of your life, and I can honestly say that those four years spent on that wonderful campus between 1979-1983 did so for me. I learned to listen, communicate effectively and quickly find a common ground that made others comfortable. These are skills that I still use today, every day.

Reunions are for rehashing, remembering and revitalizing. You spend 10 minutes learning what someone does today and then immediately travel back to a time and place where life was simpler. And so was I.

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