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President Garvey Reacts to DACA Announcement

By DUANE PAUL MURPHY
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The Catholic University of America's President, John Garvey, urges the Congress to protect undocumented immigrant youth due the end of DACA in an official statement published this Tuesday. In an email message sent out by the university's Office of Marketing and Communications from the university's Office of the President, Garvey hopes that Congress will protect more than 800,000 young undocumented immigrants in the wake of President Donald Trump's decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program or DACA, an immigration policy created in 2012 and expanded two years later in

2014 by the former presidential administration of Barack Obama . DACA is meant to allow some immigrants, who came into the country as undocumented minors, to legally reside, study and work in the United States. "They abide by our laws, are employed or seeking an education, and contribute to our economy and our communities," Garvey said in the statement regarding those affected by DACA.

"Our country's moral quality is measured by the way we treat those who most need our assistance. DACA has given young people a shot at an education and a better life. Elimination without a more comprehensive solution means abandonment. We can and must do better."

Before President Trump's decision to end the former immigration policy created by the Obama administration, Garvey has stated his support for the program last Friday, September 1st, on the Catholic television channel, Eternal Word Television Network or EWTN.

"I think it's the right thing to do," Garvey told EWTN News Nightly anchor Jason Calvi.

"These are people who came to the United States

through no decision of their own. They're here innocently and they've been abiding by the laws and working hard. They stand for the things that Americans want such as to keep families together, work hard and love America."

Matthew Green, a professor from the university's Department of Politics and a fellow at the Institute for Policy Research and Catholic Studies who teaches "Politics in the Age of Trump"

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COURTESY OF EWTN NEWS

President Garvey speaks on EWTN about the DACA program on August 31st.

School Year Opens with Annual Mass of the Holy Spirit

By ALEX SANTANA
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On Thursday, August 31, 2017, The Catholic University of America held its annual Mass of the Holy Spirit in the Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

The Mass of the Holy Spirit is an annual celebration to mark the beginning of the academic school year at Catholic University. Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington and University Chancellor celebrated the mass along with Fr. Jude DeAngelo, University Chaplain & Director of Campus Ministry, and other priests from Catholic University

and the Archdiocese of Washington. Cardinal Wuerl also served as the homilist for Thursday's mass and spoke primarily about several qualities that all Christians should focus on to better live out their faith. Those qualities were boldness, connectedness to the Church, a sense of urgency, compassion, and joy. He went on to speak about living the faith through God's grace and guidance. "God places his Spirit within us so that we do have the ability not only to say the words of faith but to live them," he said.

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Students, sisters, and more enjoy the opening Mass of the Holy Spirit on August 31st.

Students Explore Their Options at Annual Study Abroad Fair

By Duane Paul Murphy
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Catholic University of America's Center for Global Education held its annual Education Abroad Fair this Wednesday in the Przbyla Center Great Room to provide students a wide variety of programs. Starting at 11:00 a.m. in the morning and ending at 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon, more than 100 students walked around and stoped at the tabled stations in which more than 20 university faculty and staff members as well as study abroad program representatives were present to discuss various aspects of their programs. Topics included financial aid, application processes, course catalogs, and other opportunities for living as well as studying out of the country.

"It's fantastic," said Grace Schneider, the university's

director of education abroad Grace Schneider, regarding the fair's turnout. "I have seen so many students interested in going abroad. I have had a lot great conversations and really excited to see so many students."

When asked about what will be the top destination for the school year, Schneider said that Rome is a number one travel destination for students who want to study abroad due the university's connections with the Catholic Church in the Vatican and the university's scholastic program located in Italy.

Schneider also said that talking to study abroad alumni would be great advice for students who have never done such overseas programs.

"Their enthusiasm is

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THE POLITICS CORNER

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Warren Endorses Sanders Healthcare Plan

U.S. Senator from Massachusetts Elizabeth Warren and freshman U.S. Senator from California Kamala Harris have recently endorsed a universal healthcare bill mainly sponsored by U.S. Senator from Vermont and former presidential candidate Bernie Sanders. Entitled "Medicare for All", the bill would establish a national single payer healthcare system in which both primary and non-primary care, such as hospital visits, dental, or vision, would be financially covered or paid for by the federal government largely financed through income taxation.

"I believe it's time to take a step back and ask: what is the best way to deliver high quality, low cost health care to all Americans? Everything should be on the table," Warren said in a public statement this Thursday on her website.

Last week in Oakland, California Senator Harris told a town hall crowd that it was "It's just the right thing to do" to support the "Medicare for All" legislation.

According to a recent public opinion poll from the Pew Research Center, more than 60% of Americans believe that the federal government is responsible for ensuring universal healthcare coverage, including 33% who want single payer healthcare.

President and First Lady Donate to Hurricane Victims



Devastation in Texas - Courtesy of TIME Magazine

President Donald J. Trump has announced the twelve organizations that he and First Lady Melania Trump are donating to aid the victims of Hurricane Harvey. These funds will assist those who were greatly affected in parts of Texas and Louisiana. The total amount being donated by the President and First Lady is \$1 million.

The twelve organizations and the amounts each are receiving by the President and First Lady are: Reach out America – \$100,000, Red Cross – \$300,000, Salvation Army – \$300,000, Samaritan's Purse – \$100,000, ASPCA – \$25,000, Catholic Charities – \$25,000, Direct Relief – \$25,000, Habitat for Humanity – \$25,000, Houston Humane Society – \$25,000, Operation Blessing – \$25,000, Portlight Inclusive Disaster Strategies – \$25,000, and Team Rubicon – \$25,000.

After announcing the donation last week at a press briefing, White House Press Secretary Sarah asked members of the White House Press Corps to propose the organizations they would like to see revive money from the President and First Lady. A White House press release on Tuesday mentioned that some of the organizations that were recommended by the White House Press Corps were chosen by the President and First Lady. The White House press release stated that President Trump "would like to thank those who made recommendations for their attention to this important cause."

"President Donald J. Trump and First Lady Melania Trump announced today a personal donation of \$1 million dollars to Hurricane Harvey relief efforts and have designated twelve organizations to receive contributions. The President and First Lady witnessed the work of some of these groups first hand while visiting with hurricane survivors, first responders, volunteers, and Federal, State, and local officials, and are proud to further assist the recovery efforts in Texas. The President and First Lady continue to pray for the people of Texas and Louisiana" according to a White House statement from the Office of Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders.



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CRIME BLOTTER

A report of each week's crimes on or just around CUA's campus will be reported here for reference and public knowledge, courtesy of the Department of Public Safety.

NEWS

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Center for Global Education's Abroad Fair

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so contagious and they often have really great advice for new students who are thinking about going abroad."

One of the most notable study abroad programs are the parliamentary internships offered in the United Kingdom of Great Britain, Ireland, and Belgium. If accepted, students ranging from sophomores to seniors will have the opportunity to work in national parliaments or the European Parliament while studying and traveling across the countries of the continent.

"Personally, I think the internship program is great experience to boost your resume and increase your world view of different governments in the international sphere," said senior politics major and College Democrats president Rachael Simoneau, who interned with the British House of Commons in London's Westminster.

"Living in D.C. you get a lot of views about domestic politics, but an abroad internship

program allows you to see democracy at work in other countries."

When it comes to covering the costs, financial aid scholarships, stipends, and other program were offered during the fair. One of the most notable financial aid packages was the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship from the Taiwan government's Ministry of Education. An application for fixed monthly stipend of NT\$25,000 or more than \$800 in America Dollars is provided to Mandarin Chinese learners, beginner or non-beginner, to study at any credited Mandarin Chinese language center in a university or college in island country, officially known as the Republic of China.

University students who attended the fair, including those who previously studied abroad, shared positive sentiments about their own experiences and encouraged other students to travel as well as attend school overseas for the semester.



COURTESY OF DUANE PAUL MURPHY

The Center for Global Education's Annual Study Abroad Fair invited students to explore their options for studies in a foreign country on September 7th.

President Garvey Hopes a Solution Will Come after DACA

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course, said that although Trump expressed sympathy with those DREAMers, White House cabinet members such as Attorney General Jeff Sessions have been opponents of the program and continued to pressure the President to end this particularly immigration policy.

"It is possible to pass the Dream Act within six months, but it faces at least two challenges: a very crowded legislative schedule, and divisions within the Republican Party over whether and how to permit Dreamers to stay in the U.S." said Green regarding potential legislative action on Capitol Hill.

When asked about how the repeal of DACA could have the potential to impact next year's midterm elections in 2018 if the immigration is not restored through both houses of Congress, Greene theorized that it can

further galvanize the President's liberal opponents and possible motivate both Hispanic or Latino and younger voters to against the Republicans at the federal level.

Students on campus have been supportive of Garvey's committed support to DACA, especially sharing Garvey's statement on social media feeds such as Facebook.

"I really appreciate President Garvey speaking up in support of DACA as it is an issue that is important to many CUA students," said senior politics major and vice president of Women of CUA Alex Ruotolo.

Due to DACA's end, President Trump has given Congress six months to come up with federal legislation to protect those affected by the immigration policy or more than 800,000 undocumented immigrants will be subjected to deportation through Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Holy Spirit Mass To Begin Year

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communications major Migi Fabara had the opportunity to be a photographer at the mass for the Office of Public Affairs. "It is a beautiful tradition to begin the school year with this mass and to have Cardinal Wuerl celebrate it," she said.

University President John Garvey, J.D., welcomed everyone and thanked all those participating in the celebration, including those watching on the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) and Catholic TV. He talked about "the centrifugal force that work in the world: last election campaign, racist demonstration in Charlottesville, the intolerance of the left on college campuses show a contemporary culture that's forgotten the meaning of civil discourse." He mentioned humor as "a trait I think we would do well to cultivate in these circumstances." He referenced former President Ronald Reagan's

humor about his own age and English writer G.K. Chesterton's belief that humor "involves some confession of human weakness."

Talking directly the students and especially the incoming Class of 2021, President Garvey ended his remarks by saying "Let's try to keep in mind, in our disagreements this year, that we may not be the smartest guy in the room; and that whatever differences we might have now, in the end 'the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.'"

Sophomore politics major Jacob Cowan enjoyed the mass in a slightly different sense. "The mass was nice, and even nicer that classes during it were cancelled! Win win," Cowan said.



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Cardinal Wuerl delivers the homily during the opening mass of the Holy Spirit.

QUILL

TOWER EDITORIAL

Welcome back Cardinals! The beginning of a new academic year comes with a range of sentiments and emotions. For the class of 2021, this may be a scary, overwhelming time. There are not many life transitions like the beginning of college. It can be tough to remember that almost all first year students are all in the same boat – worried about making friends and wondering if they will enjoy classes.

Many seniors might tell you to put those worries off while you can and contemplate more pressing issues like the best times to get food at the Pryzbyla or print in Leahy. To the sophomores, the Greek root meaning “wise fool” is apt for the combination of fearlessness and cluelessness exhibited by students with one year of studies under their belts. Live it up while you can. To the juniors and seniors at Catholic, be mindful of both the approaching reality of the “real world” and the months and months of great memories to be made with friends you will count on years down the road.

Fall Fiesta was held this past week on campus. Credit to ProgramBoard, it is a fantastic event aimed to get students involved in one or two of the 222 campus organizations here at Catholic. Every organization gets a chance to showcase itself to curious students passing through to see

what they might like. A student organization fair is probably a standard event for a new year at a university, but is a clear reminder of the passion that abounds at this particular school. Whether it is in the form of free pens or silly props at each table, one walk around the Pryz will feature hundreds of students just inviting others to share in their enthusiasm. Service organizations, cultural groups, professional societies, and university-wide initiatives are all on display, full of smiling faces and driven attitudes. This university has a lot of these bright young minds whose interests extend way beyond their classes.

Seek out these organizations and stumble upon something that lights a fire in yourself. Being fervently interested in a topic is not “lame,” and not really caring about much is not “cool” but closer to just lazy. You always hear how important it is to get involved on campus, but events like Fall Fiesta truly show how rewarding it can be. Especially to the new first year students at Catholic, give something a shot outside of what you did in high school. Passion is contagious, and before you know it, you will be inspiring the next group of students to find something they love.

Best of luck to the new class at Catholic and to all the other students as well. Make it a great year.

A More Inclusive Fight Against Hatred

GUEST COMMENTARY

Abigail Schwartz
Masters Student

Like many Americans, my reaction to the recent eruption of racial hatred and violence in Charlottesville was a mixture of dismay and alarm. As a Jewish American, I watched the throngs of men and women marching with lanterns shouting in unison, “Jews will not replace us,” with a reflexive sense of dread. Anti-Semitic assaults in the United States have surged over the past two years, and accordingly the Anti-Defamation League anti-Semitic harassment, vandalism and assaults rose 34 percent between 2015 and 2016 and 86 percent in the first quarter of 2017.

Despite my awareness of these statistics, my primary concern has been serving as an ally for the minority groups whose legal rights seem most in danger of being abridged by policies such as racial profiling, gerrymandering, and the Muslim ban. It took the events in Charlottesville for me to realize that my community could use some allies of its own.

As a master’s of Social Work student at the National Catholic University’s School of Social Service (NCSSS), I figured I wouldn’t have to look too hard for partners in the fight against bigotry. I was wrong.

On August 17th, Dean Rainford invited all NCSSS students to a mandatory all-day teach-in on racism and violence. Though initially gratified by this announcement, I soon realized the teach-in does not include me.

Not only is the issue of anti-Jewish hate speech noticeably missing from the agenda, but the event is scheduled on the same day as Rosh Hashanah, one of the holiest Jewish holidays. When I, and other Jewish students pointed out the scheduling

conflict to the NCSSS administration, we were met with curt responses asking us to notify our professors of our absences or, in my case, no response at all.

It was only after a friend of mine complained that the school sent out an event reminder stating: “We deeply regret the conflict between the anti-racism event and Rosh Hashanah Students who cannot attend due to this conflict will be given materials and access to videos of the events.” While I appreciate the school’s attempt to correct its earlier error, it feels like a little bit late.

I understand that Catholic University is just that – a Catholic university – and not beholden to consult much less accommodate the Jewish calendar. But, so long the university chooses to open its doors to non-Catholics, I believe it should be reasonably expected to give more than an afterthought to the concerns and contributions of all members of its community.

Further, I recognize and honor those primarily impacted by the white nationalist movement and its attempt to preserve Confederate symbols, specifically African Americans. However, given that Jews were so evocatively singled out by these atrocious protestors, I am disappointed that NCSSS has not made more of an effort to give us a voice in this all-so-important dialogue. Most importantly, its decision not to do so is inconsistent with both the National Association of Social Workers’ and the Catholic Church’s commitment to social justice, diversity, and human dignity.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Juan-Pablo Gonzalez
Class of 2019

Warning: Black Male on Campus

If the title of this op-ed piece makes you uncomfortable, then let us understand why in 2017, the juxtaposition of the words Black and Male in CUA’s crime alerts is fraught with peril and tantamount to carte blanche for police, citizens, and students to indiscriminately target men of African descent on CUA’s campus based on stereotype. What I am saying has been made evident in the recent 2017 case of a Black student at Colgate University carrying a glue gun for a project, a happening that consequently triggered a campus lockdown. What I am saying has also been made evident in the excess of reports of “show me your papers” moments, faced by black students at predominantly white campuses. In these moments, campus police single out black students in order that they prove they are students at said institutions and not members of dreaded local communities.

The roots of targeting African men carries us back past old Virginia’s black codes, back past the Lantern Laws, back past the 1661 slave codes of the Barbados, to a group in 1530s Cuba known as the Santa Hermandad or Holy Brotherhood. These “policing” groups involved officially sanctioned units and compelled the ordinary white colonial citizen to burden himself with the inhumane control of men of African descent.

These systems were born out of a psychotic, obsessive, singular focus on controlling the black body and are the precipitation of whites’ fears of receiving retribution for subjecting African citizens to abduction; enslavement; and relentless rape, torture, killing, starvation, destruction of traditional African spiritual systems, and destruction of African families. It is also often carried out in the name of Jesus and seen within the history of the Catholic Church. These policing systems are also inextricably tandem to the calculated crafting of narratives in early newspapers to instill every mind with the idea Africans as naturally disposed to criminality.

This over 500 years old history of policing the black body problematizes the reactions of modern police, students, and citizens towards crime alerts that list the bare-bones descriptor as “Black Male,” as these many reactions are part and parcel of an intergenerational transference of racial imagination that creates a reality that will not be experienced by other races listed in such reports. The black male body is constantly distilled through the white gaze and placed on the center-stage of the racial imagination, which creates a linguistic performativity that is inherently dangerous for all men of African descent on CUA’s campus.

Social justice is one of the much-hyped, central tenets of Catholic social doctrine. This is an opportunity for you to walk in your faiths and this is an opportunity to foster greater justice for those who are most vulnerable to the miscarriages of justice in society and subjugated by the distortions of the racial imagination. Virginia Commonwealth University, University of Cincinnati, and the University of Minnesota are a few examples of institutions that have discontinued this practice and this practice must be oppugned and swiftly ended at CUA.



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A & E

Revival: An Art Experience

By: Daniela Sol
Tower Staff

This summer an exhibit called *Revival* was opened at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in downtown DC. Artists like Louise Bourgeois, Petah Coyne, Lalla Essaydi, Alison Saar, Joana Vasconcelos, and others are showcased in the enchanting exhibit. The museum describes the art pieces as "arresting" and the experience as a "transcendent encounter with the art object." The room, filled with body parts and animals mixed with day-to-day objects, transcends a chilling museum experience. With the exploration of different medias within one space, the artists explore the unconscious and the weirdness of the mind.

What makes this exhibit a unique experience is not just the chilling compositions made up of animals and body parts, but the unusual choice of materials the artists on display chose.

In the room, you will find anything from large sculptures made with fabrics to tiny works made from yarn, wax, marble and even hair. From videos, to photographs, to giant sculptures the exhibit displays an array of artistic techniques that any art enthusiast would be fascinated to see.

Through the juxtaposition of material and sizes, the artist's pieces seem to have one theme in common, the exploration of the unusual and ever-changing human experience.

In a very modern and eclectic space, *Revival's* edgy selection of art works will mesmerize the spectator and promise to challenge the mind. Amongst the exhibit, works that are delicate and intricate are displayed yet also bold and minimalistic works can be found.

One thing that will strike any viewer is the incorporation of realism in some of the works. Although the artists target the theme of "what is the unconscious?", one thing that is commonly seen within the works is how realistic the objects molded and composed by the artists look like. The animals and body parts are made with such detail that they seem real. From phones with chicken heads attached to them to a dainty sculpture of a woman dressed in gold, *Revival* is an exhibit that will make the spectator feel fear, excitement, anxiety and amusement all at once.

Revival was chosen at the Museum's 30th year anniversary to expand the support for women artists who do sculpting and photography and also as a form of inspiration for

artists that want to explore more unusual artistic goals. It will be closing next week, September 10th, so this weekend is the last chance to experience these thrilling works made by upcoming

contemporary women artists.



COURTESY OF NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WOMEN IN THE ARTS, WASHINGTON DC

Exploring DC9: Unknown Music Club

By: Iain Higgins
Tower Contributor

Few other music venues in the District offer a more intimate experience than the cramped, smoke filled DC9. Located a few blocks south of Howard University, its central location belies its furtive appeal. The place comes off like a well-kept secret. The tri-level building is equipped with bars on each floor, though the place to be is the second floor- where the music is live. Access for those under 21 years of age is attainable via two large black X's on the back of the hands, and smokers are accommodated on the top floor with open air and ashtrays. Everyone is welcome here.

Upon entering the second level, show goers are greeted with a makeshift merchandise table- really just two bar hi-tops pulled together to form a right angle. Prices for cassettes, CDs, and t-shirts are scribbled on a napkin (stickers are free, so grab two.) Above the stage, which is only twenty feet from the stairs, DC 9 hovers, bold and proud, on the far wall. The interior is

a dusty red, barely lit by a few struggling lightbulbs here and

ence only an intimate venue like this will guarantee. Arrive

present itself. Once the opening act comes on, this particular night brought the raucous, do-it-yourself punk trio Gloop, the floor starts to shake. Amps likely built for a larger scene rip up the room, and as expected the rush of sounds waves is felt.

Coming up next, the main attraction - a Los Angeles band called Sextile, heavily indebted to the likes of Joy Division and The Cure. The tiny interior of DC9 corrals loud, visceral sound in the way a large venue simply cannot making the experience of a concert unforgettable.

It may not be the spot for everyone, but music fans would be remiss not to experience the character of DC9. A wide variety of genres sound off on an almost nightly basis, from EDM to acoustic to jazz.

A full schedule of the artists performing, along with ticket prices, can be accessed online.



DC9 CLUB - COURTESY OF JIMMY CASSIDY TOWER STAFF

there. Arriving early will grant a glimpse of the band setting up and talking to fans, an experi-

even earlier and the opportunity to mingle with them at the bar for a pre-show drink may

SPORTS

The Dawn of a New Era in Cardinals' Football

By Jared Prenda
Tower Staff

With a new season comes plenty of changes for the Catholic University Football team. The team will be in a new conference, led by a new coach, and filled with plenty of new talent. The change is what is required as the Cards look to enter a new era in the programs long and storied history.

The most notable change will be the conference, going from the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) to the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC). The team, who had been a member of the ODAC since 1999 and won the conference title in their debut season, has seen plenty of struggles in recent years. The team has a 9-21 overall record over the past 3 seasons, and an even worse 2-19 in conference record in that same time. The Cards will be one of eight inaugural teams in the NEWMAC, since this is the first year the conference will host organized football.

Outside of a change in opponents, the Cardinals will be seeing a change in their coaching staff. The CUA team will be helmed by Class of 1992 alum Mike Gutelius, who will serve as the program's 30th head coach. Gutelius has over 20 years of coaching experience, including the past seven

as the defensive coordinator for Lindsey Wilson College (Ky.). The Blue Raiders have made 3 straight NAIA Football Championship appearances and achieved its first overall ranking with Gutelius running the defense. In 2015, Gutelius was selected as the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) NAIA Assistant of the Year.

Gutelius, as his resume would suggest, brings a stingy defensive mind to Catholic. In 2015, his defense at Lindsey Wilson only surrendered 224 points, the fewest in program history. The year prior, his defense generated the most interceptions (29) and sacks (33.5) in a single season, while also generating an NAIA leading 45 turnovers. These efforts lead to Gutelius' nomination as an AFCA NAIA Assistant Coach of the Year finalist.

Prior to his success at Lindsey Wilson, Gutelius spent 6 years as Concord's (W.Va.) assistant head coach, defensive coordinator and organized the program's academic success program. He has also coached at Wingate (N.C.), La Verne (Calif.), St. Norbert (Wis.), and spent one season with Catholic immediately after graduating in 1992.

Fortunately for Gutelius, his history of stalwart defenses should prosper at CUA. The

defensive side of the ball is headlined by All Conference Defensive End and Captain Pat Vidal, whose pass rushing capabilities have gathered the attention of multiple NFL teams and is projected to produce All-region numbers. He is joined on the line by sophomore nose tackle Jake O'Donoghue, and looks to complete a potent combo with Vidal.

The CUA Linebacking corp looks to be just as menacing to opposing offenses, since it is filled with speed, strength, and size. Senior Anthony Santo will lead the group after recording a team high 90 tackles last season. He is joined by fellow classmate and returning starter Nick Della Jacono who will look to have a strong season of his own. The backers will have not only possess skill, but depth with senior Greg Mayer, junior David Adams, and sophomore Komani Turner to complete the core.

The defense will be loaded with plenty of experience at all positions, with the corps of defensive backs returning two starters as well. Senior safety Luke Kern and junior Corner Jake Marcellino are joined by juniors Joe Nacci and Isaiah Snead to complete a speedy and athletic group of backs.

Despite the plethora of

tried and tested veterans on defense, the CUA offense will be filled with plenty of new players looking to produce for the team. The Cards will, however, have some experience to lead their young skill players at the quarterback position, with both senior Jorge Pola and sophomore Alejandro Ros returning after the two split playing time last season. At the tailback position, junior Nick Esposito looks to be the lead back after splitting time last year. He will be backed up by sophomore Gavin Hurlbut, who earned the number 2 spot after a strong showing at camp. Sophomore Rey Riveros is looking to lead the core of receivers for the Birds, and is joined by junior Mike Alberto at the starting tight end position.

Even with the group of young prospects, the Cardinals will look to their experienced

offensive line to be the catalyst of their offense. The team will have four returning starters in the trenches, including senior captain and center Robbie Walsh. Classmates Brook Davenport and Anthony Spadaccini and sophomore Gabe O'Donnell will flank Walsh on the line.

The Cards got off to a rough start to the season, taking a tough 20-10 road loss at rival McDaniel this past weekend. The team will try to have a better showing in their home opener this weekend. The team will host the Utica Pioneers this Saturday, September 9th at Cardinal Stadium. The game will launch a three game homestand which will end with the team's NEWMAC opener against MIT.



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The Cardinals' defensive front lines up before the snap

CUA Men's Soccer Looks to Bounce Back in 2017

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For the Catholic University men's soccer program, the 2016 season was not particularly memorable. The Cardinals fell out of the top four of the Landmark Conference standings and failed to qualify for the conference tournament for the first time since 2007. After finishing with a 6-11-1 overall record with just one win in Landmark play, the team knows there is room for improvement.

"It was definitely a frustrating campaign for us," head coach Travis Beauchamp said. It was indeed a disconcerting fall for the club, as Catholic dropped its final four matches of the year. Coach Beauchamp believes his team has the potential to bounce back in this upcoming 2017 season. Unlike famous slugger Mark McGwire, CUA's head coach is willing to talk about the past and reflect to see how the club can improve.

As for the key to being more competitive in each game? It all starts with defense, says Beauchamp. He hopes the players from the incoming class of 2021 can contribute to this cause with the help of some veteran leadership.

"It doesn't take a genius to realize we struggled with

giving up goals. One of the things we wanted to do was this offseason was make sure we were strong on defense," Beauchamp said. "This will give us an opportunity towards the end of games. I feel like we've done that with this class."

Catholic will welcome 9 incoming freshmen and one transfer (class of 2019) that will look to make an impact. Three of which are listed as defenders, including the first cousin of senior captain Matt Holtschneider, Nick Battaglia. Beauchamp and his staff feel good about the talent coming in, and notes that after a season like they had, everyone will get a chance to prove themselves.

"It'll be an exciting pre-season to see who steps up; there are just a few positions that we just feel like we can circle a name and move on to the next one. So it'll be pretty competitive," Beauchamp said.

The captain Holtschneider is excited about this competition.

"One thing that coach (Beauchamp) does really well is give every single player a chance to show themselves in preseason and early scrimmages. Those guys coming in will

get a fair shot," Holtschneider said. "I want the best players on the field to play."

Another challenge that the squad will look to overcome is the all-important task of goal scoring. Catholic found the back of the net just 19 times in 18 matches last season, a statistic that places them in the bottom of the conference along with Susquehanna University when it comes to goals. The team usually possessed the ball well, but at times lacked coherency in the final third to finish with goals.

Holtschneider emphasized the importance of all eleven players on the pitch in contributing to putting the ball in the back of the net.

"Goals are a complete team effort. From the goalie, to the starters, to subs, everyone plays a part in that. It's not just one lone goal scorer," Holtschneider said. "We just have to hustle more."

With an emphasis on defense, Catholic might not need to rely on a primary goal-scoring forward, but having one sure would not hurt. Junior midfielder/forward Brian Galfond and senior defender Pat Mogan led the team last season with three goals a piece. The lone listed striker out of the incoming

class is Daniel Bello, hailing from Buenos Aires, Argentina. Catholic's veteran goalkeeper, graduate student Zachery Tashjy, will continue to lead the team with his play and presence in goal. He will look for help from a collective defensive effort featuring defenders Battaglia, Mitch Ford, Tim Figueroa, and Corbin Brailsford, among others.

The Cardinals have been predicted to finish 4th in the Landmark Conference in a preseason coaches' poll. They will likely face their biggest challenges in familiar foes like Elizabethtown, Scranton, and Drew.

When a traditionally successful program takes a step back one season, the hope is that the year was more of a fluke and a return to the mean

will come next. Heightened expectations are a consequence of being a perennial conference contender, and Beauchamp has reason to be optimistic about the challenge.

"I think because of our reputation and the nature of the university we seem to draw really good kids, and really good students. So I don't think this is a trend, but more of an exception," Beauchamp said. There is no doubting Holtschneider is fired up about the upcoming season, and he hopes the entire squad will share in his intensity.

"We have a lot of really talented guys that are willing to work very hard and are hungry for a spot," he said. "That's great, bring it. I'd love to see people step up; that's how we're gonna get better."



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Forward Brian Galfond moves the ball down field.

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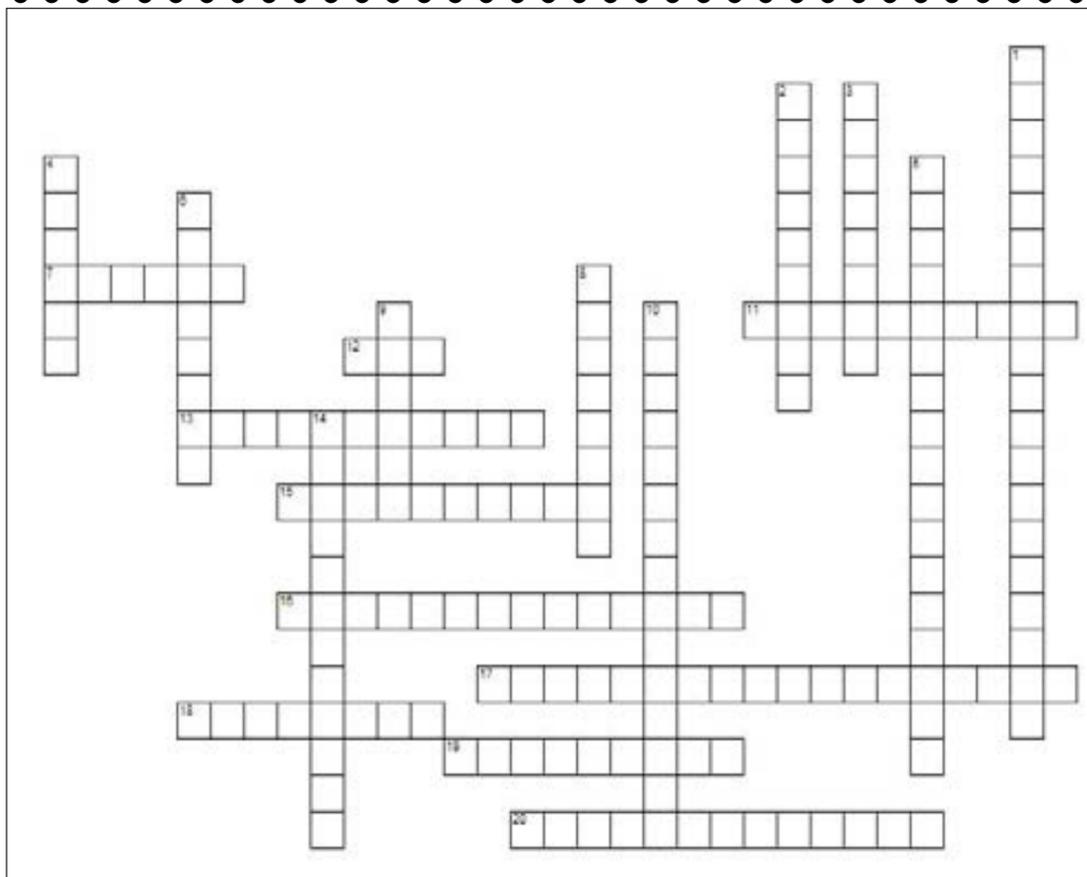
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11. Bring your sombreros to this event Tuesday where you can learn about the different student organizations (like the Tower)
12. Our unofficial mascot, you might see Mrs. Garvey walking this little rescue around campus
13. End of the school year celebration with long lines for t-shirts and free food
15. President of the University
16. Organization behind prayer and worship on campus
17. The complex where you can find the CUA bookstore, great food, and off-campus apartments
18. Catholic University's independent newspaper (HINT: you're reading it now)
19. The official mascot of the university
20. the winter formal hosted by Program Board right before the close of the semester

DOWN

1. What our Seniors called their Orientation events
2. The name of our neighborhood
3. The center of campus where you hang out, eat, and study (sometimes)
4. Where you go to cheer on our CUA Cardinals
5. The place you get amazing breakfast food (aka Tater tots) during Orientation
6. The oldest building on campus, houses Campus Ministry, and some say it haunted
8. The chapel nestled in the center of residence halls
9. the name of building where you can find countless resources for class projects, papers, and a quiet place to study
10. Students bring sleeping bags and popcorn out to the lawn to see the latest blockbuster hits
14. One of the biggest student organizations on campus responsible for different events on campus like Fall Fiesta, Movies on the Mall, Mistletoe Ball and more

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