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Status Update on Murphy's Grill Restaurant

By JISSELLA URQUILLA
Tower Staff

Murphy's Grill, the soon to be newest on campus bar for CUA students was meant to open in August, however, it is now set to open on September 25th. A grand opening will be held on October 26th, right before Cardinal Weekend, by invitation only for the 500 donors.

Although it had been rumored that Murphy's Grill was having a difficult time obtaining permits and licenses, Tim Carney, Executive Director of Housing Services, clarified that this was not the case.

"All of our licenses and occupancy permits were obtained in the expected time

frames and without difficulty." Carney said.

In the weeks leading up to its opening Murphy's Grill has been occupied with necessary operational tasks like getting the kitchen and staffing ready.

"The light is at the end of the tunnel," said Frank Persico, Vice President for University Relations and Chief of Staff.

Since there has been almost no publicity so far this semester in regards to the opening, students like senior Tim Keville have been confused. Carney said students should expect to see more information and advertisement for Murphy's Grill in the weeks to come.

"I have asked around to classmates and no one really seems

to know when the opening date will be," Keville said.

Murphy's Grill is named after Michael Murphy, a CUA Alum who received a Bachelors of Arts in History in 1974 and later a Masters in American History in 1975. Murphy wanted students at Catholic to have a place where they could get together on a weekday night and be able to socialize. In 2007, before succumbing to cancer, Murphy announced he would be starting a fund for the students to have a Rathskeller "The Rat" in other words a place for students to

get together, a "socialization place, and a community builder," Persico said. The Rat was a bar on campus that closed in 2003 when the Pryzbyla opened and campus shifted its center of the university.

Murphy's Grill, is the best way to honor Murphy because it is a place that symbolizes all that he stood for. In fact, the logo of Murphy's Grill, which was designed by Douglas Gunderson, son of Mary Corcoran, an alum of the

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COURTESY OF JISSELLA URQUILLA

The dining area of Murphy's Grill, set to open September 25th this fall.

WMATA U-Pass Sessions Inform Students Ahead of Referendum

By ABBY ANDERKO
Tower Contributor

As Universities throughout the Washington D.C. area return to campus and begin their new academic calendars, a new transportation proposition sits in the balance, and here at the Catholic University of America, it is waiting for approval from not only the university administration but the students themselves.

WMATA, or Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, the organization behind the Metrorail and Metrobus systems that run throughout the Washington D.C. community have created a program, U-Pass, to be utilized by University students throughout the Washington

D.C. metropolitan area. This program is designed so that students have unlimited access to the metro systems throughout their time at their Universities, for a price added onto their tuition.

This program is mandatory for all undergraduate, graduate, and law school students at the specific university. Currently, during the pilot, the cost of the program is approximately \$1 per day, the equivalent of \$130 per semester (approximately \$260 per academic school year). This fee is added onto the student's tuition.

This system is designed to

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Students have close access to DC's metro thanks its the proximity to the Brookland-CUA stop.

Freshman Retreat Recap: New Friends, Renewed Faith

By Samuel Matthews
Tower Contributor

Three hundred and eight members of the freshman class participated in the Class of 2021 Freshman Retreat, a weekend retreat designed to bring new students closer together and help them grow in their faith. Their destination? Sandy Hill Camp and Retreat Center in North East, Maryland, about two hours from Catholic. The retreat, put on by the Office of Campus Ministry, began the morning of Friday, September 8th, and the group returned to CUA on Sunday the 10th. "What the freshman retreat affords," said University Chaplain Rev. Jude DeAngelo, "Is the opportunity for all these different freshmen from different places throughout the country and the world to gather and to realize that there are people on our campus who share their faith and their desire to grow in Christ."

Before they left, the

students were assigned to one of the 32 small groups led by either a student minister or sophomore on the retreat team. Fitting this year's theme of "Stride On," each small group was named after a mountain. The small groups presented the opportunity to meet students outside of the familiar faces from dorms and LCs.

"It brought people together who might not otherwise have met," said Tom Dompkowski, a freshman Philosophy and Media and Communications double major who attended the retreat.

Small groups met after the talks given by members of the Freshman Retreat team. Often, personal topics were explored like the role of faith in college and methods of forming healthy relationships.

"It got a lot of people to step out of their comfort zones," Tom said.

After arriving at the retreat

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THE POLITICS CORNER

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Democratic Party Looks for Wins in 2018

The Democratic Party is starting to show some signs of hope for the upcoming 2018 midterm elections and beyond after winning two state legislative seats, one in Oklahoma and one in New Hampshire, that were once previously held by conservative Republicans and are areas where President Trump won by more than double digits in 2016. So far this year, Democrats have one six GOP-held seats and Republicans have yet to flip any Democratic seats in special elections. Also, Democratic nominees outperformed Hillary Clinton's total popular vote as well as voter margin in 26 out of 35 special elections this year.



In Oklahoma, local schoolteacher and Democratic nominee Jacob Rosecrants defeated local businessman and Republican nominee by almost 21 percentage points in special election to represent the 46th District in the state's lower House of Representatives.

In New Hampshire, retired teacher and Democratic nominee Charlie St. Clair defeated Republican Steven Whalley to represent Belknap County District 9 in state's lower House of Representatives.



CRIME BLOTTER

9/3/17 - 9/10/17

When: 9/01/17

Where: Engelhard House

What: On the listed date time and location, a CUA R/A discovered the words, "To whoever stole my tie dye shirts. I will find you and kill you." The writing was on the upper right panel of a clothes dryer, in the second floor laundry room. FMO was notified to remove the writing.

When: 9/03/17

Where: Taylor Street Ramp

What: On Sunday, September 3, 2017, at approximately 0248 hours, DPS officers contacted C-1 who reported that he was struck in the face by S-1, after he exited the restricted wooded area onto Taylor Street ramp. C-1 then gave S-1 \$20.00.

When: 9/03/17

Where: 7th & Michigan Ave. N.E.

What: On the listed date time and location, C-1 was standing on the corner of 7th & Michigan Ave. N.E., when one of two white males in a passing vehicle, squirted lotion in her face.

When: 9/04/17

Where: Off Campus

What: On September 4, 2017, C-1 reported she was sexually assaulted while at an off campus location.

When: 9/06/17

Where: Harewood Road

What: On the listed date time and location, S-1 was observed removing a laptop from a parked vehicle he had broken into. S-1 fled, lost control of his vehicle, and struck a tree at Michigan and Irving St. N.E.

When: 9/10/17

Where: Flather Hall

What: On the listed date time and location, R-1 reported that when she investigated a loud noise, she discovered damage in the restroom on the 4th floor of Flather Hall.

NEWS

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Class of 2021 Retreat Enjoyed by All

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center, students participated in night prayer. Saturday morning, after a talk on faith journeys, the students played team building games in their small groups. Some struggled to keep a straight face during the "Pterodactyl" game, and others attempted to untangle their small group from human knots. The games were followed by a talk on new beginnings, very appropriate for the Class of 2021, and a period of free time.

Free time began with an optional Mass celebrated by Rev. Eric de la Pena. According to Associate Campus Minister for Men's Ministry Pat Fricchione, it was attended by one third of the retreatants. Students also canoed in the Chesapeake, played basketball, and spent time with their classmates.

The variety of available experiences was one of the things appreciated most by Cassie George, small group leader, resident minister for Unanue, and junior finance major. "It has such a range in what it does for each person," Cassie said. "You have moments of prayer and you have moments of fruitful conversations. You have moments of laughter and spending time with friends and making new friends."

Another highlight of the retreat for many was an address by the Catholic University of America's President John Garvey and his wife Jeanne Garvey. In an atmosphere described by Tom Dompkowski as both "lighthearted" and "dynamic," the Garveys talked about love, marriage, relationships, life, and the story behind campus favorite, Gus the dog.

Students listened to talks on the Eucharist and Confession before participating in Eucharistic adoration. Sister Ruth Harkins led an Examination of Conscience and then there was an opportunity for Confession.

Fricchione was surprised by

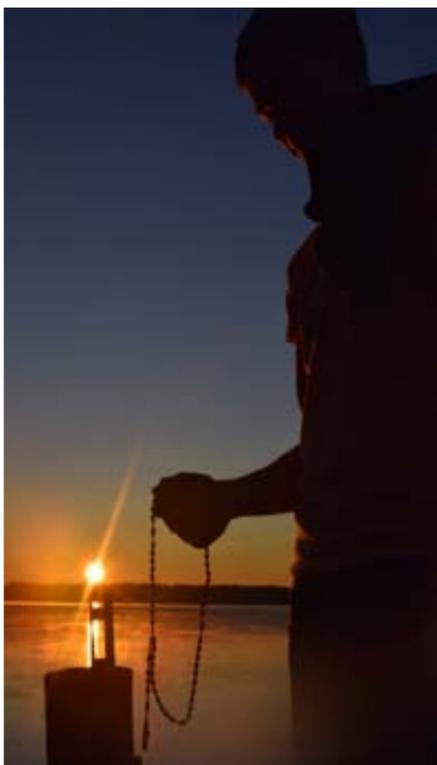
how many students immediately headed to the confessionals, which ended up being between 200 and 250 freshmen. "It was really impressive to see this whole group of people just get up and go," he said.

Dompkowski was moved by seeing "all these people in one place for one purpose, to adore Jesus."

Saturday night did not end with adoration. Retreat participants huddled around a bonfire with s'mores and joined a dance party in the gym.

Sunday Mass was celebrated by university chaplain Rev. DeAngelo and concelebrated by Rev. Albert Puliyadan. Freshmen received their retreat t-shirts because, as the explanation went, what would a Catholic University of America event be without t-shirts?

The Freshman Retreat participants stepped off the buses closer to one another than they had been just two days earlier. Many were busy talking to newfound friends when they picked up their luggage. They had, in the words of Cassie George, spent the weekend "diving into CUA as your home."



COURTESY OF ANNA MCGOVERNA, NATALIE DEROCHE

Sophomore support staff leader Evan Smithers holds onto the rosary during Sunday morning's sunrise during freshman retreat.

New Details on the Opening of Murphy's Student Restaurant

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university, uses a traditional Irish symbol for the trinity. The logo itself shows how Murphy's Grill is meant to follow Murphy's vision of the students having a place to come together.

A vision that started in 2007 will finally be revealed after 10 years of being in the works. The opening of Murphy's Grill is credited to Murphy's vision and Persico's efforts over the last 10 years to keep the project going. Another addition that Murphy's Grill will have for the community of Catholic is that it will provide jobs to CUA students, Persico feels that student workers will enrich the atmosphere. With student workers as hosts, runners, and servers, it is more plausible that Murphy's will be a place of socializing.

Following 14 years since CUA students have been able to purchase beer on a consistent basis on campus, Kelly Bourbon, 21, Media and Communication Major, is "pumped."

"I've been waiting to be able to purchase a beer on campus," Bourbon said.

Bourbon believes Murphy's Grill will add to the culture at CUA because people will want to stay on campus to hang out instead of going into the city.

"Literally I felt like I hit nirvana," said Bourbon when speaking about the Murphy's Grill menu items she tasted. Bourbon is not the only student excited for Murphy's Grill to open.

Nicolas Calias, a Computer Science major, is also excited about Murphy. "It's a new place to get food, and if you're 21 you can purchase alcohol," Calias

said.

Will Deatherage, a sophomore studying abroad this semester, is looking "forward to returning to a campus united closer together through the warm environment that Murphy's is hoping to provide."

Other students do not share the same opinion. Jessica McDowell, a senior Psychology major, feels neutral about the opening of Murphy's Grill.

"It's just something that is happening around me," McDowell said. McDowell believes Murphy's Grill will only be beneficial to families on campus with prospective students. Justin Andreani, a Senior Politics Major, shares common beliefs with McDowell.

"I do plan on visiting but its high prices are too impractical for me," Andreani said.

Bottled beers will start at \$6 and regular food items are mostly above \$12. Murphy's will offer a variety of appetizers, burgers and sandwiches all below \$15, and chef specials. The restaurant will also carry a range of beers in bottle and on draft, red and white wines, and mixed drinks.

To answer the concern of impracticality, Murphy's Grill will be accepting cardinal cash and some items will be available through meal exchange and dining dollars. The plan of ten years will come to fruition at the end of this month, and students will finally get to see what Murphy's has to offer.

Contributor Jissella Urquilla reported on this story.



COURTESY OF JISSELLA URQUILLA

Murphy's Grill will feature a bar for students to come and enjoy a beverage. The restaurant is set to open September 25th.

NEWS

CUA Students Affected by Hurricane Irma's Devastation in Florida

By ALEXANDER SANTANA
Tower Staff

On Sunday, September 10, 2017, at 9:10 A.M., Hurricane Irma made landfall in the southernmost part of Florida and would go on to cause power outages to almost 5 million homes and businesses across the Sunshine State over the next few days.

The most severely affected part of Florida and the direct hit of the hurricane was north of Key West to Marathon in the famous Florida Keys. The Florida Keys, about 110 miles south of Miami, had fallen trees blocking roads and debris scattered across neighborhoods. "When we got to the Keys, we saw a lot of boats washed ashore," said Florida Governor Rick Scott. "Almost every trailer park, everything was overturned." Based on initial estimates, 25% of the houses on the chain of islands have been destroyed, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) said Tuesday. Another 65% suffered major damage. Around 79,000 people live in the Florida Keys in popular tourist locations like Key West, Key Largo, Islamorada, and Marathon. "Basically, every house in the Keys was impacted some way," FEMA Administrator Brock Long said.

In Miami, downed power wires, misplaced trees, and flooding were widely present. According to the Miami Herald, some "marinas suffered their worst storm damage in 12 years after Hurricane Irma thrust Biscayne Bay waters well ashore. The vast majority of boats tied to docks and piers survived. But there were ugly exceptions: Sailboats sent to the bottom at Dinner Key Marina, their masts jutting skyward from the sea. Luxury fishing yachts tossed onto piers and half submerged next to the Monty's restaurant. A multi-ton cement dock lifted up onto the sea wall at the Grove Harbour Marina. Biscayne Bay washed up on Brickell Avenue, downtown Miami and over much of North Bay Village."

The family of Olivia Perez, a psychology major from the Class of 2020, evacuated from their home in Miami due to the hurricane. "My family was able to evacuate and I thank God for that but I hope my home and my other family members stayed safe in the tough winds and rough waters that hit Florida."

The Miami Herald also reported that three cranes at under-construction buildings across South Florida collapsed due to Hurricane Irma. "The first to go was a crane at an apartment building in downtown Miami around 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Hours later, the winds brought down a second crane at a condo tower in Miami's Edgewater neighborhood, roughly two miles north. Then, later in the afternoon, the flailing arm of a crane at an oceanfront Fort Lauderdale condo."

Blaise Cardonne a music major from the Class of 2020 was happy that the Miami community did not suffer major damages. "I felt that this hurricane was going to do a lot of damage in Miami since it was so big. Thankfully no major damages happened to the houses and the families are safe."

There were also effects to two schools and the Miami Marlins Stadium. Storm surge from Hurricane Irma caused multiple boats that were in nearby Dinner Key Marina to wash up onto Ransom Everglades' football field. Ransom Everglades is a private 6-12 school located right on Biscayne Bay. The retractable roof of Miami Marlins' baseball stadium suffered some damage. There were also municipalities across Miami-Dade County

that were negatively affected. 90 percent of the City of Miami Beach's traffic signals were not operating. Keys Gate Charter High School, located in the City of Homestead, lost its roof.

The family and friends of Ted Huertas, an accounting major from the Class of 2020, were prepared due to having experienced previous hurricanes. "My family and friends are all doing well and are safe. They all knew how to prepare correctly from previous hurricanes."

Florida's two U.S. Senators, Marco Rubio and Bill Nelson, toured the damage caused by Hurricane Irma on Monday via a U.S. Coast Guard plane. "Fifteen billion dollars is only going to last us a few weeks," Senator Nelson said. "By the middle of October, we'll have to do another emergency supplemental appropriation." There has been a total of at least 27 deaths attributed to Hurricane Irma. According to the Miami Herald, "Karen Clark and Co., a Boston-based firm that analyzes risk, estimated total losses, including the Caribbean, at \$25 billion. Florida accounts for most of the \$18 billion in the U.S., followed by Georgia, South Carolina and Alabama."

Alejandro Ros, a biomedical engineering major from the Class of 2020, was concerned about those affected throughout Florida and the Caribbean. "I was relieved to find out that the hurricane would not directly hit Miami, but my prayers go out to the people in the path of the hurricane," he said. "I hope everyone in Florida and the Caribbean is safe, and that their homes and memorabilia are not destroyed."

On Thursday, September 14, President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump as well as Vice President Mike Pence visited Florida to meet with first responders in Naples and Fort Myers as well as with elected officials like Florida Governor Rick Scott, Florida Senator Marco Rubio, and members of Congress Mario Diaz-Balart and Francis Rooney. The President gave out sandwiches to local residents and said, "We are there for you 100 percent. I'll be back here numerous times."



Courtesy of Joe Raedle/Getty Images

Unlimited Metro Ridership at a Cost

U-PASS METRO
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offer students access to the D.C. metro area, potentially with less of an out of pocket cost during their academic school year. With the concept of unlimited metro rides for all university students for the whole school year, the program will inevitably interest students looking to save money in their metro usage.

In the fall of 2016, the Student Government Association, SGA, passed in favor of this program, but following that decision the student body president vetoed it. Then in the spring of 2017, SGA passed to have a referendum to gauge student interest at Catholic. A date for the referendum has not yet been set, but representatives from the SGA are urging students to attend the meetings and presentations to further inform themselves about the U-Pass program. The results of the referendum will be analyzed by the Division of Student Affairs and the Office of the President before approval.

SGA Vice President Jon Paul Weiss gave a statement to the Tower emphasizing the importance of the information sessions. "This proposition directly affects the students of CUA and that is why these info sessions and the referendum itself are very important," Weiss said.

If implemented at Catholic, the U-Pass program would be at the end of the pilot period which potentially means a rise in the cost of the program itself. This rise in cost can be provoked not only by the WMATA, but also from Catholic itself. In bringing this program to campus, the University would likely have to create an entirely new position in the administration that would maintain and oversee the program here on campus.

The first cost that would need to be covered, other than the fee set forth by the WMATA, would be a \$2 for each student

card. This card is separate from all SmarTrip systems and would need to be distributed to each student as they return to campus. Also, the university will have to pay up front a 20% replacement card fee for any lost or damaged cards throughout the span of the academic year. With each of the costs adding up, there is a sliding scale of numbers that could potentially increase or decrease depending on the WMATA deal with the university.

Weiss and other SGA representatives believe that if the program is implemented correctly, students can save hundreds of dollars each academic year. Though they have a positive outlook, Weiss did not shy away from concerns about the unreliability of the cost and program. "WMATA has not been successful in communicating with the university in an efficient manner," Weiss said.

As students begin to hear more about the referendum and vote on the U-Pass program being brought to campus, it is encouraged that they attend these sessions to fully comprehend what the program is and its potential effect on cost of tuition.

"I want every student to know why there has been an additional charge on their tuition," Weiss said.

Greg Weaver, Assistant Director of the Office of Campus Activities, has been giving presentations about the U-Pass program, and will continue into the month of October.

"These sessions offer a neutral viewpoint to educate the student body for a referendum that will affect everyone," he said.

More information can be found regarding these U-Pass sessions on the Nest. The next information sessions are: Monday, September 18th, Thursday, September 28th, and finally Monday, October 2nd.

As U-Pass's slogan is "U Learn, U Work, U Play, U-Pass" it is up to 'U' to understand the program and all it has to offer you as a student at Catholic!

Contributor Abby Anderko reported on this story.

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TOWER EDITORIAL

Stay Informed!

The last couple of weeks has reminded the Tower staff that students should keep themselves informed about the happenings of this university. We are constantly barraged with tweets, emails, and messages to our inboxes and minds, and some items of news inevitably slip through the mental cracks. It's a great thing that we have this ease of access to so many great and informative things going on around Catholic, but without the right communication, important messages can get lost in the shuffle. This is the case for a couple of current things happening on our campus right now. One example should encourage us to inform ourselves before a student body referendum sneaks up on us. And the other is news the students should have been notified of, but instead another reminder to stay inquisitive and ask questions.

An impending referendum vote will soon get a gauge on student interest in a WMATA sponsored initiative allowing for unlimited Metro ridership for a fee added onto tuition. The idea sounds wonderful to the ears -- one tiny fee tacked onto this small chunk of change we already pay to attend the school for unlimited Metro riding? Sign me up! But the number

behind the potential deal may tack on a sum of money not worth one's Metro riding, and make it not beneficial to enough of the student body. That is exactly why the school is presenting information sessions on the topic. See our article about it this week, and become an informed decision maker. A walk to Leahy's computer lab might surprise the student accustomed to late nights and reliable printing there these days. The lab is closed, under construction until further notice. An email update will be sent to students when progress is made and opened back again. The backup printing labs do serve the same purpose to a lesser degree, but this communication should have been made to the students. Especially to many student leaders on campus - Orientation Advisors, Resident Assistants, Resident Ministers, and more who helped out with orientation this year for the new class of students. They undoubtedly received the "where can I/my son or daughter print at school" question. One of the most common orientation questions was not given a 100% accurate answer this year because of lack of communication. To Leahy lab, a speedy recovery, to the students, stay informed!

Four Palm Trees in the Gray Skies



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GUEST COMMENTARY

Shannen Gora
Class of 2018

Lessons from the Campaign Trail

During my sophomore year of college, I interned at EMILY's List, a feminist organization which recruits, trains and helps fund the campaigns of female Democrats running for elected office. In late April 2016, I went on a campaign trip to Bucks County, Pennsylvania, mostly a blue-collar county on the outskirts of Philadelphia.

I was very familiar with the area. My maternal grandfather's sister, who had recently passed away, moved to Levittown from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania in the 1950s. Her daughter, my godmother, still lives in the Levittown home that her parents bought with a GI Loan. I am very close to my godmother and was ecstatic that I would be able to see her on the campaign trip. Over the last few decades, the county has suffered from the closure of steel mills and other manufacturing jobs, similar to the communities of the Rust Belt. My godmother's father was employed by the steel mills, which once made the area a thriving example of American middle class prosperity and rising immigrants.

The campaign trip consisted of canvassing for two candidates. Katie McGinty and Shaughnessy Naughton were running in Democratic primaries the following week. Katie McGinty was running to become the Democratic Party's nominee for the United States Senate. Shaughnessy Naughton was running in the primary to represent Pennsylvania's Eighth Congressional District. The opportunity to intensively campaign would have been invaluable to me regardless of where I went. After graduation this spring, I hope to work on the 2018 midterm races, as well as the 2020 presidential race. However, the target area of the campaign trip meant that I would learn more than just what might be professionally valuable to me some day. It taught me how people from other backgrounds view you and where one might come from.

When the trip began on Friday afternoon, it did not take me long to see that the other girls on the trip had never encountered neighborhoods like the one I grew up in, or the people I personally interacted. As we passed by old row houses with aluminum siding, they made comments about how "poor" everyone seemed and how it was probably a "low income area." My partner during canvassing was a girl from California who went to NYU. She was clearly uncomfortable when we approached a house where two men in soiled jeans and cut-off t-shirts were smoking and drinking cans of Pabst Blue Ribbon beer on the front porch. After speaking fluent Spanish to resident in the turf packet, she explained to me that she had a nanny when she was growing up who only spoke Spanish. EMILY's List has been criticized for being an organization composed of wealthy white women, but I had not encountered anything so elitist and ignorant from the organization before this campaign trip.

Contrary to my fellow canvassers, I was very comfortable with all the people I spoke to and everywhere I went. I had been to a few of the neighborhoods with my godmother and her husband, so I was appalled when the other girls said that they were "afraid" of walking through them. I was hurt by many of the comments that were being made about the neighborhoods, or the people whose doors we knocked on. I knew that the comments were not directed at me and that they most likely came from a place of ignorance. I had to step into their shoes and think about the backgrounds they must have come from, their houses and people they were used to being around. I had to think about how even though everything around me reflected my family's life and what I was used to, it was not as familiar to them.

The experience of working with people from different socio-economic backgrounds from my own made me realize that not everyone comes from the same upbringing as I did. Sometimes people will look down on you and make comments from a place of ignorance and lack of education. I realized they thought that everyone was from environments like their own. I hope that the campaigning experience was as educational and broadening for them as it was for me.



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A & E

Fox Loves Tacos Opens Near CUA!

By: Daniela Sol
Tower Staff

In the opposite corner of Brookland Pint, a new taco place has opened in the Arts Walk. "Fox Loves Tacos" is not like any ordinary taco place; its meatless menu is composed of a colorful mixture of vegetables making healthy eating fun and delicious. With bright aqua tables and plants in every corner, this little veggie heaven promises to please the palate.

Fox Loves Tacos has a selection of what they call "breakfast tacos" but are so good they can be eaten anywhere at any time. No meat in tacos seems weird and non-taco like, but with options like black bean hummus, jerk marinated tofu mixed with pineapple red cabbage slaw, and Portobello mush-

room with carrots and jalapeno slaw, the fact that they're meatless will be long forgotten. With the closing of Halsa, this new healthy, gluten free, and vegan option is great for a vegetarian treat.

The restaurant has various taco options starting at the low price of just \$3 with the most expensive one being \$4. Their most popular items are the Kwasi, the Power-Up and the Wham! What's also special about Fox Loves Tacos is its tortilla. You have the option of either getting corn gluten free, vegan tortilla or their house specialty, the flour house made with sweet potato and butter tortilla.

Tacos are not the only thing they have on the menu. There's

also a selection of sweet treats. Their most popular item is a power bar named Carmelita made from walnuts, caramel and dark chocolate. Which is simply amazing to pair up with a cup of coffee in the morning or as a dessert after some tacos.

The restaurant also serves juices from Misfit Juicery which is a company that makes juices from bruised fruit which sellers decide not to put on supermarkets because of their bad appearance with the purpose to eliminate food waste. Their sustainable juices include orange juice and watermelon juice.

They also have a sister store in Chevy Chase called Little Red Fox sharing the same vibe but the concepts of each one is very different. The owner explained

how here in Brookland he wanted to create a much simpler concept with more of a restaurant/café feel rather than a market and more elaborate scene which is what "Little Red Fox" is all about. Yet, both places promise to make you feel welcome and to share a one of a kind experience.

Fox Loves Tacos is open from 7 am to 7 pm and just opened this past weekend. For all of you searching for a healthier option nearby campus this is a great spot to enjoy brunch or a cup of a coffee and a sweet treat in the morning. Plus, the added victory of supporting a local business with an eco-friendly, sustainable approach to entrepreneurship!



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Classical Concerts On & Off Campus

By: Brittany Young
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Dear CUA students,

By adding just one classical music performance to your calendars, you may discover a new sense of balance and cultural awareness amidst your busy academic schedules. The following events listed below are happening both on and off campus this fall. Those that are off campus are easily accessible via Metro. From the Sistine Chapel Choir, to the Washington National Opera, to CUA's very own Symphony Orchestra, there is truly something to fit everyone's classical musical tastes! More to come later this fall, we'll feature them in another edition!

WHEN: Wednesday, September 20th @ 6:00 PM
WHAT: The Sistine Chapel Choir (The "Pope's Choir") performs on CUA's campus!
WHERE: Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
COST: Free!

WHEN: Thursday, September 21st @ 8:00 PM
WHAT: Pianist Eric Fung of Lebanon Valley College performs as part of the Washington International Piano Series at Catholic University.
WHERE: Ward Recital Hall
COST: Free!

WHEN: Saturday, September 23rd @ 7:00 PM
WHAT: The Washington National Opera performs Aida.
WHERE: Nationals Park
COST: Free!

WHEN: Thursday, September 28, 2017 - Saturday, September 30, 2017 (time TBD)
WHAT: The National Symphony Orchestra plays Copland's Symphony for Orchestra and Organ (featuring Cameron Carpenter), Appalachian Spring Suite, and Bernstein's Divertimento.
WHERE: The Kennedy Center
COST: \$15+

WHEN: Thursday, October 5th @ 7:00 PM
WHAT: The CUA Symphony Orchestra performs Rossini's The Barber of Seville, De Falla's Sept Chansons Populaires Espagnoles, The Three Cornered Hat, and Bizet's Carmen Suite No. 1.
WHERE: Former residence of the Ambassadors of Spain, 2801 16th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20009
COST: Free! However, tickets must still be acquired at music.catholic.edu

WHEN: Thursday, October 5 - Saturday, October 7 @ 7:00 PM (Thurs), 11:30 AM (Fri), & 8:00 PM (Saturday)
WHAT: The National Symphony Orchestra performs Lalo's Overture from Le roi d'Ys, Dvorak's Symphony No. 7, and Brahms' Violin Concerto featuring Arabella Steinbacher.
WHERE: The Kennedy Center
COST: \$15+

WHEN: Thursday, October 12 @ 7:00 PM
WHAT: The Tempesta di Mare (Philadelphia Baroque Orchestra) will perform two concertos and six entr'actes by German composer Telemann.

WHERE: Lutheran Church of the Reformation
COST: \$29+

WHEN: Saturday, October 14
WHAT: The National Chamber Ensemble will perform Spanish pieces by composers such as Turina, de Falla, Turina, and more. De Falla's Suite Populaire Espagnole will be accompanied by dance!
WHERE: Gunston Theatre One
COST: \$16+

WHEN: Saturday, October 14 @ 7:30 PM
WHAT: The Master Singers of D.C. and the Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra perform Mozart's Requiem.
WHERE: Our Savior's Way Lutheran Church
COST: \$16+



SPORTS

CUA Football Upsets Utica for First Win, 16-10

By Jared Prenda
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The Catholic University of America football team pulled off an impressive victory over the Utica

Pioneers this past Saturday at Cardinal Stadium. The 16-10 win was the team's home opener, bringing their record to 1-1. The team was led by a staunch defensive effort, which was vital to stop a late 4th quarter push from the Pioneers.

Senior Captain Pat Vidal spearheaded the effort, recording game leading statistics with 12 total tackles, four of which were for a loss, 1 forced fumble and one broken up a pass.

The rest of the defense was equally impressive under defensive guru Head Coach Mike Gutelius. Senior safety Luke Kern tied Vidal for

the game high in tackles, but lead the team in solo tackles with 10. Kern also stopped Utica dead in its tracks by forcing a goal line fumble. In total the Cards' defense forced a pair of fumbles and interceptions each, the also forced another 2 turnovers on downs.

The Birds were the first to score halfway through the first quarter when senior kick Blake Gomez was good from 26-yards out to cap off a 10-play, 65-yard drive. The Cards would hold on to that 3-point lead until they rapidly expanded on it after sophomore QB Alejandro Ros took over. The Miami, Florida native scored the game's first touchdown on a goal line quarterback sneak, which was followed by a failed 2-point conversion on a handoff to junior Andrew Lunarola. Lunarola was able to redeem himself-

shortly afterwards on an acrobatic 21-yard touchdown catch from a laser by Ros with only six seconds remaining in the half.

Ros went 16-27 passing on the day with one touchdown in the air and an interception. Junior tailback Nick Esposito lead the ground attack with 77 rushing yards. Freshman Chance Legrand joined him with 22 yards on the ground, getting most of the touches on a crucial 8-minute drive to eat time in the fourth quarter to seal the victory. The team generated 230 total yards of offense, and only turned the ball over twice to the Pioneers. They, however, lost both the time of possession and yardage battle to their foes.

The upset victory is the first of many at Catholic for Coach Gutelius, and the team has rallied be-

hind him in his first year. Following the presentation of the game ball to his father, Gutelius was swarmed by his players in celebration of the hard-fought victory.

The 16-10 win over the Pioneers brings the team to 1-1 on the season. The Cardinals will return to action this coming Saturday, 9/16/17 at home against former ODAC rival the Randolph-Macon Yellow

Jackets. The game will be the second of a 3-game home stand for the Cardinals. It will wrap up nonconference play for the Birds, as they will kick off NEWMAC play as the host MIT on Saturday, September 23rd.



The football team celebrating their 16-10 upset win over Utica.

Women's Soccer Wins D.C. Classic

The Catholic University Lady Cards women's soccer team advanced their record to 3-1 following their 2-0 win over Randolph-Macon College on Sunday, September 10th. The game is the team's third shutout of the year, and helped secure the D.C. Classic Championship.

Sophomore Elizabeth Johnson was responsible for the Cardinal's first goal in the 29th minute, heading the ball into the top left corner of the net. She was set up for the score on a well placed corner kick from Senior Andrea Jablonsky to fellow sophomore Reagan Sharkey. Sharkey's shot was blocked but ricocheted to Alexa Povelaitis, who chipped the ball to Johnson for her first assist on the season.

The team's back line, lead by junior Mackenzie Earley, played stingy defense against the Yellow Jackets. The team only gave up four shots on net, and allowed only one corner kick in the championship game. Junior goalie Christina Peyroux saved all four shots she faced against Randolph-Macon, bringing her total on the season to 19.

Offensively, the CUA squad was dynamite, outshooting their opponents 22-10 through the match. Juniors Jilian Sudo and Taylor Pisk leading their side with 4 shots a piece. Sudo also found the back of the net for the Birds in the 79th minute. Catholic had control of the ball in the Randolph-Macon 18-yard box when it popped in the air and landed at the feet of a Yellow Jacket defender. Sudo quickly stole the ball and succinctly buried the ball in the back-left part of the net.

The Championship win was the Cards second of the tournament, with a 3-0 shutout against the Guilford Quakers on Saturday, September 9th. Following the game, Earley, Johnson, Povelaitis, and Peyroux were all named to the All-Tournament team for their efforts in the tournament.

The team has since played the Stevenson Mustangs at Cardinal Stadium this past Wednesday. The Birds won 1-0 recording yet another shutout on the season. The Cards will head over to Salisbury University with a 4-1 overall record as they play the Seagulls this Saturday, September 16th.



Senior Alexa Povelaitis protects the ball as she moves downfield.

CUA CARDINALS

Upcoming Events



Tennis

Fransiscan	Fri., Sept. 15	3:00 PM
at McDaniels	Sat., Sept. 16	2:00 PM
at St. Mary's	Sun., Sept. 17	12:00 PM

Field Hockey

Misericordia	Fri., Sept. 15	2:00 PM
Messiah	Wed., Sept. 20	7:30 PM

Women's Soccer

at Salisbury	Sat., Sept. 16	1:00 PM
at Frostburg State	Tue., Sept. 19	7:00 PM

Women's Volleyball

Haverford	Fri., Sept. 15	
Rutgers-Camden	Sat. Sept. 16	12:00 PM
Frostburg State	Wed. Sept. 20	7:00 PM

Men's Soccer

Stevenson	Sat., Sept. 16	1:00 PM
at Randolph-Macon	Wed., Sept. 20	7:30 PM

Football

Randolph Macon	Sat., Sept. 16	1:00 PM
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THE REAR END



Justin Smith, here in front of the Eiffel Tower, is a junior accounting major and French minor studying in Paris, France for the Fall 2017 semester.

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Justin Smith
Class of 2019

This semester I am studying abroad in Paris, France, which has come to be one of my favorite cities on the map. I started studying the French language during my freshman year of high school, and it has been my minor at CUA since starting college, so I already had a pretty good grasp of the language before getting off the plane. The first week of studying abroad is a complete whirlwind, and, despite all of the blog posts or travel guides you might read before heading to a foreign country, it is quite impossible to prepare yourself for. I have been caught off guard by even the slightest of cultural differences, such as the rather cold and distant greeting I received from my host brother after lugging my suitcases up four skinny flights of stairs in an ancient Parisian apartment building. I later came to find out, however, that he was not being rude, but that French people generally just take longer to warm up to people they have never met before.

I also have been learning which French/Parisian stereotypes are true, and which are total myths. For starters, Parisians do not wear exclusively black, stripes, or berets. However, I can completely confirm that everything—and I mean everything—is ridiculously smaller than in the States. Trying to fit my American sized luggage in a European elevator that was clearly designed for half of a person was nothing short of a comedic adventure. Although, the stereotype with which I came to Paris most fervently believing was that Parisians have no interest in/will not interact with strangers. And to my greatest surprise, this is 100% false. (Well, maybe a little true on the metro. Just don't try and talk to people on the metro). I witnessed first-hand the surprisingly warm nature of a Parisian couple one night at a café with my friend. My friend being a Parisian herself, took me to a non-touristy café where we shared a bottle of wine and discussed (in French) our countries' political and current events. Then, out of nowhere, the table sitting next to us politely interrupted our conversation and showed us a picture they took of us, since they could hear I was a foreigner and she was French. This then led to the four of us conversing for the rest of the night. It was the first time that I saw French people step out of their own bubble and interact with someone they didn't know.

That night has taught me to let go of a lot of my pre-conceived notions about French culture and I'm now experiencing the Parisian way of life for what it really is. I hope by the end of this semester I will not only understand the French language and lifestyle better but will also start to blend in as a real Parisian.

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