

Happy Homecoming Week CUA!

Armed Robbery Prompts Lockdown on Campus

By JIMMY CASSIDY
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Catholic University students were told to shelter in place early Wednesday morning as Metropolitan Police officers searched campus for a possibly armed suspect. The alerts lasted for about an hour, starting at 2:27 AM before the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) issued an “all-clear” and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) lifted the lockdown. Following a shooting and robbery in Montgomery County, Maryland, DPS had been informed around 2 AM of the suspects crashing a black Nissan Sentra near the Taylor Street bridge on the north side of campus. One suspect was

apprehended and a firearm was recovered at the scene of the crash. The other suspect fled into the woods adjacent to campus, close to Opus Hall. That second suspect was not located by law enforcement. Students and faculty learned of the details of the shelter in place in follow-up emails from both university President John Garvey and the Office of Marketing and Communications. During a more thorough search of the campus later Wednesday morning, MPD recovered another weapon in the wooded area. Many Catholic students were woken up by the alerts, some were advised to stay put in the library, and

a group of freshman got even closer than they would have hoped. “We were walking back to Flather around 2 in the morning and we saw some guy sprint into the woods, which we didn’t think much of, but then there were DPS officers sprinting after him too,” one said. Beginning just before 2:30 AM Wednesday,

the university community received a series of alerts via email, text, and calls directing those on campus to shelter in place immediately. An update followed about 10 minutes later with the information that the MPD was on campus searching for a possibly armed suspect. Three more alerts with no additional information were sent as updates into the 3

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COURTESY OF FOX 5 NEWS

The location where the suspects crashed by campus along Taylor Street

Former Presidential Candidate Carly Fiorina Speaks at Heritage Hall

By LIZ FRIDEN
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Former presidential candidate Carly Fiorina spoke in Heritage Hall on Tuesday, October 25th. Hundreds of Catholic University students and faculty filled the room to hear Fiorina talk about becoming a leader and discovering one’s potential. Students were eager to hear from the woman they had seen on TV and learned about in their business classes. For college students, the future is scary to

think about. Sitting in that room, many do not know where they will be interning or working in a year. Fiorina is a woman who graduated college with a major in medieval history and philosophy knows that and spoke to students about it. Most students know Fiorina as the woman who ran for president. She spoke about her journey from an unemployable college student to presidential candidate. She made clear to students that she was not born a leader, but became one. Fiorina

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COURTESY OF LIZ FRIDEN

Carly Fiorina spoke in a packed Heritage Hall for the CEO Lecture Series.

Flather Hall Elevator Defaced by Racial Slur

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A racial slur was found written on the wall of the Flather Hall elevator last week, leading to further discussion about racism and vandalism on campus at Catholic University. The incident occurred in the building’s sole elevator after midnight last Friday, October 20th. According to Sarah Howell, community director of North Neighborhood II that consists of predominantly lowerclassmen residencies Ryan, Regan, and Flather Halls, vandalism was reported at around 1:49 AM Friday morning. A Department of Public Safety officer discovered the elevator with shaving cream sprayed all over it, displaying disturbing

images that included a racial slur and male genitalia. Howell, along with Flather resident assistants and other administrators, called for a closed mandatory community meeting in the residence hall’s main lobby on Monday, October 23rd at 8 PM. In addition to the recent incident, the meeting discussed issues like overall vandalism and racism in the residency, toxic masculinity, and other emotional issues student residents face during their time on campus. Howell said that drug usage, underage alcohol drinking, boredom, emotional distress, personal inabilities to cope with stress or anxiety, and peer pressure could be causes for the vandalism. Howell also stated that an increase in hall patrolling by residency

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Gentlemen of Flather Called in For Meeting after Racial Slur Incident

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and campus security could potentially decrease acts of vandalism or other forms of property damages going on in the residency.

“I am disappointed,” said Howell regarding her own personal reaction to the incident. “I think very highly of the students in Flather, and of the students here at CUA. I think when these things happen, it’s only a small portion of the students that are involved.”

The university’s community would later find out about the racial incident from an email sent out by the office of the university’s president, John Garvey.

“Though the images and the slurs are now wiped from

our walls, the reactions they have prompted should remain at the forefront of our minds a bit longer,” Garvey said. “At the beginning of every academic year we pledge as a community to live in right relationship with one another. Today we should renew that pledge with steadfast sincerity and commitment.”

Students on campus have expressed shock and anger with the recent racial incident.

“This was a disgusting example of how little care issues of race are approached with,” said junior philosophy pre-law major Francisco Flores-Pourrat. “No matter what the freshman thought about his defacing of university property, his actions make him a racist.”



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The elevator was defaced in Flather Hall in the early hours of Friday, October 20th.

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Metropolitan Police Search for Potential Armed Suspect on Campus

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o’clock hour in the morning. At 3:30 AM, a final update informed the campus that the MPD had conducted its search and given an all clear. DPS continued to monitor campus throughout the night.

For upperclassmen who were at Catholic in first semester of 2015, this kind of alert is unfortunately a familiar one. Many likely thought of two consecutive nights during the week before final exams in December 2015 in which the campus was on lockdown after the report of a possible gunman on campus. In this incident, D.C. police received reports that a custodial worker was approached by a man with a gun asking for directions to the administration building on campus.

One consensus after Wednesday morning was a satisfaction in the university’s communication efforts. Zanas Talley, a Resident Assistant in Opus Hall, the closest campus building to where one suspect reportedly fled, was thankful for the quick response.

“Having been on campus in 2015, the communication in response to the event early this Wednesday was comparatively better,” Talley said. “In fact, I am very satisfied with the promptness and clarity of the communication by the University during the situation this morning.”

Many architecture students like senior Gabby Vera were working late

into the night in the Crough Architecture building when they received the alerts. Although there was understandable concern about the building’s large windows and several entry points, the consistent updates reassured those in studio.

“I think the university did an extremely good job of sending the initial alert out on various platforms -- phone calls, text message, even on social media like Twitter and Instagram stories -- and really helped us have a sense of reassurance throughout the duration of the shelter in place,” Vera said.

Garvey thanked those involved for handling the situation in his letter to the university community.

“I am grateful to the Department of Public Safety for their timely and thorough collaboration with the Metropolitan Police Department and for coordinating with members of our communications staff. These types of situations require prioritizing the safety of our community members and communicating the facts as they become available,” Garvey said. “I also want to thank our students for their cooperation and for the residence hall directors for their support.”

Reporter Katie Ward helped cover this story.



COURTESY OF JIMMY CASSIDY
This path is used by students who walk through the woods to get to Taylor Street.

NEWS

Brookland Community Comes to Catholic for Halloween on Campus

By JISSELLA URQUILLA
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Catholic University students and faculty passed out about 16,000 pieces of candy to children of the Brookland community as they trick-or-treated through Centennial Village on Thursday. Student community leaders have been planning Halloween on Campus for the last six weeks. The event intended to provide a fun Halloween night to children of the CUA community.

Emmjolee Mendoza Waters, Associate Campus Minister for Community Service, said that Halloween on Campus is a way to acknowledge that CUA is part of a bigger community in Brookland. After invitations were sent out to local schools, some of which are a part of DC Reads, and emails were sent to community lists 1,000 kids were registered as of Tuesday to attend Halloween on Campus. Last year, 1,400 kids attended this Halloween event.

Halloween on Campus has followed a similar template for the past ten years. Waters remembered being a student at CUA in the late 90’s when a smaller version of the event was hosted by student organizations. During this period, student organizations took a smaller amount of kids trick-or-treating near where O’Connell Hall is today.

Twenty-seven student organizations sponsored tables where attendees could play games, participate in arts & crafts activities and collect prizes. Other organizations manned the registration tables, led the kids to trick-or-treating and provided the treats! Alpha Phi Omega played skee ball with the kids while the Knights of Columbus continued their tradition of playing fight-the-knight. Another event was making a pumpkin erupt which has been popular in the past years as well.

Junior Emily Messina volunteered with the swim team and deemed the evening a success.

“The kids were so happy to be trick or treating. They kept running from station to station and eating their candy right then and there,” Messina said. “The

parents were so grateful and happy to have a safe environment to enjoy the holiday with their family and friends.”

Over 300 students volunteered and made Halloween on Campus possible. In addition to the volunteers, ten student leaders alongside the community staff ensured that Halloween on Campus was possible for all participants. Halloween on Campus has come a long way since its days by O’Connell Hall. The event now takes place at Marist Hall with moon bounces available for kids to jump around on. The children of the community were able to come onto CUA campus dressed as TV characters, princesses, witches, heroes, and more.

In addition to some of the traditional activities that usually take place at Halloween on Campus, this year the attendees could take home a photo with a princess, pirate and backdrops. Student ministers built a mini golf course for the kids. Marist Lawn was filled with kids laughing, screaming, and running around with excitement as they celebrated Halloween.

In the past, the leaders putting together this event have run out of candy. Determined to never let a child leave without candy again, organizers learned their lesson.

“You can kinda do the math when there are 25 trick or treat stations and X amount of kids,” Waters said.

The Brookland Outreach Community on campus also plans Spring to CUA and a field day for the children of the community. Aside from the outreach strategies carried out, a part of what makes these events successful is what Waters described as “street cred.” People come and enjoy it one year and then invite their friends for the next year.

Erin Strohm Molloy came to the event and said her daughters had a wonderful time.

“We’ve come to this event since 2013, when our oldest was a baby,” Strohm Molloy said. “We love what CUA does for the community!”

Fiorina Discusses Leadership in CEO Lecture Series

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was not born to be the CEO of Hewlett-Packard; her time as a secretary at a real estate firm and representative for AT&T made her into one. Or, as Fiorina said, she found the courage to be one.

Callie Danna, a junior accounting major, anticipated Fiorina with excitement.

“I’m really excited that Carly Fiorina is on campus today; she is a great Catholic woman. I learned a lot about her in my management class,” Danna said. “She is also a great politician. I’m really excited to hear what she has to say about Catholic values.”

Fiorina stressed that one needs Catholic values to succeed as a leader. These include valuing oneself as a person, and knowing you have ideas to offer that others do not. Fiorina used these values to become one of the first women to lead a Fortune 500 company. She was the first woman to become a major presidential candidate for the Republican Party.

Fiorina answered promptly when asked if it was more difficult to be a CEO or a presidential candidate.

“They are different. Being President of the United States would be harder than being a CEO. But being a CEO is harder than running for president because there are consequences to what you are doing as a CEO, as opposed to running for president, as we now know.”

After her time as CEO, Fiorina was the chair of Opportunity International, where she helped lift millions of people out of poverty. Fiorina used her position to help women all around the world, valuing what they had to offer and giving them a chance.

“That’s what being a leader is,” Fiorina explained. “Everyone has more potential than they realize. Each one of us needs to understand that we can lead wherever we are and that we can make progress in the problems that impact us and those around us. We don’t have to wait for someone else.”

It took a long time for Fiorina to have this understanding of leadership.

“I used to think a leader was whoever had a big office, the big title.”

She now has a different understanding of leadership.

“A leader challenges the status quo. A leader does not allow a problem to fester. A leader does something valiant, and that’s different than a manager,” Fiorina said. “Leadership is not about position or title; leadership is about solving problems. Leadership is about producing results that make a positive difference.”

A leader needs to have courage because it’s hard to challenge the status quo. Problems arise when people are invested in the status quo, when they want to keep what they have, or are scared of what they do not know. Imagine if Fiorina had gone to law school and become a mediocre lawyer. If not her, who would have broken those corporate glass ceilings and when? A leader must have the courage to do more in life than have it just pass by. A leader has to have the courage to change things, to change the status quo.

“Criticism is the price of leadership,” Fiorina explained further. “If no one is criticizing you, then you are not getting anything done.”

Fiorina spoke briefly on her run for president near the end of her talk.

“I would have laughed relatively recently if you had told me I was going to run for president,” Fiorina said.

She spoke of her fundamental beliefs in small government and the Constitution. While admitting that people need help to help themselves, she referenced the work she had done for Opportunity International in India.

As for the political climate, she added, “Leadership is not about position and title. There are people with position and title who lead, but it is not because of their position and title.”



COURTESY OF KATIE WARD

Above: Marist Lawn hosts Halloween on Campus. Below: A super family poses for a picture!



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TOWER EDITORIAL

Looking Back on 95 Years

As The Tower celebrates its 95th birthday today, the editorial board looks back fondly on hundreds of old issues and articles. We strive to carry on the same mission of informing the student body at Catholic University as we are reminded of the legacy and tradition of The Tower, especially with hundreds of alumni descending upon campus for Homecoming Weekend.

95 years ago, the world was drastically changing for better and for worse during the early 20th century. From inventions of the radio and the telegraph to the internet and social media at our fingertips, vast changes in information and communication has affected the way our world works. Many administrative, academic, and structural changes have been made on the CUA campus as well.

The world has changed and CUA has changed, but for 95 years, The Tower has remained a constant and reliable source of information. Countless student writers, editors, business managers, and more have brought power to truth and have always been there to cover the stories people need to know. The Tower has stood up for those with a quiet voice and challenged those who try to silence them.

Of course, while staying true to its original mission, The Tower has aimed to stay current with the times. The “Week By Week” commentary column from the first half of the twentieth-century was replaced by Top Tweets, the location of the office was changed from the tower of Gibbons Hall to the Pryzbyla Center, and the masthead was changed a total of thirty-eight times. The Tower has adapted like any other journalistic enterprise to better serve the people it represents: a meager group of D.C. kids trying to make it in the world.

A front-page article in the first ever edition of The Tower, published 95 years ago today, was titled “The Purpose and Aims of The Tower” and cited the demand among students for a weekly newspaper written by and for students. “The Tower is born of a desire to serve a useful purpose in this University... It must prove an influence for the good of all. It shall serve no individual, no group, no class; it is a publication in the interests of all students... Every student can be a reporter... The Tower is now a living being on the campus, and will be kept as such only thru the whole hearted cooperation of all the students.”

Cardinals, our desire to serve a useful purpose in this University has only deepened with time. The Tower staff of Year 95 is proud to serve the current students, honored to carry on the legacy of our past writers, and hopeful that our mission will live on for many more milestones like this.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Emily Schubert
Class of 2020

Santo Domingo

When I first met them,
One stem grew a bit taller than the other.
For I knew so little of them,
And they knew so little of me.

Unlikely friends,
Lost trenches beneath translation,
She sheltered herself in me,
And the small one in her.

Braids tight, snug on their heads,
Show care to a mother’s careful hands,
And enormous smiles for statures of such,
They did not let language stand between us,
Nor the dirt roads beneath bare feet,
Nor the heat of fires from Hades himself,
No
none of this poverty.
They know nothing of this.

There is only one emotion they bare upon me,
And it leaves incredible fireworks in my heart
That ignite at the very thought,
Of lives so very simple that their emotional capacity
Rests at one.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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The Real Missionary

The archive is an institution that is dedicated to the resurrection of historical memory by acting as a reparative modality that allows us to make sense of the world and to impart order where there is dissonance, discord, and discombobulation.

I came across an interesting speech transcript, contained in the United Catholic Conference of Bishops archival records, housed here at CUA. The speech was delivered at a National Newman Apostolate event in 1968. It was a meeting that brought together a listening party of white clergy members and speakers who were clergy of African descent and students of African descent, from the following universities: Howard University, Fisk, Florida A&M, and Shaw. There were an array of speakers, all of whom were distilling the experiences of Americans of African descent for the white clergy digest; however, only one speaker thoroughly snatched the white clergy’s wigs so badly that when she finished, it is reported that several white clergy asked: “What kind of nun is this? How is she a nun?”

The very thing that called her nun-hood into question, was also the thing that is quintessentially the purview of a nun: she recognized a need for missionary work and acted to bring awareness to it. Yet, there was a pesky inconvenience to her message and a perceived audacity. Her message was simple: “The real missionary area in America is not Harlem but White Plains, not the South Side but Evanston. The real missionary area is not the NAACP but the AFL-CIO and the white Christian church.”

When water, stearic acid, myristic acid, potassium hydroxide, coconut acid, glycerin, triethanolamine, parfum (fragrance) and sodium hydroxide become the preferred inscription methodology of a diseased mind and when elevator

walls become the palimpsests of the 21st century, it’s time for the missionaries to be dispatched into the wilds of this campus.

Each year, students get excited about alternative spring breaks, to do missionary work in places like Ecuador and the Dominican Republic; yet, students have shown no inclination of getting excited about a mission to fix the brokenness sleeping in the dormitory right next to them, taking up desk space next to them in classrooms, walking the corridors in front of them, eating across the table from them in the Pryz, and even taking them on dates. The next alternative spring bring needs to begin at the gates of this campus.

Sister Martin de Porres recognized that deviousness cannot dress in drag, call itself a naïve freshman prankster, and not expect anyone to lift its skirt, to reveal what was tucked away, but there the whole time—a vicious, racist sentimentality. When I think about a prank, I think about a few eggs thrown at a house—not a diabolical, pre-meditated action that is based on systematic, inter-generational hatred of a people and rooted in a lust for their destruction.

The archive has presented a threshing floor moment—a time in which a force must be applied to determine what should be kept and what should be left on the floor, swept away, and discarded. So in this moment of crisis, let us finally learn from what Sister Martin de Porres had to say, let us not allow the archive to record yet another missed opportunity for mission and ministry that lays right on our doorsteps, and let us turn inward, in order to move forward. Destiny’s Child reminded us that yes, The Writing’s on the Wall, but it took Beyonce to see that some members needed to be removed from the group.

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Mean Girls Takes the Stage!

By: DANIELA SOL
Tower Staff

In lieu of the world premiere of the musical Mean Girls, opening October 31st at the National Theatre here in our very own city, I want to emphasize that this article is currently being written on a Wednesday with a pink bow on my head.

For all you Mean Girls fans who are dressing as “a mouse, duh” for Halloween, there’s one more treat that’s been added to your spooky festivities. The musical will be open until December 3rd and is selling quickly, so get your tickets ASAP.

The musical, like the movie, is written by the one and only Tina Fey. Although Fey wrote both the movie and the musical’s screenplay, it is supposed to have certain changes from the movie to the show. It is exciting to see what the comedian has prepared for the stage. It

will open here in D.C. but its official premiere will be in New York City until April 8, 2018.

This means that D.C. has been chosen as the city to preview one of life’s greatest events. It was so perfectly announced on October 3rd and it has fans of the movie on their toes. The music of the show was produced by Jeff Richmond and the lyrics written by Nell Benjamin. It’s so fetch!

If you’re not familiar with the 2004 hit movie, Mean Girls is about a girl named Cady who moves from a peaceful life in Africa back to the USA to the magical world of high school. In her new school, she faces the clique of the popular girls called “The Plastics” and a social war breaks out. The ridiculous scenarios created by the mean girls’ plots satirizes the outrageous mind

games girls put themselves through during their high school years. Fey manages to portray throughout her humorous script a high school world that has transcended time and is an all-time favorite.

The tickets are sold online on the National Theatre website and cost between \$170 to \$215, depending on the performance and day of the show. Tickets are a little pricey but this is a special premiere of the show. The performances vary in time and days and the schedule is posted on the website as well. Grool!

For all the fans out there, it is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the famous lines acted in the movie live on stage before anyone else in the world does.

So, get in loser, we’re going to the theater!



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Wilson, Corbett, and a Night of Contemporary Poetry

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McGivney’s lights were dim at 6 PM last Friday evening, and to those passing by, nothing would seem out of the ordinary with the little twin building. In the auditorium, at the heart of the place, two poets prepared to recite verse for a sundry crowd of students, faculty, and guests.

Ryan Wilson and Maryann Corbett were the featured guests, as two published, praised, and prolific modern poets; each had much-acclaimed books available for purchase at the function. Tickets were free, but required, which added to the event’s air of formality. The bright overhead auditorium fixtures beamed down on the crowd, quietly buzzing at each other, while waiting for the readings to commence. Those in on the local poetry scene—well dressed, older, and markedly complacent—were easy to spot. Small crumbs of their conversations, caught in pass-

ing, referenced a reading heard the week prior, or the fact that so-and-so had finally published a new collection.

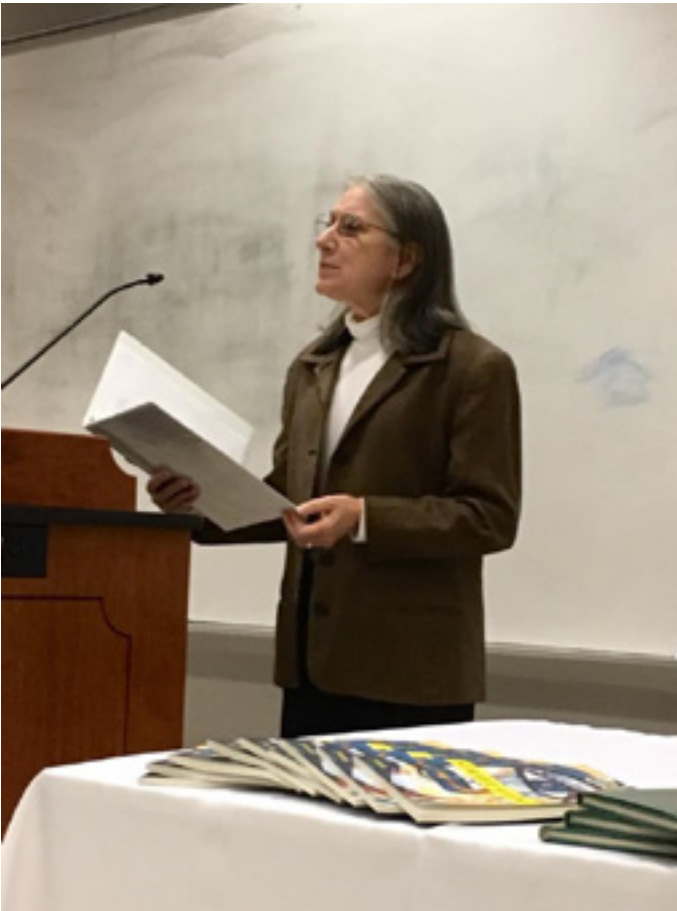
With the audience all seated, Jessica Schnepf took the microphone to introduce the poets. Schnepf, an English department faculty member and founder of the Contemporary Catholic Writers group on campus, was the one responsible for bringing the poets and crowd together. She gave a brief description of the two writers’ styles. They are both formalists, authors who espouse the traditional structure of classical poetry.

Reading first was Ryan Wilson, born and raised in Georgia, and another faculty member of the Catholic University English department. He began with a recitation of a Richard Wilbur poem. Wilbur, who passed away a few days prior, was one of the greatest 20th century American poets, and a friend and mentor to

Wilson. Wilson’s verses, all committed to memory, impressed the crowd with their strong rhythm and classically influenced themes.

Wilson was followed by Maryann Corbett, who was born in the District, but currently resides in Minnesota. Her poetry is very much influenced by her own life; D.C. creeps into a few of her readings. Like Emily Dickinson, Corbett finds inspiration in the church hymns and psalms she sings every Sunday, both in rhythm and content.

Each poet likely has an impressive career ahead of them, and their adherence to formal structure is commendable in an age of poesy dominated by free verse. A quick internet search is the best way to get acquainted with the two, but be sure not to miss their most recent publications, which are making waves in the world of poetry.



Wilson and Corbett. Courtesy of CUA Catholic Contemporary Writers

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SPORTS

Volleyball Coach Nagy Abdelrazek Reflects after 25 Years

By **Jared Prenda**
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On the second floor of the DuFour Center, you will find a small office covered from wall to wall in pictures, plaques, trophies, and medals accrued from 25 years of coaching at Catholic University. This office belongs to Nagy Abdelrazek, an Egyptian national who has embedded himself deeply in the CUA community since taking the head coaching position for the volleyball team in 1993.

Abdelrazek came into a very undeveloped program, with the team sporting the bare minimum roster of six players which came to be known as the “Iron 6.” The small team started out as only 3 players, but an open tryout for CUA students completed the team. Coach Abdelrazek actually took out an ad in *The Tower* seeking players to join his squad. Despite their small size, the Cards dominated their competition, winning 30 games

their first season. The Coach didn’t always have the same passion for the sport, however, and found the game as an “accident” despite coming from a prominent family in Egyptian volleyball. He was 14 when he carried his cousin’s duffel bag to his practice, with the promise of a day on the beach afterwards. Abdelrazek initially only wanted to watch the practice, but the coach didn’t allow that and told him he had to play.

Only two years later, Abdelrazek started playing for his club at the national level, which soon led to a 4-year career, where he was an all-star each year at the University of Alexandria in Egypt. He continued playing at the national level following his college career, where he fell in love with coaching. It started as part of his job as a physical education teacher, where he helped coach, play, and ref mini-volleyball games for kids in the community. Following his retirement, Abdelrazek knew vol-

leyball was going to always be a part of his life, and took the position at CUA.

Abdelrazek’s second season was equally successful, stringing together a second straight 30-win season and eventually sweeping the Capital Athletic Conference tournament for the program’s first conference title. Two of the Iron 6 were named to All-CAC teams, and Abdelrazek earned CAC Coach of the Year honors. During these first years, Abdelrazek himself was driving the team in a van to each match. Even he admits the program has come a long way.

Despite all of his success as a coach, Abdelrazek never lost sight of the sacrifices his players made for the team. “Especially as a Division III school, I really credit the student-athletes here. I give them all the credit in the world for being able to handle the pressure in the classroom and at the same time give it 100% all of the time,” Abdelrazek said. “This is something I really

couldn’t put a price on and to see 9 of my players on the Conference’s All-Academic team is really just amazing.”

Less than 10 years later, Abdelrazek once again repeated his magic in the 2001 season. Under his leadership, the team went 38-3 overall and 6-1 in the CAC. The Lady Cards were the first women’s team in school history to advance to the NCAA tournament that year, and advanced all the way to the Sweet Sixteen. He repeated the process in 2002, winning the team’s second

straight CAC championship and advancing once again to the NCAA tournament. 3 members of the 2002 squad were named First-Team All-CAC.

In his career at Catholic, Abdelrazek has eclipsed 500 wins, and has turned the once struggling team to a perennial Landmark Conference playoff contender. He is also a Level III certified coach with International Volleyball Federation, which gives him the ability to coach at the International Level.



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Coach Nagy Abdelrazek and his 2017 team in his 25th season of coaching

Cards Roll Past Drew 6-1 on Senior Day

By **Jennifer Brown**
Tower Contributor

The Catholic University of America women’s soccer team defeated Landmark opponent Drew this past Saturday, October 21st, by a score of 6-1. The conference victory brings the team’s record to 10-6 overall, and 4-2 in conference. This game was also dedicated to the five departing seniors, Ally Marcello, Andrea Jablonskyj, Kate Thompson, Alexa Povelaitis, and Riley Hawblitzel. The seniors were honored prior to the match, their last at the CUA Athletic Complex. The game began with Catholic scoring the first goal by freshman Maggie Moorcones, who has a total of five goals this season for Catholic. Soon after Moorcones’ goal, sophomore Elizabeth Johnson was chasing down a pass deep in Drew territory. Her efforts forced the keeper to challenge the play and she managed to draw a penalty in the box on the tackle.

Johnson drilled home her first of the game on the resulting penalty kick giving Catholic a 2-0 lead. The Rangers came out strong early in the second half, but senior Andrea Jablonskyj took control over the ball, scoring again for Catholic. Right after Jablonskyj’s goal, Moorcones scored her second goal of the game bringing Catholic to a 4-0 lead. Later on in the game, Drew finally put themselves on the board but was scored on again, this time by freshman Meghan Corso. With seconds counting down on the clock, sophomore Grace Boras took the ball down the pitch and fed Johnson the ball to score her second and the last goal for Catholic with only 4 seconds remaining. The five seniors have had a great four years playing together. In the four years, midfielder Jablonskyj has scored a total of twelve

goals with fourteen assists. Two of those goals were game-winners. Midfielder Povelaitis has scored a total of seven goals with seven assists in her college career. Defenseman Thompson has had one assist on goal. She has also been on Landmark Conference Honor Roll for two straight seasons. Defenseman Hawblitzel has had a total of two goals with two assists in her past four years. She is another player on the Landmark Conference Honor Roll. Goalkeeper Marcello has saved a total of 20 attempts during her four years at Catholic, and the blowout was her 6th win on the season. Catholic is currently in third place in the Landmark Conference standings but they have clinched a spot in the post season playoffs. They will travel to Susquehanna on Wednesday, November 1st for the Landmark Semifinals.



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Senior midfielder Alexa Povelaitis moves the ball downfield in the 6-1 Senior Day victory.

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Marywood	Sun., Oct. 28	1:00 PM
Men’s Soccer		
at Scranton	Sat., Oct. 28	4:00 PM
Women’s Soccer		
at Scranton	Sat., Oct. 28	1:00 PM
at Susquehanna*	Wed., Nov. 1	7:00 PM
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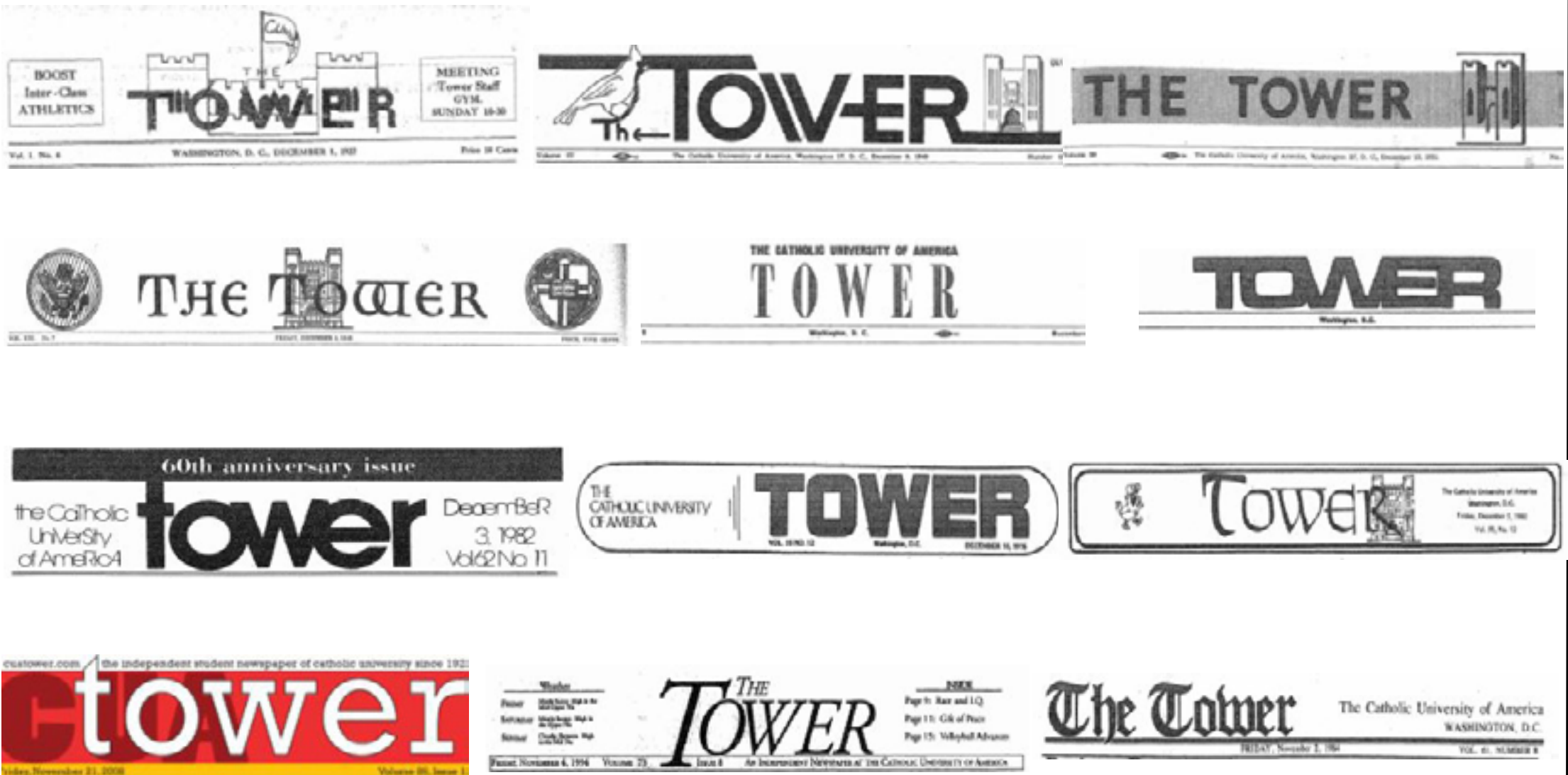
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