Students and faculty find their minds opened at a closed border.
A group of Tibetan monks spent four days constructing a sand mandala in the Campus Center in March. The mandala represented conflict resolution and peace, subjects voted on by Carroll’s student body. Once finished, the design was swept away in a ceremony that symbolizes the Buddhist belief in the impermanence of material life.

See more photos on Flickr: bit.ly/carrollumandala
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Amy Gradecki has her 100th victory.

For 47 national championships in NCAA Division III athletics. That's nothing new for her.

Back when we belonged

This summer, Carroll University rejoins the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, one of the nation’s most competitive Division III conferences.

“When we started talking to people about this,” said Carroll Athletic Director Joe Baker, “a lot of our alumni said, ‘we’re going home.’” Carroll had previously belonged to the CCIW from 1993 to 1992. It had been a member of the Midwest Conference for the past 24 years.

For Baker and Carroll President Doug Hastad, there are numerous benefits to the change to the CCW, which is mostly composed of schools in the Chicago area.

“It places us with institutions which are very like us in size and mission, it gives us the opportunity to be more engaged in the state of Illinois and it reduces travel time, so our student athletes miss fewer classes,” explained Hastad.

Baker seconded the economics of the move—it will save on travel. But he noted an additional advantage to the move: the location of most of the universities in the Chicago region places them near many Carroll alumni, who will be able to attend Carroll games. And the family, friends and fans of our competition will have an easier time traveling here. Make room for more tailgaters.

“I'm really looking forward,” said Carroll's 12-month post-baccalaureate program for athletic trainers will develop expertise in musculoskeletal examination, surgical education, traction techniques, casting and splinting as well as administrative and clinical skills. The program is intended to satisfy a growing desire for athletic trainers with this particular skill set.

Steve Staab, Carroll's head athletic trainer and an instructor in the Physical Therapy program said, “We’re excited to be the first college in Wisconsin to offer the Orthopaedic Technologist Certification. This certification will further enhance the knowledge, skills and employability of certified athletic trainers in emerging medical fields.”

Softball

One in one hundred

When the women's softball team defeated Marietta College during its spring break trip in Kissimmee, Fla., on March 10, it gave head coach Kendall McNamara, the daughter of Jeffrey McNamara, Carroll’s director of student success, compiled her last round of chemotherapy on Nov. 22, 2015. Kendall is doing amazingly well—enjoying kindergarten, soccer, swimming and dance classes. She proudly rang the cancer survivor bell on Dec. 4, 2015.

Kicking Cancer

Ring the Bell

WISCONSIN

agassiz college

viking

rock island, il

carroll university

panther

brandon, wi

textile college

red stick

kensington, wi

franklin college

blue ape

delaware, in

wheaton university

pig blue

north central college

carroll

ninth street

north park university

vikings

chicago, il

rubicon college

titans

kenosha, wis

ilinois

CONGRATS!!!

EILEEN MARYANSKI

Congratulations to all! Carroll Nursing is awesome!!!

BAMN FENG

Proud moment for the university!

JULIE GUIDL WELAK ’96

Proud to be an alumnus of such a great program!!!

GLENDA SECREST

You’re the BEST!!! CONGRATS!!!!

MARIE KOHL BECKER

Congratulations!!

IN GOOD HEALTH

Carroll’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program continues to earn top honors among all schools with BSN programs in Wisconsin. Among those institutions, Carroll finished first with a pass rate of 96.83 percent on the NCLEX exam. The NCLEX, or National Council on Licensure Examination, is a nationwide test for licensing nurses.
Construction on the new 42,000 square-foot science building will wrap up over the summer. We can’t contain our excitement over the state-of-the-art facility, so we sent our photographer in to get you a sneak peek before grand opening ceremonies in September.

The plan, once Maxon Hall was leveled and the new science building built, was to tackle Lowry Hall, renovating that aging structure into a modern facility. Instead, Carroll officials have announced plans for a $20 million, 36,000 square-foot building to replace Lowry.

The new, three-story building will mostly occupy Lowry’s footprint and connect to the new science building. It will provide lab and classroom space for the university’s mission and goals,” said Doug Hastad, president of Carroll University. “This gift will be used for the construction of the research laboratory and to create an endowment that will support learning opportunities for generations of students from Carroll and the greater community.”

“We are extremely grateful to Prairie Springs: The Paul Fleckenstein Trust for their thoughtful generosity, and we are delighted they are part of the Carroll family,” said Doug Hastad, president of Carroll University.

“We are grateful for the continued support of the Lakes Compact Council for their leadership in helping to create a precedent-setting proposal to divert Lake Michigan water to the new dishwasher/ dehydrator system in the Main Dining Room.”

“Susan brings a rich history of leadership experience, business acumen and a commitment to health care leadership roles, including serving as president of Banner Health System’s Arizona region in Phoenix, Ariz. and as executive vice president and chief operating officer of St. John’s Health System in Detroit, Mich. She is a member of the blood center of Wisconsin board, Wisconsin hospital association board, Waukesha state bank board and the about health board.”

The university envisions wide use of the center, which will be available to the public for educational and research purposes. The money will specifically fund the creation of the Prairie Springs Environmental Education Center and the Paul Fleckenstein Research Laboratory. The center is adjacent to Greene Field Station and houses a home, already remodeled into a meeting center, and an outbuilding, which is being transformed into a research facility. Further work will create an outdoor classroom and meeting space on the site.

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Carroll’s Dining Services just completed its first school year utilizing a new dishwasher/ dehydrator system in the Main Dining Room.

$10k saved annually on energy costs from new system

3,000 pounds of food waste sent to anaerobic digester

10 lbs. of food waste sent to anaerobic digester daily

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

PRAIRIE SPRINGS GIFT

The wetlands and woods out around Genesee, Wis., were heaven on earth, as far as Paul Fleckenstein was concerned. He lived nearby, and often spent time walking the land, surrounded by nature. He even toured Greene Field Station with Carroll officials years ago. Though he passed away five years ago, his love for the environment and for the land near his home lives on in the form of a $1 million gift from Prairie Springs: The Paul Fleckenstein Trust to Carroll University. The money will be used to support environmental education and research.

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And Commence!

The Class of 2016 had its day in the sun as more than 700 students received diplomas at Carroll University’s Commencement ceremony. The university handed out 556 bachelor’s degrees, 74 master’s degrees and 75 Doctor of Physical Therapy degrees on May 8. The graduates were joined by thousands of parents and guests at the traditional outdoor ceremony. Yolanda Medina (below), Carroll’s administrative assistant to the vice president of student affairs and our veteran’s services coordinator, was one of the beaming grads. Medina received her diploma 35 years after passing up a scholarship to Carroll to enter the Marine Corps. Congratulations to all of the graduates and their families.

View a photo slideshow on Flickr at bit.ly/CarrollU2016

Last Words

A few of the comments we received following the debut issue of FIRST.

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For many, it came down to the fact that Carroll required it. They were "forced" to do it, they said, in order to graduate. And, among the many Cross-Cultural Experiences (CCEs) offered, this one fit better into many family budgets. It was that simple.

They would soon realize, however, that in learning about the debate of immigration at the U.S./Mexico border, nothing was simple. This CCE would immerse students inside the hearts and minds of the people, communities and organizations grappling head-on every day with the national immigration conflict.

“My views on immigration go to the conservative side,” said senior Joe Fabro. “I was very close-minded about it. I figured I’d get through it and eat some street tacos and go to bed at night. I find at the end of each session I’m doubting myself. More often than not, my previous ideas would win. Now I’m disregarding my own bias. For me, that’s huge. I didn’t think I’d be thinking this critically about it. The seed has been planted not to give things a basic glance.”

Before leaving for the six-day journey at the border, they had spent eight weeks, every other Wednesday, noon to 1:10 p.m., inside Rankin Hall, room 111, in the classroom of Dr. Jennifer Huck, assistant professor of sociology and criminology. There, Huck met her group, who brought with them their diverse backgrounds and fields of study: criminal justice, special education, business and finance, psychology, exercise science, computer science and marketing. They watched videos, read a book, “Enrique’s Journey,” and quietly discussed their early thoughts on immigration.

If you look up students’ thoughts on Huck at ratemyteachers.com one warns, “If you want an easy A, do not take Dr. Huck.” She has a raw passion for criminal justice and the study of it. She isn’t afraid to challenge her students.

This trip was no exception. And it did not focus only on the legal aspects of immigration. It was about understanding language, the use of words to describe people. Do we say “illegal immigrant” or would those feeling dehumanized by the criminality of that status prefer “migrant”? How do economics drive the debate of immigration? How can people legitimately gain citizenship here if the federal government’s processing of those documents is decades behind?

So many questions. So much more to know, to understand, to take back to their homes, their classrooms, their friends and families for discussion and thought.

Where Carroll had “forced” them out of the classroom on this Cross-Cultural Experience and required them to immerse themselves in an environment they knew little about, they soon used words such as “phenomenal” and “life changing” to describe the experience. It was no longer about something they had to do. Each day, it became something they wanted to do.

Inside of Milwaukee’s Mitchell International Airport during an early January morning, a group of Carroll students sat while waiting to board the flight to Arizona. The weather outside marked the season’s coldest day yet as it dropped to a low of 1 degree. The students looked forward to the Arizona sunshine yet were nervous, not knowing what to expect, and varied in their motivations for being there.

DESTINATION

OUTSIDE OF THEIR COMFORT ZONE

by Linda Spice ’89
EXPLORATION

Their conversations often continued over air quotes with her fingers) ‘made them’ do it,” Huck said. “I hardly ever looked into it. I thought it would be dauntingly expensive. It didn’t really leave the state. So the prospect of going abroad as an undergrad was, simply put, scary.

I feel (the CCE) was a money grab. I was really questioning why we had to do this but this experience was well worth it and something I’ll remember the rest of my life.”

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STUDY AWAY REQUIREMENT

A Rarity

Carroll’s required immersion experience is one among universities in the United States. Only six other institutions mandate study away for all undergraduate students: Arcadia University in Philadelphia, Pa., Cocker College in Baltimore, Md., Goucher University in Baltimore, Md., University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla., and Soka University of America (USA) in Orange County, Calif., Lee University in Cleveland, Tenn., and Eastern Mennonite University (EMU) in Harrisonburg, Va., according to Jeannie Jaworski, director of international education at Carroll.

All of those institutions, with exception to EMU, she noted, first themselves, like Carroll, in the rankings compiled in a report released in late 2015 by the Institute of International Education (IIE). Using data from the 2013-2014 academic year, the organization ranked Carroll as number 12 among “Institutions by Undergraduate Participation in Study Abroad” (top 100 Master’s Colleges and Universities).”

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“Understanding other people. Being in an environment, learning to figure it out. Their initial resistance is part of it, part of the learning experiences,” said Dr. Joanne Passaro, Carroll provost and vice president of academic affairs. “Students that I have seen when we read their reflection essays are extremely grateful and proud, even personally, not just to Carroll, and talk about the change it made in them as people.”

It was clear to Passaro in her first year at Carroll—2007—that the university needed to revise its General Education curriculum. Faculty design teams discussed how to develop a curriculum that would have cultural and cultural differences as its linking thread from freshman to senior year. Carroll didn’t want that General Education to stop after sophomore year, as is the case with many universities, Passaro said.

Carroll very intentionally built a senior-year course termed Global Perspectives Colloquium, where students from multiple disciplines engage in critical reading and discussion following their immersion experiences. “They didn’t know that it would really work. It was very expensive, very ambitious to go from zero to one hundred percent.”

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The Teacher’s Journey

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Initiating the travel requirement five years ago at Carroll did not come without some grumbling from students. It’s also not a particularly easy sell to some parents, who worry about the cost of trying to require every student to travel somewhere in the course of their education,” Pasanen said. “It worked.”

The CCE has three components in the four-year framework: preparation, immersion and reflection. One thing that sets it apart from other universities’ travel programs is that it has to be credit bearing, said Dr. Ellen Barclay, associate dean and director of Carroll’s General Education Program.

“Of course, students have different reasons for wanting to travel, so Carroll allows flexibility in immersive travel, offering study abroad, faculty-led, faculty-supported (faculty teaches a course but doesn’t travel with the student) and international volunteer courses. Students may also opt to complete their requirement locally, allowing them to volunteer for service in a cross-cultural setting. There is also a self-designed option so a student can do his or her own experience and come to a faculty committee to obtain approval.

Beyond the personal growth gained through a CCE experience, the benefits continue long after Carroll, Barclay said, in terms of ability to effectively interact in the workplace. She said employers want students who are able to function on their own, that are independent and mature, that have problem-solving skills and can work together as part of a group.

Barclay, who herself has led two CCE groups to the Yucatan, added, “All of these things are critical to the CCE. But more important in this era of multinational and international companies, companies want students who are not afraid to go somewhere and to work with others who are different from them, and work effectively so that our graduates aren’t making cultural blunders or misunderstanding based on a too narrow view of the world.”

Huck’s return to Carroll had come at a time when a fellow faculty member, Dr. Rebecca Ives, associate professor of communication, was developing a partnership between the university and the Arizona-based BorderLinks organization to study immigration issues at the Mexico border. She asked Huck to join a delegation of 10 faculty and staff who would travel to the border to determine the possibility of creating a CCE program there.

“It was her first real immersion experience. She admits she is a person who likes to be in her own little space. Traveling with nine other people she didn’t really know made her feel out of her space. It made her quickly foster relationships, appreciating the personal connections beyond the immersion experience and cultural knowledge gained. She knew she wanted the same for students and now pushes them hard to explore the world in a way she never did while she was an undergraduate at Carroll.

“Now looking back, I wish somebody was pushing me out the door,” Huck said. “I think that I would have seen the value in it quicker. I would have gotten out of the boat quicker. I would have appreciated it if somebody would have said, ‘Get out to go see the world. Experience something. You’re getting credit for it. Do it.’”

She took in the delegation experience in 2012 and was ready to offer the same for students interested in exploring immigration issues. The university developed the CCE and Huck’s time to lead it finally came in 2016. Eighteen students registered, prepared to engage in a timely topic amid a heated U.S. presidential race.

**Cross Cultural Experiences for the 2015–16 academic year**

- **Antigua Zacapa**
- **Nogales**
- **Abiquiu, N.M.**
- **Buenos Aires/Iguazu Falls**
- **Chicueyaco/Xiloxochico**
- **Osa Peninsula/San Jose**
- **Seville**
- **Palermo**
- **Milwaukee, Wis.**
- **Paris**
- **New York City, N.Y.**
- **Chichen Itza/Coba/Iguazu**
- **Cinque Terre/Florence/Rome**
- **Iguazu Falls**
- **Havana**
- **Prague**
- **Cyprus**
- **Lima**
- **Calixtре**
- **Bali**
- **Dubai**
- **Geneva/London/Milan/Paris**
- **Playa del Carmen**
- **Hong Kong**
- **Lima**
- **F1RST DESTINATION**

> **Reflection**

A month after her return from the Arizona/Mexico CCE, Huck sat in the lower level of her home, connected her television to YouTube and started a three-hour visual journey of images, sound and reflections that her students each shared in individual, final assignments. Videos and PowerPoint presentations fed into an emotional rubric hit all of the assignment details but ended up as so much more. The CCE was over, graduation requirement fulfilled. The experience, though, would last for years.

> “Watching their videos showed me this was something that I think changed every one of their lives,” Huck said. “I think this is the type of immersion experience where they are going to take something serious away from it and know that being apathetic consumers isn’t going to work.”

> “Whether it’s about immigration or not, what they are going to take from it is the ability to have those tough conversations,” she continued. “That’s what the CCEs should be about.”
When you’re a growing university smack dab in the middle of a residential neighborhood of some historical significance, how do you grow?

Well, you can shoehorn new buildings into empty spaces on the campus, as Carroll is doing now with the new science building on the corner of Barstow and College, or you can tear down older, less efficient buildings and erect modern replacements, as will happen soon with Lowry.

You could also expand in a somewhat unconventional way, by buying some of the homes surrounding the campus and transforming those grand old homes into department headquarters, offices and meeting rooms.

Carroll has expanded in all three ways, but the approach of incorporating neighboring properties and maintaining them—indeed, restoring them—has allowed the university to grow while preserving the neighborhood’s charm. The tactic is most apparent along Wright Street, where nine of the houses, most dating from the late 1800s, have been purchased and renovated by Carroll.

There are numerous benefits to this preservation-oriented approach, according to Ron Lostetter, vice president of finance and administrative services at Carroll. For faculty and for the students who come to meet with them, the restored homes can feel more comfortable and less sterile than more traditional offices. Owners of nearby homes appreciate that the residential character of the neighborhood is being conserved. And finally, the process has greatly boosted university relations with the city of Waukesha.

“This has been done cooperatively with local government,” noted Lostetter. “They recognize our commitment to the neighborhood and to Waukesha.”

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Kickboxing Trophy

St. George

A framed icon print depicts St. George, the patron saint of England. Hendrix, an Anglophile, bought the print from a monastery in Greece.

Army of Darkness

A poster for the film, described by Roger Ebert as a “goofy, hyperventilated send-up of horror films and medieval warfare.” It’s one of Hendrix’s favorites.

Office Hours

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**In the Summer Time**

Are you prepared for longer, relaxing summer days? Whether lounging at the lake, stuck inside on a rainy day or waiting for the kids’ swim lessons to finish, don’t get caught without a good read to enjoy in the meantime.

We’ve put together a collection of faculty favorites for you to check out at your local library or pick up at your favorite bookstore to prepare you for any free time. As you browse this list of enchanting titles, we encourage you to choose wisely and read responsibly.

By Allie Wilfer ’17

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**Battle Hymn for the Tiger Mother**

by Amy Chua

“Amor Chua’s book recorded her thoughts and feelings about parenting and more broadly, education. Sharing her own experience of raising her two daughters, Amy challenged the mainstream American parenting philosophy. The book, recording her genuine thoughts and feelings, put people [from both American and Chinese cultures] in thinking on how to benefit from cross-cultural encounters. I think most people can connect to the theme of the book no matter whether they are parents or children!”

By Dr. Canchu Lin

**Monstrous Regiment**

by Terry Pratchett

“Monstrous Regiment” is, for me, one of Terry Pratchett’s best novels. It is less about fantasy and more about socio-political critique than most of his works are. Yet it is also a book packed with narrative twists that constitute the very fabric, not just of the plot, but of each character’s trait and psychology. Thus, even a short introduction risks betraying too many spoilers. Suffice it to say that it’s the story of Polly, a young girl and pub owner who at a time of raging warfare between her proud but poor nation of Borogravia and its neighbor, the political and economic titan Zlobenia, sets off to find her MIA brother, by disguising herself as a man and joining the army.”

By Masimo Rondolino

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**Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teaching of Plants**

by Robin Wall Kimmerer

“The author of this collection of essays is a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation who also has a Ph.D. in botany. As such, she brings together two decidedly different ways of understanding the natural world, creating ‘an intertwining of science, spirit, and story.’ The individual essays are beautifully written, and because each one stands alone, it is great for a summer book that you can pick up whenever you have time. While I appreciate the soundness of the science she discusses, the real joy of the book comes from her ability to remind us all of the beauty and wonder in the natural world and the importance of our interconnectedness with nature.”

By Susan Lewis

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**I recommend reading ‘Yes, It’s Hot in Here: Adventures in the Weird, Woolly World of Sports Mascots.’**

The author, A.J. Mass, used to be Mr. Met, the mascot of the New York Mets. He knows his stuff! I laughed, I cried, but mostly I sweat. Actually, I always mostly sweat. It really is hot in here.”

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**Pio Pete**

is the official mascot of Carroll University, a bold, audacious and undaunted example of pioneer stock. When he’s not leading cheers at Pioneer athletic contests, saving his fellow students from student-mascot adventures, or simply enjoying a free kick, his biggest problem, he says, is finding time. Bold, bold and turning pages with his mascot, Pio Pete.

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**Between family duties and academic work, Dr. Canchu Lin enjoys reading up on parenting and cooking, and occasionally reads Charles Dickens or William Faulkner. She is an assistant professor in Carroll’s business, accounting and economics program.**

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EXPLORATION

The Bat
by Jo Nesbo

“The Bat” is not the most recent book I have read, nor do I think it is the best from the series, but if you’ve not read one of his books, you should start with the first. Harry Hole is a Norwegian police officer/detective. While a great detective, he is also an alcoholic and a bit of a loner. In “The Bat”, he is sent to Australia as the Norwegian representative in the investigation of a Norwegian actress. In classic suspense/mystery fashion, there are many twists and turns in the story as they pursue the murderer.

A fan of suspense and mystery, Dr. David Feil was guessing and re-guessing throughout the novel. An associate professor in Carroll’s mathematics department, he finds leisurely reading time on academic breaks and when he’s not brewing his own beers.

Master and Margarita
by Mikhail Bulgakov

“Bulgakov’s ‘Master and Margarita’ is set in two distinct times: one in Moscow of the 1930s (during Stalin’s era) and another in ancient Jerusalem. The story follows ‘the Master,’ a writer, and Margarita, his muse, as well as Master’s novel about Pontius Pilate and Yeshua (Jesus). I am sure that others will enjoy this summer read as this book speaks about love and its redemptive power. It is structured as a grotesque fantasy which makes you laugh, cry and savor each and every sentence.”

Natalya Zinkevich is a senior lecturer in the anatomy and physiology program. She enjoys satire and philosophical novels, and ensures that there is always a book on her bedside table. Favorite authors include Kurt Vonnegut and Umberto Eco.

Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West
by Stephen E. Ambrose

“Undaunted Courage” is an in-depth and extremely well-written story about the historic travels of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. It begins with the Louisiana Purchase and President Thomas Jefferson’s desire to expand the country’s boundaries west of the Mississippi River. Jefferson called upon Lewis and Clark to find an all-water route across the western two-thirds of the continent. Of course, that is precisely what they did. The book virtually chronicles the day-to-day challenges and discoveries of this pioneering effort.

Carroll University President Dr. Douglas Hastad describes her reading tastes as eclectic, with history, fiction, mystery, suspense, biographies and so it all sitting nicely on her bookshelves. He manages to do some reading on business trips and in evening on campus.

Shanghai Redemption
by Qui Xiaolong

“In ‘Shanghai Redemption,’ the protagonist, policeman/poet Chen Cao is investigating corruption charges against a well-connected Red Prince. Chen, as ever, strives to achieve justice while avoiding running afoul of party leaders and protecting his own life and reputation. The backdrop of the novel is the still-fresh suffering of the Cultural Revolution, set off against the corruption and injustices of contemporary ‘socialism with Chinese characteristics,’ which allow’s some people [to] get rich first!”

Dr. Joanne Passaro is provost and vice president for academic affairs.

The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie
by Alan Bradley

“This book will intrigue fans of the mystery genre but also those that love a cleverly written line. Set in the shadows of World War II England, we follow a highly intelligent, sarcastic and brave 11-year old heroine named Flavia de Luce. Using her knowledge of chemistry, her inimitable curiosity, and dogged determination she follows the clues to solve a mystery that becomes as perilous to her as the poisons she plays with. It’s a quick read, both fun and exciting. Perfect for the beach, an airplane or a sofa on a Saturday morning!”

Brittany Larson ’07 is the interim library director and access services librarian in Carroll’s Todd Wehr Memorial Library. She is a curious person, seeking continual learning, which is similar to the heroine of “The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie.” Larson was glad to learn that there were seven more Flavia de Luce books to be read on future Saturday mornings with her dog, Thor.

Learn about networking opportunities and fun social events with other Carroll alumni, wherever you are. Log on to the website link below and let us know your email address. If you haven’t heard, the alumni @pio.carrollu.edu accounts are going away on Dec. 31, 2016. Update your contact info and make sure you don’t miss out.

Please go to carrollu.edu/alumni/connected/update and update your information. We’d love to hear from you!

CONGRATS TO OUR NEWEST ALUMNI!
The Carroll Class of 2016

Now go out and explore, befriend, heal and embrace this wonderful wild world!
You are always Pioneers!

BUT KEEP IN TOUCH.
Jack Miller '73 pored over legal documents for clients in the oil and gas industry one recent morning in Anchorage, Alaska in an area of law that launched his legal career when he moved to this remote place nearly four decades ago. His career was just 11 solid months at its start and has been a little more sporadic since. He loves law. He just never liked being a lawyer. These days, his lawyering occupies a total of three weeks that are spread out over the course of a year. It is just enough to support what he really loves: Living as a modern day Pioneer.

Away from Anchorage stands a stretch of long-extinct volcanic mountains, the Talkeetna Mountains, which connect the Chugach Mountains to the Alaska range. This is where Miller has sustained and survived much of his life, inside a 20-foot-by-16-foot cabin that he and his wife, Jo Ann, built together. There is no plumbing. There is no electricity except for a small generator he purchased after his oldest son was born. It is home.

Surrounded by mountains on three sides and a valley on the fourth that runs down to the Talkeetna River, the cabin is only accessible by small plane. The nearest road is 50 miles away. The closest neighbor? Forty-two miles away.

“The years have been long, and the miles longer, he does not see himself any differently nor does he act differently whether he is in a courtroom or working a trap line, he said. In the wilderness, he did get back into the legal arena full-time—from March 24, 1989 to the end of 1992—when he was tapped to help handle environmental and commercial issues during the Exxon Valdez oil spill. He worked for VECO Inc. and EXXON Shipping and was in charge of 23 attorneys and about 10 paralegals assisting him with the work. He doesn’t see himself any differently nor does he act differently whether he is in a courtroom or working a trap line, he said. In the wilderness, though, “You are always in the moment.”

“People need so much help that somebody has to do it,” he said. “Carroll really encouraged community outreach and gave you a sense that you did have an obligation to your community.”

After Homecoming, it was back to Alaska. These days, Jo and Ann and their grown sons—Zach and Luke—live less off the grid. Jo Ann is still devotes time to cabin adventures. Hunting. Fishing. Walkabouts in the mountains. This is where his Pioneer journey took him.
Five alumni honored for professional and community achievements at annual event

P.E. MacAllister Distinguished Alumnus Award for Service to Carroll

Brian Hoff, physician-in-chief and senior vice president of Sinai Health System, was awarded the P.E. MacAllister Distinguished Alumnus Award for Service to Carroll.

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Our overarching mission in to develop therapies that greatly improve a person’s survival, he said. Our project will pursue cancer in a different way than ever before. We will focus on reprogramming the master machinery in cancer cells that drive tumor growth. Our targets are the complexes of DNA and RNA, known as ’super enhancers’ for their ability to affect a number of cancerous cells.

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Michael Jaharis, a member of the Carroll College class of 1950 who went on to become immensely successful in the pharmaceutical industry, passed away at his home in New York City on Feb. 17, 2016. He was 87.

Jaharis, pictured in the 1950 yearbook.

An active entrepreneur into his eighties, Jaharis founded Vatera Healthcare Partners in 2007, a venture capital firm specializing in the biopharmaceutical industry. Louis DeSilva ’50 met Jaharis during his sophomore year at Carroll. The two bonded over their common Greek heritage and soon, Jaharis was a regular guest at the DeSilva family home in Waukesha. Their families remain close to this day, and DeSilva said Jaharis often reflected on the role Carroll played in his life. “Those years were when we became ourselves and learned who we were. We were shaped by the friends we made and by the professors we had. We were coming of age then and he often mentioned that those were sensitive years to his development.”

Indeed, Jaharis remained connected to Carroll during his life, serving as a trustee for 10 years. Recently, Michael, his wife, Mary and the Jaharis Family Foundation made a $5 million commitment for Carroll’s first all-gift building—and we would not have been able to make that happen without his extreme generosity,” said Carroll University President, Doug hastad. As successful as Jaharis was in business, he was a well- known philanthropist who made transformational gifts to a number of organizations, including Tufts University, DePaul University College of Law, the Metropolitan Opera, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Weil Cornell Medical College of Cornell University and the Art Institute of Chicago, among many other organizations. A proud son of Greek immigrants and a member of the Greek Orthodox Church, Jaharis’ generosity also benefitted the church and anti-hunger and poverty programs in Greece. “Michael personified the characteristics of Carroll’s mission through vocational success, lifelong learning and service in a diverse and global society,” said Hastad. “He established an enduring legacy of success in the pharmaceutical business, positively impacting millions. And he did so with high ethical and moral standards.”


2017s

William Love ’70 passed away Nov. 7, 2015, at Hope Hospice in North Fort Myers, Fla. Fredrick A. Grube ’58 passed away April 24, 2015, in Watertown, Wis., at the age of 75.

1960s

Susan J. (Schlicting) Pulvin ’60 passed away Feb. 11, at the age of 79 in Racine, Wis.

Nancy Ann (Poggenburg) Kasper ’62 passed away Oct. 21, 2015, in Beaver Dam, Wis., at the age of 75. She is survived by her husband David Kasper ’61.

Nationally renowned lawyer, Class of ’85 alumna to speak at Alumnae Leadership Luncheon

A Carroll liberal arts grad who has gone on to a rewarding legal career will be the featured speaker at the Alumnae Leadership Luncheon on August 10.

Mary Sue Feldmeier ’85 gained prominence nationally as a prosecutor in the trial of Jared Loughner, who injured former Congressman Gabrielle Giffords and murdered six others in a 2011 shooting. She currently serves as an Assistant United States Attorney in Tucson, Ariz.

Feldmeier, an English literature major and four-sport athlete at Carroll, said she found her way into a career in law with a little help from one of her professors, Dr. Gordon Folsom. “During a meeting with Folsom during my senior year, he recommended I sit for the LSAT and apply to law school. I was stunned. Law had never even crossed my mind once in all my 20 years (he)...explained that he had observed my conduct and writing in his English Lit classes, and thought that I could see both sides of an argument and articulate either position. I had never seen that in myself. Another lesson learned that day—be open to what others see in you.”

Feldmeier went on to earn her law degree from the University of Wisconsin Law School. She received the Attorney General’s Award for Distinguished Service for her role on the prosecution team in the Loughner trial.

Join us Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016 at the Carroll University Center for Graduate Studies
The Pied Piper of Carroll

He was there when you started at Carroll and he was there—accompanied by a bunch of his friends—when you finished. The bagpipe is a Carroll tradition at least as far back as the 1960s and chances are that piper was Gary Bottini, a piper with the Billy Mitchell Scottish pipe band. Bottini’s second gig as a piper was Carroll’s commencement ceremony—in 1970. He’s appeared regularly since then.

“We always look forward to Carroll. It’s a great experience and ceremony,” said Bottini, now the pipe major with the Billy Mitchell Scottish Pipe Band. “In nearly a half century of commencement ceremonies, I’ve seen a lot (and learned a lot, back when the ceremony was held indoors). Does he hear much feedback from the students? Bottoni shook his head no and laughed. “Frankly, they’re usually focused on getting out of school.”

Why Bagpipes?

Many have wondered what bagpipes have to do with a private university in the American heartland. Thousands of miles removed from the Scottish highlands.

The answer, strangely enough, may lie in the history of organized university in the United States. And, in the early part of the 19th century, the sons and daughters of those immigrants moved westward across the country, settling in places like Prairieville (now Waukesha)—you see where this is going now, don’t you?), in the Wisconsin Territory, and eventually establishing Carroll College.

The lone bagpiper you follow into Carroll on day one, and the marching band that parades through the halls with a series of holes in the leather upper. The holes were real, designed to let water run out of the shoe (handy in damp, boggy places like Ireland and Scotland).

September 30-October 2, 2016

YOUR OLD FRIEND HAS NEVER LOOKED BETTER.

We have plenty of news since you last visited. A new state-of-the-art science building where Maxon Hall once stood. And next to that, another construction project—to replace Lowry Hall. There are additional areas of study and new master’s programs. Our athletes are headed to a new (old) conference. We have so much to talk about! And that’s just the university. Imagine how much news your old classmates have! Join us to reconnect, remember and rejuvenate.

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FROM THE CARROLL ARCHIVES

Tea Time

This silver tea and coffee service was presented to Walter L. Rankin by the students of Carroll Academy on Sept. 15, 1885. Rankin served as Carroll’s president from 1866 until 1903.