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Student athletes and concussion
Plein Air

Sophomore Kelsey Mui took advantage of a lovely autumn afternoon to work on a sketch on the Van Male Plaza. The arts are for everyone at Carroll—you don’t have to be a major in the program to enroll in classes in the visual and performing arts.
**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Innovation. By its simplest definition, it’s the introduction of something new, and it’s familiar territory to those of us with a pioneering mindset.

Innovation goes hand-in-hand with change. And positive change that helps an organization reach or exceed its goals is what moves us forward. It’s what keeps us relevant in a world with an ever-faster pace of new ideas and technologies. This year marks Carroll University’s 170th anniversary. Our founders were innovators—they successfully established and built a foundation for Wisconsin’s first institution of higher education. They would be proud of how the generations that followed have kept that legacy alive to contribute to the vibrant institution that is Carroll today.

In your hands you hold one example of that innovation, a bold, new alumni magazine. The first issue of FIRST. This publication was created with your input to deliver the types of stories you’re interested in, the way you want to read them. The news we bring will mirror what the magazine, and Carroll, are all about: being forward, pioneering, innovative, first. Our editor, Malcolm Woods, explains more in an article about the philosophy behind the name and format change of the former Pioneer on the following page.

You’ll learn about other innovative approaches at Carroll, including how we’re using state-of-the-art technology in the form of human simulators in our health sciences programs. These “patients” provide students with a wide variety of valuable experiences that complement their in-hospital clinical rotations.

We’ll take you to the field at Schneider Stadium, where Carroll’s football team wore helmets equipped with sensors to record every hit, rattle and roll experienced during the game. It’s part of an ongoing national study into concussions and brain injuries.

You’ll also find stories that are thought-provoking and that tie into today’s headlines. Lilly Goren, professor of political science, weighs in on the state of democracy—a timely piece in this election year. Goren is a regular political commentator for both local and national media outlets, including USA Today.

Pioneering approaches are everywhere at Carroll. You can’t help but notice the new science building that continues to take shape on the corner of Barstow and College. But there are many smaller, yet no less significant, fresh ideas and ways of thinking that complement their in-hospital clinical rotations.

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Carroll University is Wisconsin’s first four-year institution of higher learning. This independent, co-educational comprehensive university is grounded in the Presbyterian heritage and liberal arts tradition. The Office of Communications and Marketing, the former publishing, FIRST for alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends of the university. The opinions expressed do not necessarily represent the opinions of the editors or the official policies of Carroll University. We welcome your comments to editor@carrollu.edu.
Welcome to FIRST, Carroll’s new alumni magazine

FIRST replaces the Pioneer, and it’s the end product of extensive research, including a reader survey that asked what you wanted from your alumni magazine. An overwhelming majority of you said you found value in the magazine and that for most of you it was a primary means of keeping in touch with Carroll. We used your input to create a publication worthy of your support and to craft a magazine that better matches the personality, attitude and heritage of Wisconsin’s pioneer academic institution.

It starts with the name, which showcases our unique status as the state’s first institution of higher learning. You’ll find an entirely new look and feel that’s bold and outgoing, including striking photography and captivating writing. And we’re putting a new fresh focus on the content you told us you wanted, including stories about campus life and updates on fellow alumni. We’ll also incorporate the momentum and features that tie the accomplishments of Carroll alumni, faculty and staff to today’s headlines.

Our pages are reorganized to make it easier for you to find the news you’re most interested in. In Foremost, you’ll encounter news briefs about the university, people and events. Other content will appear in one of these areas: Destination, Exploration and Pioneers. Destination will take you on a journey—whether it’s a peak into a professor’s office or a trip across the oceans. In Exploration, you’ll read stories about innovation, inspiration and discovery—the work of a university. And Pioneers? This is where you’ll find a mix of alumni news, class notes and in memoriam, combined with stories about the faculty, staff and students here now.

You’ll receive a new issue of FIRST three times annually, in winter, late spring and at the beginning of a new school year. I hope you find our storytelling, design and photography compelling and that FIRST draws you closer to your alma mater. It’s my desire that you come to see FIRST as the opening of a dialog. I’d love to get your feedback, hear your ideas for stories and see your photos for this magazine created for you, about you, by you.

It’s been a very good year for senior Kevin Jennings of the men’s football team. In December, Jennings was named first team All-American by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA), Carroll’s first AFCA All-American since Bob Helf in 1974. Jennings, a wide receiver, made 92 grabs for 1,267 yards and 17 touchdowns in his final campaign for the Pioneers—all top ten in conference history. He also set a new conference mark with five touchdowns in a game, helping earn him Midwest Conference Offensive Player of the Year honors. For his career, Jennings averaged seven catches per game, breaking the conference record that has been held since 2009. Jennings was earlier recognized for his academic prowess, earning first-team Academic All-American honors from the College Sports Information Directors of America. Jennings, a native of Darmstadt, Iowa, is a biochemistry major with a grade point average of 3.86. He joins nine other student athletes in Carroll History to achieve Academic All-American status.

The Daily Meal website once again surveyed colleges across America to determine the top 75 schools in the country for food and Carroll is once again the only Wisconsin school to make the list. The Daily Meal’s judges placed Carroll’s dining options 37th in the nation, and praised our fresh meals, sustainable efforts, the newly-opened Grill Nation in the PIT and our new waste handling system that turns discarded food scraps into compost (of course, the food is so good that there’s never much waste). Stop by for lunch sometimes.

Pictouese Main Hall has always dominated photos of Carroll on social media, but have you seen the new Crofts Morava Pavilion? This iconic structure rises above the southern end of Schneider Stadium, providing spectacular views of Carroll’s athletic fields and beyond. Its remarkable, roofed double roof adds beauty to the campus and to Carroll’sdie-castied skyline.

We’re betting the new outdoor space becomes a popular spot for students to do homework (it has Wi-Fi), support Pioneer athletics and take selfies. The 700-square-foot pavilion will also serve as a space for outdoor classes, meetings and events such as receptions, weddings, parties and much more.

Alumna Alice (Crofts) Morava ’52 gifted the pavilion, which was unveiled and dedicated during Homecoming weekend on October 3, 2015. Alice is an avid and long-time supporter of Carroll University. She has served on the Board of Trustees for 25 years, and has made a Carroll education possible for many students through her endowed scholarships. She attributes her commitment to Carroll to her own experience as a college student, and the enormous impact it had on her. “I don’t know how one measures a degree from Carroll but it meant everything to me,” she remarked. “I am so blessed, Carroll University is still changing my life every day.”

Read more! Alice (Crofts) Morava was very busy around campus this past year. Click the next page for a recap of her role in Homecoming 2015, and look to page 25 for a story on the successful completion of her challenge grant, the Morava Finish Line Challenge.

Learn about Alice’s moving Carroll story at youtube.com/watch?v=UreuUWyC8d8
The 2015 Homecoming & Reunion weekend featured the dedication of the Crofts Morava Pavilion (see story on previous page) and a 35–13 victory for the Pioneer football team over Lake Forest College.


The Midwest Conference women’s soccer coach of the year works at Carroll. The league honored Coach Susie Foster after the Pioneers won the conference tournament in November. The league also recognized Pioneer Sara Mahoney, naming her the league’s Defensive Player of the Year. Rachel Van Sluyt and Delaney Pruitt joined Mahoney with First Team All-Conference honors.

More honors followed for Mahoney in December, when she was named third-team All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA), becoming the first-ever Carroll woman’s soccer player to receive All-American accolades.

PUBLIC SAFETY NEW DIRECTOR

Following an extensive national search, Carroll named Kevin Kober as its new director of public safety. Kober has more than 19 years of experience in law enforcement, serving most recently as patrol division commander with the City of Waukesha Police Department. Kober officially began his duties at Carroll in January.

CARROLL SERVES: VOLUNTEER DAY

Volunteers from the Carroll community headed out to assist 10 Waukesha and Milwaukee area agencies during this year’s “Pioneers Serve: Carroll University Volunteer Day.” The event connected volunteers with select agencies in need of help. Volunteers served meals, read to children, assisted with lunch and helped out at a Veteran’s Day memorial.

See an album of photographs from the day here: http://bit.ly/1m5FL8

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SUNDBERG CLAIMS TITLE

Jacob Sundberg made his final Midwest Conference Cross-Country Championship meet a memorable one, claiming the men’s individual title in dramatic fashion. Sundberg, a three-time All-MWC performer, bested the runner-up by 3.5 seconds.

Sundberg and fellow senior Adam Joerres, led the Pioneers to an eighth place finish in the 11-team field. Joerres made a huge push in the latter stages of the race to finish 20th, giving him All-MWC honors as well.

Sundberg is the third Pioneer to win the men’s individual crown and the second in a row. Isaac Jordan was the first in 1999.

FOUR GOLF HONORS

Women’s golf coach, Rob Reitzaff, was named the MWC Coach of the Year after his team finished second at the seven-team MWC championships. Taryn Klaas led Carroll with a sixth place individual finish to earn All-MWC honors. In addition, Rachel Meyer was named the Echo 20 award winner at the championship meet.

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Sightings of an albino squirrel have intrigued generations of Pioneers, but it’s doubtful they are all the same squirrel, or even that they are true albinos. More likely, they are Eastern grey squirrels with a recessive gene that leaves their fur white.

A family of ducks was a common sight around Prairie Hall this fall. Will they return in spring?

Trout
Reportedly seen at Greene Field Station under the bridge. Answers to Terry. Will not sing “Take Me To The River.”

Office Hours
Dan Becker is a graphics guy, so one might anticipate that his office would have an interesting aesthetic. It does not disappoint. Dan, who began teaching at Carroll in 2006, describes the look of his office as “eclectic, but with a purpose.” Knickknacks abound, collected from students, Dan’s past and even from his global travels with Cross Cultural Experiences (CCEs). “It’s awesome when students see my office for the first time. They stand at the door eyes wide and mouth agape, wanting to ask ‘what’s this about?’ After a year, it makes sense to them—‘Hey that’s a page from the Gutenberg Bible or there’s Hokusai’s great wave’ and they understand why it’s in my office.”

Carroll Alumni & Friends
The Emerald Isle comes alive in this tour of historic and picturesque Ireland and Northern Ireland. Dr. Kevin McMahon, Irish native and Associate Professor of Chemistry and Chair of the Department of Computational and Physical Sciences, will serve as your expert tour guide as we explore his homeland.

For more information, please visit carrollu.edu/alumni/events/travel or contact the Office of Alumni Engagement at alumni@carrollu.edu or 262.524.7337.
Your patient is motionless, his breathing slow and noisy. A computer charts his care over the past 24 hours. A monitor displays his vitals. You take his pulse and examine his pupils. Routine. Then, all heck breaks loose.

His heart rate accelerates like a Saturn rocket. Blood pressure boils. Sweat beads on his face. Next, his whole body spasms. Seizure? Stroke?

For medical professionals, this is life and death stuff, and it triggers a line of decisions that domino, one into another. There’s a protocol: steps that need to be taken in the correct order, movements made in the most efficient manner, directions given and orders followed. Done correctly, and you’ve given the patient his best chance of survival. Done incorrectly, or hesitantly, and you may have compromised his chances. You might even have lost him.

For health science students at Carroll, the stakes aren’t quite as high. This is a simulation. The patient is a manikin, a high-tech dummy controlled by teaching faculty in another room.

In a recent class simulation, the patient, a middle-aged man named Patrick Dempsey (the “patients” are given names for each simulation and celebrity monikers are favorites), lapsed into unconsciousness. The care team of four nursing students had to determine what may have happened and then figure out a response. In another session, students care for a man (Elvis) who was injured in a fight. His chest hurts. This simulator was designed for CPR training in the 1960s. Today’s models are decidedly more high-tech. Carroll’s newest simulators, SimMan models, are technologically sophisticated.

Blood pressure, breathing rate, pulse and blood oxygen levels can all be controlled remotely. In addition, the manikins can make a variety of noises, from screams, moans and coughs to wheezes, heartbeats and even the gurgles of distressed bowels. Carroll has enough simulators now to film a low-budget zombie flick (replete with detachable wounds and a few extra appendages). The ranks include everything from a baby to an expectant mother to an elderly patient. That variety means the manikins can be used by students in the nursing, physical therapy, physician assistant and exercise physiology programs.

In the back and forth discussion, the instructor can lead the students along as they uncover symptoms and simultaneously test them on their knowledge. And even though it’s a simulation and the patient a plastic ventroluqiat’s dummy, bedside manner matters.

Once the simulation is over, they’ll debrief, offering near-instantaneous feedback. Several of the patient rooms have video recording capabilities, so footage can even be reviewed.

“We’ve been incorporating simulations more and more into the programs,” explained Jamie Hansen, clinical assistant professor of nursing. She said they complement the in-hospital clinical rotations her students do during their studies. Because there’s no way to ensure the real patients they may encounter during rotation will exhibit the broadest range of symptoms and maladies, faculty can rely on the simulators to make sure students gain experience treating specific conditions.

If you’ve ever taken a CPR course, you’ve likely come across a basic manikin. Laerdal, the company that supplies Carroll’s simulators, began supplying dummies for CPR training in the 1960s. Today’s models are decidedly more high-tech. Carroll’s newest simulators, SimMan models, are technologically sophisticated.
Carroll athletes, coaches and training staff contribute to concussion research as they place emphasis on player safety.

From the stands at Schneider Stadium, a spectator can easily hear the sounds of a Pioneer men’s football game: a quarterback calling out plays at the line of scrimmage, the defensive players yelling instructions to one another, and the hits.
EXPLORATION

THE HITS

The shuffling low sounds of players tackling one another, the click-clacking of pads against pads, and once in a great while, the sharp bang that cuts through the autumn air like a rifle’s report when two helmets collide.

It’s a contact sport, football. The players—strong, fast and big—swarm against each other like angry bulls. Soft cushioning and hard armor help to soften and absorb the hits, but bruises, sprains and breaks do occasionally occur.

Those injuries are easy enough to deal with, at least from the perspective of a physician or team trainer. There is a protocol in place of wraps, or casts or ointments and a pretty good idea of how long the recovery will take.

But when the injury is to the head, when that searing thunderclap of helmet on helmet echoes in the stadium and shakes the leaves on the trees, well, all bets are off.

A concussion is a traumatic injury to the brain, that humming three-pound mass of close to one hundred billion neurons that allows us to think and to see and to feel.

An overhead cabinet can give you a concussion. But contact sports up the risk. And in a contact sport like football, the risk of another concussion is far greater in the first week or two after the initial concussion.

Concussions aren’t confined to contact sports, or even to sports. A fall on a slippery sidewalk, a car accident, or even hitting your head on an overhead cabinet can give you a concussion. But contact sports up the risk. And in a contact sport like football, where collisions occur on every play, concussions happen.

In the not-really-so-old days, they were called dingers, or getting your bell rung. Players would shake off the hit on the sideline, take a whiff of smelling salts, and run—or wobble—back on to the field of play. Which is about the worst thing you could do.

We know that now. We know that because of more sophisticated medical testing and imaging technology. We know the effects of a concussion can last days or even weeks. And we know that the risk of another concussion is far greater in the first week or two after the initial concussion.

However, while it’s true that medical science has made great strides in increasing our understanding of brain injuries, much is still unknown.

It was my first concussion, suffered as a middle-aged man who stumbled and fell while playing tennis. Over the next several weeks, I would experience firsthand a handful of classic symptoms. It was frightening.

I had pitched over backwards on the court after tripping on my own foot while back pedaling, and the back of my skull bumped on the court. The lights went out and then back on again and I started to try to push myself up off the asphalt. That’s when the picture momentarily froze—my vision temporarily seizing up like a television screen with bad reception.

The cut on my scalp required six staples, but the tear and the blood were never compared to the concussion. In the ER, I could not recall my social security number and gave as my address a home I’d moved out of six years earlier. For two weeks, my head felt as though it were under water. I took ibuprofen and acetaminophen to ward off the dull, heavy headache that persisted for more than a week and then stabbed me each morning for two more weeks. I wore sunglasses during the day because sunlight was overwhelming. I temporarily read and screen-use to short periods of time. I quickly learned that the slightest swift head movement would leave me reeling from dizziness.

I have had my fair share of concussions, but none, in my opinion, was ever a serious enough injury to warrant the cessation of my career. As I lay on the tennis court, head down, in a pool of my own blood, I wasn’t thinking much of my duties as editor of FIRST. It was only some time later, as I awoke at home from a traumatic brain injury, that it occurred to me I had perhaps taken journalistic research a little too far.

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The impact of this traumatic brain injury on my health and cognitive functioning later in life.

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A SHORT HISTORY OF A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

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CONCUSTION PROTOCOL: AN ABUNDANCE OF CAUTION

1. BASELINE TESTING
   All Carroll student athletes go through pre-participation testing. These comprehensive tests help measure cognitive functions, reaction time and hand-eye coordination and establish an objective baseline measurement of normal abilities.

2. AFTER AN INJURY
   Any student experiencing or reporting potential signs of a concussion must be removed from practice or competition and evaluated by someone with experience in concussion management. If a concussion is deemed to have occurred, the athlete is removed from play and must complete a concussion management and recovery program before being allowed to return to the sport.

3. RETURN TO LIFE & ACADEMICS
   Once a student has resumed normal school activities, he/she can gradually resume sport activities. Coaches and trainers follow a standard procedure here as well, beginning with light activities and increasing activity levels and eventually leading to return to participation.

4. RETURN TO PLAY
   Once the student has returned to school and can gradually resume sport activities, coaches and trainers follow a standard procedure here as well, beginning with light activity and increasing activity levels and eventually leading to return to participation. Athletes must then complete the following five steps before they can return to play:
   1. No activity
   2. Light aerobic exercise
   3. Sport-specific exercise
   4. Non-contact training drills
   5. Full-contact practice

5. ACADeMIC SUPPORT
   Because concussion symptoms can interfere with cognitive functioning and full cognitive restoration may be required, students may receive academic accommodations such as excused absences, extended deadlines and tutoring as they recover.

6. AN ABUNDANCE OF CAUTION
   Testing results.

   An obvious benefit of the study has been an increased awareness of the issue of concussions among players and the coaching staff as well as a greater emphasis on player safety.

   Carroll University, adding that the school has been a valuable partner in his research. The student athletes who volunteer for the study receive a small financial stipend when they undergo baseline testing and then again for any testing conducted post-concussion. The school receives the specially-equipped helmets.

   And everyone—medical and training staff, athletes, coaches and parents—gets a bit more information about a frightening and complex subject.

   Staab said the buy-in from Carroll’s coaching staff has been great.

   “There are many who are very aware of the subject, but some are still in denial. Athletes are competitive, that never changes,” noted Staab. “They want to get back out there and compete.” Staab’s job then is to help educate them about the risk involved in returning too soon.

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   Carroll medical and training staff to be located close to McCrea. “It’s a wonderful resource to have nearby,” said Staab, who has called the researcher with his own questions. For his part, McCrea praised

6.  "We’re seeking answers to three questions: what are the risks; who is at risk; and how can we modify those risks?"

   The big picture is to quantify the risk of concussion for households across America. Parents want to know.

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For example, some research seems to suggest that a major blow to the head isn’t all we have to worry about, that an accumulation of much smaller bumps and jiggles can cause damage as well.

And then there is the potential of long-term impact. Chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) is a progressive, degenerative disease of the brain. Though it can only be detected at autopsy, individuals suffering from CTE often show symptoms of dementia when alive—such as confusion, memory loss, depression and rage.

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That’s alarming but incomplete. For instance, we don’t know how many of us who aren’t former professional football players may someday develop CTE. "One of the dilemmas in the field now is that there really aren’t any randomized studies of the general population to determine normal prevalence of CTE," said Steve Staab ’02, Carroll’s head athletic trainer. "In effect, that research is pre-selecting players with known conditions. It’s sort of like going to the cardiac ward to do a heart study."

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5. Concussion sufferers may experience a variety of symptoms. Most will disappear after a few days, while some may linger considerably longer.

   **Headache**
   Weakness or numbness
   Uncoordinated/dizzy
   Slurred speech
   Confused/difficult concentrating
   Loss of consciousness
   Vomiting or nausea
   Drool
   Convulsions or seizures
   Resistant agitation
   Single dilated pupil
   Light/motion sensitivity
   Sleep disturbances

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While the news stories are frightening, we just don’t know how many athletes suffer from CTE. "They want to get back out there and compete," Staab’s job then is to help educate them about the risk involved in returning too soon. And having objective data that illustrates just how much his or her performance has been affected helps convince even the most competitive athlete.

Greater awareness of concussions and their impact is a happy byproduct of the huge (some 37,000 male and female student athletes are involved) NCAA study. The long-term goals are to develop better prevention, protection and treatment of head injuries.

"We are already far ahead of where we were even ten years ago in how we treat concussions. And we know we need to get better," said Staab, "..."
Did we break democracy?

For a while it seemed as though the House of Representatives wasn’t going to be able to select a Speaker. Before that, a small group of congressmen and women closed the country’s purse strings on the sake of principle. In Wisconsin, we’ve gone through a vitriolic recall election, that strange episode a few years back when Senate members bid out in Illinois and, most recently, the fight over a controversial budget bill.

It’s all enough to make one wonder if our system is still working. As we embark on a new year and a presidential election, we sought out an expert for this country and has written extensively on politics, gender, and popular culture. In mid-November, we

GOREN: Well, Trump’s appeal is in some of the ways that he’s articulating policy that’s attractive to some of the base voters in the Republican party. And his media accessibility has been fairly profound, in terms of what he’s sort of saying and doing. For the first three months of his campaign, he was rarely doing actual retail politics—going to town or being in New Hampshire, or being someplace where he’s shaking people’s hands. He was on the phone from New York and he would occasionally get on his plane and do a big presentation and then he’d get on his plane and go back to New York, but his media accessibility was unprecedented. Because every time anybody wanted to talk to him he’d be happy to call them back, where he’d basically be on the phone to every major network and local networks, all the time.

FIRST: Is his popularity changing how other candidates are behaving?

GOREN: Well, I think mostly with Trump it’s an effort to respond to Trump, or campaign in the same room as Trump. The first Republican debate was about how everyone was going to deal with being on the stage with Donald Trump, who is a non-traditional candidate, so not only is he an outsider but he’s operating like candidates don’t usually operate.

FIRST: Does he have staying power?

GOREN: Polls would suggest it. How people are actually going to vote, I don’t know. But, he’s been at this sort of level and continues to move or less up from where he’s been and he hasn’t been breaking beyond, I don’t think he’s made even 40% in the polls, but he’s ahead of everybody, he’s remained ahead of everybody. On the political calendar, according to political scientists, he is when it’s supposed to count. So, September forward, into the primaries and the caucuses. And that’s when he started to build up his campaign infrastructure.

FIRST: It’s already interesting going forward.

GOREN: Well, you have the Super Tuesdays. You have the eight or 10 different states, and again Trump still hasn’t been doing the same kind of retail politics. Lindsey Graham and his carry-on suitcase have been doing so much more of that retail politics, hanging out at pig roasts in Iowa, doing one after another, going to cafes in New Hampshire and going to the truck stops in New Hampshire, and just being with the voters 20 or 24 hours in the day. Trump still isn’t doing that.

FIRST: How does that affect Trump’s performance in those states?

GOREN: That’s one of the reasons why Ted Cruz may become the Republican nominee. Because Cruz has been doing that, and Cruz is enough of the “outsider,” with more structure and campaign retail style. Of course, Cruz is calling himself an “outsider” but he’s been in various public offices for 20 years.

FIRST: On the Democratic side, Bernie Sanders continues to attract a lot of attention on social media. Will that translate to votes? In other words, does Hillary Clinton—long seen as the presumptive frontrunner—need to worry about Sanders?

GOREN: Hillary Clinton needs to take Sanders seriously, which she has been doing since the summer. She has responded to Sanders’ policy emphasis on income inequality and wage stagnation with her own policy outlines on how to address some of these issues. She has engaged Sanders in the debates in regard to many of the issues he has raised and that have galvanized his supporters. For a variety of reasons, I think it is unlikely that Sanders will be the Democratic nominee in 2016, and while he has proven himself to be an admirable campaigner and candidate, Clinton has also demonstrated her strengths and capacities on the campaign trail.

FIRST: It’s sort of makes sense that the party not in power would generate more potential candidates for the presidency, and the Republican party has so many candidates that it had to break the field in to two debates at a time. The Democrats, however, have fielded just three major candidates, Clinton, Sanders and Martin O’Malley. Is that due to a lack of prospects, or more due to Clinton’s presumed status as heir apparent? Is it better to have more choices? Should Democrats worry they have so few to choose from?

GOREN: This is kind of a three or four point question that goes in a number of different directions. I think that Clinton’s status as the presumed frontrunner, along with her fundraising capacity and endorsements, have helped to “clear the field” in many ways. While HRC had intended that these same qualifications and capacities would have had the same impact in 2008, they did not, as we all know. The example was set, in many ways, by George W. Bush in 2000, when he announced his campaign for the presidency with a substantial campaign war chest and the support of his family (especially his father, the former President). But in both cases, with Bush in 2000 and Clinton in 2008, being the presumptive nominee is problematic, and they both had significant challengers who they had to fight off. George W. Bush was able to more successfully fight off his challengers than was Hillary Clinton in 2008, but this is also why she entered the race and when challenged by Sanders, took that challenge more seriously.

It is often better to have choices, but having “more” choices, when they enter the double digits, can be somewhat problematic.
If you have candidates...who essentially had taken compromise is a dirty word, in terms of conduct of politics in the United States, then you have substantial problems with governing.”

FIRST: Speaking of the state level, does the current primary system put too much emphasis on the little states and give small vocal groups of voters undue influence in the process? If so, how do you fix it?

GOREN: I don’t know what the fix is, because here it’s more or less up to the parties. I mean, it’s kind of just part of the system, so it’s not necessarily a need for the Republics to compromise with the Democrats at this point. There is another issue about voting access, because what we’ve seen over the last four to six years is ballot measures in lots of states to make it more difficult to vote rather than easier to vote. If you’re making it more difficult to vote, then you’re constraining democracy among people who have the right to vote, but may not have the means to get the newly required forms of identification.

FIRST: And that’s in the context of 2012, where the party-governing population in the U.S.—almost half of voting aged what they call “dark horses”—were turnout rates that combine with measured that seem to further limit the ability to vote?

GOREN: That means that measuring the ability to vote are problematic. Turnout rates has been falling off for some time, and it’s varied depending on who’s running for office and who’s in that presidential electorate, who’s voting. In 2008, you had a couple of percentage points where young people were voting, and their turnout rates were fairly high, and in my students all the time, because 18-24 year olds are the least likely to vote. But you’ve got to get them voting, because according to people who study voting behavior, if you want people to vote for the rest of their lives, you get them to start voting. If you never start voting, you’re never going to vote.

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Luciano Grenni’s horizon was far off in the distance, but he had heart, and help.

“If you set out to live your life fully and to do your best, you’re almost bound to be a pioneer. At least that’s what happened to Luciano Grenni ’94. Luciano grew up in Salta, a Milwaukee-sized city in the Andes foothills of northern Argentina. He had ended up attending Carroll University is a story of luck and perseverance—helped along by charitable friends and Carroll’s financial aid offerings. Now, Luciano is back in Argentina, paying it forward.

The story began in 1998, when Luciano won an American Field Service (AFS) scholarship to be an exchange student. He eventually landed in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, as a guest of Jim and Sarah Rand and their American Field Services (AFS) scholarship to be an Andean foothills of northern Argentina. How he ended up there, and the perseverance that got him there, is a story of how you’re almost bound to be a pioneer.

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Michael McNamara ’89 was named the chair of the department of theatre at Purdue University.

Peter C. Rathmann ’92 has announced the founding of MKE2B and the Milwaukee Sales Accelerator in Aug. 2015. MKE2B is a comprehensive executive and sales training, coaching and management service that operates a training institute for sales leaders.

Joseph B. Zoller ’91 is teaching IB physics and chemistry at the Woodlands Preparatory School in Tomball, Texas. He also serves as the school observatory coordinator and has been reinstated as a NASA Solar System Ambassador.

Thomas Halverson ’99 welcomes the birth of his daughter, Liv Trinity Halverson ’99, born on July 16, 2015. He joins siblings Annaliese (7), and Dane (2).

Cody Moldenhauer ’15 and his wife, Katie, and her husband Dale welcomed a baby boy, born on Aug. 6, 2015.

Henry Thomas May ’06 and his wife, Julia Marie May, on April 30, 2015. She joins a brother, Henry William Crabtree, on Oct. 2, 2015. •

Matthew Z. Kirkpatrick ’02 joined the law firm of Herrick Fairbanks, Alaska. •

Amanda (Osbins) Schulz ’12 recently promoted to the position of Regional Sales Manager for TAPCO (Traffic & Parking Control Co., Inc.) at Brown Deer, Wis. •

Toni (Torence) Woodland ’08 welcomed a baby girl born on July 4, 2015, in Shohobgan Falls, Wis. They currently live in Cheekwngo, N.Y.

Justin Faust ’12 was accepted into the Master of Finance program at Notre Dame University.

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Back in 1965 when Al started working at Carroll: A keen new Chevy ran $3,000 al mostly worked part time, alongside his full-time job teaching woodworking and drafting at a local middle school.

Al retired from teaching years ago, but he’s still on the job at Carroll, working at a couple mornings each week at the Sentry Building. Cheers, Al, that’s the Pioneer spirit!

Thanks to alumni, parents and friends for your support of the Moreva Finish Line Challenge. We have surpassed the $220,000 challenge by raising more than $270,000. Alice (Crofts) Moreva ’52 established the challenge in hopes of encouraging others to help Carroll toward the Campaign Carroll finish line. Well, it worked—and you responded! And, Alice has agreed to match the additional $70,000 above the original challenge.

Your support multiplied the impact of the Carroll Fund, providing scholarships, student services and other essential needs. The Carroll Fund also offers our students cross-cultural experiences, academic assistance, volunteer opportunities, small class sizes and more.

With every gift, the Carroll Fund grows to meet the needs of a new generation. Much like a relay race, reaching the finish line is a team effort, made stronger and better with each pass of the baton. We extend a heartfelt thank you to Alice—and to all who participated in the challenge. You are making a real difference for today’s Pioneers.
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Logos, flyers, posters, billboards, in-arena graphics and advertising, television broadcasts, large format banners and signage for events and the arena. My favorite project so far is on the walls of a long hallway that leads from one club to another at the Bradley Center. It is a timeline of players that are significant to Bucks history.

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Six Carroll alumni recognized for their professional and community achievements at Celebrating Success last year

Peter F. Bemis ’69
Distinguished Alumnus Award for Professional Achievement (awarded posthumously)
Bemis, who passed away in 2013, practically invented the method to manufacture plastic molded toilet seats, picking up 27 patents along the way and making his company, Bemis Manufacturing, a world leader, with 1,600 employees.

Cathy (DuVal) Davies ’64
P.E. MacAllister Distinguished Alumna Award for Service to Carroll
A Board member for nine years and a member of the President’s Advisory Council since 2007. Talk about a legacy family—sixty (!) Davies family members have attended Carroll.

Dr. Martin J. Hessner ’85
Distinguished Alumnus Award for Professional Achievement
Conducts pioneering research into Type 1 diabetes and Director of the Max McGee National Research Center for Juvenile Diabetes at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin.

Charlie Larson ’64
Distinguished Alumnus Award for Community Service
Tireless volunteer in the Indianapolis area, spearheading Carroll’s National Service Project food drive, he also flies with the Civil Air Patrol.

Nadou S. Lawson ’08
Graduate of the Last Decade
Now enrolled at the Stanford Graduate School of Business pursuing her MBA, her post-Carroll employment took her to paper giant Kimberly-Clark and then to mega-giant Google.

Gregg Wandsneider ’08
Graduate of the Last Decade
A familiar presence at Carroll, Gregg now writes for the Waukesha Freeman, hosts a program on WCCX, Carroll’s radio station, and devotes countless hours helping in the community and on campus.

We’d love to see you in the future at one or more of the following Pioneer alumni events. If you have questions or an event idea, reach out at alumni@carrollu.edu

Saturday, February 13
Florida Alumni and Friends Gathering Hosted by Joseph Zvesper ‘76 5:30–8:30 p.m. Bonita Springs, Fla.

Friday, March 4
Arizona Alumni and Friends Gathering Hosted by Dr. Dan ’69 and Ann (Leighton) ’70 Von Hoff 5:30–8:30 p.m. Scottsdale, Ariz.

Monday, March 28
Phi Kappa Psi Induction Ceremony Deborah Black ’74 and Terry Murphy 10 a.m. Humphrey Memorial Chapel

April 1–2
Pioneers Feed America: National Service Project

Thursday, April 7
Red, White and You Student/Alumni Wine Tasting 6–8 p.m. President’s House

Tuesday, April 19
Celebrating Success 5 p.m. Campus Center Ballroom

May 12–22
Carroll University Alumni & Friends Travel Eastern Europe Prague, Vienna and Budapest

Thursday, May 26
Young Alumni & Young at Heart Event 6–8 p.m. Café Central, Bay View, Wis.

The 2016 honorees will be announced in our next issue. Have someone in mind for the 2017 awards? The nomination deadline is May 31. Submit your nominations at carrollu.edu/alumni/awards/distinguished-alumni/nomination.asp.

2016 Pioneers Feed America:
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60 profiles and photos are available online at carrollu.edu/alumni/awards
FROM THE CARROLL ARCHIVES

Ringing the Bell

Walter L. Rankin became president of Carroll in 1866. He served until 1903 and remained a Carroll professor until 1910. This bell, from the 1880s, was used by Rankin to herald the start of the school day and to summon students to class.