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Amen.

The words St. Francis prayed beneath the original San Damiano Crucifix in Assisi.

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Located in Helena, Montana, Carroll College is a leading Catholic, diocesan, liberal arts and pre-professional four-year institution. The college provides its 1,400 students an academically rigorous, affordable education incorporating service outreach and study abroad. Carroll is nationally ranked and award-winning for its academic quality and outstanding programs, including pre-med, nursing, engineering, natural sciences and mathematics.
President's Message

Dear Alumni and Friends,

As we embark on the spring semester of the 2017-18 academic year, there is a palpable sense of anticipation and excitement on campus about what the new year will bring for Carroll College.

We are well into the process of selecting a new president for Carroll College and by the next time you see the Carroll Magazine in your mailbox, we will have a new leader at the helm. We are excited about what this means for the college and our aspirations moving forward.

While my work during this time of transition is not yet done, I feel a great privilege to have been part of some significant milestones during my tenure as interim president. The highlight has been the dedication and formal opening of All Saints Chapel this past November. Through the vision of those before us and the immense generosity of our alumni and friends, this beautiful chapel at the historic heart of campus is now a reality. In the opening pages of this magazine, you can see what this chapel means for our students and campus community, and learn about the thoughtful and intentional artwork which graces the space.

In addition, we are pleased to share news about our innovative and growing anthrozoology program featuring a story by senior Breanna Caldwell recounting her experience fostering and training Anna, a well-loved canine graduate of the program. We also focus on how our faculty and administration have been diligently creating avenues to grow and enhance our academic offerings, including our Master of Accountancy program, our first-ever graduate program. Rounding out the issue are stories that honor and celebrate our treasured alumni, welcome our new faculty, and share updates on campus news and student accomplishments.

As we work through this transitional time at the college, Carroll’s faculty, staff and students remain focused on the work before us while looking forward to the possibilities ahead.

Thank you for being part of the Carroll story both now and for years yet to come.

Rev. Stephen C. Rowan, PhD
Interim President
Fulfilling a vision that began with Carroll College’s founding in 1909, the college community gathered for the dedication and formal opening of All Saints Chapel on November 1, 2017. The ceremony marked the culmination of 18 months of construction which transformed the north wing of St. Charles Hall into the spiritual center of campus.

Carroll’s founder, Bishop John Patrick Carroll, envisioned an institution of higher learning that balanced intellectual and spiritual life. At the laying of the college’s cornerstone in 1909, Bishop Carroll stated, “The aim of [this] college will be to give the young [people] of Montana a thorough, liberal education which will fit them for leadership in any vocation they may choose and at the same time, so surround them with a religious atmosphere that they will ever follow conscience as their king. Knowledge and virtue are the armor with which [this] college shall strive to equip students.”

With its completion, All Saints Chapel now provides a sacred and welcoming place for Carroll College to worship together 109 years after its inception. Carroll’s growing faith community had outgrown other locations on campus, and the new building, in addition to the 13,310 square foot chapel, includes space for campus ministry programs and fellowship, along with areas that promote personal reflection, prayer and spiritual growth.

The new chapel had been identified as a priority in the Campus Master Plan and was a signature project in the MIND BODY SPIRIT Campaign, Carroll College’s largest capital campaign to-date. Construction of the chapel was made possible by generous donations from alumni, friends and supporters of the college, most notably, Dr. Earl Heller, class of 1958, Dr. James and Joan Schneller, classes of 1956 and 1957 and Bill Bouten, associated with the class of 1984.

“We are incredibly thankful for the countless sacrifices made by many individuals which allowed the chapel to be built,” said Carroll College Chaplain and Director of Campus Ministry Fr. Marc Lenneman. “People gave a lot of gifts that were tangible in terms of dollars but people also gave a lot of gifts that were intangible in terms of prayer and sacrifice and the way they have lived the unique gift they received here at Carroll College out in the world. We are profoundly grateful to all the people who were involved, are involved, and will be involved.”

Upon reflecting on his vision for the new chapel, Fr. Marc shares that he hopes students will find a home for their spiritual life in All Saints Chapel, and that they feel there is now a place set aside for them to grow in their faith. “I want them to understand that the ultimate home they are experiencing is the home they have in God’s heart which they encounter through prayer in a sacred place, and that He, in turn, has a home in their heart,” said Fr. Marc.

Detail of the dedication, along with stories, photos and videos of the chapel’s construction, are available on the chapel website at www.carroll.edu/AllSaintsChapel.
The planning, detail and deliberation that went into creating All Saints Chapel was a task unequaled to most. Recognizing the permanency and importance of the chapel, every architectural decision, every placement of furnishings and every choice of art was made with intention. No one knows this more than Fr. Marc Lenneman, who spent countless months contemplating every detail of the space.

Knowing that students would spend many hours in reflection upon the chapel’s sacred works made the selection of art a paramount focus for Fr. Marc. He spent many hours researching and conversing with the various artists whose work now graces the interior of the chapel to make certain the fit was right for both the artist and the chapel. The artists each have their individual stories but the common thread of family is woven into all their narratives. This element and the passion they each brought to their craft guided Fr. Marc in his decisions.

“All of our artists have been invested in the meaning behind the chapel—to them it is more than just a transaction,” said Fr. Marc. “It was everyone’s intention to prepare a space for our students where they could have an encounter with God that would change their life and in turn, be prepared to go out and change the world. Each artist understood the importance of the space and wanted to be a part of it through their works.”

Mounting on the west wall above the altar, the San Damiano cross greets visitors as they first step into the chapel.

Having designed the chapel with a very directional intent, the cross serves a decidedly significant purpose. “When people enter the chapel everything they first encounter is a gift: the baptismal font, the Eucharist, the tabernacle, and most significantly, they contemplate Christ on the cross for he gave his life so that we may receive life,” explains Fr. Marc. Understanding that everyone’s attention would be drawn to the cross, the selection of artist for this prominent and all-important element of the chapel was paramount.

Upon viewing the crucifix the very first time upon delivery, Fr. Marc knew he made the right choice in selecting Dick Tobin of Castle Rock, Colorado, for the project.

“I chose to take on this project after listening to Fr. Marc’s wishes for the space and for the students. I am grateful to be involved and to have art in a holy place like this is very fulfilling to contribute to and be part of. I see it as a returning of God’s gifts in the form of my talent,” said Tobin.

While there are a number of crosses to choose from in the Catholic tradition, Fr. Marc felt that the San Damiano cross and its connection to St. Francis of Assisi was the right choice for Carroll College. St. Francis speaks across a number of different constituencies. He is most popularly known as the patron saint of ecology and animals, and for his relationship with the natural world which people across Montana, and Carroll specifically, connect with and value. He also cared deeply for the poor. “It is a mission at Carroll to bring love to those most in need,” said Fr. Marc.

Beautiful things pull us out of our mundane world and have the potential to reset our attentiveness.

Fr. Marc Lenneman
We didn’t want a crucifix that just spoke of sacrifice but rather one that spoke of sacrifice which leads to life,” said Fr. Marc. “Jesus’ face is beyond what I could have imagined and is the face we want our students to contemplate—a peaceful face—not in anguish despite being on the cross. But rather there is a love and peace and kindness that flows out from his face,” he continued. The selection was also motivated by the desire for students to see something unexpected. “The iconic style of this cross stops us because it is different than what we typically see and invites a contemplation that is profound and powerful and calls our attention,” said Fr. Marc.

For Tobin, his paintings are a family affair. He has grandsons that live nearby in Colorado so he has involved them from a young age in his art, along with his wife and two daughters, where they will often contribute a halo or a face to his projects. In turn, Tobin co-signs their names on the art as he did on Carroll’s San Damiano cross.

Tobin does not view his work as a chore, rather “it is getting involved in a medium throughout which prayer is achieved. That icon is there doing its work helping people channel that experience and prayer well beyond my years here. That is what drives me to be involved because it goes beyond me and beyond everyone involved in this,” said Tobin.
Flanking the San Damiano cross is a set of stained glass windows created by Debora Coombs. (Coombs was profiled in the summer 2017 Carroll Magazine.) Recognizing that the focus should be on the cross, Coombs designed the windows to be complementary to the crucifix. Her goal was to harmonize with the crucifix in color and shape.

The blue in the robes depicted on the cross tie into the blue of the windows with the main unifying element being the circular pattern of the halo replicated in the stained glass design.

“What I love about Debora’s work is how intentional everything is,” said Fr. Marc. “Her art is a beautiful dance of such deliberate choice flowing from inspiration.”

Lining the south wall of the chapel are the Stations of the Cross created by the husband and wife team of Edwin and Veronica Dam de Nogales, who divide their time between Barcelona, Spain, and Toronto, Canada. These sculptures are not just unique in design but also rare in existence. Six more original castings of the set will be created on commission over the lifetime of the sculptors but no two will be commissioned for the same province or state to ensure geographic exclusivity. All Saints Chapel is now home to the third set and the only one to ever reside in Montana.

In explaining their decision to only create seven sets of the Stations of the Cross, the Dam de Nogales' shared that in Spain, art has always been considered to be “original” when created up to a maximum of seven copies or seven variations; beyond that, it is viewed as mass produced. They have chosen to be part of the remaining artists who adhere to these norms. “Most artists prefer to make their own convenient rules and adaptations to these numbers. For us, the originality and authenticity are important,” said the Dam de Nogales.

Each series is different with no two alike. The solid bronze sculptures, weighing between 80-90 lbs. each, are positioned in such a way as to invite an intimate look at the details. The 14 stations are aligned along the wall in an intentional manner which allows observers to follow the journey of Christ on the day of his crucifixion.

“They truly are great works of sacred art. The details are staggering. Every time I go to pray, I discover a new detail in the background or a new relationship,” shared Fr. Marc. “Sacred art such as this exists to communicate a divine truth and a divine presence.”

As artists, the husband and wife duo were drawn to the project from the beginning because Fr. Marc approached them with “artistic sensitivity and appreciation” perhaps stemming from his own studies in Italy. In addition, they added, “The chance
n designing the chapel, there was a desire to reflect the beauty and spirituality of living in Montana. Natural lighting, native stone and wood were integral elements to realize this vision.

Carroll alum, Mark Sevier ’77, president and founder of Dovetail Designs & Millwork, Inc., out of Billings, Montana, was a natural fit to provide the woodworking elements that embellish the space. Having been a builder all his life, he was grateful to have been able to hone his skills and refine his talent during his college years at Carroll under the tutelage of Fr. Dan Hillen.

As a testament to his faith and excited to give back to Carroll, Sevier jumped at the prospect of being involved upon being approached by Fr. Marc. Sevier’s contributions to the chapel are many and varied including the ambo (lecturn), presider’s chair, the tabernacle pedestal, offering table, the credence table, candlesticks and the wood engravings of Matthew 10:8, and the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, as well as the donor wall.

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Sevier’s wood engravings, in particular, play a large part in the directional intent of the chapel. Everything one encounters upon entering the chapel is a gift. Everything one encounters upon exiting the chapel is instruction on how to give those gifts to others. This begins with seeing Matthew 10:8 engraved across the front of the balcony when leaving the nave, “Without Cost You Have Received; Without Cost You Are to Give.” This is followed by the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy inscribed next to the doors leading out of the lobby.

“We put these messages at the exit purposely. We want our students to truly understand that having received the gifts, it is now time to return the gifts in action, deed and prayer. These messages are to encourage them to live out their faith with passion and focus and intentionality.”

When asked what called him to gift all of this woodwork to the chapel, Sevier said, “There is a rule in life: the more you give, the more you get. The items donated to the chapel are a way of connecting myself to the place and if they connect others to the space that is what is important. The best things in life aren’t things; what I value most are people and experiences.”

to impact the lives of college students was particularly attractive to us as so many life-defining moments are being experienced during these years. The philosophy of education at Carroll College is powerfully compelling and we embraced the opportunity to be a small part of this philosophy.”

“I knew they were really gifted artists but to experience it in person is completely different,” said Fr. Marc. “They clearly poured a lot of their love and attention into these stations. I am astounded at the talent and vision. Edwin and Veronica clearly understood what they were seeking to convey. They have a deep spirituality that they bring to the work as artists that speaks powerfully to what the stations are about.”
August 30, 2016. A day I will never forget. It was the day that I met Anna, my Anthrozoology foster dog for the year. Little did I know at the time that she was about to change my life forever.

I was at the Anthrozoology Equine Center on that Tuesday afternoon when Dr. Erica Feuerbacher texted me, “I have a dog for you! Can you pick her up at 5:30 at the ANZ house?” To say I was excited would be an understatement. The next two hours were a blur as I was anticipating meeting my dog for the first time.

I was sitting in the chair in the small back room at the St. Francis of Assisi house waiting for my dog to come through the door. The door opened and in comes a beautiful yellow lab named Anna. As soon as I laid eyes on her, I fell in love. I knew that my year raising her would bring me joy and I could not wait to get started.

Our first week brought laughter and tears, sometimes at the same time. We had good days and then we had bad days, for both Anna and for myself. Training a dog is not easy, especially as a novice trainer learning how to train dogs for the first time. Our first few weeks with each other were by far our hardest throughout our seven and a half months together. Kennel training and separation anxiety were the focus I had for Anna in those first weeks.

As a student raising a dog who has separation anxiety, it makes you feel bad when you leave your room and just hear them barking and whining for you to come back. I faced this every day. Not only was I in St. Charles Hall with Anna, but I was also a Community Advisor. My girls, who loved Anna, I’m sure were also frustrated with me to hear her barking, loudly, whenever I left to go to class, or even the bathroom.
There were two days that I distinctly remember her having severe anxiety when I left. The first day was just our first weekend together. It was a home football game and I was planning on meeting up with some friends for lunch and then the game. That day it took me over an hour to get Anna to go in her kennel so that I could leave. She wouldn’t go near it. I trained tossing treats in for her and she would grab them and then back out. I tried going in the kennel with her, but nothing was working. I eventually broke down in tears on the floor. Anna came up to me and tried to comfort me—that’s when I knew she was special and had a future as a working dog.

The second day that I remember, I decided to record Anna while I went to lunch at the St. Thomas Aquinas Commons for just 30 minutes. Anna was in her kennel and my laptop was set up on my desk to record her. Once again, as soon as I left the room, the barking started. I left, ate, and came back. My friend Bridget and I watched the video and in that moment, I realized how much work I still had to do. The first 20 minutes of the video were of Anna barking, trying to dig her way out of her kennel, and biting at the kennel door. I knew I had my work cut out for me, but I could do it, I believed in Anna.

Our training after these two incidents, which were only days apart, improved tremendously. It started with treats anytime she would go near her kennel. Eventually that evolved to treats when she would go in her kennel. Overtime, the kennel became her safe place. Her den, where no one would bother her. The separation anxiety took more work, but every step we took was huge, even the backwards steps because it taught me how to be a better trainer. We took baby steps, starting with me just rounding the corner for five seconds increasing my time to the threshold that Anna could handle. And then increasing my distance away from her. Slowly but surely, we made it through our biggest struggle.

Our training continued and we focused on therapy work. She had a knack for making people happy and knowing when someone needed a yellow lab lean and kiss. A walk around campus that would normally take 10-15 minutes would take me closer to 30 minutes when I had Anna with me. She was a people magnet and I knew she needed to go to a working home. Anna loved people and people loved her, so naturally I thought a school setting where she would get to be with people every day would be the best fit.

November 16, 2016 was the first day I had correspondence with her forever home. Kelly Palmer, the counselor at Troy Jr/Sr High School in Troy, Montana, expressed interest in having a therapy dog at the school and the fit was perfect for Anna. We met in December right before finals, and in that moment, I knew this was the home meant for her. I took Anna home to Colorado over winter break where I decided that Troy would be her forever home. On January 19, 2017, I finalized my decision and informed Palmer that he was the perfect fit for Anna. The following months flew by in a blur as I knew my days with Anna were numbered but we made the best of it. We visited Troy to see the school and her new home. Within the first few hours of being in the school and the town, I knew Anna would succeed. There was no doubt about it.

We spent our remaining time together working on specific tasks based on the population Anna was going to be spending her time with. I taught Anna how to open handicap accessible doors, interrupt...
Anna is living the life I dreamed of for her in Troy today. She attends school every day with Palmer and his wife Jeanie, the art teacher. We all thought that the first weeks in school with Kelly in May were going to be hard transition weeks, but Anna proved us all wrong. On her first day at school, Anna spent her time snoozing in the office and greeting students in the hallway during passing periods. On her second day, she was off-leash the entire time, without a single problem. It was very clear that I made the right decision for her new home.

Anna and Kelly spend their days after school hiking through the Kootenai National Forest and fishing along the river bed. As a people oriented dog, Anna bonded with Kelly very quickly and spends almost every day with him, at school and at home. This school year has been a busy one for Anna, and she is already at the half-way point for her first year as a therapy dog. The students and staff at Troy Jr/Sr High School adore Anna and many students visit Kelly in his office more now than ever before because Anna is there as a social connection. Guest speakers have included Anna in their talks by giving her a t-shirt to wear just like the students and staff.

Every day in Troy, and even here in Helena, was an adventure for Anna. She can take a mediocre day and make it great. It takes just one look from her sweet face to make you fall in love with her. She’ll welcome you home with a toy and lean into your leg for a belly rub.

When asked what I learned most through training a shelter dog in college, my answer is always patience and perseverance. Anna taught me what it means to have patience, not only in training, but in everything I do. We would make great strides but then go back a few steps only to charge forward again. Training a dog takes patience and perseverance, just like most other aspects of life. When a dog does something wrong, they don’t know it was wrong and often they don’t understand why you’re upset. Patience is key in these situations. There were many times that I got upset with Anna but never once did I take it out on her. She taught me to take a step back, take a deep breath, and relax. Being patient while raising Anna to be the best dog she could be, made me

Photos courtesy of Breanna Caldwell and Kelly Palmer

Anthrozoology Endowment

The Anthrozoology program received a generous gift this past summer with the creation of the Gregory V. Roeben and Susan F. Raunig Endowed Professorship in Social Justice and the Human-Animal Relationship. Funded by former Helenans Greg Roeben and Susan Raunig of Kirkland, Washington, the professorship will be awarded to an Anthrozoology faculty member.

The professorship was established to promote both the Anthrozoology program and the Hunthausen Center for Peace and Justice, and to embrace multiple disciplines including ethics, sociology, psychology, theology, and Catholic Social Teaching. The endowment will be administered through the Hunthausen Center and will be used to support a one semester, third-year course and other educational opportunities—such as seminars, guest lecturers, research, and student and faculty travel to educational and career development opportunities—focused on “critical approaches to social justice in the human-animal relationship.”

Greg Roeben, a psychiatrist, and Susan Raunig, formerly of Microsoft, are both graduates of Helena’s Capital High School. While contemplating where they might direct their gift towards animal studies, their thoughts turned to Catholic Social Teaching having been inspired by Pope Francis’ encyclical Laudato Si’. This focus on Catholic Social Teaching coupled with their relationship with Archbishop Hunthausen led them to Carroll College.

The couple visited with Anne Perkins, PhD, Director of Anthrozoology, and with former Carroll Anthrozoology professor Rick Timmins, who lives near Roeben and Raunig on Whidbey Island in the Puget Sound area. These discussions led to ways this gift could fund education that would encourage students to think about humans’ responsibility with respect to the human-animal relationship, and to consider becoming next-generation leaders examining and promoting social justice teaching in the
Karin Wagemann ’15 was a member of Carroll’s first graduating class of four-year anthrozoology students. Since graduating, she has furthered her knowledge and training and has taken her talents internationally.

After graduation, Karin spent the summer working in Washington’s North Cascades National Park as a guide for horseback trail rides in the remote wilderness. An area Karin described as “…by far one of the most beautiful places I have ever been.” From there she went directly to an internship with the president of the American Society of Canine Trainers. Following the internship, she took online classes for her master's degree in Canine Behavioral Science, which she received in January 2017.

Shortly after earning her master’s, she was contracted by Working Dogs for Conservation (WD4C) to train four anti-poaching canines for Singita Grumeti, Tanzania, adjacent to Serengeti National Park. For six months, she relocated to Virginia where the dogs were being trained and selected. In September, Karin and another trainer made the long trip with the four dogs to Tanzania. The two of them selected and trained six game scouts as canine handlers. Karin departed Tanzania in early November leaving behind “six superb handlers, four amazing dogs, and a piece of my heart.”

While in Virginia, she was also training a dual-purpose patrol dog. She raised this dog from a pup and in July she sold him to the Hampton, Virginia Police Department. “Nothing prepares you for having to say goodbye to your first great dog; it was very hard but rewarding,” shared Karin. Since his placement he’s had numerous tracking captures and narcotic finds.

Along with training these dogs, she taught several basic handler schools for police canine handlers. After demonstrating in-depth knowledge, training skill, accountability and expertise in instructing handlers, Karin became certified through the American Society of Canine Trainers (ASCT) as Instructor and Master Canine Trainer currently, the youngest instructor in the ASCT.

Even before attending Carroll I knew I wanted to train police/working canines. While the Anthrozoology program doesn’t focus on the training of police canines, it still gave me a leg up in three areas,” said Karin. “First, I gained an immense amount of knowledge in regards to the behavior and biology of canines and how they learn. Second, the hands on training experience was extremely helpful. Everyone makes mistakes with training their first canine, and having the ability to grow and learn under the guidance of professors really made a difference. When I started my next several dogs I already had a better grasp of what to do and what not to because of this. Lastly, and most importantly, the connections I made through my professors, specifically Professor Tom Brownlee, got me in touch with the right people in the police canine world. Karin’s future plans include moving to Virginia permanently next year where she will start her own training business and continue along her career path of working with canines.

human-animal relationship. To Raunig, who comments that almost everything she learned about being an adult was learned in Helena, “making the gift to Carroll feels right.”

Candie Cain, Interim Vice President for Advancement, says, “The Anthrozoology program and the Hunthausen Center for Peace and Justice represent exactly what Carroll College is about: love and service. We are blessed not only to have this support for Anthrozoology faculty and the Center, but to have the opportunity to know Greg and Susan and to welcome them into the Carroll family.”

For information on how to contribute to this endowment or to support Carroll College in other ways, visit www.carroll.edu/give.
Recognizing a need for trained registered nurses in specialty areas such as ICU, ER and OR, Carroll College’s nursing program has begun offering advanced training courses for Montana RNs.

In an effort to seek collaborative partnerships within Montana and best prepare nurses for the workforce, Carroll administrators and nursing faculty met with the chief nursing officer and nurse managers at St. Vincent’s Healthcare in Billings, Montana, in the summer of 2015. At this meeting, St. Vincent’s expressed interest in Carroll College offering a program for RNs which provide them with the necessary training and education to pursue placement in the specialty fields of emergency nursing and intensive care.

As a result of this discussion, Carroll College and St. Vincent Healthcare/SCL Health have partnered together to offer a new Critical Care Specialty Course for Montana RNs.

“Collaboratively, we are hoping to provide a standardized educational program for RNs interested in these specialty areas,” said Maria Brosnan, MSN, APRN, ACNP-BC, CNE and associate professor of nursing at Carroll. “We want to provide the key foundational knowledge and skills, through didactic lectures, case study presentations and online modules, in conjunction with clinical and simulation experiences, to help these RNs be successful in these specialty areas and provide high-quality patient care. In the end, it is really about the patients receiving the best nursing care possible,” said Brosnan.

The new 12-week course is open to licensed RNs who are interested in advancing their career as a critical care or emergency nurse. In December, the program had their first cohort (4 ICU and 3 ER nurses) successfully complete the course as demonstrated by exceptional simulations in the nursing labs, high scores on the written final exam, excellent clinical evaluations from their preceptors and successful completion of 75-80 hours of online modules. Additionally, all seven RNs were hired into their perspective units as planned.

Students in the inaugural program found the simulation intensive weekends particularly valuable in preparing them for their work in the ICU and ER. “I feel I gained a great deal of knowledge and confidence in my nursing skills through active participation in the intensive weekends,” said one participant. “It made the transition to ICU much less intimidating and provided me with background knowledge to make me feel more comfortable in the ICU,” added another.

The next course is scheduled to begin in late-February. To learn more about the program, visit www.carroll.edu/nursing/critical-care-specialty-course.

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Beginning this summer, Carroll College is offering its very first graduate program.

The Master of Accountancy (MACC) is an innovative master’s program designed to meet the needs of traditional and non-traditional students through a combination of online and in-person instruction. As is the case with Carroll’s well-regarded undergraduate accounting program, the master’s program focuses on developing well-prepared, high-quality, ethical accountants who are committed to the highest standards of performance in a dynamic and complex field.

By making the degree accessible to both full and part-time students, as well as those who are already professionals in their communities, Carroll is providing a comprehensive program that is flexible for students in various geographic locations. The program is structured to allow students to study and take the various sections of the CPA exam as they complete the relevant courses in the program. Full-time students are able to complete the degree in one year with ninety percent of the classes conducted online.

“The market and need for strong certified public accountants cannot be understated. As an internationally recognized and respected credential, high-quality CPAs are in heavy demand in the workforce in both the state of Montana and throughout the nation,” said Dr. Ashley Hope, assistant professor of accounting at Carroll College. “CPAs, as trusted business advisors, will be needed to meet the challenge of an increasingly dynamic and complex business environment. The Carroll College Masters of Accountancy aims to provide students in the program with the opportunity and encouragement to achieve this credential,” continued Hope.

According to data from the Montana Department of Labor & Industry, in Montana alone, 3,140 accountants were employed in 2016 at an average wage of $65,000 a year.

“I’m excited for the opportunities that our new Master of Accountancy program will offer for Carroll students and their future employers,” said Dr. Belle Marie, professor of accounting at Carroll College. “I’m grateful for the support from regional accounting firms and the Carroll community in establishing the MACC, and I’m looking forward to working with students and colleagues in the program,” said Marie.

Working in partnership with Carroll College, Helena, Montana-based Anderson ZurMuehlen and Wipflti LLP were instrumental in providing monetary support to help launch the program.

“We currently have 12 full-time staff and two interns from Carroll and look forward to hiring more graduates from this program,” said Maggie (O’Malley) Long, ‘93, HR Talent and Development Specialist, Anderson ZurMuehlen & Co. P.C.

“The Carroll College accounting department has been strong historically in preparing students for the accounting profession and we are excited to see Carroll taking the next step of investing in these students through the Masters of Accountancy program. This program will provide further knowledge and training that will benefit the Carroll accounting graduates throughout their careers,” said Nate McCarthy, CPA, Partner, Wipfi LLP.

Learn more about the Master of Accountancy program at Carroll College at www.carroll.edu/macc.
A regal life well lived:

Brother, student, prankster, husband, father, uncle, athlete, fan, soldier, doctor, board member, recruiter, honored alumnus and benefactor. These are just a few of the words used to describe Carroll alumnus Dr. LeRoy Byrd, all of which play a role in the story of his love affair with Carroll College.

LeRoy, along with his brother Vern, began his journey from Martin City, Montana, to Carroll College in 1956, almost not making it due to car troubles and an uncertainty of Carroll as the right choice. He did know, however, that he wanted to be challenged. His strong intellect found a good home at Carroll College, launching a career in medicine that would become his life's vocation. Carroll was also the place LeRoy found the love of his life—on the dance floor. During his second year, LeRoy attended a mixer where he first met first-year nursing student, Irene Ann Jones. After a college courtship, which included LeRoy escaping a Fr. Greytak-imposed “campus” to meet Irene at the tree outside St. Al’s, they would marry shortly after their graduation in 1960.

LeRoy passed away a little more than a year ago—much too soon for those that loved him and those whose lives were transformed by his medical care. Those at Carroll mourn as well at the loss of this larger-than-life figure whose impact on and love for his alma mater has been a constant since shortly after his arrival as a student. This was evident even at his funeral, where LeRoy’s family requested those attending his funeral Mass to “Please wear purple in honor of Carroll College, Advent and The King, LeRoy.”

His love for Carroll was rooted in the people who challenged LeRoy as a student—both in the classroom and out. Dr. James “Doc” Manion stood out among the many professors who guided his studies. Fr. Bill Greytak...
LeRoy attempted to guide his comportment but success in those efforts may still be up for debate. LeRoy, along with classmates John Cronin and Bob Noonan, added to the long list of good-natured mischief-making tales within the halls of St. Charles and campus grounds. Even though LeRoy enjoyed finding ways to circumvent the rules, he also found time to enjoy college life, which included being elected by his classmates to the office of ASCC President his senior year. He persevered in his studies along the way, and graduated in 1960 with his sights set on medical school.

LeRoy attended Marquette University Medical School. He started his residency in Oakland, California, and completed it at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. While in Oakland, he also served as a Captain in the U.S. Army. LeRoy and Irene next made their home in Spokane, Washington, where he practiced medicine until his passing. As they raised their family and built his practice, Carroll continued to be a part of LeRoy’s affection, right after his family, which eventually included children Angela ’84, O’Neill, Alicia ’88, Stephan, Ann Marie ’89, Dan ’93, Aimee, John ’93, Nick and Eric.

Through the years, his service to Carroll took on many roles. LeRoy was always on the lookout for students who would thrive at Carroll College and actively recruited future Saints, which often included his own children, nieces, nephews, and many students from the Spokane area. He served on Carroll’s Board of Trustees from 1988-96, providing leadership as Board Chair for a part of his tenure. To honor his beloved professor Dr. James Manion, LeRoy called on other Carroll pre-med grads to support the newly-envisioned Manion Chair. Always a fan of Carroll’s strong academic and athletic programs, his support also included cheering on students in athletics, debate and math.

When his children suggested he might retire, LeRoy said to them that his work is what kept him young. He loved people and working with them to improve their lives. Carroll has been blessed that LeRoy Byrd shared his love so freely with his alma mater and its students.
Andy Brown, Tiffany (Hopfauf) Hofer, Emili Woody, Cassidy (Merrick) Sanders, Tom McCormick

2017 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

The Carroll College Athletic Hall of Fame honors Saints athletes who have left a lasting legacy on the college with their careers as exemplary student-athletes. Congratulations to the following athletes who were inducted into the Hall of Fame during the 2017 Homecoming weekend:

**ANDY BROWN ’05** The lone senior on the 2004-2005 NAIA National Semifinal men’s basketball team, Brown was named the Frontier Conference MVP and a Second-Team All-American. During his sophomore year, he set the school record for field goal percentage at 70.3 percent, hitting 104-148 from the field. The Saints played in the NAIA National tournament three out of Brown’s four years and in his senior year advanced further than any basketball team in school history.

**TIFFANY (HOPFAUF) HOFER ’97** Hopfauf was a four-time Frontier All-Conference honoree and a twice the Frontier Conference MVP and Honorable Mention All-American in volleyball. During her junior year in 1995, she led the Saints in kills (339), kills per game (3.05), serve receive (565 attempts, 94 percent), digs (339) and digs per game (3.05). Hopfauf helped lead the Saints to four Frontier Championships and was also a three-year Academic All-Conference honoree.

**JASON GROVOM ’99** A Helena Capital grad, Grovom was a three-time football All-Conference honoree and his senior year earned honorable mention All-American honors. He led the Saints to the playoffs in the 1996 season, the last playoff run under legendary Head Coach Bob Petrino. During his senior season he scored five touchdowns in the Saints’ 40-14 homecoming win over Montana Western to tie the longest standing record in Carroll history, first set in 1927.

**TOM MCCORMICK ’93** McCormick was a four-year starter, a three-year All-Conference player and a dominant force on two Frontier Conference Championship teams. He finished his career with 242 tackles, 38 pass break ups and 19 interceptions. His sophomore year, he set the Carroll single-game interception record of four which still stands today.

**CASSIDY (MERRICK) SANDERS ’07** A Helena High grad, Merrick was a four-year starter and a four-year All-Region honoree and a three-time Honorable Mention All-American in women’s soccer. She holds the Carroll assist record at 44 and also has 14 career goals. As a freshman, she set the single-season assist record which she would break twice. She helped the Saints to a trip to the NAIA Championship Tournament her senior season.

**EMILI WOODY ’06** The most prolific rebounder in Carroll women’s basketball history, Woody helped lead her team to the first three NAIA Championship appearances in school history, including an NAIA round of 16 appearance in her final year. Over her career, she was a three-time Frontier All-Conference honoree, the Frontier Conference MVP her junior year, an Honorable Mention All-American and a two-time Third-Team All-American.

**2007 CARROLL FOOTBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM** Carroll gave up just 49 points for the entire 11-game regular season and just 32 points in the playoffs en route to the perfect 15-0 record. The season produced the most iconic image in Carroll history, Brandon Day’s mud soaked victory celebration that graced the cover of Sports Illustrated following their championship win over top-ranked Sioux Falls. It was the fifth title in six seasons for the Saints.

**2004-05 CARROLL MEN’S BASKETBALL NAIA SEMIFINAL TEAM** In the over 100-year history of Carroll College basketball, to-date there has never been a more successful team than the 2004-05 Carroll men’s basketball team. The team won the Frontier Conference regular-season conference crown. They then had an incredible run in the NAIA Championship which led to the only Fab Four appearance in school history to-date. In the semifinals, the Saints lost to eventual national champions John Brown (Ark.).

Carroll College fall sports closed with a conference title, and a number of athletic and academic honors.

The teams had a cumulative GPA of 3.298 with every team surpassing 3.17 cumulative GPAs. The women’s volleyball team picked up the highest marks with a 3.562 team GPA. Each fall sport is on track to again receive the NAIA Scholar Team award which honors every team that surpasses a 3.0 GPA.

**Football**

Saints football ended the season with a 4-6 record but won three of its last four games down the stretch. Senior Chris Emter was named a First-Team All-American by the AFCA and the Associated Press. Senior Tucker Johnson received a Second-Team AFCA All-American nod, and senior Todd Pays is the first Carroll football player to receive CoSIDA First Team Academic All-America honors.

**Volleyball**

Carroll volleyball finished third in the Frontier Conference regular-season standings. Senior Holly Morehouse earned AVCA NAIA All-America Honorable Mention honors, and junior Rayna Pilgeram was named the Frontier Conference Setter of the Year.
Soccer

On the soccer pitch, the Carroll women finished with a 7-8-2 record, and a 3-6-2 mark in Cascade Conference play. On the men’s side, Carroll was 7-9 overall and 5-8 in conference. The Saints picked up more Academic All-Conference players than any other team in the Cascade and senior Isaac Bostrom was named CoSIDA Academic All-America Second Team for the second year in a row.

Golf

The Carroll golf team played three conference meets and put up the best scores in program history at the home tournament for the men to take second place and the women to take third overall.

Cross Country

Carroll women’s cross country won their third consecutive Frontier Conference title, and senior Janie Reid and junior Samantha Mundel finished first and second. Reid went on to earn All-American honors, and the Saints finished in the top-20 as a team. The men finished third in the Frontier, and sophomore Layne Ryerson earned All-Conference honors and competed at NAIA Nationals.

Carroll’s mascot, Halo, debuted his new look at the men’s and women’s basketball games on January 27. Halo returned from Christmas break a lighter, more fit version of himself. His fur is well groomed and he is ready to take on any opponent this spring on the court or field. Be sure to come out and support your Fighting Saints this spring and say hello to Halo.

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36TH ANNUAL AUCTION

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FAMILY WEEKEND
Total Eclipse of the Sun (almost)
Thirty-eight years after Carroll students witnessed a total solar eclipse on the college’s campus, students, faculty and staff gathered once again to view this rare celestial event on August 21. Sharing specialized glasses designed to protect their eyes from the sun, participants took in the partial (93%) eclipse.

Let There Be Light
Carroll College is partnering with the Sleeping Giant Citizen Council to install solar panels on Carroll’s campus. Students and friends of the college have been raising funds to help support the endeavor and are awaiting grant funding to complete the project. The photovoltaic array would not only increase clean energy sources in our Helena, Montana, community, but also provide student experiences in interdisciplinary education and civic engagement.

Working Like a Dog
Tobias, a 2016 anthrozoology canine graduate trained by Ahnna Gordon ’16, began his scent detection work helping to prevent the spread of invasive mussels in the Flathead/Glacier Park area through Working Dogs for Conservation. He has since taken his skills overseas and partnered with The Nature Conservancy and the U.S. Navy to survey for highly invasive Argentine ants in the Channel Islands.

On a Roll!
For the seventh straight year, Carroll College is the top rated Regional College in the West according to U.S. News & World Report. Carroll once again earned a perfect score of 100 with the 2018 rankings providing data on over 1,700 schools. In addition to the #1 ranking for Best Regional College in the West, Carroll was selected #2 for Best Value College in the West for a second year. Carroll also retained the top standing for Best Regional College in the West for Veterans for the third year in a row.

Rising to New Heights
Carroll’s Brad Maddock, assistant director of student activities and leadership and director of CAMP, was instrumental along with other local climbers in working with the City of Helena to create climbing routes on Mount Helena. Bolts for 11 routes were installed providing a range of difficulties and heights from 60 to 120 feet. “It really just came from a love of rock climbing and wanting to do it as a community thing, to bring more of the community of Helena into climbing,” Maddock said.

Top of the Class
Congratulations to Carroll’s 2017 nursing graduates who earned a NCLEX pass rate of 90.48%, well above the national average of 84-85%. NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination) is a nationwide examination for the licensing of nurses in the United States and Canada. After graduation, students take the NCLEX exam to receive his or her nursing license.

New Faculty

JULIE KESSLER, PH.D., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF INORGANIC CHEMISTRY
Education:
- Ph.D., Inorganic Chemistry, University of Notre Dame (Notre Dame, IN), 2017
- B.S., Chemistry, Hartwick College (Oneonta, NY), 2012
Areas of Interest:
Inorganic Chemistry, Organometallic Chemistry, Coordination Chemistry, Multi-Dentate Ligands, Metal-Ligand Cooperation, Green Catalysis

PETER LARSEN, PH.D., ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING & ECONOMICS
Education:
- Ph.D., Management Science and Engineering, Stanford University (Palo Alto, CA), 2016
- M.S., Management Science and Engineering, Stanford University, 2014
- M.S., Natural Resource Economics, Cornell University (Ithaca, NY), 2006
- B.A., Economics, University of Montana at Missoula, 1997
Areas of Interest:
Applied, Natural Resource Economics and Policy, Electricity Reliability and Resiliency, Energy Efficiency, Regional Electric System Planning, Economics of Power Outages

Retirees

2016 Retirees
GAYLE AGOSTINELLI, Director of Annual Giving, 24 years
ELIZABETH CHUTE, Assistant Professor of Sociology, 15 years
TOMAS GRAMAN, Professor of Spanish, 28 years
MELVIN MCFETRIDGE, Associate Professor of Business, 8 years
PHIL ROSE, Professor of Math, 34 years
CAROLEE STUBERG, Assistant Director of Bookstore, 7 years
DAN WIRAK, Senior Payroll Accountant, 6 years
John E. “Shaun” Corette III
June 24, 1936 – December 2, 2017

Former Carroll College Board of Trustees member, dear friend and generous supporter of the college, John “Shaun” Corette III passed away on Saturday, December 2, in Chevy Chase, Maryland, at the age of 81. He was born and raised in Butte, earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of Montana and obtained his law degree from the University of Virginia. He had a long and distinguished career in law, retiring from practice in 2011 as a partner at the international law firm DLA Piper US LLP, in Washington, D.C. Shaun served on the Carroll College Board of Trustees from 2007-2015, chaired the Investment Committee, and joined the Board Fellows in August 2015. He and his wife Mary Ann were very generous benefactors to the college over the years providing for student scholarships and funding for several significant projects in the library named in honor of his parents Jack and Sallie Corette. “Shaun provided Carroll with a wealth of financial expertise along with sound and forthright counsel. He pushed Carroll to strive for excellence in every area with a sharp eye for detail and common sense,” shared Lori Peterson, ’87, CPA, VP Finance and Administration. “Shaun’s greatest passion was for the students of Carroll, often going out of his way to engage in conversations and always ensuring decisions were made in their best interest.”

Kimberly John DeLong
February 23, 1950 – September 22, 2017

In September, Carroll College lost one of its former directors of theatre, the dynamic Kim DeLong. Kim passed away on September 22, 2017, after a brave fight with pancreatic cancer. Kim came to Carroll in 1989 and served as the Chair of the Theatre Department for 16 years. While at Carroll, he enhanced the department’s programming, faculty and facilities and eventually became Fine Arts Chair. Kim is credited with rebuilding the theatre program while forming alliances with the Helena Symphony, the Civic Center, Grandstreet Theatre and the Myrna Loy. Many graduates under his inspirational mentorship found work and careers in the world of theatre. Kim left Carroll in 2005 to focus his energies on screenwriting and the Montana Shakespeare Company, which he co-founded with his wife Martha Sprague in 1997. He was a passionate advocate for the arts and he will be greatly missed.

Marie Therese McBride Vanisko
September 23, 1943 – January 1, 2018

Marie Vanisko, former professor in the Department of Mathematics, Engineering and Computer Science, passed away on January 1, 2018, from complications due to ovarian cancer.

Marie was raised in Butte and graduated from Carroll College in 1965 with a degree in mathematics. After earning her graduate degree in mathematics from the University of Montana, she began teaching at Carroll in 1967 and continued until retiring in 2002, where she was greatly loved by her students and colleagues alike. In 2002, she took a sabbatical from Carroll to become a Visiting Professor at the United States Military Academy at West Point, and moved on from there to teach at California State University Stanislaus for five years. Upon her return to Montana, she continued to teach part-time at Carroll and was named Professor Emerita. “Like many alumni and former students of Marie, I have cherished memories of her loving care and unwavering support,” said Dr. John Scharff ’73, Carroll Professor of Engineering. “She was always warm and inviting, she accepted everyone for who they are, and she supported all of us to become better people. She lived her Catholic faith, bringing God’s grace and love to everyone she encountered, and she was a great mathematician and educator too.”
A New Year Brings a New Chapter

As we begin 2018, we are excited at the prospect of welcoming a new president to Carroll. With that excitement also arises many questions. What changes will we see? Will there be an appreciation for all the wonderful things at Carroll? Will this person be a good fit for the college? I am sure he or she will bring new ideas and a new energy to the campus.

With the changes we expect to see, I know that the heart of the college will always stay the same. We are an institution with a tradition of excellence. Our focus is on the education and enlightenment of our students. We have faculty, staff and administration who are dedicated to their work and to the students. We have alumni who continually support Carroll with their gifts of financial support, time and many talents. We are a college guided by the principles of our Catholic faith and are dedicated to the nurturing of the human spirit. Carroll will see changes through the years but our guiding principles will stay constant.

Also, with the new year comes a new or at least renewed chapter of my life association with Carroll. I have been blessed to have had an almost 29 year career at the college while working in admissions, financial aid, athletics and now return to the role of the Director of Alumni for the second time. I feel so fortunate to have had so many opportunities to build relationships with our students who are now alumni and look forward to continuing those relationships in the coming years.

I hope that I will see many of you throughout 2018. Whether you return to campus for the Golden Graduate Reunions in May, Homecoming in September, or attend other local or regional alumni events throughout the year, we are anxious to reconnect. I also invite you to update us with the events in your lives through email (alumni@carroll.edu), Carroll Connect (Carrollconnect.com) or just give me a call. I would love to hear from you.

Warmest Regards,
RENÉE WALL ’87
Director of Alumni and Family Relations

A Blessing & Dedication: St. John Vianney and St. Alfred the Great Apartments

Through the extraordinary generosity of an anonymous donor, Carroll recently completed two new campus apartment buildings. The primary purpose of the $5 million donation, the single largest gift in the history of the college, was to create an ongoing revenue stream in order to provide resources for student scholarships. Subsequently, net revenue from the two new buildings will fund the Halo Scholarship fund for deserving students.

As was requested by the donor, the new apartments were named in honor of late Carroll professors John Downs and Al Murray, who both had a profound effect on his life. In keeping with naming campus apartments after saints, the new buildings are named “St. John Vianney” for Professor John Downs and “St. Alfred the Great” for Professor Al Murray.

On October 6, 2017, members of the Murray and Downs families were present for the blessing and dedication of the apartments. We are blessed at Carroll to have had the love and example of John and Al, and we are grateful for the generous support of the benefactor who has made this memorial to them possible.

Words from the Donor

"When you talk about the Carroll family, for many faculty, staff, and students John Downs was the father of that family. His love for his work and his Carroll family was evident every single day. Although I was not lucky enough to have John as a professor, it speaks volumes that he still had an effect on me. John Downs took the time to care, to ask how we were doing and somehow find the time to stop and listen.

I can say from firsthand experience that John Downs made a lot of tough times for students a whole lot easier just by letting us know that someone really cared. No one ever doubted the sincerity of this man’s care and love for the students of this institution. He was also an incredible mentor for so many other faculty, and because of that, his legacy lives on.

When anyone asks me who was the most influential person in my life, I never hesitate. The answer has always been Al Murray. One of my greatest gifts was to have him assigned to me as an advisor my freshman year in college and that is what he became for my four years at Carroll, my advisor. Al Murray could turn a chalkboard and a piece of chalk into a vehicle of understanding of math; his ability to make it all seem so clear was amazing. Many other alumni shared this experience Al was the best teacher we all had and he loved to teach."
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“As part of my program, I worked at Montana Wild Rehab Center. It was a privilege knowing that the work I was doing was helping to get an animal back out into the wild where it belongs.”

Sarah Roberts, class of 2018