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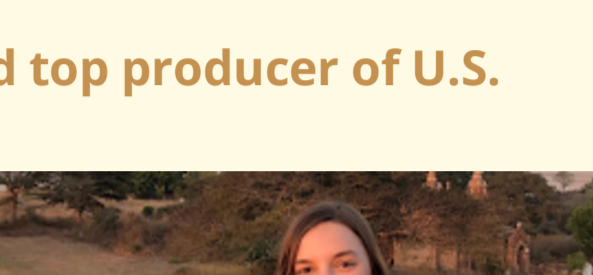
Board Statement on Fossil Fuel Divestment

Recently the Board of Trustees met and voted to take meaningful action to reduce exposure to fossil fuel investments in the College's endowment. Learn more in a message from President Alison Byerly and Board of Trustees Chair Wally Weitz '70 P'96 P'99 P'02.

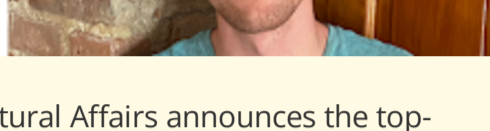
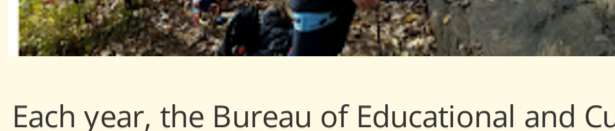
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Jonathan Capehart '89 will give Class of 2023 Commencement address

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Jonathan Capehart '89 will give the commencement address at [Carleton's 149th Commencement](#) on June 10. He got his start in the media industry when he wrote for the *Carletonian* and hosted a KRLX radio show as a student, and currently works with The Washington Post, MSNBC, and PBS.



Carleton again named top producer of U.S. Fulbright students



Each year, the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces the top-producing institutions for the Fulbright Program, the U.S. government's flagship international educational exchange program. Carleton has had a place on this list for 18 years and has had more than 175 Carls participate in the program since its inception.

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Startup Competition winners announced

On February 4, six teams of Carleton students pitched entrepreneurial ventures in [Carleton's 8th annual Startup Competition](#). Tan Zhou '25 and Kevin Bui '24, along with non-Carl Tim Zhang, won the \$10,000 fellowship prize with their proposal for Dou Read. Dou Read uses machine learning tools to highlight readings in order to make them easier to digest. Unlike existing AI tools which summarize texts, Dou Read's tool is designed to assist readers to take in the whole text and develop stronger reading skills.

Knights sports highlights



On February 11, the men's basketball team defeated Macalester to become [MIAC conference champions](#), the program's first outright MIAC title in more than a century. The 74-70 victory also helped the team clinch the top seed—and homecourt advantage—in the MIAC tournament later this month. With the No. 1 seed in the MIAC Playoffs, the team will host a semifinal matchup next Thursday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in West Gym. With another recent victory over St. Scholastica, the Knights also set a new all-time season wins record.

Men's tennis sophomore standouts **Tate Fuller '25** and **Tarm Rojanasoonthon '25** were each recently named MIAC Men's Tennis Athlete of the Week for their latest performances. [Tate received last week's honor](#) by winning both his singles and doubles matches to help the Knights win a close battle against UW-Eau Claire, while [Tarm earned his accolade the week prior](#) after winning both of his No. 1 singles matches against ranked competition from Carthage College and UW-Whitewater.

Clara Mayfield '23 was named the MIAC Women's Indoor Track Athlete of the Week for [posting a pair of national top 3 times](#) while competing in two meets February 11-12. Earlier this season, Clara also [broke the school record for the 5,000-meter run](#).



The Men's and Women's Swimming & Diving MIAC Championships wrapped up on February 18, with multiple All-Conference swims, and a victory by Ethan Tun '25 in the 200 breaststroke. Read more for details on the [Women's 6th place finish](#) and the [Men's 3rd place finish](#).

More headlines, results, and the schedule for all varsity sports can be found on the [Knights website](#).

Upcoming Events

Convocation with Jim McCorkell '90

February 24
10:50 am on campus

Jim McCorkell '90 is the founder and former CEO of [College Possible](#), a national nonprofit organization making college admission and success possible for low-income students through an intensive curriculum of coaching and support.



[Learn more](#)

Carleton Choirs on tour



Next month, the Carleton College Choir & Chamber Choir will embark on their first tour in nearly a decade. Led by Director of Choral Activities Matthew J. Olson, the eclectic concert program weaves together works from diverse genres, styles, and backgrounds ranging from Classical gems, to folk and rock ballads, to contemporary choral compositions.

Come out to support and celebrate them!

- [March 4, 7:00pm - On Campus in Northfield](#)
- [March 16, 7:30pm - Madison, WI](#)
- [March 17, 7:30pm - Chicago, IL](#)
- [March 19, 10:30am - Evanston, IL](#)

Send us your Maize and Blue foods!



Maize & Blue Daize is a week-long event from March 3-April 5, celebrating one of the things that makes Carleton so special – the generosity of our alumni and families! While most of the activities are on-campus, we also wanted to bring a bit of the Maize & Blue Daize spirit to you – and what better way to do that than through food? We invite you to make your own treats showing off the Carleton colors, and share photos and recipes to parentsfund@carleton.edu. We will share any photos and recipes collected on campus leading up to and during Maize & Blue Daize.

Have fun and be creative! Bonus points for creatively-named creations! Who knows? Maybe soon it will be Taco Bluesday or we'll be serving Ice Cream Sundaize in the dining halls...

Career Building

Creating warm career connections

After tracking thousands of people over the course of 85 years, the Harvard Study of Adult Development has found the factor that correlates with good living: good relationships. Our work in the Career Center helps students to learn how to build and maintain rewarding professional relationships that can sustain and propel them throughout their lifetimes. [Read more about the recent opportunities offered to students.](#)



Rachel Latham,
Associate Director

Student Spotlight



Caroline Loescher '25 placed [second in her age group](#) and eighth out of 113 women at the [Vasaloppet](#) cross-country ski race in Mora, MN. This was Caroline's first time skiing the 34-kilometer (20-mile) Dala freestyle course at the annual ski racing event, known as one of the most competitive cross-country ski races in the state with more than 1,000 participants. The Carleton women finished third as a team, with four members placing in the top 10 among college skiers.

Vasaloppet USA (finishing in Mora, MN) is named for the [Swedish Vasaloppet cross-country ski race](#), which has a history going back to 1520 and finishes in the town of Mora, Sweden.

Useful Links

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