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CONFIRMED CASES AT UCONN STORRS

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Current Residential Cases

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UConn CAHNR adjusts to pandemic restrictions



UConn has offered majors regarding agriculture since 1881 when the school opened up as Storrs Agricultural School. PHOTO BY ERIN KNAPP, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Faculty and staff at the University of Connecticut's College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources (CAHNR) have made adjustments to typical classroom learning to accommodate the new normal of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Professor Dr. Sandy Bushmich said

preparations for course instruction were made across the college over the summer, with some changes coming at the last second.

"Nothing's what we're used to ... I've been an instructor for over 30 years. I really enjoy my interaction with students," Dr. Bushmich said. "I miss more interaction with students."

Dr. Bushmich said she hears about students missing university interactions as well.

"My students ... were very appreciative to have a class to come to, to have something normal or relatively normal ... and I appreciated it myself," Dr. Bushmich said.

Dr. Amy Safran, a lecturer in the animal science department, said her responsibilities haven't changed, but the way she teaches her classes has.

When classes were made remote in March, she said the department did their best with videos as an alternative to in-person coursework.

Dr. Safran now comes to campus three days a week to teach hands-on livestock courses that she and the co-teacher decided they would only teach if they could be in person.

"We vaccinate animals, put halters on them or do lots of

things that you can't really do virtually so it doesn't really make any sense to try and do that," Dr. Safran said.

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Instructor and research associate for pathobiology and veterinary sciences Edan Tulman teaches anatomy and physiology of animals every fall. Tulman said lab work is a large part of his class, so deciding the modality of the course for the semester was a tough endeavor.

"Since the students were going to be back on campus we figured that this was just about a good excuse as any to try to have an in person component as long as it was compliant with the regulations put forth by the university in terms of spacing and everything like this, also as long as the TAs and everyone felt comfortable in doing so," Tulman said.

Lab time was split so more classes could be conducted with fewer students in the room and the course was

moved to a new room in the chemistry building to comply with social distancing.

Tulman said he has also been accommodating whenever he can, providing material online for students that choose to work remotely.

"This class is a requirement for several degree programs, so we didn't want to hold up people's degrees programs with a strict online requirement so we essentially have also allowed students in the lab or in the class [to participate from home] if they feel like they need to be home for one reason or another," Tulman said.

Roseanne Lipcius, who

serves as director of the medical laboratory sciences program, said when classes were remote, video demonstrations were used to show students what they will be doing in the lab once they are able to return.

Lipcius also used streaming technology on occasion

for students to have informal

meetings within the small

program (about 15-20 graduates per year) so students can

get to know each other.

"The students did appreciate these since they were

able to visualize the skills we

were lecturing about," Lipcius said.

Lipcius said most of the

work in the program is

hands-on, giving students

vital experiences for the post-

grad job world. For this rea-

son, extra precautions are

taken to allow students to

get back in the lab. She said

things are going better than

she expected.

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face shield," Lipcius said.

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Seventh-semester medical laboratory science and allied health sciences double major Allison Jenks' courses are being conducted in-person until Thanksgiving break. She said she has been studying and interacting with other students in her program in a safe way,

and is relieved to have in-person classes and to be able to come to campus.

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ALLISON JENKS

sure that we receive the best lecture/laboratory time possible," Jenks said. "Personally, I enjoy attending in-person class everyday because it makes me feel like I am having a somewhat 'normal' senior year."

Jenks said due to the nature of her major, courses and labs have to be conducted in-person, giving her more access to her professors. Additionally, she said they have been available outside of the classroom.

"Our instructors are easily accessible via email, Webex or in person," Jenks said.

"For example, one of our classmates lives in the Oaks

and was impacted by the two week mandatory quarantine.

Our professor quickly adapted and started live-streaming the lectures so that she could still 'attend' the lecture. He

additionally spent an extra hour with her virtually everyday to teach her lab material."

Dr. Bushmich predicts the general format of courses during the spring semester will be the same as this semester.

"I think it will go a lot smoother because we have the

valued experience from the

semester and people have the

kind of better understanding what is needed for each of them," Dr. Bushmich said.

As for visiting the beloved animals of Horsebarn Hill, Dr. Bushmich said she doesn't know when the public

can come inside yet.

"All of our units had to be

closed to the public because

you definitely don't want

traffic from all over, we're not

encouraging visitors, even

onto the campus," Dr. Bushmich said. "We love to host

people. We miss that too but

it has to be safe for them and for us."

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Trump goes after Fauci, tries to buck up his campaign team

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — President Donald Trump came out swinging Monday against Dr. Anthony Fauci, the press and polls that show him trailing Democrat Joe Biden in key battleground states in a disjointed closing message two weeks out from Election Day

"I'm not running scared," Trump told reporters shortly after shortly after taking off for Tucson, Arizona, for his fifth rally in three days. "I think I'm running angry." He later said he was also running "happy" and "very content."

His aggressive travel comes as

Seeking to shore up the morale of his staff, Trump blasted his government's own scientific experts as too negative, even as his handling of the pandemic that has killed nearly 220,000 Americans remains a central issue to voters.

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PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP

On the third day of a western campaign swing, Trump was facing intense pressure to turn around his campaign, hoping for the type of last-minute surge that gave him a come-from-behind victory four years ago. But his inconsistent message, the newly rising virus cases and his attacks on experts like Fauci could undermine his final efforts to appeal to voters outside his most loyal base.

Trump plays defense in states he won four years ago, though the president insisted he was confident as he executed a packed schedule despite the pandemic.

"We're going to win," he told campaign staff on a morning conference call from Las Vegas. He went on to acknowledge: "I wouldn't have told you that maybe two or three weeks ago," referring to the days when he was hospitalized with COVID-19.

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At a rally in Prescott, Arizona, Trump assailed Biden for pledging to heed the advice of scientific experts, saying dismissively that his rival "wants to listen to Dr. Fauci."

World struggles as confirmed COVID-19 cases pass 40 million

LONDON (AP) — The number of confirmed COVID-19 cases across the planet has surpassed 40 million, but experts say that is only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the true impact of the pandemic that has upended life and work around the world.

The milestone was hit Monday morning, according to Johns Hopkins University, which collates reports from around the world.

The actual worldwide tally of COVID-19 cases is likely to be far higher, as testing has been uneven or limited, many people have had no symptoms and some governments have concealed the true number of cases. To date, more than 1.1 million confirmed virus deaths have been reported, although experts also believe that number is an undercount.

The U.S., India and Brazil are reporting by far the highest numbers of cases — 8.1 million, 7.5 million and 5.2 million respectively — although the global increase in recent weeks has been driven by a surge in Europe, which has seen over 240,000 confirmed virus deaths in the pandemic so far.

In the U.S., some states are trying more targeted measures as cases continue to rise across the country. New York's new round of virus shutdowns zeroes in on individual neighborhoods, closing schools and businesses in hot spots measuring just a couple of

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square miles.

As of last week, new cases per day were on the rise in 44 U.S. states, with many of the biggest surges in the Midwest and Great Plains, where resistance to wearing masks and taking other precautions has been running high and the virus has often been seen as just a big-city problem. Deaths per day were climbing in 30 states.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, the U.S. government's top infectious-disease expert, said Americans

should think hard about whether to hold Thanksgiving gatherings next month.

The World Health Organization said last week that Europe had a reported a record weekly high of nearly 700,000 cases and said the region was responsible for about a third of cases globally. Britain, France, Russia and Spain account for about half of all new cases in the region, and countries like Belgium and the Czech Republic are facing more intense outbreaks now than they did in the spring.

WHO said the new measures being taken across Europe are "absolutely essential" in stopping COVID-19 from overwhelming its hospitals. Those include new requirements on mask-wearing in Italy and Switzerland, closing schools in Northern Ireland and the Czech Republic, closing restaurants and bars in Belgium, implementing a 9 p.m. curfew in France and having targeted limited lockdowns in parts of the U.K.

The agency said several European cities could soon see their intensive care units overwhelmed and warned that governments and citizens should take all necessary measures to slow the spread of the virus, including bolstering testing and contact tracing, wearing face masks and following social distancing measures.

6 Russian military officers charged in hacking probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department announced charges Monday against Russian intelligence officers in a string of global cyberattacks that targeted a French presidential election, the Winter Olympics in South Korea and American businesses. The case implicates the same Kremlin unit that interfered in the 2016 U.S. elections, but is not related to the November vote.

The indictment accuses the six defendants, all said to be current and former officers in the Russian military intelligence agency known as the GRU, of hacks that prosecutors say were aimed at furthering the Kremlin's geopolitical interests and in destabilizing or punishing perceived enemies.

All told, the attacks caused billions of dollars in losses and disrupted a broad cross-section of life, including health care in Pennsylvania, a power grid serving hundreds of thousands of customers in Ukraine and a French election that saw the late-stage disclosure of hacked emails.

The seven-count indictment is the most recent in a series of Justice Department prosecutions of Russian hackers, often working on behalf of the government. Past criminal cases have focused on targets including internet giant Yahoo and the 2016 presidential contest, when Russian hackers from the GRU stole Democratic emails that were released online in the weeks before the election.

The attacks in this case are "some of the most destructive, most costly, most egregious cyber attacks ever known," said Scott Brady, the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, where the 50-page indictment was filed.

"Time and again, Russia has made it clear: They will not abide by accepted norms, and instead, they intend to continue their destructive, destabilizing cyber behavior," said FBI Deputy Director David Bowdich.

The indictment does not charge the defendants in connection with interference in American elections, though the officers are part of the same military intelligence unit that prosecutors say interfered in the 2016 U.S. election. One of the six charged in the case announced Monday was among the Russian military intelligence officers charged with hacking in special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into Russian election interference.

The timing of the indictment was unrelated to the upcoming election in the U.S., said As-

sistant Attorney General John Demers. He said that despite ongoing warnings of Russian interference in the election, Americans "should be confident that a vote cast for their candidates will be counted for that candidate."

The hacking targets described in Monday's case is diverse, with the indictment fleshing out details about hacks that in some instances had already received significant attention for the havoc they had caused.

It accuses the officers, for instance, of hacking into the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea after Russia was punished by the International Olympic Committee for a vast doping conspiracy. According to the indictment, the hackers conducted a malicious software attack during the opening ceremony in February 2018 that deleted data from thousands of computers related to the event and left them inoperable. Russia tried to blame it on North Korea, the officials said.

Another attack was aimed at disrupting the 2017 presidential election in France through hacks that targeted local government entities, campaigns and political parties, including the party of current President Emmanuel Macron.

The controversy known as the "Macron Leaks" involved the leak of over 20,000 emails linked to Macron's campaign in the days before his victory. The involvement of bots raised questions about the possible involvement of Vladimir Putin and the Russian government. The leaks, which gained huge media attention in France, were shared by WikiLeaks and several alt-right activists on Twitter, Facebook and others.

The attacks targeted international investigators looking into the suspected nerve agent poisoning of former Russian Sergei Skripal and his daughter in the United Kingdom, as well as the country of Georgia, where roughly 15,000 websites were defaced.

"In many cases," the indictment says, "the Conspirators replaced website home pages with an image of a former Georgian president, who was known for his efforts to counter Russian influence in Georgia, along with the caption, 'I'll be back.'"

Beyond that, though, the hacks had harmful impacts on quality-of-life for everyday citizens. The attacks in Ukraine, for instance, disrupted the power supply in the middle of winter for hundreds of thousands of customers, officials say.

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Thai authorities seek to censor coverage of student protests

BANGKOK (AP) — Thai authorities worked Monday to stem a growing tide of protests calling for the prime minister to resign by threatening to censor news coverage, raiding a publishing house and attempting to block the Telegram messaging app used by demonstrators.

The efforts by Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha's government to drain the student-led protests of support and the ability to organize comes as demonstrations have grown in the capital and spread around the country, despite an emergency decree, which bans public gatherings of more than four people in Bangkok, outlaws news said to affect national security and gives authorities broad power to detain people.

Thousands of mostly young protesters massed in northern Bangkok on Monday evening, as they have in various locations in the capital over the past six days to push their demands, including a controversial call for reform of the monarchy. At one point, they raised their arms in unison and flashed a three-fin-

gered salute, a sign of resistance borrowed from "The Hunger Games" movie series. As night fell, they held their cellphones up, and the points of light dotted the crowd.

Elsewhere, protesters gathered outside a prison where more than a dozen demonstrators were being held.

The protesters charge that Prayuth, an army commander who led a 2014 coup, was returned to power unfairly in last year's general election because laws had been changed to favor a pro-military party. The protesters say a constitution written and passed under military rule is undemocratic.

But their more recent demand for checks and balances on the monarchy has deeply angered conservative Thais — and broken a taboo since the monarchy is considered sacrosanct and tough laws protecting it from insult mean its role is not usually discussed openly.

It has also raised the risk of confrontation in a country where calls for political change have a history of being met with military intervention or even violence.

High court to review two cases involving Trump border policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear two cases involving Trump administration policies at the U.S.-Mexico border: one about a policy that makes asylum-seekers wait in Mexico for U.S. court hearings and a second about the administration's use of money to fund the border wall.

The justices' decision to hear the cases continues its practice of reviewing lower court rulings that have found President Donald Trump's immigration policies illegal over the past four years.

Most notably, the high court reviewed and ultimately upheld Trump's travel ban on visitors from some largely Muslim countries. In June, the court kept in place legal protections for immigrants who came to the U.S. as children.

Protection Protocols," which Trump considers a cornerstone policy on immigration.

In the border wall case, much of the money has already been spent and wall constructed. It is unclear what could be done about wall that has already been built if the administration loses, but it could conceivably be torn down. Biden has said he would cease wall construction if elected but would not tear down what was built under Trump's watch.

The court has allowed both policies to continue even after they were held illegal by lower courts, a sign the challengers could face long odds when the justices ultimately decide the cases.

The Trump administration policy known informally as "Remain in Mexico" began in January 2019. It became a key pillar of the administration's response to an unprecedented surge of asylum-seeking families from Central American countries at the border, drawing criticism for having people wait in highly dangerous Mexican cities.

Black officers break from unions over Trump endorsements

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Police unions nationwide have largely supported President Donald Trump's reelection, amid mass demonstrations over police brutality and accusations of systemic racism — but a number of Black law enforcement officers are speaking out against these endorsements, saying their concerns over entering the 2020 political fray were ignored.

Trump has touted his support from the law enforcement community, which includes endorsements from national, city and state officers' unions — some of which publicly endorsed a political candidate for

the first time. He's running on what he calls a "law and order" platform and tapping into a strain of anger and frustration felt by law enforcement who believe they are being unfairly accused of racial discrimination.

There are more than 8,000 law enforcement agencies in the U.S., with large departments holding sway nationally. The number of minority officers in policing has more than doubled in the last three decades, but many departments still have a smaller percentage of Black and Hispanic officers compared to the percentage of the general population those communities make up.

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Trump says Sudan to be removed from terrorism list



U.S. Treasury Secretary Stephen Mnuchin speaks after an Israeli delegation signed an agreement with Bahraini officials in Manama, Bahrain, Sunday. President Donald Trump said Sudan will be removed from the U.S. list of state sponsors of terrorism Monday if it follows through on its pledge to pay \$335 million to American terror victims and families.

PHOTO BY RONEN SVULIN/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

CAIRO (AP) — President Donald Trump on Monday said Sudan will be removed from the U.S. list of state sponsors of terrorism if it follows through on its pledge to pay \$335 million to American terror victims and their families.

The move would open the door for the African country to get international loans and aid needed to revive its battered economy and rescue the country's transition to democracy. The announcement, just two weeks ahead of the U.S. presidential election, also comes as the Trump administration works to get other Arab countries, such as Sudan, to join the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain's recent recognition of Israel.

Delisting Sudan from the state sponsors blacklist is a key incentive for the Sudanese government to normalize relations with Israel. Trump's announcement came after Treasury Secretary Stephen Mnuchin traveled to Bahrain to cement the Gulf state's recognition of the Jewish state.

Trump tweeted: "GREAT news! New government of Sudan, which is making great progress, agreed to pay \$335 MILLION to U.S. terror victims and families. Once depos-

ited, I will lift Sudan from the State Sponsors of Terrorism list. At long last, JUSTICE for the American people and BIG step for Sudan!"

Sudan has agreed to pay compensation for victims of the 1998 bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, attacks conducted by Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network while bin Laden was living in Sudan.

Gen. Abdel-Farrah Burhan, head of Sudan's ruling sovereign council, welcomed Trump's announcement as a "constructive step." He said in a tweet the removal would come "in recognition of the historic change that has taken place in Sudan."

Sudan is on a fragile path to democracy after a popular uprising last year led the military to overthrow autocratic leader Omar al-Bashir in April 2019. A military-civilian government now rules the country, with elections possible in late 2022.

Prime Minister Abdalla Hamdok also welcomed the announcement.

In an address to the nation, Hamdok said getting off the list would help his government benefit from debt relief and access foreign loans and

investments, which are seen as the country's gateway to economic recovery. The country has more than \$60 billion in foreign debt, he said.

"It's a long way," he said. "It needs serious planning and hard work to achieve the maximum benefit of this opportunity."

Once the compensation money has been deposited, Trump is to sign an order removing Sudan from the terrorism list, on which it has languished under heavy American sanctions for 27 years.

Congress is then expected to act to restore Sudan's sovereign immunity, which would effectively stop future compensation claims from being filed against it in U.S. courts. Meanwhile, Sudan is to begin the process of normalizing relations with Israel, possibly with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu joining a congratulatory phone call between Trump and Hamdok.

Sudanese officials have been negotiating the terms of removing the country from the list for more than a year, but the U.S. effort to repair relations with Sudan dates to the end of President Barack Obama's administration, which initiated the process in January 2017.



Guinean opposition leader Cellou Dalein Diallo, centre, walks with supporters at his headquarters in Conakry, Guinea, Monday. Diallo declared himself the winner after the country held an election on Sunday with Guinean President Alpha Conde seeking to extend his decade in power.

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Puerto Rico, unable to vote, becomes crucial to U.S. election

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — The campaigns of President Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden are rallying people in a place where U.S. citizens cannot cast ballots but have the ear of hundreds of thousands of potential voters in the battleground state of Florida.

The candidates are targeting Puerto Rico in a way never before seen, with the U.S. territory

suddenly finding itself in the crosshairs of a high-stakes race even though Puerto Ricans on the island cannot vote in presidential elections despite being U.S. citizens since 1917.

Campaigners know this, but they hope those on the island will push relatives and friends on the U.S. mainland to vote for them in a strategy that capitalizes on the close ties they share.

It's a novel role that plays off the sentiment that Puerto Ricans in Florida feel they are voting by proxy for those back home left out of U.S. democracy. And a growing number find this role appealing, especially since many on the island are struggling to recover from hurricanes Irma and Maria, a string of strong earthquakes, a deep economic crisis and the pandemic.

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Election Day is Coming: Consider voting early

With Election Day exactly two weeks away, it is high time for people to begin planning for it. It is pertinent that people register to vote and make plans regarding how they will vote now. Voting early through an absentee ballot is a very good option this year and it is important that students at the University of Connecticut take advantage of this opportunity.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all eligible voters in Connecticut are able to vote via absentee ballots, as COVID-19 is a valid reason for not voting in person. Those who plan to do this should request an absentee ballot as soon as possible in order to mail it in or drop it off at a ballot box in the proper town or city on time.

The absentee ballot may be a better option than in-person voting for multiple reasons. Given that the election on Nov. 3 is a presidential election, it is likely the polls will be more crowded than they have been in the past. This is not something that should be taken lightly.

In 2018, with the midterm election, polls in both New Haven and Mansfield were extremely crowded with people registering to vote as well as voting. Bob Stefanowski, Republican candidate for governor in 2018, raised concerns about a "mass swearing in" of new voters in both New Haven and Mansfield, as technically voters must be registered and votes must be processed by 8 p.m. on the day of the election. Ultimately, Stefanowski did not go forward with any legal action due to the difference being 10,000 votes, which would not have significantly impacted the election results. Still, the fact that polls were so crowded poses a unique problem this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Although polling locations will likely plan for crowds and have social-distancing measures in place, it would be significantly easier and more effective to vote with an absentee ballot as opposed to in-person. With social-distancing measures, it is probable that only a certain number of people will be allowed into the polling place; therefore, voting may take considerably more time than it has in the past. It will be easier and less time-consuming to vote with an absentee ballot.

Voting early is not difficult either. The first step is to register to vote, which, in the state of Connecticut, can be done through an online portal. Connecticut residents have until Oct. 27 to register to vote. If you have already registered to vote, all eligible voters in Connecticut should have received an absentee ballot application. If you have not received it, it can be found on ct.gov and must be mailed to your specific town clerk. The address for every town clerk in Connecticut can be found there, too. The town clerk must receive the absentee ballot application by Monday, Nov. 2. Once the clerk receives this application, they will mail an absentee ballot to you at whichever address you have specified. Upon receiving the absentee ballot, you must fill it out and either mail or deliver it to the town clerk so they receive it by Tuesday, Nov. 3 no later than 8 p.m. Connecticut does allow for ballot tracking, which can be found online.

Students should vote early in order to decrease crowd sizes at polling places, and because it is simply more convenient. Election Day is not very far away, and the method of voting is extremely important to consider!

DYK?

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Stand with Bolivia against imperialism

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In the exit polls of Bolivia's presidential election on Sunday, candidate Luis Arce of the Movimiento al Socialismo (MAS) party has won over 50% of the popular vote. Carlos Mesa of the liberal Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario party, Arce's next closest competitor in the race, won only 30% of the vote and peacefully conceded defeat yesterday at noon.

This is an extremely important election for Bolivia. President-elect Luis Arce is the former finance minister of ex-president Evo Morales, the first indigenous president of Bolivia and also a member of MAS. Elected for a third term by landslide victory in 2014, Morales served until last October when, despite being declared the victor of a scheduled presidential election, he was forced to flee the country by what international observers describe as a right-wing coup, applauded by the United States government.

The unelected government has been



led for the past year by self-declared interim president Jeanine Anez of the center-right Movimiento Demócrata Social party. Anez has a history of anti-indigenous comments and upon taking office created a cabinet without any indigenous members, despite indigenous people comprising forty percent of Bolivia's population. Anez managed to postpone the election of a new Bolivian president for the past year, but over the summer the regime was greatly pressured by indigenous and labor organizations who carried out multiple general strikes for an election and Anez's resignation.

This week's election is crucial not only as a victory for the indigenous population of Bolivia but for the country's entire democracy. The right-wing coup contested Morales's victory last October, referencing an election audit produced by the Organization of

American States (OAS), a cold-war organization founded with explicitly anticommunist goals in the Americas. According to the U.S. Agency for International Development, the modern-day function of the OAS is to "promote U.S. political and economic interests in the Western Hemisphere." In spite of the fact that U.S. media, which supported this coup, has since found the OAS election audit completely faulty, there has been no significant support for Morales' presidency from these outlets since. Until Sunday, the opposition government remained empowered.

While the exact role the U.S. government played in the Bolivian coup last year is still unclear, the United States government has intervened directly and indirectly with money, weapons, bombs, troops and simple intimidation to interrupt the democratic government of almost every single Latin American country since the 1950s, so we have no reason to clear them of suspicion within Bolivia.

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Imperialism and Accountability: American politics

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I, like all those eligible to vote by November 3, have the great burden of weighing two problematic candidates to determine the course of our nation. The power of our vote, in the 2016 election, was infamously diminished by Russian interference, and that will likely be true in this election as well.

Americans who are angry are justifiably so, but to be so incensed without reflection on the vast American history of interference and imperialism leaves the greater American population susceptible to a terrible hypocrisy, no matter how well-intentioned individuals are.

American imperialist policies are glossed over by the systems of education, taught only as ancient history, if taught at all. Each instance of American imperialism deserves its own history lesson, but there would likely be too many to count. Since the C.I.A. was founded in 1947, it has attempted to swing foreign elections to serve American interests at least 81 times. In fact, while Russia has weaponized misinformation to tip elections, American interference has been far more destructive, installing agents and puppet rulers as heads of state. In destabilizing and weakening nations, the U.S. can more easily control and exploit them as they see fit.

Joe Biden, the Democratic candidate, is being touted as a savior from the havoc wreaked by the current administration, and while this may be true in some regards, he ultimately does not represent a diversion of American imperialism: the havoc the U.S. wreaks on the rest of the world.

American imperialist wars of the past three decades alone have destroyed Iraq, Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Ukraine and Yemen, among other countries, including wars that Biden himself voted for. While he has since backtracked, apparently regretting such votes, his mindset in support of an imperialist America has not changed. Before the Democratic National Convention, several of the delegates called out Biden's "advisors – and presumably, likely cabinet picks – as a 'horror

show' of people with long records of supporting 'disastrous' U.S. military interventions."

Imperialism and neocolonialism, endeavors so incompatible with human rights, have no place in a society that is slowly, but surely, moving towards the protection of human rights for all. The possible re-election of Trump poses threats to any human rights progress made in our country over the past centuries. I will be voting for Biden in an effort to protect mine and others' hard-earned rights that are

under threat, but voting with my conscience is impossible. This can begin to change with establishment of ranked-choice voting, but until then, we cannot allow the sacrifice of others' most basic rights to life and self-determination on the other side of the world. Drawing attention to any imperialist policies by the potential Biden-Harris administration is necessary, so anti-imperialist sentiments come to the forefront of our social consciousness.

Biden will not be the savior of America's moral sensibilities. It is highly unlikely any party will be able to produce a candidate that will.

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Screen fatigue is a modern health crisis

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Screen fatigue: the tiredness one feels when they stare at their computer screen for hours on end. Many of us are reading e-textbooks or sitting for hours attending classroom discussions on Zoom. Since the beginning of online learning in the past several months, school as we know it has been translated to an online format. Now, more than ever, we are more attached to our electronic devices. One knows the physical consequences of looking at a screen for too long – lack of sleep, dark bags under the eyes, etc. I think that screen fatigue is a growing serious problem that can dangerously

affect our mental health in the long run. Here are some long-term effects of screen fatigue.

Screen fatigue can easily lead to burnout. When we condition ourselves to constantly stare at our screens, we are just asking ourselves to mentally burnout. Our brains have to intensely focus when we look at the screen, so when we force ourselves to do it, we can end up spacing out with our bodies shutting down. But we are not functioning robots who can do tasks day in and day out. We have to recognize that we are human beings who need breaks in order to function.

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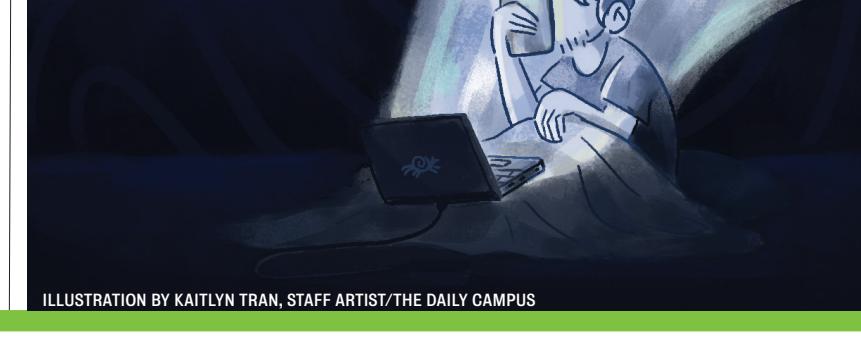


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Creating art in COVID-19

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The arts, both visual and performing, are a crucial part of the University of Connecticut, with the William Benton Museum of Art and the School of Fine Arts as staples of the UConn Storrs campus. While the COVID-19 pandemic has created challenges for all departments, the arts have been particularly affected by the outbreak with faculty and students having to abandon their traditional methods of instruction to accommodate the new virtual environment.

How can the arts function in a virtual mode? How can fine arts students create sculptures, paintings and animations when all of their equipment and tools remain locked in the classroom? All these questions and more were answered in a panel discussion hosted by the Benton. Faculty members from various disciplines within the visual arts were brought together to discuss and showcase the work they have been doing in this very unconventional and, at times, trying semester.

"Art is necessary to our healing right now, socially, physically," Samantha Olschan, assistant professor of motion design and animation at UConn Stamford, said. "Not that I didn't think that before, but I think that now more than ever."

Olschan spoke about the challenge of motivating students to stay creative and produce art in a time when it seems like nobody can see it. She argued that art is crucial in times of distress to make statements that will help build a better world around us.

"I had a professor once who told me, 'Your talent is not a gift, it's an obligation.' And I think I kinda went, 'Oh yeah, whatever.' And now in quarantine, I understand that statement because I have the skills, I have the time and I know what I am going to do with it," Olschan said. "I hope that this is something I can buoy my students with."

Some panel members, like assistant professor of illustration/animation at UConn Storrs, Allison Paul,



The University of Connecticut's Benton Museum of Art. Viewings at the Benton have become scarce since the pandemic, but professors insist now more than ever is the time for people to begin exploring more art. FILE PHOTO/ THE DAILY CAMPUS

discussed the need to use this unconventional experience as a teaching moment to prepare students for the careers they are about to embark on.

"In terms of teaching and trying to be a lemonade maker; the students, especially that first semester when they went home, their work plummeted, which made zero sense because illustrators largely work from home," Paul said. "It was actually a wake up call for me as a professor, to say, okay, maybe I should incorporate some part of this post-pandemic, where they can really look at the spaces where they'll be working in."

While it is easy to only think of art as paintings on a canvas or sculptures made from clay, we often forget that much of the art created by UConn students is also done virtually. These students might not need to build

an art studio in their homes, but their virtual workspace still poses some challenges.

Assistant professor of motion design and animation, Heejoo Kim said, "I think that the most challenging aspect of this period of time is that we have even more time, so how we manage our time is now very crucial."

A challenge for the current pandemic is making art accessible to people while still remaining socially distant. After all, the art on display in museums and galleries was not meant to be viewed in a virtual manner. Art museum attendance has dropped nearly 80% nationwide, so it is important to remember that in these difficult times, art is still alive and institutions like the Benton and the School of Fine Arts are working to ensure its survival.

Celebrating the impactful work of LGBTQ+ and cultural centers

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LGBTQ+ centers play a central role in communities by providing a wide array of services including mental health counseling, cultural programs, educational programs and other helpful initiatives that work toward creating a more inclusive society. These centers provide a voice for members of the LGBTQ+ community by advocating for their rights and ensuring members of these communities receive fair treatment in the classroom, the workplace and other facets of society.

Oct. 19 is LGBTQ+ Center Awareness Day and is a time to celebrate the work, services and activism of these LGBTQ+ centers.

The Rainbow Center is the University of Connecticut's LGBTQ+ center and has a mission to make campus more equitable for all students through advocacy and education for and about the LGBTQ+ spectrum communities.

The Rainbow Center conducted an Instagram takeover to celebrate the day and used their platform to highlight the other cultural centers on campus, which include the Asian American Cultural Center (ASACC), the Women's Center, the African American Cultural Center (AACC), Native American Cultural Programs (NACP) and the Puerto Rican/Latin American Cultural Center (PRLACC).

A key theme of the Instagram takeover was to celebrate all of the cultural centers on campus and to raise awareness of the important roles they play

in their communities. Although the day is focused specifically on LGBTQ+ centers, the Rainbow Center shed light on all of the cultural centers and shared the resources they have available to students.

The five cultural centers at UConn are composed of hardworking staff members that take part in meaningful, important work each and every day. They dedicate their time to creating a welcoming environment to allow students to feel comfortable being their true selves and reaching out for guidance and support when needed.

To celebrate this day, let's take a look back at the history of the Rainbow Center and the other cultural centers around campus as well as their individual goals and missions.

The Rainbow Center officially opened in September 1998 as a result of years of planning and hard work by individuals who dreamt of creating a more inclusive environment on campus. The specific aim of the Center is to serve UConn's diverse communities of gender identities, gender expressions and sexualities.

The Center is celebrating its 22nd anniversary and has grown to have its own staff, office space and numerous resources to serve members of the LGBTQ+ community on campus.

The ASACC opened in April 1993 to better serve the Asian American community at UConn. The center is focused on helping students explore and define their own cultural identity by providing support and resources that encourage personal development, community engagement and professional leadership.

The Women's Center was established in 1972 and is on a mission to better educate, advocate and provide

services to help work toward achieving women's equity on campus and within society. By building alliances and support networks, the center confronts societal challenges and helps women succeed.

The AACC was established in 1968 to support African Americans in all aspects of campus life. The goal of the center is to create a welcoming and supportive environment for the African American student population.

The NACP was created to serve the Native and Indigenous students on campus and to encourage them to embrace their Native roots. The center also focuses on educating about the history, culture, traditions and ways of life of Native communities.

PRLACC was created to improve the status of Latinx students and promote understanding and appreciation of the wide diversity of Latin American cultures. The center works toward sponsoring educational and cultural programs, providing leadership opportunities and fostering connections with other members of the Latinx community.

These five cultural centers at UConn work collaboratively toward the overarching goals of raising awareness about the issues underrepresented populations on campus face, celebrating the diversity of students and moving toward being a more inclusive campus.

By celebrating the diversity of the student population, these centers are partaking in meaningful work that seeks to better educate and advocate for the wide array of cultures and identities present among UConn students.



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GETTING INSIDE THE MIND OF A GHOST HUNTER

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Whether you are a believer or a skeptic, ghost stories will always be the best way to put you in a spooky mood that sends chills down your spine just in time for Halloween. Some people, however, do not stop following ghosts once the candy has run out and the Jack-o-lantern's candle is no more than a pile of wax. Some people, in fact, make a career out of it.

Monday evening, UConn Stamford partnered with the Seymour Public Library to host Connecticut ghost hunter Barry Pirro, who has investigated hundreds of paranormal cases throughout the Northeast, some of which were in close proximity to the UConn campuses. Titled "A Ghost Hunter's Favorite Cases," Pirro revealed his most bone-chilling encounters with ghosts, demons and haunted objects, as well as shed light on the mysteries of his job.

Over his long career as a ghost hunter, beginning as a child in the 1970s, Pirro has responded to many distress calls from families across the region looking for answers to the unexplained occurrences in their homes.

"People think that, 'Alright, you're a paranormal investigator, people must call you all the time when there's a little thing like being afraid of your basement,'" Pirro said. "That's not the case. People call me when they really do not know what to do. They're afraid. They've lived with this for a while, and they want it gone."

Just this past Saturday, Pirro met a family in upstate New York who experienced several strange occurrences: Various lights turning on and off rapidly, unplugged alarms systems blaring without connection to power, pounding on bedroom doors and unexplained footsteps running along the stair cases. Before the ghost hunter was brought in, a laundry list of electricians, contractors and technicians were brought in to address the issue. All of whom found no problems with the house.



"Spirits use energy," Pirro said. "They either take it or they'll throw it off, and they'll cause things that don't work to work, such as this alarm system or a child's toy without any batteries that suddenly starts talking."

Before jumping to eerie conclusions, Pirro actually tries to debunk the occurrences to find the root of the problem.

"You want to debunk, not to make liars out of the homeowners, but to make people feel good about their house," Pirro said.

If this is not the case, however, Pirro will record his entire encounter at the afflicted house and listen to his recordings for potential electronic voice phenomena (EVP) where spirits can make their presence known, usually revealing why they remain in the house.

Pirro combines this knowledge with the history of the location, researching past owners of the home or past owners of the land in which the house is built on, usually pinpointing who the spirit is. He performs what he refers to as a "clearing," where the spirit is urged to move on to the next life by abandoning the anxieties they felt while alive.

"Ghosts are just people. If you were stuck somewhere and you didn't know how to get out, you would want someone to help you," Pirro said. "I'm there not just to help the homeowners, but primarily to help the spirits and say, 'You don't belong here,' in some sort of ghost psychology."

Pirro is proud to say that he has always left customers satisfied, with practically every ghost moving on, and it is important to mention that Pirro performs these jobs at no cost to the homeowners, simply desiring to help people in an area he has a passion for.

HULU'S NEWEST HORROR SERIES 'HELSTROM' IS A COMPLETE BORE

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Just in time for the Halloween season, Hulu has released a new horror series, "Helstrom," loosely based on the Marvel Comics characters Daimon and Santana Helstrom. The show follows siblings Daimon and Anna (Tom Austen, Sydney Lemon) as they work to solve the mystery of their mother's demonic possession and bring their supernatural, serial killer father to justice. Although this may sound like an interesting premise, the show leaves a lot to be desired.

What immediately stands out about "Helstrom" is the way it just feels like low quality television. The series is visually unimpressive and the acting and dialogue are both laughably bad. The lack of decent camera work and visual effects is even worse once you realize the tone the show is going for. It tries very hard to create a spooky and eerie atmosphere but fails nearly every time. This is supposed to be horror, but the scares are practically nonexistent.

One of the fundamental weaknesses of the show are the two protagonists. Daimon Helstrom is a clever, snarky exorcist who cares deeply for his family and will stop at nothing to rescue his mother from her demonic possession. Austen's performance is not great and the clumsy dialogue only serves to make things worse. The writers try to give Daimon a lot of jokes, but very few of them actually land. As a character, Anna is slightly more interesting than her brother. She was abducted by their serial killer father for many years as a child and now resents both her brother and mother for allowing her to be taken. She is also snarky but does not care about her family like Daimon does. Sydney Lemon is easily the best actor in the show, making it a little bit easier to get invested in her character. Not to mention, Anna's jokes are significantly better than Daimon's. The contrast between Daimon and Anna's respective views on their family is supposed to provide the majority of the character drama, but it becomes obvious from the first few episodes where their arcs are going.

The writers chose to spend a weird amount of time on Gabriella (Ariana Guerra), a nun sent by the Vatican to assist Daimon with exorcisms and try to help solve his mother's case. Gabriella does not do much throughout the season. It seems like she only exists to talk to Daimon about how he does not trust the church. This is an issue with all of the side characters on this show. Daimon and Anna are not very interesting, so the subplots that follow other characters seem to go nowhere.

The plot is just as bad as the characters. It is very unclear episode to episode what the characters are trying to accomplish. It is not until about halfway through the season that some kind of central conflict takes shape. Even after this point, the show is just boring to watch.

There are some bad shows that are still fun to watch and laugh at. "Helstrom" is not one of those shows. It tries to take itself very seriously but does not have good enough production to hold up such earnest writing.

RATING: 1.5/5

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'Hellblade: Senua's Sacrifice': An artistic feat in audio and visual design

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"Hellblade: Senua's Sacrifice" is another indie game that has found a special place in my heart. It excels as another great example of games as an art form, while still providing an atmospheric game experience that blends mythology and psychology into one. "Hellblade" follows the story of Pict warrior Senua as she ventures into the Northmen's version of hell, Helheim of Norse mythology, to free the soul of her dead lover, Dillion.

Developed and published by Ninja Theory, "Hellblade" is an excellent character study as players venture into Norse mythology through the lens of Senua's mental disorder, psychosis. In order to position her condition in the center of the game, the developers consulted with psychiatrists and recovering patients to accurately portray how psychosis affects an individual. All of this knowledge is well-incorporated into the game.

From voices to hallucinations, Senua's condition becomes part of the game, immersing the player and forcing them to see the world through Senua's eyes. Only through this are certain game mechanics and the story building made possible. In one area of the game, Senua must solve puzzles by peering through illusion gates that physically change the world, opening up new paths to explore. In order to open up rune doors, Senua must focus and explore her environment to find the runes through a change of perspective or distortion.

From the beginning, the game recommends you wear headphones for the best experience. Because of the nature of binaural sound, simulating three-dimensional sound, the voices in Senua's head come to life within the game, further immersing the player. They're more than just a plot element; they become a gameplay mechanic. They provide exposition to the narrative and audibly voice Senua's feelings throughout the story, constantly panicking or insulting Senua for her shortcomings. The chorus of voices provide assistance during combat sequences. They'll yell "Watch out!" or "Behind you!" before an enemy lands their attack from behind, giving Senua a moment to dodge or parry before being hit.

The audio and visual direction of "Hellblade" truly makes this game a unique experience. The world of "Hellblade" mixes beautiful and serene landscapes with the dark fantasy of Norse mythology. Throughout the game, you never really know what's reality and what isn't. But maybe that's just the point of "Hellblade," everything you see and experience really is

Senua's reality as she struggles to accept her condition for what it is, rather than what others have told her.

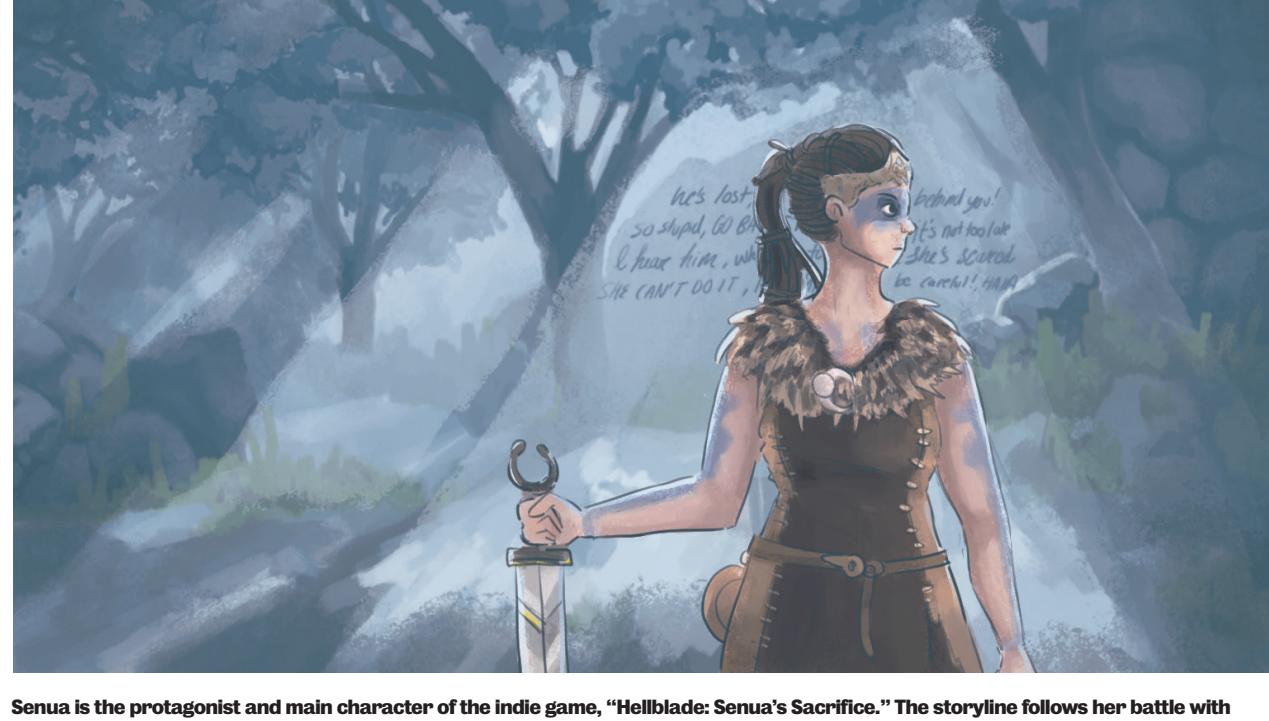
Senua is visually modeled after the actress who portrays her through motion capture, Melina Juergens, and her performance is spectacular. The game is rendered so beautifully that it seamlessly transitions between gameplay and cutscenes, which often look realistic and feel like a movie. Side characters like Druth, Galena, Zynbel and Dillion are portrayed through audio and video segments that are superimposed, furthering the visual realism of the game.

Despite the fact that "Hellblade: Senua's Sacrifice" is an absolute artistic achievement, its gameplay feels less polished than it could have been. The combat is smooth and fluid, but brutal and impactful. During the first few fights, combat is fun and exciting as you discover new combos and experiment between light and heavy attacks mixed with parries and counterattacks, but this quickly becomes routine. As you progress through the game, there are dramatic sections that introduce waves of enemies for Senua to defeat before a pivotal moment in

the story. These moments are few and far between, but they feel like stunning spectacles and impossible feats. However, the other combat sequences outside of this feel like a rinse and repeat of slashing, parrying and counter attacking until the enemies are gone.

"Hellblade: Senua's Sacrifice" is a stunning game and an artistic feat. Though you may find yourself wondering how to piece together the story the first time, the 6-hour-long game is definitely worth a second playthrough to discover all the secrets and lore that "Hellblade" offers.

RATING: 4/5



Senua is the protagonist and main character of the indie game, "Hellblade: Senua's Sacrifice." The storyline follows her battle with psychosis as she attempts to venture into Viking hell to free the soul of her dead lover. ILLUSTRATION BY KAITLYN TRAN, STAFF ARTIST/THE DAILY CAMPUS

A ZERO WASTE PROJECT

Shopping at the Co-op

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As several of my previous articles have already touched on, waste from food transportation and packaging is a huge obstacle to zero waste. Unless you live on a farm and grind your own flour and milk your own cows, sometimes it seems impossible to eliminate packaging. Within the zero waste community, the most common solution is shopping from the bulk section: Some grocery stores have a "bulk aisle," that allow you to buy certain foods by weight, carried out in your own containers. Obviously not every store can boast a bulk section; mostly they're found in stores like Whole Foods or cooperative grocery stores.

Lucky for me, it turns out we do have a relatively local co-op here in northeastern Connecticut. The Willimantic Food Co-op is roughly a 20-minute drive from the University of Connecticut, and although it's made some adjustments to prevent the spread of COVID-19, it still features a flourishing bulk aisle.

What's a co-op?

To begin, what does it mean to be a cooperative grocery store? Most businesses are owned by individuals, families, corporations and private investors, so profits can cycle back into the hands of a few. A cooperative business is collectively owned and controlled by customers and workers, meaning any profits go to those who are directly interacting with the business and its products. Because of this, co-ops liberally cycle money back into local communities, rely more on locally-sourced products and operate with stronger community-based values. This has several implications for zero waste living.

Why make this swap?

Not only does buying in bulk at a co-op allow you to eliminate packaging, but shopping local also eliminates waste accrued through transportation and storage of food products, lowering food miles and carbon footprints. The Willimantic Food Co-op features a number of local products, especially local produce.

Plus, the values espoused by co-ops, like "autonomy and independence" and "concern for community" are some of the same values that drove me to zero waste. Caring about the people around you isn't a far cry from caring about the planet.

means the process isn't fully zero waste right now.

On the bright side, paper packaging is at least fully recyclable or compostable as opposed to any plastic packaging you might be getting at Price Chopper. Plus, buying in bulk generally reduces packaging from single-serving-sized packages. For example, if you buy several pounds of beans at the co-op, you end up with one paper package you can easily compost or recycle as opposed to several aluminum cans.

In regular non-pandemic times, the process is much simpler. You bring in your own container (like a mason jar), weigh it to find out the "tare" weight, write that weight on the jar in Sharpie, fill it with however much

you want of a specific item, and then when you check out the store employees measure the combined weight of the jar and the food, subtract the tare weight written on your jar and charge you for the difference.

Bulk sections will normally include things like grains, oats, beans, rice, nuts and baking supplies. The Willimantic Food Co-op has laminated lists of all the items you could use to make your request slips.

What this means for you:

If you're living in an apartment on or near campus and you have access to a car, I recommend looking into buying from the co-op. While many items are more expensive than your typical grocery store, the bulk items are decently priced, and it isn't any further than Walmart. Even if you don't do all your shopping at the co-op, making a trip when you run out of some of those bulk items, like flour or rice, could do wonders to reduce waste in your life, and let you give yourself a nice pat on the back for supporting the local community.

Coming up next: DIY cleaning supplies



The bulk section of the Willimantic Food Co-op. Bulk sections allow shoppers to buy their own produce by weight and carry it out with their own containers. PHOTO PROVIDED BY AUTHOR

What I did:

I made my first trip to the Willimantic Food Co-op just to scope things out. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, their bulk section isn't currently self-serve. Instead of bringing in your own containers to fill, customers write the amount of which items they want on a slip of paper which they drop in a basket. A staff member then reads the slip and puts the requested items in a paper or plastic bag. Unfortunately, this

Gase, frustrations and struggles all remain for 0-6 Jets

NEW YORK (AP) — Frustrated fans woke up Monday morning to the reality that things remain the same for the New York Jets.

In a word: painful.

Adam Gase is still the coach. The offense is still struggling. So is the defense. Special teams, too. But, hey, at least the 0-6 Jets are now "winning" the slow crawl to the No. 1 overall draft pick. Whether that ends up being Clemson quarterback Trevor Lawrence remains to be seen.

One thing's for sure, though: This season has been tough all around.

"You can get all caught up in the emotions of this game and the outside noise of the fans, but no one cares more than the guys in the locker room," guard Greg Van Roten said. "This is my job. I get paid to play football. I love this game and I want to go out there and play a perfect game every week. It's incredibly frustrating when you lose a game."

"It's even more frustrating when it's not even close because you have a short window to do this as a professional athlete."

Van Roten, a native of Long Island, grew up a Jets fan and said his father Thomas has followed the franchise for nearly 60 years.

"As frustrated as the fans are, I understand that, but I'm way more frustrated than you are because this is a year of my playing life that's not going the way that you want it to go," said Van Roten, in his first season with the Jets. "Dealing with that, you allow yourself to do your job and this is what you get paid to do, so you've got to find a way to stay positive, block out that noise and just play a good game the next time you get to go out there."

"Because, eventually, there's not going to be a next time."

Van Roten credited the embattled Gase with trying to find



A New York Jets fan reacts to the team performance during the second half of an NFL football game against the Miami Dolphins, Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020, in Miami Gardens, Florida. PHOTO BY LYNNE SLADKY/AP

different ways to turn things

WHAT'S WORKING

Joe Douglas' cellphone. With the Jets' season spiraling, the fire sale is officially on.

Last week, the general manager tried finding a trade partner to move Le'Veon Bell before ultimately releasing him last Tuesday. After the game Sunday night, Douglas agreed to deal veteran nose tackle Steve McLendon to Tampa Bay. The Jets also sent a 2023 seventh-rounder to the Buccaneers in exchange for the Buccaneers' sixth-rounder in 2022.

"You don't want to show up on a Monday and it's the same as last week and the same as the week before that when you're not being successful on Sundays," Van Roten said. "He is doing everything he can do to make sure we're all set to go for our next opponent."

Douglas is likely not done, especially with plenty of time before the NFL's trade deadline on Nov. 3.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

Well, everything. But one key area that has been brutal: third-down efficiency. The Jets were an awful 2 of 17 in those situations at Miami, a major reason for their inability to get on the scoreboard.

"Hey, man, it was a tough game and the only thing you can do in these situations is just hold your head up high and keep on fighting and fighting and fighting," quarterback Joe Flacco said. "It was ugly."

But it hasn't just been that game. New York is last in the NFL with a 30.23% conversion rate on third downs.

STOCK UP

Marcus Maye. The safety provided one of the season's lone highlights when he intercepted Ryan Fitzpatrick by pinning the ball against his backside while on the ground — The Butt Pick — and then securing it behind his back. It was an athletic play for Maye, who was moved this week to the deep safety role while Bradley McDougald was switched to the strong safety spot.

STOCK DOWN

Flacco. The 35-year-old quarterback hasn't been able to do much in Sam Darnold's place to get anything going on offense. Against the Dolphins, he was 21 of 44 for 186 yards with an interception and two penalties. He also lost 28 yards on one of his three sacks.

"I definitely made some mistakes and have got to clean some things up and keep on going," Flacco said. "But we're playing in some really tough conditions right now and we've just got to keep getting better."

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In addition to Darnold and LT Mekhi Becton, LG Alex Lewis has what Gase says is "multiple" shoulder issues and is week to week. ... OL Chuma Edoga has a calf injury. ... S Matthias Farley has a sprained ankle. ... LB Frankie Luu could miss time with a groin injury.

KEY NUMBER

0 — The number of points the Jets scored against the AFC East-rival Dolphins. It marked the first time New York was shut out by Miami since losing 14-0 in the AFC championship game in January 1983.

NEXT STEPS

Could things get worse? Oh, yeah. The Jets' schedule is tough over the next several weeks: home vs. Buffalo, at Kansas City, and at home vs. New England on a Monday night before the bye-week break. For the record, no Jets team has started 0-9. Not even the 1996 squad, which opened 0-8 on its way to a franchise-worst 1-15.

Kershaw's latest World Series chance with Dodgers near home



Los Angeles Dodgers starting pitcher Clayton Kershaw celebrates near the family area after winning Game 7 of a baseball National League Championship Series against the Atlanta Braves Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020, in Arlington, Texas. PHOTO BY ERIC GAY/AP

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Clayton Kershaw has pitched in the final game of the season for the Los Angeles Dodgers six of the last seven years. None of those were followed by lifting the World Series trophy.

There are his three National League Cy Young Awards, even an MVP during one of his 21-win seasons, and the current streak of eight consecutive NL West titles for the Dodgers.

But the 32-year-old ace lefty has a losing record (11-12) in the postseason — and Los Angeles hasn't won a World Series since 1988. That is the same year Kershaw was born in Dallas, where he still lives and not far from where he is about to get another chance to change that for the Dodgers and add a huge missing piece to his otherwise sparkling resume.

"I was throwing sim games May and June in Dallas, thinking about, man, are we even going to play a season?" Kershaw said Monday.

And now for the third time in four years, Kershaw is set to start Game 1 of the World Series for the Dodgers, who were on the verge of their season ending when he left his NL Championship Series start last week in Arlington, Texas, where the World Series is also being played.

California-born Tyler Glasnow, a 27-year-old right-hander who grew up watching the early part of Kershaw's career, starts Tuesday night for the Tampa Bay Rays in their first World Series game since 2008. Glasnow was 5-1 with a 4.08 ERA in 11 starts during the regular season and is 2-1 with a 4.66 ERA in four postseason starts.

The World Series opener comes a week after Kershaw was scratched before his scheduled start in Game 2 of the NLCS against Atlanta because of back spasms. He instead started two

days later in Game 4, which was tied 1-1 before he left after allowing three hits in a row to start the sixth in what became a six-run inning for the Braves on the way to a 10-2 win and a 3-1 series lead.

But the Dodgers then won three consecutive games when facing elimination — only the second time in their storied history they did that. Kershaw was in the bullpen stretching at times during Game 7 on Sunday night, but never entered the clinching 4-3 victory.

Before these unusual playoffs

after the pandemic-shortened regular season, with the Dodgers already playing the Division Series and NLCS there, Kershaw hadn't pitched professionally in Arlington. His rotation turns never matched up with trips to Texas, not at the old stadium across the street where he used to watch the Texas Rangers and one of his favorite players, Will Clark — the reason he wears No. 22 — or for the Dodgers' series at the new \$1.2 billion Globe Life Field at the end of August.

Kershaw was 6-2 with a 2.16

ERA in 10 starts during the regular season, then had 13 strikeouts in eight scoreless innings to win the clinching Game 2 against Milwaukee in the first round. He went six innings to beat San Diego during the NLDS in his first Arlington start.

"He's so competitive," first-year teammate and 2018 AL MVP Mookie Betts said. "He does everything right."

But as good as Kershaw has been in going 175-76 with a 2.43 ERA in the regular season over his 13 seasons, the eight-time

All-Star has had plenty of disappointing finishes in the postseason, when his ERA is nearly two runs higher at 4.31.

— In relief during Game 5 of the NL Division Series at home against Washington last October, Kershaw allowed back-to-back homers to start the eighth that tied the deciding game before the eventual World Series champion Nationals won on a grand slam in the 10th.

— There was a scoreless inning in relief to close out Game 7 of the NLCS in 2018 before he lost both his starts against Boston in that World Series — Game 1 and the deciding Game 5.

— His World Series debut in 2017 included 11 strikeouts while allowing one run over seven innings to win Game 1 at home against the Astros. But after LA took an early 4-0 lead in Game 5 at Houston, Kershaw gave up six runs and left after 4 2/3 innings — whether he tipped his pitches, or the Astros benefited from their illegal sign-stealing scheme that was revealed years later. The Astros won that game 13-12 in 10 innings, and clinched the series in Game 7, when Kershaw pitched four scoreless in relief at Dodger Stadium.

— Kershaw was the loser in season-ending games against the Cardinals in the 2013 NLCS and the NLDS the next season. He was 2-0 with a save in his first four appearances during the 2016 postseason before losing the deciding Game 6 of the NLCS against the Chicago Cubs.

"Postseason, you have that experience to draw on, just trying to learn from that as best we can," Kershaw said. "At the same time, every year is different. Every team is different. The Rays are a different team than the Astros and the Red Sox. I'm going to prepare like I always do and be as ready as I can be."

For another chance.

Throwback Photo of the Day | Slingin it



In this file photo, the Huskies took a tough loss against Temple with a final score 13-17. PHOTO BY ERIC WANG, ASSOCIATE VIDEO EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

NFL: Le'Veon Bell and the Chiefs' payroll



This Sept. 22, 2020, file photo shows New York Jets running back Le'Veon Bell watching from the sideline near the end of the second half of an NFL football game against the New England Patriots, in Foxborough, Massachusetts. The New York Jets surprisingly released Bell, ending a disappointing tenure after less than two full seasons. PHOTO BY STEVEN SENNE/AP

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The Kansas City Chiefs' bank made yet another huge withdrawal when they signed running back Le'Veon Bell for the remainder of the season at \$1.05 million. After one-plus disappointing season in the Meadowlands, the New York Jets, who owe Bell \$15 million over the next two seasons, decided to cut their running back after not being able to trade him away. This signing covers two grounds for both sides as Bell immediately returns to a contending team for the first time since his days on the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Chiefs continue looking to defend their Super Bowl LIV victory over the San Francisco 49ers. There is one question regarding this signature signing though: How much payroll will the Chiefs have in the future?

The Kansas City Chiefs, established in 1963, decided to celebrate their first Super Bowl victory in 50 years in a grand style. First, they signed Patrick Mahomes to a 10-year extension for \$450 million, which kicks in starting 2022 when he is paid \$50 million a season. Then, they extended Travis Kelce for four more years and \$57.25 million, which also kicks in starting 2022. Already spending \$107.25 million on big names to start in two seasons, the Chiefs continued to sign and extend as Chris Jones stayed on the team

for four more years and \$8 million as a huge part of the Chiefs' shutdown defense. Tyreek Hill also earned a payday as he got a three-year and \$54 million extension to be an incredible WR1 for Mahomes. These four are not even the four highest paid players on the team. Frank Clark is currently earning \$20.8 million this season for five years at a total of \$104 million. So that brings the value of the top five guys up to \$71.23 million this season alone. When the contracts of Mahomes, Kelce and Hill kick in, that number skyrockets to around \$105 million dollars per year starting in 2022.

The Chiefs have \$5.9 million in cap space available, the eighth lowest in the league, and they have a lot of guys to resign heading into next season, including Bell, Alex Okafor, Daniel Sorenson, Sammy Watkins, Kelechi Osemele and others. Without doing the math, those players' contracts already exceed the cap space. The next best option would be

to let all of them walk into free agency, but knowing the Chiefs, they will try to re-sign some of the players to keep them contending.

Despite all this spending to keep the big names in town, the biggest reason that I bring up this concern about payroll and cap space is because of performance. The only reason these

players are getting paid so much is because of their

performances. However, and this is the case in multiple leagues, not everyone performs like their contract asks them to or how the fans expect.

Look at Albert Pujols. He is under a 10-year, \$240 million contract with the Los Angeles Angels where he was expected to continue to rake like he did in St. Louis. Instead, he turned

into a disappointment whose best highlights were hit number 3,000, RBI number 2,000, home runs 600 and 661 and one All-

Star appearance. Let us also

use Bell here; he was get-

ting paid for four

years and \$52.5

million after

holding

out for a

season

before

rushing

for a touchdown

just four times and

having no rushes great-

er than 19 yards. Part of that

might just be the Jets, but Bell

was just disappointing. Finally,

look at the infamous 15-year deal

given to Rick DiPietro for a total of \$67.5 million. The Islanders

thought he was the goalie of

their future, but he just turned

out to be a tragic disappointment

who severely underperformed

his contract and his No. 1 overall

pick status. As a result, he was

bought out and the Islanders

owe him \$1.5 million until 2029.

As seen above, the biggest issue about being a disappoint-



Look at how much Mike Trout and Mookie Betts are getting paid (a combined \$791.50 million and 24 years). That is because they are the best in the MLB. Even Khalil Mack, DeShaun Watson and Aaron Rodgers (\$431 million combined over fourteen years, which is less than Mahomes' extension) are getting paid handsomely because of their stellar perfor-

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years. The money under a big contract is the money. If someone is cut or traded, they still receive the money. If they are bought out, they will still be paid beyond the contract's end. That is the case with players such as Bobby Bonilla (\$1 million a year until 2035 from the New York Mets) and Todd Gurley (\$7.55 million from the Los Angeles Rams). If Mahomes' and Kelce's new extensions lead to massive disappointment, then soon their contracts will just take up cap space. Should they be released, the Chiefs will end up owing them a lot of money, restricting a new era of elite Chiefs' football.

Bad contracts exist and occur, but they cannot be predicted. Events such as injuries or underperforming can change the way a contract is looked at. Initially, a signing can be seen as a huge win for a team, but if the player performs badly, the signing is a regrettable action. Nonetheless, the bigger issue is what happens when the contracts take up a portion of the team's total salary, thus preventing the team from officially rebuilding (see the Detroit Tigers and Miguel Cabrera's contract) or having enough money to improve. I understand the Chiefs are in a win-now mode to head back to the promised land, but they should manage their

finances very carefully with their

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MLB NLCS Recap: Dodgers get back to World Series (again)



The Los Angeles Dodgers pose after winning Game 7 of a baseball National League Championship Series against the Atlanta Braves Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020, in Arlington, Texas. PHOTO BY DAVID J. PHILLIP/AP

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Dodgers 4, Braves 3

And just like that, the woes of Atlanta fans continued as the Braves officially blew their 3-1 NLCS lead, losing to the Los Angeles Dodgers 4-3. The previous record of NLCS teams with a 2-0 lead in the series all-time was 28-3, an ominous callback to the Atlanta Falcons' infamous choke job against the New England Patriots in Super Bowl LI. The silver lining for Braves fans is that this team is young, and they have a bright future ahead of them.

Getting the start in this must-win game were two youngsters, the Dodgers' Dustin May (23 years old, second year in MLB) and the Braves' Ian Anderson (22 years old, rookie). Anderson could have been better, going three full innings and allowing two runs off of five hits. May only opened the game for LA, throwing one inning, while allowing one run off of one hit and two walks.

LA got off to a tough start early, as the Braves put runners on first and second before a Marcell Ozuna single drove in a run. Fortunately for them, a double play and a strike-out limited the damage to one. The next inning, Dansby Swanson welcomed LA pitcher Tony Gonsolin into the game by hitting a second-

pitch bomb out to left field to give Atlanta a 2-0 lead.

In the bottom of the third, the Dodgers were able to string together a couple hits, as a walk, a big double down the line from Max Muncy and a single from Will Smith tied the game up at two apiece.

The Braves struck back immediately, as an Austin Riley single brought in a run with no outs in the inning. More damage might have been done that inning, if not for a very bad base-

all momentum Atlanta might have had. They tried to get it back

star outfielder Mookie Betts kept the lead at one.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, a pinch hitting appearance made LA manager Dave Roberts look like a genius, subbing in Kiké Hernandez for Joc Pederson. Hernandez proceeded to hit a solo shot to tie the game at 3-3. Later on in the 7th, the spotlight was on reigning NL MVP Cody Bellinger, who hit a no-doubter

solo home run to give the Dodgers the lead for the first time all night.

The Bellinger homer proved to be the last run all night, as three scoreless, hitless

innings

from Julio Urias

kept the

Braves' offense at bay, helping the Dodgers close out a massive comeback en route to the World Series for the third time in four years. They are set to play the Tampa Bay Rays in a battle of No. 1 seeds starting Tuesday night.

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Los Angeles Dodgers manager Dave Roberts celebrates after winning Game 7 of a baseball National League Championship Series against the Atlanta Braves Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020, in Arlington, Texas. PHOTO BY TONY GUTIERREZ/AP

CJ CUP RECAP: KOKRACK WINS FIRST PGA TOUR EVENT

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