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Power outage across UConn Storrs

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A power outage across the University of Connecticut Storrs campus occurred on Sunday night, leading to all online and in-person classes being canceled on Monday.

Originally, UConn Alert sent a message to students, faculty and staff stating that all classes scheduled to occur before noon on Monday would be canceled. However, a few hours later the service sent an additional message stating that all classes would be canceled for the entirety of the day.

All non-essential employees were told to remain home and complete work remotely, UConn Spokesperson Stephanie Reitz said.

The outage was the result of a problem with an underground high-voltage line on campus, Reitz said. There were no reported injuries.

Workers were repairing the line on Monday; however, Reitz said the repairs are rather lengthy and more complex than what would result from a typical power outage.

All operations and classes across UConn's regional campuses including Hartford, Stamford, Avery Point, Waterbury, UConn Health and the School of Law have not been affected, Reitz said.

However, as of 3:30 p.m. on Monday, UConn Alert announced that power was restored across the UConn Storrs campus.

Essential workers were on campus Monday and Residential Life has reached out to students by directing them with information on dining halls with electricity for students to get meals, Reitz said.

Workers continue to repair damaged electrical infrastructure, but that work is being done mainly underground and will not affect traffic or any campus operations, Reitz said.

Only buildings that were fed the specific high voltage line and its related equipment were affected. The buildings that were fed by that affected circuit have since been moved to other circuits, Reitz said.

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L. Richard Belden Hall, in the Alumni residential quad on the Storrs campus. Alumni, along with the West quad, were the last building to regain power during the March 21, 2022 outage.
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ADVISOR FOR THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY SPEAKS ABOUT UKRAINE, NATO

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In a talk and Q&A event hosted on Monday, Advisor for the Center for International Security in Washington D.C. and University of Connecticut alum, Dan Fata spoke about the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

Fata said that during his time at UConn, there were numerous opportunities in the world, and many students and scholars had a positive

outlook on the future. He said that now, due to access to a vast array of information and increasing polarization in the U.S. and around the world, the dynamism and opportunities available for peace around the world are different.

"How this war ends will determine what the future looks like and how history will be written," Fata said.

The talk and Q&A was hosted by UConn political science professor Stephen Dyson, introducing Fata as an alum who graduated from UCo-

nn in 1994 and was the Secretary of Defense for Europe and NATO policy under President George W. Bush.

"Dan was part of the U.S. delegation to the Munich Security Conference during which Vladimir Putin gave a fiery speech," Dyson said. "Emphatically rejecting the post war security order. A speech which in many ways foretold the aggressions he has launched since."

Fata said when he was at UConn in 1990, the world was exploding with change. He said 30 years ago,

most of the world had thrown out dictatorships and communism and was largely on a path towards democracy.

"The First Gulf War would be launched, cementing the U.S. as the world's sole super power, and the final dictatorships in Latin America were turned over and now democracy was the norm throughout South and Latin America..." Fata said.

In Fata's final years, Clinton would become president, Nelson Mandela would be freed from jail and the Soviet Union would cease to exist.

"The European community would become the European Union and Russia would be invited to NATO's partnership for peace," Fata said.

Fata said there was an idea after World War II and the fall of the Soviet Union that nations had arrived at the end of history, that the end of it would be written and peace would follow. Yet, 30 years later, experts are still trying to process what is going on, he said.

"How did we get here, and how does it end?" Fata said.

Fata said there were 3 major things that led to the invasion of Ukraine: a foundation laid by President Putin, misunderstandings by Europe and the U.S and the effect of the pandemic.

He said that ever since the conference in Munich, Putin has started a "launch party of a resurgent Russia." Putin felt that Russia was being taken advantage of and he needed a distraction from rising tensions within the nation as Russian inequality grows due to Putin not investing in Russia's own infrastructure, according to Fata.

"We decided to meet Putin where he was," Fata said. "Instead of treating him just like another nation, we decided collectively, because there

was fear and division, to treat him like a great power. And so that emboldened him."

Fata also stated that NATO and Europe did not take Putin's red line comment seriously when it came to the idea of Ukraine and Georgia joining the treaty. With the advent of COVID-19 and the devastation of the world economy during the pandemic, Fata said Putin had not met with anyone.

"He just stayed in the Kremlin conjuring up these ideas of how he was wronged in [2007]. Oh, by the way, 1 million Russians died of Covid and those infrastructure issues that existed were never fixed," said Fata. "And so, a bad situation just got worse...by all accounts, the constitution was rewritten where he could run for another 12-plus years and there are all these popular uprisings as well. So, a guy that's paranoid and isolated decides now is the time for all those conditions I just laid out..."

Fata said that, right now, the most likely scenario for Ukraine is a long-standing guerilla war and that countries around the world are watching the conflict and taking measures to protect their own interests in national security.

"We're also seeing economic deterrence in the form of sanctions, and so countries are going to figure out how to change and insulate themselves," said Fata.

Fata said that what is happening in Ukraine and in Russia may cause a rebound of democracy around the world, with more people wanting to have their voices heard, to have self-expression and to shape their own future.

"There's an opportunity to make sure our country plays a positive role," said Fata. "It's a very confusing, exciting and opportunistic time. We'll see where it all ends."



Daniel Fata, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, and current senior advisor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, discusses the ongoing crisis in Ukraine on March 21, 2022 at the University of Connecticut. PHOTO BY JULIAN PRIETO, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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People examine the damage after shelling of a shopping center, in Kyiv, Ukraine, Monday, March 21, 2022. PHOTO BY EFREM LUKATSKY/AP

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Day 26: In Ukraine's capital, scenes of fortitude



Worker Ruslan Trishchuk, 40, smokes a cigarette while taking a break outside the crematorium of Baikave cemetery in Kyiv, Ukraine, Monday, March 21, 2022. PHOTO BY RODRIGO ABD/AP



A woman measures a window before covering it with plastic sheets in a building damaged by a bombing the previous day in Kyiv, Ukraine, Monday, March 21, 2022. PHOTO BY VADIM GHIRDA/AP

AP — A shopping center lies in smoldering ruins after being bombarded by Russian forces in the Ukrainian capital, Kyiv.

The Russian assault on the Ukrainian capital continued Monday with devastating force, targeting the homes of Kyiv's residents, with deadly consequences. A worker at the crematorium of the city's Baikave cemetery, 40-year-old Ruslan Trishchuk, took a brief smoke break from the sad task of incinerating the dead, dozens of wooden coffins stacked up behind him.

Still, the resilient spirit and determined fortitude of the city's survivors was everywhere: A woman measured her apartment window destroyed by bombing a day earlier, before covering it with plastic. Serhii Volosovets, a commander in the Ukrainian Territorial Defense Forces, fired a pistol at a training camp for volunteers in Brovary, northeast of Kyiv.

And a young woman, 19-year-old Daryna Kovalenko, held her little terrier, Tim, close upon arriving at Kyiv's train station, after leaving her home in Chernihiv through a humanitarian corridor.



Serhii Volosovets, a commander in the Ukrainian Territorial Defense Forces, fires a pistol during a training camp for volunteers in Brovary, northeast of Kyiv, Ukraine, Monday, March 21, 2022. PHOTO BY FELIPE DANA/AP



Daryna Kovalenko, 19, holds her dog Tim, while arriving at Kyiv's train station after leaving her home in Chernihiv, Ukraine, through a humanitarian corridor, Monday, March 21, 2022. PHOTO BY RODRIGO ABD/AP

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NCAAs: Coach K's farewell tour extended through next weekend

AP — Mike Krzyzewski's farewell tour was this close to over.

Duke trailed Michigan State 70-65 with 5:10 left to play Sunday and there was next to nothing he could do about it.

"I'm an Army guy," recalled Krzyzewski, who played for Bobby Knight at West Point and started his coaching career there. "But it looked like our ship was sinking."

From the moment in June when Krzyzewski announced his 42nd season would be his last, it was bound to be all about him. And really, how could it be otherwise? Coaches have always been the enduring stars of the college game and no one since John Wooden lit up the firmament like Coach K.

Now, imagine being a kid in a Blue Devils uniform and watching that light flicker.

"We can either lay down," freshman Paolo Banchemo recalled thinking, "or turn it up."

Duke responded with a 20-6 run the rest of the way. The 6-foot-10 Banchemo steamrolled Michigan State's Joey Hauser on a drive to the biggest bucket of the night for a 75-74 lead. Jeremy Roach followed

with a 3-pointer to stretch the lead to four with 1:16 left. Krzyzewski won't officially become a spectator until this one last run through the NCAA Tournament ends with a loss, but he's already learning to enjoy the view.

"You guys were terrific, man," Krzyzewski told the players sitting alongside him after Duke notched an 85-76 win over the Spartans to advance to the Sweet 16 and a matchup with Texas Tech. "I'm so — I'm really proud to be your coach."

Coach K has been hoarse since the tournament started, but he insisted on making a point. "It had nothing to do with coaching in those last four or five minutes," he said. "It all had to do with heart and togetherness."

That might be overstating the case, since talent is a more reliable measure of success than emotion. But not in every case.

Just ask 10th-seeded Miami, which handcuffed Auburn's Jabari Smith and Walker Kessler — both likely NBA lottery picks — en route to the day's biggest upset, a 79-61 beatdown of the No. 2 Tigers.



Duke head coach Mike Krzyzewski yells to his team during the first half of a college basketball game against Michigan State in the second round of the NCAA tournament Sunday, March 20, 2022, in Greenville, S.C. PHOTO BY BRYNN ANDERSON/AP

"It's the first time that we got it handed to us," Auburn coach Bruce Pearl said. "We didn't know how to respond."

Or for that matter, 11th-seeded Iowa State, which tipped No. 3 Wisconsin 54-49 in Milwaukee, just a

fast hour's drive from the Badgers' campus in Madison. Wisconsin had Johnny Davis, the Big Ten player of the year, a hard-earned reputation for taking care of the ball — a nation-low average of 8.4 turnovers per game — and a frenzied crowd behind it.

But the Badgers ominously gave the ball away eight times in the first half alone and didn't shoot much better. Davis was 0 for 7 from 3-point range and his teammates weren't much better, just 2 for 15.

"Shot the ball uncharacteristically poor today. Turned the ball over. We're No. 1 in the country in fewest turnovers. Today," coach Greg Gard summed up, "we were not."

If it's any consolation, two more Big Ten teams joined the Badgers in heading for the exit.

No. 7 Ohio State pulled within 60-58 of No. 2 Villanova with just under six minutes left and then went colder than cold. Instead of panicking, the Wildcats got two turnovers and cranked up the defense, pulling away to a 71-61 victory as the Buckeyes missed six of their final seven shots from the floor.

Coach Jay Wright has been quietly building a Coach K-caliber program, having won national championships in both 2016 and 2018. That kind of continuity pays dividends.

"This is what happens when you play great teams and it's happened to you before, and you can fight through it. If you haven't done it, it's hard, you can panic," Wright said. "But all these guys have been there."

Houston, a Final Four team last season, should have been able to rely on experience. Instead, the fifth-seeded Cougars lost their two best players, guards Marcus Sasser and Tramon Mark, to season-ending injuries and were forced to retool with three transfers. But Taze Moore stepped up with 21 points and Jamal Shead added 18 in what turned out to be a comfortable 68-53 win Sunday over Illinois.

"We got a brand-new bunch," Houston coach Kelvin Sampson said afterward. "But the culture never changes."

Kofi Cockburn, the Illini's All-American center, knows that feeling only too well. He passed up a shot at the NBA last year in search of some redemption. Instead, Illinois got bounced out of the tournament's opening weekend for the second straight year.

"We always want to leave with with a good feeling, you know?" Cockburn said. "We fell short. Can't really put it into words."



Duke's Paolo Banchemo (5) hugs head coach Mike Krzyzewski after a win over Michigan State in a college basketball game in the second round of the NCAA tournament Sunday, March 20, 2022, in Greenville, S.C. PHOTO BY BRYNN ANDERSON/AP

GOP Indiana governor vetoes transgender girls sports ban

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana's governor on Monday vetoed a bill banning transgender females from participating in girls school sports.

Opponents of the transgender sports bill argued it was a bigoted response to a problem that doesn't exist, with the American Civil Liberties Union of Indiana saying it planned a lawsuit against what it called "hateful legislation."

Republican sponsors of the bill said it was needed to protect the integrity of female sports and opportunities for girls to gain college athletic scholarship but pointed out no instances in the state of girls being outperformed by transgender athletes.

Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb signaled support for the bill last month but said in his veto letter that the legislation "falls short" of providing a consistent statewide policy for what he called "fairness in K-12 sports."

Holcomb also signed a bill eliminating the state's permit requirement to carry handguns in public.

Holcomb's decisions come after both measures faced intense opposition before being approved by the GOP-dominated legislature that embraced what have become a pair of conservative causes across the country.

The governor stayed on the sidelines as legislators debated both issues and made his decisions just before his Tuesday deadline to act.

Holcomb, on the transgender sports bill veto, also pointed to the

Indiana High School Athletic Association, which has a policy covering transgender students wanting to play sports that match their gender identity and has said it has had no transgender girls finalize a request to play on girls team.

"The presumption of the policy laid out in HEA 1041 is that there is an existing problem in K-12 sports in Indiana that requires further state government intervention," Holcomb said in his letter. "It implies that the goals of consistency and fairness in competitive female sports are not currently being met. After thorough review, I find no evidence to support either claim even if I support the effort overall."

Indiana lawmakers can override the governor's veto with simple majorities in both the House and Senate. A veto override vote could happen as soon as May 24, which legislative leaders have scheduled as a tentative one-day meeting.

The Indiana law would prohibit K-12 students who were born male but who identify as female from participating in a sport or on an athletic team that is designated for women or girls. But it wouldn't prevent students who identify as female or transgender men from playing on men's sports teams.

Eleven other Republican-led states have adopted such laws that political observers describe as a classic "wedge issue" to motivate conservative supporters after the governors in Iowa and South Dakota signed their bans in recent weeks.



A 2019 photo of Indiana governor Eric Holcomb speaking at that year's Indiana Leadership Prayer Breakfast. On Monday, Holcomb vetoed a bill banning transgender females from participating in girls school sports. PHOTO COURTESY OF GOV. ERIC HOLCOMB/FICKR

Holcomb's veto comes seven years after Indiana faced a national uproar over a religious objections law signed by then-Gov. Mike Pence which opponents maintained could be used to discriminate against gays and lesbians. The Republican-dominated Legislature quickly made revisions blocking its use as a legal defense for refusing to provide services and preventing the law from overriding local ordinances with LGBT protections.

Democrats argued Republican lawmakers were following a national conservative "culture war" with the transgender girls sports ban.

"Signing House Bill 1041 into law would have put the lives of our children in jeopardy," state Democratic Party Chairman Mike Schmuhl said. "However, this unnecessary debate has set a tone with kids that being transgender means something is wrong with them."

In signing the handgun permit requirement repeal, Holcomb went against the vocal opposition of his state police superintendent to the further loosening of the state's lenient firearms laws.

The permit repeal, called "constitutional carry" by gun-rights supporters in reference to the Second Amendment, was criticized by major law enforcement groups who argued eliminating the permit system would endanger officers by stripping them of a screening tool for quickly identifying dangerous people who shouldn't have guns.

At least 21 other states already allow residents to carry handguns without permit — and Ohio's Republican governor signed a similar bill last week.

Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter joined leaders of the state's Fraternal Order of Police, police chiefs association and county prosecutors association in speaking out against the change.

Carter, wearing his state police uniform, stood in the back of the Senate chamber as the bill was being debated. He said after the vote that approval of the measure "does not support law enforcement — period."

Holcomb said in a statement that the permit repeal bill "entrusts Hoosiers who can lawfully carry a handgun to responsibly do so within our state."

"It's important to note that if a person is prohibited, under federal or state laws, from possessing a firearm before this law goes into effect, that person will still be prohibited," Holcomb said.

The firearms law, which will take effect July 1, will allow anyone age 18 or older to carry a handgun in public except for reasons such as having a felony conviction, facing a restraining order from a court or having a dangerous mental illness. Supporters argue the permit requirement undermines Second Amendment protections by forcing law-abiding citizens to undergo police fingerprinting and background checks.

Carter, the former elected Republican sheriff in central Indiana's Hamilton County who was first appointed state police superintendent by Pence in 2013, said in a statement he would "work with law enforcement leaders across our state to make necessary changes to firearms enforcement as well as identifying the best way to identify individuals who are not allowed to carry a firearm as defined by Indiana statute."

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UConn shouldn't partner with Amazon

On March 3, Amazon announced a partnership with the University of Connecticut and other colleges in the state and region which expands an existing Amazon program called Career Choice. This program provides free tuition to full-time Amazon employees, and half tuition to part-time employees once they have worked with the company for 90 days, allowing employees to take classes at partner universities towards advanced certification and degrees, so long as they continue to work with the corporation.

Companies do not contribute to employee education for selfless reasons. As found in a study from the National Bureau of Economic Research, employees often rely on tuition programs for years while they remain at the company, lowering turnover rates and lowering the cost of hiring. Furthermore, tuition programs raise the overall productivity, qualification and credentials of a company's employees, which assists them with program costs.

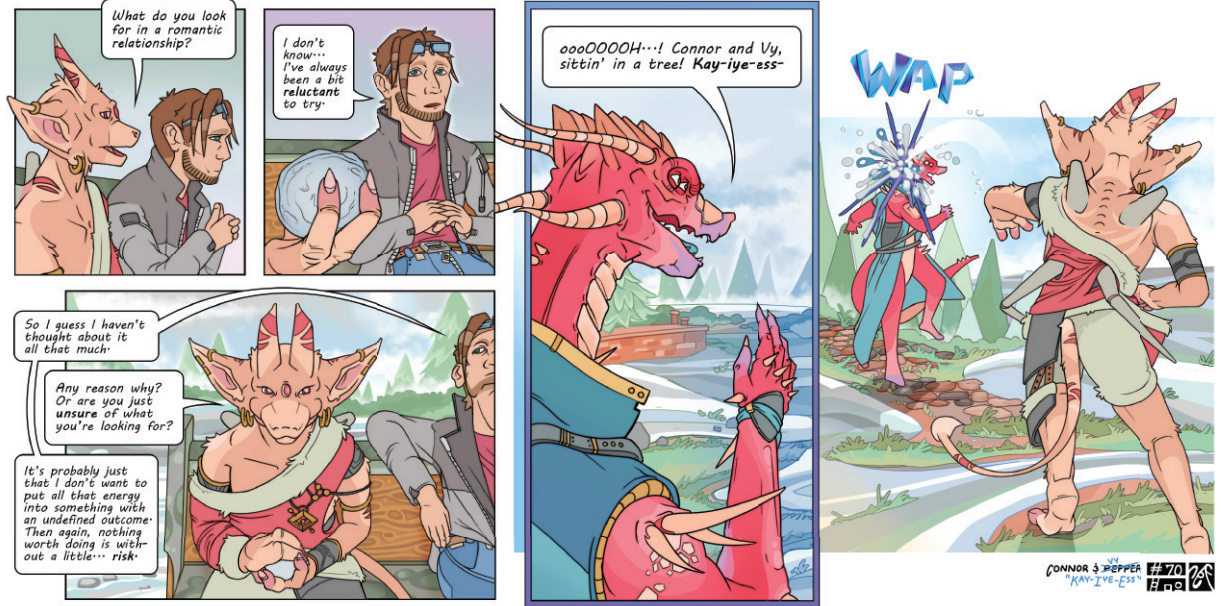
As helpful as their program appears, UConn should not support Amazon unnecessarily. In workplaces across the world, Amazon administers horrible working conditions. In warehouses, the company enforces a breakneck production speed which results in injury rates as much as 80% greater than competitors. They've been sued multiple times in the past for having no official policy on meal or bathroom breaks, and denying these to employees. Among these and other grievances, in 2021 there began an extensive unionization drive throughout the United States so that better conditions might be negotiated.

However, being one of the wealthiest and largest companies in history, Amazon has an extensive history of opposing the rights of their workers to unionize and bargain collectively, including firing workers suspected of organizing and creating extensive anti-union propaganda shown to their employees. The right to a union is strongly correlated with better working conditions and safety, far better employment security and even higher pay for union workers.

In addition to their employee treatment, Amazon is accused of monopolistic practices. They have been sued in the past over violation of antitrust laws, but the more important concerns are their astonishing rate of growth, size and reach across many industries and throughout the entire world. They already lead overnight shipping and e-retail industries by a great margin, and they could expand to control others, which would be unfavorable for all workers and consumers.

This program is not very costly for the University of Connecticut in any immediate way. Amazon will pay for the tuition of the employees they send here. Yet, by partnering with and therefore encouraging the behavior of such an unethical, monopolistic entity, we are not only harming the wellbeing of residents of the state of Connecticut and beyond, but we are also undermining the values we claim to hold regarding human rights, sustainability and even the value UConn is committed to providing in quality of employment for graduates.

This partnership indicates a convenient and prestigious connection with a large economic firm, but it does not represent the interests of our community, the wellbeing of our graduates or the improvement of society. UConn should only partner with individuals and organizations upholding the common good and advancing the values we claim to hold.



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BMI is not an accurate measurement of health

During one of my high school gym classes, I remember my teacher putting up posters about the food pyramid and maintaining a healthy lifestyle and body mass index. BMI is commonly calculated as one's mass in kilograms divided by the square of one's height in meters or, in imperial measures, one's mass in pounds divided by the square of one's height in inches with that sum multiplied by 703.

This ratio that uses mass and height was not just used in gym class to get us to exercise and eat healthier food — it is used in the medical field as well. The BMI calculation gives you a number that you match to a certain range on a chart. Depending on the range in which your number lies, you are deemed "underweight," "healthy," "overweight," "obese" or "extremely obese." You may have seen this colorful chart during an appointment with your primary care physician and your PCP may have even pointed out where exactly you fell on the chart.

However, BMI is not an accurate measure of health and therefore should not be used as a metric at all. Just looking at the calculation to determine BMI, it is quite obvious that it does not take into account factors like muscle mass or bone density, both of which contribute to weight.

BMI was first introduced in the early 19th century by Lambert Adolphe Jacques Quetelet, a Belgian mathematician with no connection to the field of medicine. Not only is the measure clearly outdated, but Quetelet has also been credited with the creation of anthropometry, which used physical aspects of criminals in order to categorize inmates. A subfield of anthropometry includes phrenology, an obsolete practice that involved taking measurements of people's craniums and correlate it to intellect and mental capacities. Phrenology was often used to perpetuate racism and "prove" the inferiority of non-White races.

Quetelet clearly had no expertise in medicine which hehimself made clear. Quetelet stated that BMI was to be used as a statistical measure — not a measure of health — for populations, not individuals. In addition, fields such as anthropometry and phrenology, which Quetelet was influential in, are quite obviously outdated and rely on racist stereotypes. Yet, BMI is a measurement our society continues to use despite Quetelet's lack of expertise in the fields of science and medicine and the fact that BMI was never supposed to be used in this way.

Predictably, especially based on Quetelet's contributions to anthropometry and how it perpetuated racism, BMI is only somewhat reliable in measuring the height and weight of White, European men. BMI's use in medicine today active-

ly harms people of color, which is shown in studies that prove how Black and White populations have different body compositions and how White populations generally have lower BMI values than Black populations.

BMI works to harm people of color through different ways, such as by perpetuating stereotypes that cause people with higher BMI values to be treated differently and misdiagnosed. In an article from May 2021, The Washington Post told the story of Achea Redd, a 38-year-old Black woman, whose doctors did not listen to her when she voiced her concerns about possibly having an eating disorder because her BMI placed her in the "overweight" category. Redd was finally diagnosed with atypical anorexia, which does not present with a low body weight.

When BMI is used as a valid medical measurement, it is used as an excuse for physicians and other medical professionals to ignore many of their patients' concerns. A 2015 study exemplified this as well, showing how stigma regarding obesity can severely reduce the quality-of-care patients receive, leading to negative outcomes for patients.

On the opposite side, a 2017 Newsweek article told the story of Kanta Patel, a 73-year-old woman who had emigrated from India in the 1960s, had a BMI of 19 — putting her in the healthy category for her height — yet she was diagnosed with hypertension and was a borderline Type 2 diabetic. This instance, and other studies, have shown that Asian populations, especially South Asians, tend to have lower BMI values, yet other factors such as environment and family medical history put them at risk for cardiovascular disease, stroke and Type 2 diabetes which doctors will not always look for in patients with lower BMI values. Thus, these patients are put at an immense risk for being undiagnosed.

In addition to perpetuating stereotypes, BMI also overtly discriminates against certain patient populations, which is seen through insurance charges. In certain cases, insurance will not cover procedures or treatments for certain patients depending on their BMI value. In Redd's case, for example, insurance did not cover treatment for her anorexia simply because her BMI is considered "overweight." Therefore, Redd began paying up to \$800 a month from her own pocket in order to work with a dietician and a therapist. Insurance often also charges more for patients with higher BMI values as these higher values are correlated with poorer health outcomes, although several factors play into poor health outcomes.

However, just about any basic statistics class will drill one thing into your head: correlation does not equal causation. In this case, a higher BMI does not automatically cause

people to have worse health or more health conditions.

Putting all the pieces together looks like this: White patients tend to have lower BMI values as the metric was made with White, European men in mind, which is reported to insurance, and therefore many of their procedures are covered and physicians do not overlook their conditions as frequently. However, Black patients, for example, often have a higher BMI because the metric was not made with them in mind. Since many have a higher BMI, doctors often overlook many of their health conditions. When they overlook these conditions, their health worsens — due to this and other products of medical and systemic racism — as they do not receive the treatment they need. Therefore, what looks like a simple correlation of "higher BMI equals poor health outcomes," is actually a much more complicated issue.

This issue is getting more and more attention — just a few weeks ago, I was watching "Grey's Anatomy" (yes, the show is still on. And yes, it was just renewed for season 19) and Dr. Miranda Bailey, played by Chandra Wilson, talks about how BMI is an outdated, ineffective measure.

"Well stop looking at the BMI. It's stupid. The Body Mass Index is a fancy title and formula that was developed like 200 years ago by a mathematician. It doesn't account for differences in the density of bones or muscle tones or fat. It looks at numbers, not distribution. So, stop looking at it and examine the patient," said Wilson as Dr. Bailey in the "Grey's Anatomy" episode "Living in a House Divided."

BMI should not continue to be a valued measure of a person's health; it contributes to medical racism, poor patient outcomes, high insurance charges and it prevents physicians from adequately treating their patients. Although this issue is garnering more attention, it is still used as a valid measurement and will continue to be used until adequate changes are implemented in the medical field.

Physicians, and other medical professionals as well, need to be better taught about how BMI alone is not a good metric for determining individuals' health. Instead, patients need to be viewed more holistically so they get proper health care and treatment.

A 2015 study exemplified ... how stigma regarding obesity can severely reduce the quality-of-care patients receive, leading to negative outcomes for patients.

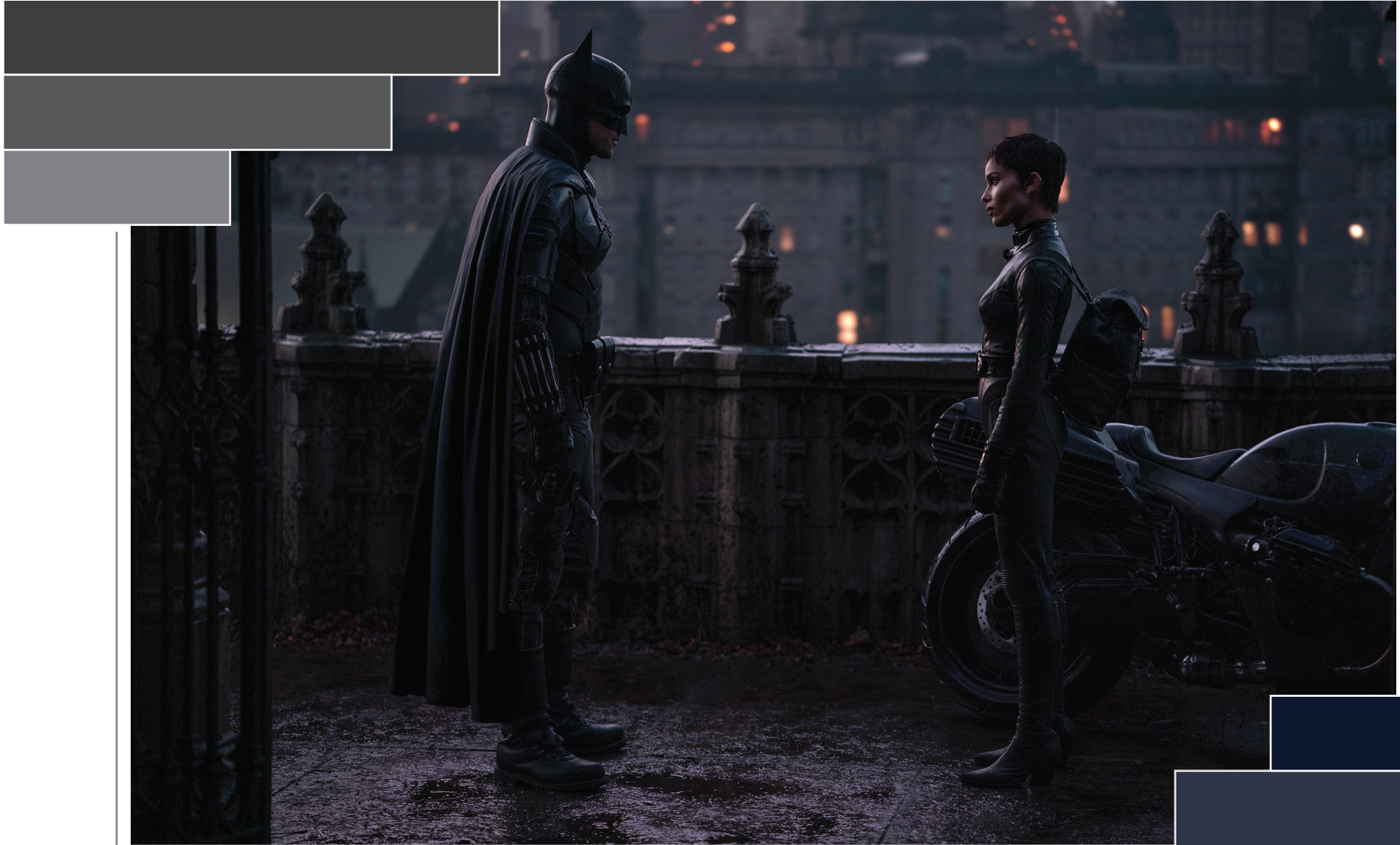
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BOX OFFICE BREAKDOWN: 'The Batman' looms *large*



Robert Pattinson and Zoë Kravitz star as Batman and Selina Kyle in "The Batman." The most recent DC film adaptation boasts more than \$300 million at the box office since its release three weeks ago, making "The Batman" the highest grossing film of 2022 thus far. PHOTO COURTESY OF NBCNEWS.COM

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In its third weekend at the domestic box office, "The Batman" continues to stand atop the weekly charts. The film added another \$36.8 million this weekend, pushing its domestic total to over \$300 million. There is only one other film released in 2022 to earn over \$100 million ("Uncharted" with \$125 million), making this by far the highest grossing film of the year thus far. We will likely have to wait until "Doctor Strange and the Multiverse of Madness" is released at the beginning of May for the next film to clear \$300 million domestically. "The Batman"'s 44.8% weekend-to-weekend drop is pretty impressive for its third weekend, and it looks to continue that trend in the future. It faces some competition in the coming weeks with "The Lost City" and "Morbis," though I think its legs will last and it will end somewhere around \$390 million domestically.

Coming in second place is "Jujutsu Kaisen o: The Movie" which grossed \$17.7 million in its domestic opening weekend. This animated film first released in its native Japan in late December 2021 with rave reviews from audiences and critics. The film is a prequel to the anime television series "Jujutsu Kaisen" which in itself is an adaptation of a manga series of the same name. "Jujutsu Kaisen o" is also an adaptation of the eponymous prequel manga series, making this film both an adaptation and a prequel film to the television series. The film debuted in 2,286 theaters, which is a fairly small amount, as typically wide releases debut in the 3,500-4,000 theater range. Due to the oncoming of new releases and Oscar films taking over screens next weekend, I would be surprised to see "Jujutsu Kaisen o: The Movie" in the top 5 again.

In third place is "Uncharted," which led the charts back in Febru-

ary, earning another \$8 million this weekend. With an absolutely magnificent 13.5% 5th weekend drop, the film pushed its domestic gross past \$125 million. This is an outcome many box office prognosticators did not see happening, as the film seemed to be destined to flop. But with strong audience reception, "Uncharted" appears to be the launch of a new franchise for Sony, which will please action-adventure fans around the globe.

In fourth and fifth place this week are two tersely titled films "X" and "Dog," which earned \$4.4 million and \$4.1 million respectively. "X" is a slasher film that has earned rave reviews from critics. Horror films however usually have a large 2nd weekend drop-off, but perhaps "X" can use its first weekend as a launching point. "Dog" dropped only 21.4% this weekend, pushing its domestic gross to \$54 million.

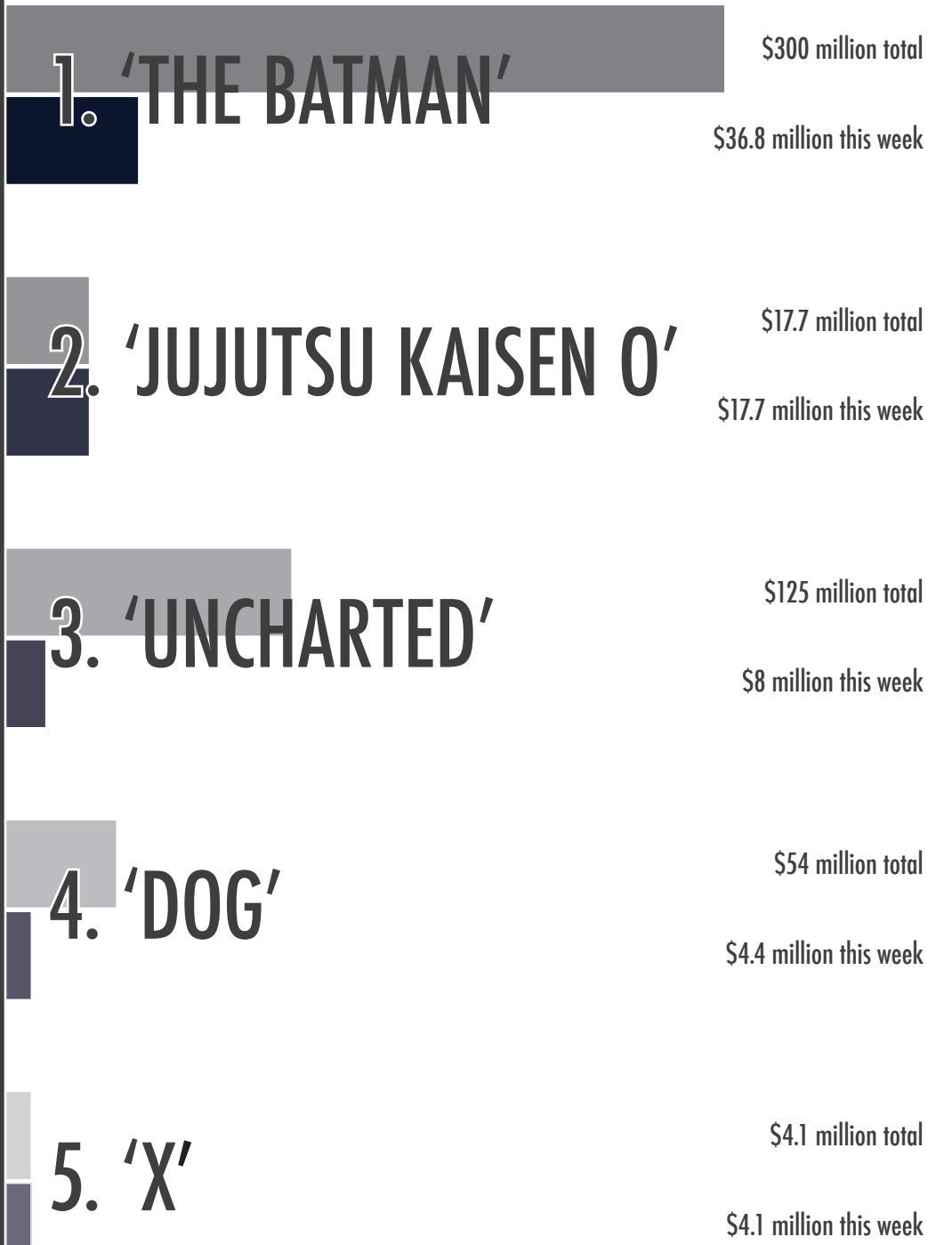
Next week brings the release of two new films - "The Lost City" and "Everything Everywhere All at Once"

"The Lost City" boasts a strong cast, with Sandra Bullock, Channing Tatum and Daniel Radcliffe leading the way, and Brad Pitt in a supporting role. The action-adventure comedy has a reported budget of \$74 million. Considering marketing expenses and theaters' share of revenues, the film likely needs to gross around \$275 million worldwide (~ \$150 million domestically) to break even. To gross that amount, the film likely needs to open north of \$60 million, though I think this film will only open at \$40 million next weekend.

"Everything Everywhere All at Once" will likely release on fewer screens, due to "The Lost City," "The Batman" and Oscar-nominated films taking up most of the space, which threatens its opening weekend. I think the film will open around \$5 million.

We will see next week, will "The Lost City" find its footing atop the charts or will "The Batman" continue its reign?

BOX OFFICE TOTALS:



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The British government imposed the Stamp Act on the 13 colonies.

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Though it usually takes a tremendous force or even several forces to mobilize a group of people around an idea, sometimes you can pinpoint specific moments in history that ignite a revolution. This week in history, we're going revolutionary and looking at key moments in major movements from U.S. history that saw Americans rallying around a cause like never before. So, let's dive in!

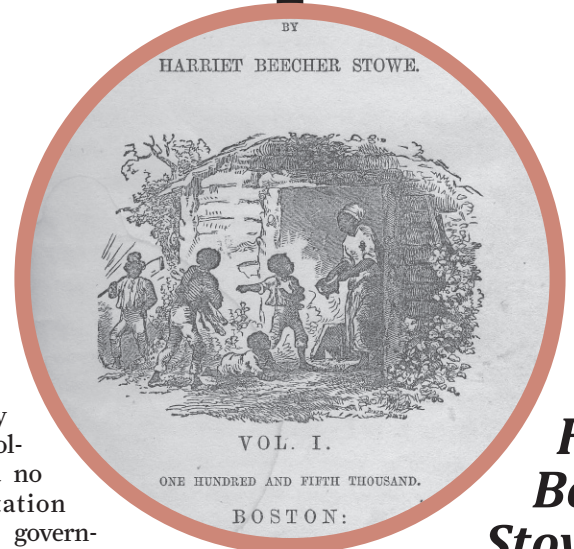
The Seven Years' War (1756-1763), known as the French and Indian War in American history books, was a long and expensive feud between the British and French Empires, taking place in both Europe and their overseas colonies in the Americas. Though the British emerged victorious, the government rang up a tremendous debt that needed to be paid. The British parliament looked to the 13 colonies and imposed a series of taxes to pay off the war.

The Stamp Act followed three already unpopular taxes: the Sugar Act (1764), which taxed textiles, wines, coffee and sugar imports; the Currency Act (1764), which significantly devalued the paper money used by the colonists; and the Quartering Act (1765), which forced colonists to house British troops when they were deployed in North Amer-

ica. On March 22, 1765, 257 years ago, the British government imposed the Stamp Act on the English colonies of North America, taxing the purchase of all paper goods.

These taxes were widely unpopular primarily because colonists had no representation in British government. While the colonists saw themselves as British citizens like their brethren in the British Isles, they could not elect any members of Parliament to act on their behalf. Therefore, every act passed in government came without the consent of the people it was affecting. Colonists began questioning why a tiny island across the sea had so much control over their lives and took to the streets to showcase their outrage.

Over the course of the next few years, the British government would repeal virtually all of the hated taxes imposed on the colonies. Despite this, the damage had already been done and organizations like the Sons of Liberty had already organized, proposing wild ideas like the creation of a free and independent American nation. A decade later, this wild idea would be put to the test as 13 colonies would press their luck in a fight



Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was published.

against a global superpower.

On March 20, 1852, 170 years ago, Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was published, galvanizing the Northern abolitionist cause.

Daughter of the legendary Connecticut Congregationalist family, Stowe received far more of an education than the majority of her female counterparts of the 19th century. After marrying and moving to Cincinnati, Stowe became actively involved in the Underground Railroad, making the implementation of the nation's harsh fugitive slave

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laws all the more infuriating. Stowe wielded the power of the pen to write "Uncle Tom's Cabin," declaring slavery as an immoral and evil institution that deserved to be destroyed.

Selling 10,000 copies in the first week and 300,000 in the first three months, Stowe's novel catapulted her name into the national spotlight and the morality of slavery into the national conversation. Tens of thousands of indifferent Northerners were converted into fierce abolitionists ready to take up arms against the rebellious South. When Stowe met President Abraham Lincoln, he famously remarked, "So this is the little lady who made this big war."

On March 25, 1911, 111 years ago, the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire killed 146 employees in downtown New York City.

At the turn of the 20th century,

the United States was evolving into a thoroughly modern nation with urbanization and industrialization running rampant. Cities like New York beckoned to those who sought a better life, and people like Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller and the Vanderbilts proved that anyone could get lucky in America.

Not everyone shared in the wealth of these great industrialists however, in fact, such profits were made on the backs of the millions of workers employed at the factories and sweatshops nationwide. While the Vanderbilts were able to build summer mansions in Newport, employees back in the city were working 12 hours a day, six days a week, in exchange for meager wages and poor working conditions.

On the morning of March 25, 400 employees entered the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory, most of whom were teenage girls from poor Italian and Jewish immigrant families of the Lower East Side. A small

waste bin fire ignited the unclean and cramped sewing stations of the eighth floor. The workers, who spoke almost no English, clamored to the exits, finding the stairwells locked and elevators out of order. Some employees resolved to jump out the windows, only to fall to their deaths, as the firefighting nets were not strong enough to save them. In the span of a half-hour, more than one-third of the workers were dead, with the youngest victim being barely 14 years old.

Days later, a march of 80,000 New Yorkers was organized to honor the lives lost and protest the atrocities committed by the factory owners. Grieving immigrant families marched uptown to make it known that they were part of America too and thus deserved the rights guaranteed to them. Though the company owners were charged for manslaughter, they were acquitted and carried on with business as usual.

While this event was a horrible tragedy, it exposed the injustices committed against the working class, igniting the American labor reform movement. The years and decades to follow would see the implementation of fire and safety standards, a minimum working age, maximum working hours and the minimum wage, all of which aimed to aid the plight of the working family and ensure a disaster like the Triangle fire would never happen again.

On March 21, 1965, 57 years ago, Martin Luther King Jr. led 3,200 civil rights demonstrators on the historic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

Alabama was a hot bed in the fight of civil rights, dominated by a pro-segregation governor who infamously said, "Segregation today,

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segregation to-morrow and segregation forever."

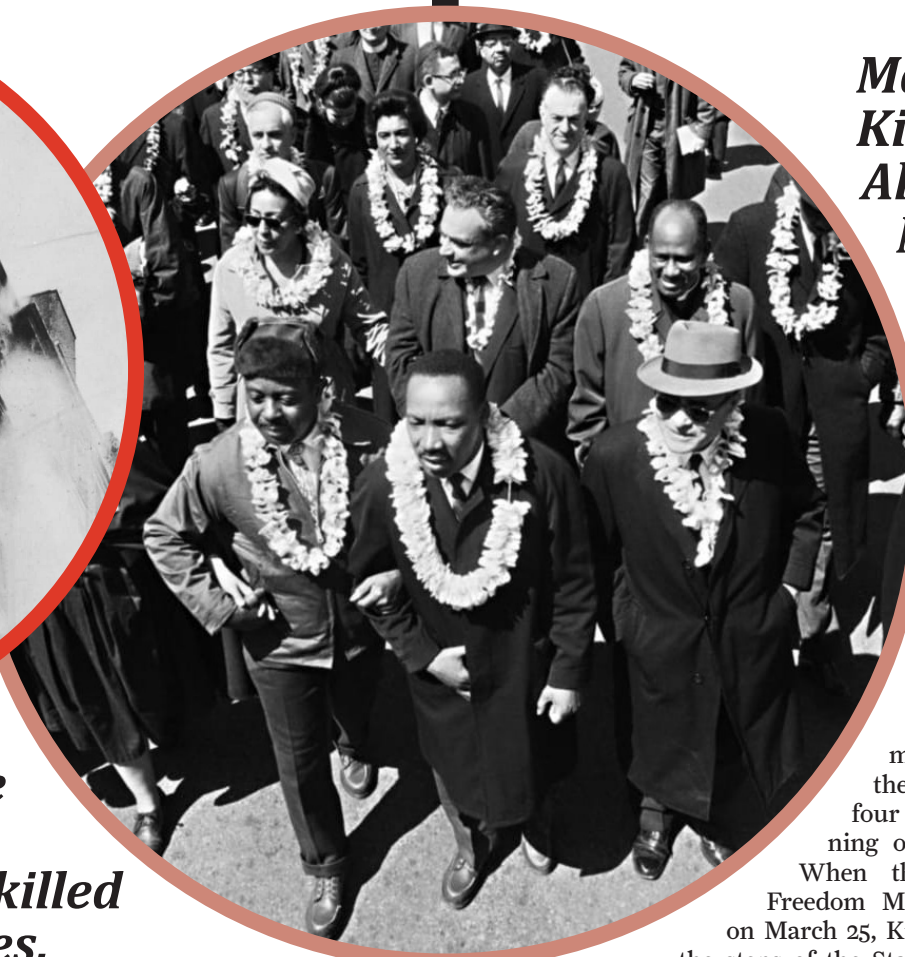
King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference sought to peacefully march 54 miles on foot from the small town of Selma to the state's capital city in the name of equal voting rights. In Dallas County, Alabama in particular, African Americans made up half of the population, yet only made up two percent of the county's registered voters.

The state police, however, was ordered to stop the march at all costs, and they viciously attacked the marchers at Selma's Edmund Pettus Bridge, named after the

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire killed 146 employees.

former Confederate general and grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan. "Bloody Sunday" on March 7, 1965 saw teargas, clubs and dogs unleashed on 600 marchers as white supremacists waving Confederate flags cheered on the violence.

While such tactics were unfortunately commonplace in the Jim Crow South, on "Bloody Sunday"



Martin Luther King Jr. led the Alabama Freedom March from Selma to Montgomery.

FBI agents and the federalized Alabama National Guardsmen to safely escort the marchers over the course of four days, beginning on March 21.

When the Alabama Freedom March arrived on March 25, King spoke on the steps of the State Capitol in front of thousands of protesters in person and thousands more over television at home.

Public opinion shifted and the Voting Rights Act was signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson in August of the same year.

Wow, that was a lot! Have a great week and stay tuned for another exciting deep dive into the vast world of history next Tuesday.

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Photo of the Day | Le Ferris Wheel's Day Off



The La Grande roue de Montreal in Quebec on a beautiful spring day on March 17, 2022. PHOTO BY ANDREW KOTAIT, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Women's March Madness first weekend — parity is here to stay

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It has arrived. After being known as a sport primed for predictability and a lack of upsets, this year's March Madness has been nothing short of exciting. Upset after upset has kept viewers on the edge of their seats in a way that has not been the case in previous years. The national championship is up for grabs like never before. Even before the tournament started, crazy things happened. South Carolina lost to two unranked teams and UConn lost to three such teams. Let's take a look at a few highlights and headlines from this weekend's slate.

CRAZINESS IN CREIGHTON

The first team to make it to the Sweet 16 was supposed to be Iowa, according to 88% of brackets in ESPN. The team led by national player of the year favorite Caitlin Clark was a hot pick to at least make it to the second weekend, and maybe sneak into the Final Four. Playing on their home floor, who wouldn't pick them to advance? Instead of waltzing to the Sweet 16, they were surprised by Creighton, a team that finished third in the Big East. Creighton's star player for the game was Lauren Jensen, who hit a last-minute triple to take the lead and ice the game. She finished the contest with 19 points and seven boards, proving that the Big East is for real with the big win over No. 2 seed Iowa.

FGCU SURPRISES

Even though they got bounced by Maryland in the second round, Florida Gulf Coast still proved to everyone that they meant business and were massively underseeded by the committee. Going into the tournament, the

Eagles were ranked No. 23 by the AP, which should equate to a No. 6 seed. Instead, the committee made them a No. 12 seed, forcing them to play No. 5 seed Virginia Tech. In a tight game, FGCU pulled out victorious with the "upset," thanks to Kendall Spray's 3-point barrage. Regardless of the fact that they were de-

molished by Maryland just two days later, they still showed up big and proved the committee wrong.

SOUTH DAKOTA ADVANCES

Who would have thought that two No. 2 seeds would have lost in the Round of 32? Further, who

would have expected that South Dakota, a team without any votes in the AP poll would be the one to make that happen in their win over Baylor? It shouldn't come as a major surprise—despite competing in a far inferior conference to the Big 12, they still did have a better record than the Bears on the year. In a well-rounded team ef-

fort, Hannah Sjerven led the way with 16 points, four rebounds and four steals, as they staved off a series of late Baylor runs in their 14 point win.

PRINCETON IMPRESSES

Regardless of the round of 32 result, Princeton showed the nation that they deserve to be on the big stage, similar to FGCU. The Tigers have had just four losses all year and finished the season ranked No. 25 with nice wins over FGCU and thrice against Columbia, yet were still picked as a No. 11 seed by the committee. They showed out against No. 6 seed Kentucky, a team that finished with 10 straight wins, including one over top seed South Carolina, to win the SEC. Princeton commanded the game, keeping the Wildcats just at arm's reach for the whole time in their seven point win. The Tigers have two ESPN Hoopgurlz top 50 players coming in, which should provide a considerable boost as they look to three-peat in the Ivies.

VILLANOVA GRABS THE UPSET

After getting blown out of the water against UConn in the Big East tournament, Maddie Siegrist's No. 11 seed Villanova squad did the Big East another solid by beating No. 6 seed BYU by four. Despite trailing at halftime, the Wildcats kept fighting, thanks to a monster effort by Siegrist, who scored 25 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished out three assists. Regardless of anything else, the Big East, a conference that many were doubting, has proved that they belong. And, it's only getting better, with their improved recruiting coming in next year, but we'll just have to wait and see. For now, we can watch them play and see them go as far as they can.



South Dakota center Hannah Sjerven after hitting a three-pointer during the first half of a college basketball game against Baylor in the second round of the NCAA tournament in Waco, Texas, March 20, 2022.

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Spin Cycle: Early reactions from MLB Spring Training

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On March 10, Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association agreed to terms on a new Collective Bargaining Agreement, effectively ending what had been a 99-day lockout and ensuring that there will be a full 162-game regular season in 2022. With the coming of a new season, MLB and its players have undergone a quick turnaround to get Spring Training underway and start the regular season on time. While teams are getting back into the flow of the new season, fans have had their first chance to catch up on their favorite teams for the first time since December. Here are some of the biggest stories to develop since Spring Training began just over a week ago:

New contract structure shaping free agency

On Saturday, star shortstop Carlos Correa, one of the more coveted free agents in this year's free agency class, agreed to terms on a three-year, \$105 million deal with the Minnesota Twins that includes opt-outs after the first season and the second season. Similarly, last offseason, starting pitcher Trevor Bauer signed a three-year, \$102 million contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers that also includes opt-outs after the first two seasons. As each offseason progresses and we see more of these types of deals that include many opt-outs over fewer seasons, it becomes more clear that MLB free agents are taking a new approach to the deals that they sign. Not long ago, we saw players be more attracted to contracts that covered a longer number of years, ensuring that that player is on the books for a decent payday in exchange for what may be less average money per season. Now, players are turning to contracts that pay more average money per season,

after which they can opt-out of that contract to become a free agent again, where more money could potentially be made if teams are willing to pay.

"I don't know. I guess that's what they're doing now," Boston Red Sox shortstop Xander Bogaerts said of shorter-term deals with higher annual salaries. "I don't have any answer as to why they're doing that. I don't work in the front office. I just play on the field. I have no answer for that at all."

Bogaerts is another player that could potentially benefit from this new contract structure, as he has the option to opt-out of his current deal with Boston and test free agency this upcoming offseason. Fellow Red Sox J.D. Martinez even joked about the new deals with more annual money over a shorter period, indicating that "Xander is going to be rich."

As more teams hand out similar contracts to star players, it'll be interesting to see how front office executives handle salaries and structure their rosters. We'll also surely see records broken over the next several seasons over who becomes the highest-paid player in Major League Baseball on an annual basis, as Bauer's deal last offseason crowned him MLB's highest earner only for Correa to take home a hefty payday this offseason.

Late trades making headlines

Whereas most trade activity takes place during the winter when there is no baseball activity in sight, MLB's work stoppage put a pause on teams acquiring new players. Only now that a new CBA has been agreed to, can teams engage in trade talk. And, as a result, we've seen some big names change teams as players

but certain that former Braves' first baseman Freddie Freeman would be departing the team that drafted him back in 2007. Olson had a career season in 2021, batting .271 with 39 home runs and 111 runs batted in to go with a .371 on-base percentage, all of which formed new career-highs. Atlanta hopes that Olson will become a primary contributor at the heart of their lineup as they attempt to defend their 2021 World Series title.

The Seattle Mariners bolstered their lineup when they acquired 2021 All-Star outfielder Jesse Winker and 2018 All-Star third baseman Eugenio Suárez from the Cincinnati Reds. After a falling just short of the playoffs last season, Seattle shows that they are going all-in by adding Winker, who set career-highs in every major statistical offensive category last season. They are also adding Suárez, who is coming off of consecutive disappointing seasons but has the opportunity to earn an everyday role at third base after the retirement of Kyle Seager.

The Toronto Blue Jays are another team that fell just short of the playoffs last season. The Toronto Blue Jays have bolstered their already-strong lineup by acquiring third baseman Matt Chapman from the Oakland Athletics in exchange for minor league prospects. Chapman is

another former All-Star that is coming off a disappointing season for his standards, but his bat is still a threat and will provide protection around Toronto's offensive standards. However, it's his defense that separates Chapman from the rest of the pack, and he'll look to continue to provide Gold Glove-caliber highlights for the Blue Jays over at the hot corner.

The New York Yankees have been involved in a couple of trades this offseason, first acquiring Josh Donaldson and Isiah Kiner-Falefa from the Minnesota Twins in exchange for Gary Sanchez and Gio Urshela, and then later sending Luke Voit to the San Diego Padres for a minor league pitcher. Initial reactions from Yankees fans seem to be disappointed in the acquisition of Donaldson, who is 36 years old and is owed \$21 million over the course of this upcoming season. On the other hand, Kiner-Falefa is a great addition to a subpar New York defense but has never been known for having a big bat. Most fans aren't happy to see the departure of Urshela, a player that has provided both steady offense and defense for the Yanks over the last few seasons. Voit lost his roster spot in New York after an injury-plagued 2021 season and never quite rebounded. He'll have the opportunity to reestablish himself as a premier power threat for the playoff-hopeful Padres.

Ever since the MLB work stoppage has ended, players and front office executives have had the difficulty of preparing for the upcoming season while also trying to make last-minute moves to improve their team's roster. As a result, this offseason has been like no other in the sense that we're seeing new trends when it comes to free agency contracts and players are being moved during Spring Training more than ever before. Even with all of the confusion of the lockout, it's refreshing to finally say that baseball is back and in a big way, with much anticipation building up for the upcoming season.

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Photo of the Day | UConn puts UCF in a full Nelson (Ododa)



UConn women's basketball players Olivia Nelson-Ododa (20) and Paige Bueckers (5) against the UCF Knights in the second round of the 2022 NCAA Division 1 tournament on March 21. PHOTO BY ERIN KNAPP, ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

Baseball: Hook C wins series over UC San Diego to close out Cali trip

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UConn Baseball may have come up short Monday evening, but the Huskies had already won the series against the University of California San Diego the day before. Hook C came up on top by just one run on both Saturday and Sunday nights, but the Tritons had the last laugh on Monday with their close win.

The series opened on Saturday night at Triton Ballpark, where the Huskies were able to come out on top to kick off the weekend strong. There was some initial Hook C scoring action, but the majority of the contributions to the win came at the end of the game for a sounding finish.

The first inning was a slow start for UConn as the Huskies were not able to score because UCSD made a few plays for a one-run lead with pitches coming for the Tritons from Austin Peterson. However, David Smith sent a homerun, bringing in Matt Donlan who was already on base to get the run back plus an extra one for a 2-1 lead.

After that, it was mainly UConn's game, holding the lead for the remainder of the innings, with the exception of the bottom of the second inning where UCSD tied. Smith, his bat still hot, was determined to break the tie and officially put the Huskies in the lead for good. He hit another homerun out

to right field at the top of the fifth to make it 3-2.

"He's certainly capable of doing that," Penders said on Smith's at-bat success. "It was good to see him get his first one."

From the benefit of UCSD's defensive errors, Ben Huber made it home for another run. In the midst of the Tritons passing the ball around the diamond, Casey Dana made some base moves but wasn't able to run in.

UCSD quickly tried to make up for the given runs with another one of their own to trail at 4-3 by the end of the sixth inning. This time, it was the Huskies who were slower on the defensive side, allowing a Triton to come home off of another's double.

Yet again, UConn answered with two homeruns. The first big hit came off of the bat of Dana, which brought Huber in on the hit as well to score two runs. The heat still steaming at the plate, T.C. Simmons scored another tally for the Hook C for a four-run lead on the Tritons.

There were still two more innings to be played and runs to be added.

Off of just a single hit, UCSD lessened UConn's lead with two runners looping the bases for a 7-5 game. Coach Penders has said before how important it is to limit the baserunners, as they all can end up adding scores against UConn. This was an example, where the crowd of Tritons on base proved to be slightly problematic and

scored twice with just one, seemingly insignificant hit.

Dana, still not finished with his bat swings, came out in the ninth to keep the Huskies afloat. Off of a fly ball, Zach Bushling added an insurance run to the score and brought UConn's runs up to eight on the night.

The Tritons, desperately looking to overcome the Huskies, came very close to doing so at the bottom of the final inning. With a series of walks, it looked as if UCSD was going to simply walk off with the win, but UConn's closer Garrett Coe was clutch to win the game for the Huskies.

In a much less drawn-out drama, UConn won Sunday's game but it was still quite a close one. Pat Gallagher was credited with the win, holding the Tritons off for most of Sunday night's contest. Gallagher only allowed two runs against UConn in 5.2 innings he pitched.

The Hook C saw all of its offensive moves in the third inning, with Dana scoring another homerun, bringing in Huber and Bushling as well for a 3-0 lead. Despite Dana's strong efforts for the second night, Penders expected more from the rest of the team.

"We did not have good at-bats for the most part," the coach said. "We swung at more balls today than we have in however many games we've played and it was like an epidemic; certainly, in the back half of the order."

UCSD didn't capitalize on UConn's lack of hits or runs, as the Tritons

only had two scores on the night for a 3-2 game. Similar to Saturday, these came from just a single and a fly ball with enough Tritons on base to make it home for two. Proud to only hold the Tritons to a couple of visits home, Penders credited Cole Chudoba, who pitched a career-high three scoreless innings.

"He looked great. His stuff looked really good, he had confidence to him; really got onto some of their guys, too. It seemed to have a little extra giddy-up with Cole on the mound," Penders said on Chudoba's performance on Sunday. "He really set a tone. He was throwing strikes, coming right at their guys and he did a great job so I was really happy for him."

Winning on Sunday makes UConn tied for the most road wins in the U.S., racking up 12 so far this season in the team's travels as well as winning the series over UCSD. However, Penders and the Hook C weren't completely satisfied with what they've accomplished over the weekend, focusing on Monday's game to define the California set of games.

"It can be a good trip or a great trip, and that really hinges on tomorrow," Penders said on Sunday ahead of the final game of the series. "You finish off a good ball club here at UCSD and then it becomes a great trip. If we stub our toe, it's just a good trip. We've got to want greatness in this program, you don't just want to be good; you want to be great."

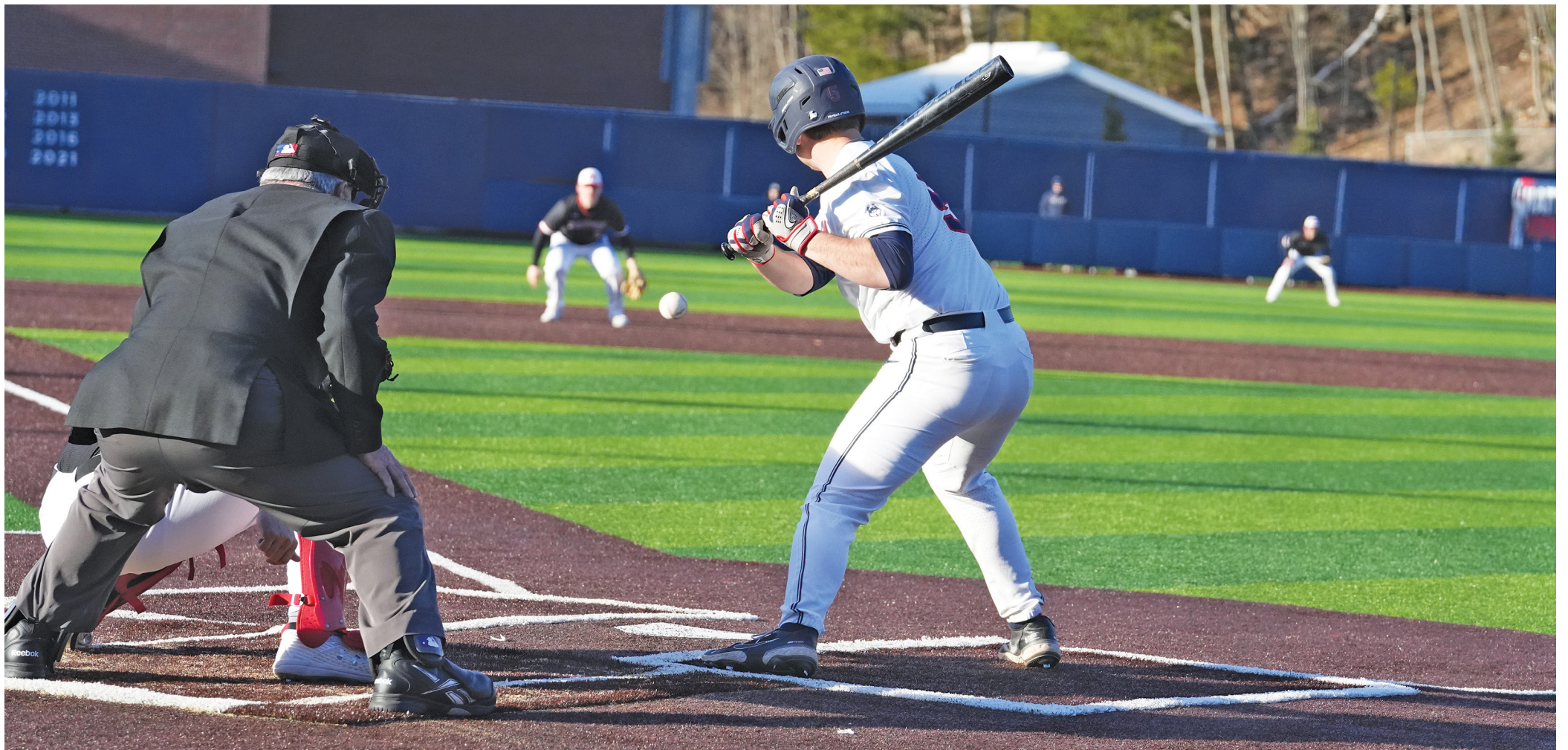
It was UCSD who was the great team on Monday, winning 8-7 over UConn to take the last game of the series. All weekend, each game was tight but the Tritons were able to get one after taking the losses the past two nights.

With three runs at the bottom of the second, UCSD took an early lead and held onto it steadily. At the top of the third, Erik Stock's ground ball brought Corey Morton home to get the Huskies on the board. However, UCSD would follow up with a home run to make it 4-1 to head into the fifth inning.

The fifth inning was huge for the Huskies, and their bats were making a serious comeback. Off of a Zach Bushling single, both Bryan Padilla and David Smith came home for two runs. Then, it was Bushling's turn to make it to home plate with Stock's triple. To finish it off, Casey Dana had yet another home run, making it a great weekend for him and putting the Huskies in the lead.

Defense was a struggle this entire series for the Hook C, and it was ultimately a tight game from the Tritons getting guys on base and small hits to give them some big runs to win the game. Matt Donlan hit a home run in the eighth which tied the game at that point, 7-7, but UCSD would eventually score another to sneak by.

After this series, the Huskies are 14-4 on the season while the Tritons are 7-12. UConn returns to Elliot Ballpark on Wed., March 23 to play Bryant University.



UConn baseball beats the University of Hartford 8 runs to 3 in Storrs, Conn. March 8 was UConn's home opening day, and the team started off strong, bringing their record to 9-1.

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WLAX: UConn travels to Albany to take on Great Danes

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Can a road matchup cool down the red hot No. 22 University of Connecticut?

That's the question ahead of a Tuesday afternoon matchup that will see the Huskies travel to New York's capital city to take on the University of Albany in their final non-conference road matchup of the season.

UConn is not a team that the Great Danes are looking to face, especially with two losses to ranked opponents this season and an overall 2-4 record on the season. They're looking to turn their season around and a win against a surging UConn lineup would certainly be a huge boost to the team.

On the positive side, they're coming off a win at Canisius, where they put up 13 points in the first half and held the Golden Griffins to 0 points in the first quarter. That game also saw Sarah Falk lead the team with five goals and an assist. She's been a force on the scoring end for the Great Danes this year where she's provided quality scoring, especially on Feb. 26 where she scored seven goals in a loss at Yale. She's also the leading scorer for this Great Danes squad.

Then, there's Katie Pascale, the reigning American East Rookie of the Year. She brings selflessness to the team with 14 assists along with some quality scoring with 16 points. Pascale leads the team in points and scored four goals in their last matchup against Canisius. Look for the sophomore to be attacking UConn's defense at every moment on Tuesday.

Despite the impressive offense that the Great Danes bring to the table, it's going to be pretty hard to stop a UConn team that just reentered IWLCA poll last

week and sits at No. 22 before Tuesday's matchup. A big part of that has been due to their killer defense in the second half, and the team will look for that same effort on Tuesday. The team has held opponents to an average of

five points in the second half this season.

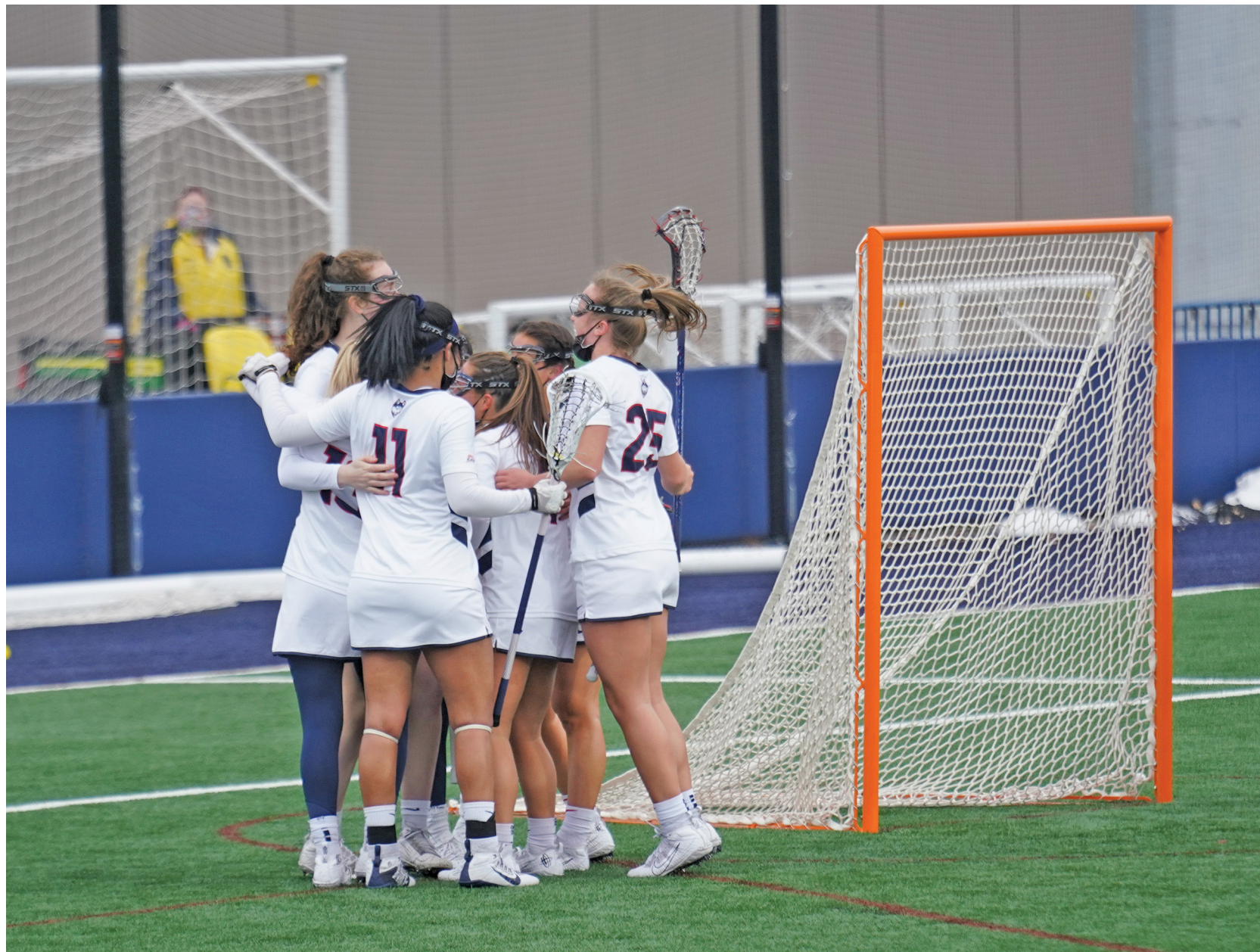
The Huskies have had plenty of defensive leaders across their lineup, but you can't talk about defense without referring to Landyn White. She leads the Big East in

saves and has played a huge part in UConn's lockdown defense this season. The Huskies remain in second place in the Big East in saves.

UConn is also second in the Big East in ground balls and draw controls. While White

has been a big part in the team's high ranking in the Big East in ground balls, Sydney Watson has grabbed plenty of draw controls, averaging 8.71 per game.

The Huskies will face the Great Danes at 3 p.m.



UConn defeats UNH with a final score of 19-3. Senior midfielder Sydney Watson (11) led the team with five goals.

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Big East Baller Update No. 19: The opening weekend, the best weekend

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The first and second round games are played for a reason. College basketball fans witnessed firsthand some of the shocking upsets that came down from No. 15 St. Peter's going to the Sweet 16 to both second-seeded Auburn and top-seeded Baylor losing in the second round.

How did the Big East do during the opening weekend? Did two teams make it to the Sweet 16 like last year? Were any of them upset?

Writer's Note: I don't know what's more hectic right now. The NFL offseason or March Madness?

Providence 66, South Dakota St. 57 (March 17): Wabbit Season

The Jackrabbits entered with a 21-game winning streak while Providence needed to recover from their embarrassing loss to Creighton in the Big East Tournament. It made perfect sense that these guys played the open-

ing nine minutes without stopping. Providence led by 14 in the second half, but the Jackrabbits rallied to make it a 3-point game. The upset was not meant to be as Jared Bynum drew a 3-point foul with 29 seconds left and the Friars captured the Rabbit's foot to add to their lucky pile.

UNC 95, Marquette 63 (March 17): 1977

These two schools are no strangers to each other. They met in 1977 for the national title and most recently in an impromptu battle last season, Marquette's only victories in this series all-time. Marquette led 8-7 in the first half but never witnessed the lead again as UNC outscored them 88-55 the rest of the contest. Both Caleb Love and Brady Manek collected over 20 points and Armando Bacot got a double-double as UNC controlled the contest, shooting 45.9% from the field and outrebounding Marquette 52-37.

Creighton 72, San Diego St. 69 (March 17): New Kids on the Flock

San Diego State led by 14 in the first half, looking to prove that experi-

ence matters in the postseason before Creighton sequentially dipped into the lead with their own veterans. With their season on the line, the Blue Jays went on a 9-0 run late in regulation to force overtime. Even with Ryan Kalkbrenner injuring his knee in the overtime period, Creighton scored the last six points of the game. For the second consecutive season, unsung heroes ended a California team's dream of beating Creighton in the first round.

New Mexico State 70, UConn 63 (March 17): Terry Allen did what?

The less I say about this game, the better. Our Sports Editor, Jon, explains it better.

Check it out online at thedailycampus.com if you're interested.

Villanova 80, Delaware 60 (March 18): A little bit of chicken fried

Villanova trailed 15-8 and struggled out of the gate. Then the Wildcats realized it was a Friday night, cracked open an ice-cold water, put on some jeans, turned up the radio and cooked Delaware 72-45 the rest of the way. Blocks

by Brandon Slater and Jermaine Samuels mattered, but Justin Moore scoring 21 points on 7-13 shooting and Samuels adding 15 points contributed to the offensive cookout the most.

TCU 69, Seton Hall 42 (March 18): Leapfrogged

Seton Hall had not won a tournament game since 2018, TCU had not won since 1987. It was close in the beginning, but thanks to a 10-0 run in the first half and a 9-0 run to close out the game, TCU dusted the Pirates as Head Coach Jamie Dixon led his second program (the other being Pittsburgh) to the second round. Seton Hall shot poorly, shooting 28.8% from the field, 6-21 from beyond the arc and 6-11 from the charity stripe. To make matters worse, Seton Hall Head Coach Kevin Willard left for the Maryland Terrapins after 12 seasons.

Kansas 79, Creighton 72 (March 19): Birdhouse Rock

Down two Ryans and playing all nine healthy players, everyone expected Kansas to wipe the floor with the Blue Jays. We may all need to con-

sider Greg McDermott as a National Coach of the Year candidate because Creighton trailed by one point at halftime. Kansas created separation toward the end at the free throw line and on a breakaway dunk by Ochai Agbaji to avoid a potential upset and the publication of another feel-good story about birds. Whenever the next AP poll is released, Creighton should 100% be in it.

Providence 79, Richmond 51 (March 19): Spider-Slammed

Providence loves close games and luck, but didn't need to worry about either of them. The fourth-seeded Friars stomped all over the No. 12 Spiders, scoring 10 of the first 12 points and never looking back. Providence's offense dictated the entire game and washed Richmond out of the drain as they shot 51.9% from the field and 54.5% from long range while the Spiders shot 1-22 from downtown. Providence's fortuitous season continues, and it could be enough to make their second ever trip to the Final Four.

Villanova 71, Ohio State 61 (March 20): Buckeye Buckaroo

Villanova wanted sweet revenge after losing to Ohio State by 25 points in 2019. Villanova was up 11 at the break and expanded that lead to 15 before the Buckeyes cut the deficit to two. Fending off the upset-minded Buckeyes, Eric Dixon nailed a dagger of a three-pointer to help the Wildcats make their fourth Sweet 16 in six years. Collin Gillespie was a problem with 20 points, but Dixon was just as dangerous as he went 2-2 from downtown for 13 points. Is another title run in the cards for the Wildcats?

For the second consecutive season, the top two teams in the conference made it to the Sweet 16. Villanova plays Michigan in a 2018 National Championship rematch in San Antonio while Providence draws Kansas for the first time in Chicago. Meanwhile Xavier, who may get referenced in next week's edition, hosts Vanderbilt in the NIT quarterfinals Tuesday for a trip to Madison Square Garden. The Big Ten might not be completely overrated, but the Big East remains legitimate and dangerous.



Villanova's Collin Gillespie (2) tries to get the ball past Ohio State's Jamari Wheeler (55) during the first half of a college basketball game in the second round of the NCAA tournament, Sunday, March 20, 2022, in Pittsburgh.

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Huskies defeat UCF 52-47 in March Madness Round 2

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UConn forward Azzi Fudd in the Huskies' round-of-32 victory over the UCF Knights, March 21, 2022. Fudd led the team in points with 16, followed by Christyn Williams, pictured in the background on the left, who had 12.


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