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#### SQUARE PEG PIZZERIA IN DOWNTOWN STORRS OPENS OVER WEEKEND

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Square Peg Pizzeria opened to the public on Oct. 7, 2023. The pizzeria opened in the space that was once occupied by Geno's Grille, which vacated the spot in 2020 in the wake of the pandemic. The opening marks the first of many that will occur over the next few months, with Playa Bowls also filling a storefront vacated during COVID-19.

Shannon Cerruto, the Creative Marketing Director for Square Peg Pizzeria and president of Salt Media, spoke with The Daily Campus about the launch of the restaurant and how it was received by the community. Cerruto said that this weekend's opening was a soft opening, and that a grand opening is planned for the near future.

"Our opening was very successful! We loved having the UConn Huskies swing by to try our pizza and to enjoy our DJ for late night!" Cerruto said via email. "We are currently in a soft opening phase but in a few weeks, we will have our grand opening with 1,000 pizzas free giveaway!"

When asked how the community has responded thus far to the new restaurant, Cerruto said that there has been positive engagement and feedback so far, with the Storrs community posing some specific advantages and opportunities as opposed to other communities.

The community's response has been nothing but fantastic thus far! The students, faculty, and Storrs community have been warm and welcoming to us!" Cerruto said. "The location in Storrs has a very fun, young and energetic atmosphere! We will enjoy watching sports games, having parents, friends and families visit us on campus,



Square Peg Pizzeria opens a new location in Downtown Storrs. The restaurant offers stone-fired pizzas, italian dishes, and cocktails. PHOTO BY EMILY O'BANNON, ASSOCIATE MANAGING EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

and being part of every chang-

ing and evolving community!"
When asked about any specific interactions the restaurant has had with the university community, Cerruto reiterated the positive response the restaurant has been getting from UConn students and the general desire for new dining options on campus.

"It's been amazing! Everyone is eager to have a new restaurant open on campus, people have been extremely excited and open to having us on campus!" Cerruto said.

Square Peg Pizzeria's Storrs location is the eighth location in Connecticut. Other locations include Glastonbury, and Vernon. menu includes a variety of pizza options but also offers salads and sandwiches.

The restaurant chain was founded in 2019 in Glastonbury with a focus on pizza, traditional Italian fare and the added element of coinoperated arcade games. The original location was opened by chef Tyler Anderson, who has opened other restaurants in Connecticut including Millwright's in Simsbury and Taque in West Hartford, according to the Hartford Courant.

"We will enjoy watching sports games, having parents, friends and families visit us on campus and being a part of every changing and evolving community!"

**SHANNON CERRUTO** 



UConn's downtown area on a rainy sunday night in Storrs, Conn. on Sept. 24, 2023. Downtown has been the home of huskies' favorite places since 2012. PHOTO BY SIHAM NEDLOUSSI, POSITION/THE DAILY CAMPUS

#### University of Connecticut students frustrated with limited laundry room equipment and space



by Lillibeth Moreno **CAMPUS CORRESPONDENT** 

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Beginning the second week of the fall 2023 semester, a number of broken washers and dryers led students to crowd the laundry rooms of the residential buildings on the University of Connecticut Storrs campus.

There are 240 washers and 300 dryers on a campus housing nearly 12,000 students, according to UConn Today. Residents feel that there aren't enough effective washing or drying machines in the residential buildings and that laundry room expansion is needed.

First-semester political science major Ryan Samuel-Mc-Grath, a resident of Lester E. Shippee Residence Hall, said there are only four washers and six dryers in their laundry room, most of which break down often. This leads to a lot of frustration among students as they have to wait for a chance to clean their clothes.

"Even if just one machine breaks, it can take hours or even days to get an open washing machine," said Samuel-McGrath.

Students believe that with a school as grand as UConn, the funding should go toward more laundry machines and space. Some even think that money from their tuition should be used to cover the cost of this expansion.

"It's outrageous that our tuition is so high and continues to go up each year when all of the washing machines and dryers don't even work half the time," said first-semester student Allie Wester, a current resident of John Buckley Residence Hall. She feels that UConn should utilize the money students are paying to attend the university as a way to make up for the time and effort it takes to do laundry with limited machinery.

According to a student worker at UConn's Department of Residential Life, "UConn definitely has it in their budget to expand the laundry rooms, but if they don't deem it necessary, then they won't. They are most likely trying to save money for funding other things, like

events, for the school." In addition to the student perspective, all of the laundry rooms have been in their current state for the 13 years that Nathan R. Bedard Sr., manager of interior renewals and advocate for UConn Facilities Operations, has been working for the university. He said that the number of machines in each residential building is determined by how much the

physical space can hold and if the space can hold the amount of air vented out of the dryers, then out of the building and eventually back into the space.

According to Bedard, the cost of a laundry room expansion would be dependent on the space and how much air and machines it can hold. From the Facilities Operations perspective, UConn can use their funds to purchase new machines to replace ineffective ones, yet they are stagnant toward the idea of expanding laundry rooms due to the make-up air from the dryers.

Even buildings that have a large number of washers and

dryers face complaints. First-semester student Alondra Gonzalez, who lives in Peter J. Werth Residence Tower, the newest residential building on campus, says laundry rooms should be expanded "because there is no set time for certain people to use the washers and dryers and people take advantage of that." She thinks that there needs to be a better laundry system so that chaos doesn't arise. She also believes that rules need to be established to prevent people from taking others' clothes out of the machines, as this is a common issue within all of the residential buildings as well.

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#### **News**

## Biden's second try at student loan cancellation moves forward with debate over the plan's details

(AP) — President Joe Biden's second attempt at student loan cancellation moved forward Tuesday with a first round of negotiations to help guide the administration to a new plan.

The Biden administration vowed to try again after the Supreme Court rejected an earlier plan in June. In opening remarks at Tuesday's hearing, Under Secretary of Education James Kvaal said the debt crisis threatens to undercut the promise of higher education.

"Student loan debt in this country has grown so large that it siphons off the benefits of college for many students," Kvaal said in prepared remarks. "Some loans made to young adults stretch into retirement with no hope of being repaid. These debt burdens are shared by families and communities."

Biden directed the Education Department to find another path to loan relief after conservatives on the high court ruled that he couldn't cancel loans using a 2003 law called the HEROES Act.

The latest attempt will rest on a sweeping law known as the Higher Education Act, which gives the education secretary authority to waive student loans, although how far that power extends is the subject of legal debate.

The Education Department hopes to settle the dispute by adding federal rules that clarify when the secretary can waive student loans. To change those rules, however, the department is required to assemble a committee of outside negotiators to help hash out details.

The first day of negotiations, held virtually, lasted more than five hours but appeared to bring the department no closer to clarity. Much of the discussion centered on the shortcomings of existing student loan cancellation pro-

grams or problems caused by student loan interest.

Department officials repeatedly intervened to say those problems don't fall under the scope of the current process.

The negotiators all come from outside the federal government and represent a range of viewpoints on student loans. The panel includes students and officials from a range of colleges, along with loan servicers, state officials and advocates including the NAACP.

It's unclear who will be eligible for forgiveness under the new plan and how much relief they would get. Those details will be decided after the administration takes input from the negotiators, who meet in a series of sessions scheduled to continue into December.

Responding to suggestions from the panel, administration officials said they aren't considering blanket cancellation.

"We are not looking at a broad-based debt cancellation where we are going to wipe off debt in its entirety. We are looking at individual ways that the secretary can exercise the authority to grant waivers," said Tamy Abernathy, who leads a policy group in the department.

She later clarified that the department's next proposal "could cancel some borrowers' debt completely, but it could not cancel all borrowers debt completely."

At the end of the process, negotiators will vote on a proposed rule drafted with input from their discussions. If they reach consensus on a proposal, the department will move forward with it. If they don't, the agency will propose its own plan, which can be finalized after a public comment period.

The Education Department routinely uses negotiated rulemaking to enact federal regu-



President Joe Biden speaks on student loan debt forgiveness on Oct. 4, 2023 in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington, D.C. Biden's second attempt at student loan cancellation is moving forward as a group of negotiators meets Oct. 10 to debate what a new proposal might look like.

PHOTOGRAPH BY EVAN VUCCI/AP

lation, and it's required for any regulation related to student financial aid. It can be a long and painstaking process, and it often finishes without consensus among negotiators.

#### "My administration is doing everything it can to deliver student debt relief."

PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN

Biden has called for a new plan to help "as many borrowers as possible," but it's unclear whether it will be as expansive as his first proposal. That plan would have canceled up to \$20,000 in federal student loans for borrowers with incomes below \$125,000 or couples below \$250,000.

Republicans rallied against the cancellation, saying it would add an unfair benefit for college graduates at the expense of millions of taxpayers who didn't attend college. In 2022, about 47% of Americans age 25 or older had at least an associate degree, along with 15% who went to college but had no degree, according to the Census Bureau.

The administration plans to finalize the new rule sometime next year, but Education Secretary Miguel Cardona has declined to say if it will be in place before next fall's presidential election. In a recent interview with The Associated Press, he said he's working "as quickly as possible."

He also noted that the court's ruling "will have to factor in to the steps we take moving forward."

Some legal analysts see the court's decision as a rejection of any mass cancellation without action from Congress. The court concluded that the education secretary has power "to make modest adjustments and additions to existing provisions, not transform them."

As a starting point for negotiators, the Education Department published an issue paper outlining some of the primary questions that will be up for debate. It offers few clues on the department's vision for loan cancellation, but it identifies five groups of borrowers who may be in need of relief.

Negotiators are being asked how the agency should help:

Borrowers whose interest grows so much that their balances exceed what they initially owed;

 Those who are eligible for loan cancellation under existing income-driven repayment plans but have not applied for those programs;

 Those who borrowed loans to attend college programs that didn't lead to jobs with enough earnings to repay their loans;

— Borrowers with older loans taken out before Congress created benefits meant to ease the burden of student debt;

— Those who face hardships "that the current student loan system does not adequately address."

It also asks negotiators to discuss the types of factors that would merit loan cancellation. The paper notes that, when deciding whether to collect on debt, some other federal agencies consider whether it "would be against equity and good conscience," or if it would "impose financial hardship."

At a White House briefing last week, Biden drew attention to the problem of ballooning interest. Many college graduates have been making payments for years, he said, "but because of interest, they still owe more than they originally borrowed."

"My administration is doing everything it can to deliver student debt relief to as many as we can, as fast as we can," Biden said.

The negotiators will meet virtually for two-day sessions on Nov. 6 and Dec. 11.



The White House, where Joe Biden resides, is located in Washington, D.C. Biden's second attempt at student loan cancellation moved forward on Tuesday, Oct. 10. PHOTO COURTESY OF UNSPLASH

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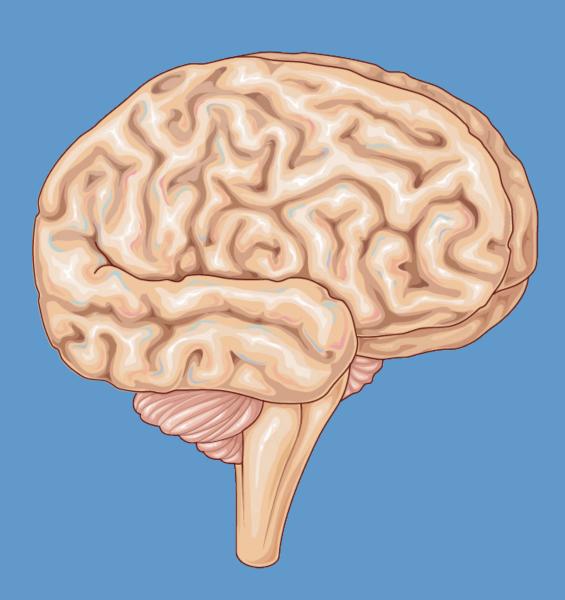
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#### Life

## DEEDER LEARNING

# WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO DO IT



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ave you e v e r bombed an exam even thours staring at textbooks and praying to whatever god will listen to allow you to pass? Yeah, we've all been there. Luckily, the Academic Achievement Center helps students find better strategies for studying and understanding their course material to help with that dilemma.

On Monday, Oct. 9 the AAC hosted a workshop called "Strategies for Deeper Learning." Henry Wen, an eighth-semester psychology major minoring in human development and family sciences, and Margaret Luo, a physiology and neurobiology major minoring in materials science and engineering, are both coaches of the AAC at the Storrs campus. They began their workshop by asking students to guess the average number of sign-ins that the AAC receives in an academic year. Shockingly, the number amounts to over 15,000 students who utilize the resources the AAC provides.

Wen wanted the audience to understand that "there is no right or wrong answer for what is a good study strategy, but some are certainly more effective than others." The AAC defines the least effective study strategies as highlighting, mnemonic devices and rereading. The most effective studying strategies are teaching others, using practice tests or problems and studying over a long period of time.

Wen and Luo broke down learning into six categories. The first is remembering, which includes keywords such as "list", "receive", "recall", "identify" and "trivia knowledge". This is based around general knowledge that you might have learned but don't have a deeper understanding of quite yet. An example is being able to recreate the Apple logo from memory. In most cases you would just draw an apple with a bite mark, but specific details such as the direction of the leaf or which side the bite is on requires more than just a vague memory. Wen poses the question, "Is being familiar with something the same as having learned it?"

The second category is understanding, described with words such as "explain", "summarize", "describe", "interpret" and "paraphrase". Understanding takes the memorization of the concepts further and asks you to describe them in a more detailed manner.

Application is the third level, asking you to calculate, solve, execute, implement and relate the material. Can you solve  $4x^2-4x-4=0$  using the quadratic formula? Questions like this are examples of application at work, applying material towards other concepts in order to solve problems.

Fourth is analysis, with the keywords "contrast", "compare", "classify", "organize"

and "discuss". Being able to relate issues to others lets you gain a better understanding of them individually as well as the relationships between concepts. This is especially useful to students studying literature or in majors that

"There is no right or wrong answer for what is a good study strategy, but some are certainly more effective than others."

- HENRY WEN

Eighth - semester psychology major, HDFS minor

require critical thinking on a daily basis.

Fifth is evaluation, or critique, decide, support, argue and defend your stance. Wen and Luo asked the audience to think about which dining hall is the best and to describe why. There were varying opinions (Northwest is the best) but this was essentially an exercise in evaluation. Another case where evaluation could be applied is this question: should Connecticut legalize euthanasia? Why or why not? Situations where you must decide on an outcome requires you to evaluate both sides further. You cannot support one without also understanding the other.

The final category is to create, which means to design, construct, develop, generate or modify something. This was a more difficult concept to describe since it can't be applied to all subjects, but Luo best sums it up with an example: "Einstein made the equation E = mc² for his theory of special relativity, and he was able to do so because he had a very deep understanding of physics."

Some techniques and exercises that were mentioned include mind maps, which are diagrams on a certain topic that help expand upon it. "Mind maps help me focus on one thing and what that relates to," states Luo. She mentions that she also uses study guides and the Cornell study method. The Cornell method requires you to self-test yourself on material regularly. The Pomodoro Technique is a time management method, where you break down studying into long, segmented sessions with short breaks in between. Wu describes the Pomodoro Technique as "reps for your brain!"

The final study method that Wen and Luo mentioned is a common one: the five-day study plan. It includes chunking information, creating strategies to approach material, distributing practice and reviewing versus preparing. This plan holds students to a strict regimen. "It's harder to procrastinate when you have a plan in your face," says Luo.

The AAC is located in room 217 of the John W. Rowe Center for Undergraduate Education on the Storrs campus. It's located in room 202 of the Hartford Times Building on the Hartford campus and in room 128 of the Waterbury campus. The AAC is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Life

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As we go through our day, we might not notice that inner seal on our pint of ice cream or medicine bottle. Nearly 40 years ago, seven people unfortunately died after consuming Tylenol capsules that had been tampered with before such a seal was introduced. The new fivepart CBS documentary series "Painkiller: The Tylenol Murders" (TV-14) retells the story of the murders and ongoing investigation with witnesses and first-hand interviews.

The Chicago Tylenol murders, a chilling series of poisonings that transpired in September of 1982, marked a watershed moment in product safety and public trust. The perpetrator contaminated capsules of extra-strength Tylenol with potassium cyanide, a strong poison, and placed them back on the shelves. Seven people died after consuming the tainted pills, just look-

ing for relief from a headache.

The documentary series takes a deep dive into the subject, providing hours of archival footage and new interviews with the victims' families and others involved. The filmmakers spoke with Helen Jensen, one of the nurses originally involved with the case, who helped play a pivotal role in determining that Tylenol was the common factor between three siblings who had mysteriously died. We also hear from the investigators and police forces involved in the ongoing search. Part of the story follows James Lewis, who originally wrote a letter to Johnson & Johnson asking for \$1 million in return for stopping the killings. Lewis had been a suspect in a number of other crimes.

Although he maintained his innocence and initially cooperated with investigators, Lewis was convicted of extortion and spent 10 years in prison. Immediately following the deaths, Johnson & Johnson and other medicine distributors invoked a major

recall of all capsules available for sale, in the order of millions of lost dollars.

Across the country, other incidents of death from tampered medicine and food occurred after the Chicago deaths. These events prompted consumers to scrutinize packaging and manufacturers to prioritize stronger protective measures. Johnson & Johnson's handling of the crisis, emphasizing public safety over financial considerations, earned praise and became a case study in crisis management. Some of the long-lasting effects of these killings include tamper-evident packaging and improved capsule designs.

However, in recent years, the original Tylenol case has been reignited thanks to new forensic and DNA technology. The film explores some of the new lab techniques being used to help determine the killer, including inspection of fingerprints and microscopic cells on evidence. Part of these technologies help determine if DNA on items has

degraded over time using a proprietary process developed by a Texas-based laboratory.

As one of the most famous unsolved murder cases, "Painkiller: The Tylenol Murders" presents the story and ongoing investigation of the Tylenol deaths in an engaging and informative manner supplemented by a wealth of never-before-heard information. Fans of true crime or unsolved mysteries will definitely be interested in this series. Produced by WBBM - CBS Chicago, you can watch "Painkiller: The Tylenol Murders" as a special on Friday Oct. 13 on CBS (local WFSB channel 3 - HuskyVision channel 3) or ondemand with a Paramount Plus subscription.

Rating: 4/5

'Painkiller: The Tylenol Murders' docu-series cracks open the reallife story of the tainted Tylenol murders 'Yaramount <del>†</del> ORIGINAL THE TYLENOL MURDERS STREAMING OCTOBER 10 (ABOVE) PHOTO COURTESY OF IMDB (LEFT) PHOTO BY SAGE ROSS/FLICKE



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### Opinion

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In

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m column last week, I discussed a few potential candidates who could potentially replace Kevin Mc-Carthy as Speaker of the House after his historic removal from the speakership last Tuesday. But there was one candidate that I neglected to address: Jim Jordan. Jordan, the chair of the House Judiciary Committee and notorious conservative firebrand from Ohio, is one of two declared Republican candidates vying for the speaker's gavel, the other being House Majority Leader Steve Scalise. As Jordan's support continues to grow within the House Republican Conference, Americans need to be worried about the potential disaster of a Jordan speakership. So why do I jump to such a

conclusion when he hasn't even been elected Speaker yet? Well, let's start with his record. Jordan has established himself as one of the most conservative members of Congress in the 21st century, most notably evidenced by his earning of a 100% rating from the American Conservative Union for a record 14 straight years. Conservative is the wrong word to define Jordan, as this makes him seem respectable. Simply put, Jordan is a far-right ideologue who is more known for controversial statements and not wearing a suit jacket than passing meaningful legislation. This was emphasized when he became a founding member and the inaugural chair of the House Freedom Caucus, the most extreme faction of the House Republican Conference and Congress as a whole. As first chair of the caucus, he led the charge that ultimately led to John Boehner's resignation in 2015 and became known as a "legislative terrorist" who rallied against the Republican establishment and "business as usual."

part of Jordan's ideology is his unwavering support of Donald Trump. Jordan has established himself as one of Trump's most stalwart and loval defenders. This dan fiercely pushed Trump's false and delusional claims of fraud following the presidential election and even provided a legal theory to White House Chief of Staff

Pence had the authority to not certify the election. This cemented Jordan one as of the fiercest Trump loyalists in Congress, rivaled on 1 y by the wicked

witch of West Georgia Marjorie Taylor Greene. As a reward for his spineless bootlicking, Trump awarded Jordan with an almighty "complete and total endorsement" of his candidacy that will likely rally the Freedom Caucus behind him in his bid for the speakership.

If elected, Jordan would easily be the most ideologically-extreme speaker in American history and

would the be crowning achievement of the Freedom Caucus' blaze of destruction. Unlike

Perhaps the most concerning was on full display in 2020 as Jor-Mark Meadows arguing that Mike

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> > with his Democratic colleagues during his tenure and I wouldn't expect that to change anytime soon. Passing any sort of meaningful legislation is going to be an absolute dog fight, especially when the temporary 45-day spending Band-Aid expires soon. Embold-

ened and encouraged by their

## A JIM JORDAN ERSHIP WOULD BE

supportive leader, conservative

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forward an impeachment inquiry

against Joe Biden just because

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tion of Hunter Biden so that Laura

Ingraham and Sean Hannity have

something to talk about on their

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ry, but who can be that surprised

that Republicans would ignore

what the public thinks? The leg-

islation and actions taken under

a Jordan speakership would only

serve the purpose of pleasing their

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and providing material for the Fox News outrage machine, all at the

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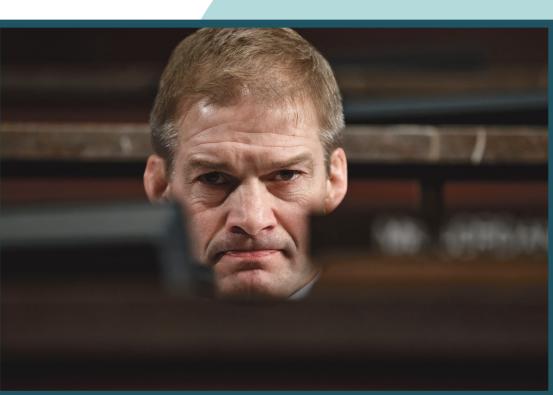
McCarthy, who was continually at war with his uber-conservative colleagues and at least attempted to reduce their influence, Jordan would amplify the voices of the farthest-right representatives in the House. He would give these members a platform to spew misinformation and fearmonger voters in a way that Fox News could only dream of. Despite not even making up a majority of the House Republican Conference, the Freedom Caucus would become the most powerful caucus in the House, as they

> finally would have a speaker who is one of them.

Ι terms of policy, Americ a n s should expect very little. Jordan has shown little willingness to  $w\ o\ r\ k$ 

expense of the American people. With all that said, it's important to note that Jordan does not have the votes to win the speakership yet. The battle between him and Scalise for who will ultimately lift the gavel still has a long way to go. If Jordan emerges victorious, Americans should expect big changes in the House of Representatives. A Jordan victory would embolden the far-right more than ever by giving them control of one of the most powerful legislative bodies in the world. I can't see any scenario where there are any net positives for Speaker Jim Jordan - unless Bill Hader revives his hilarious impression of him on Sat-

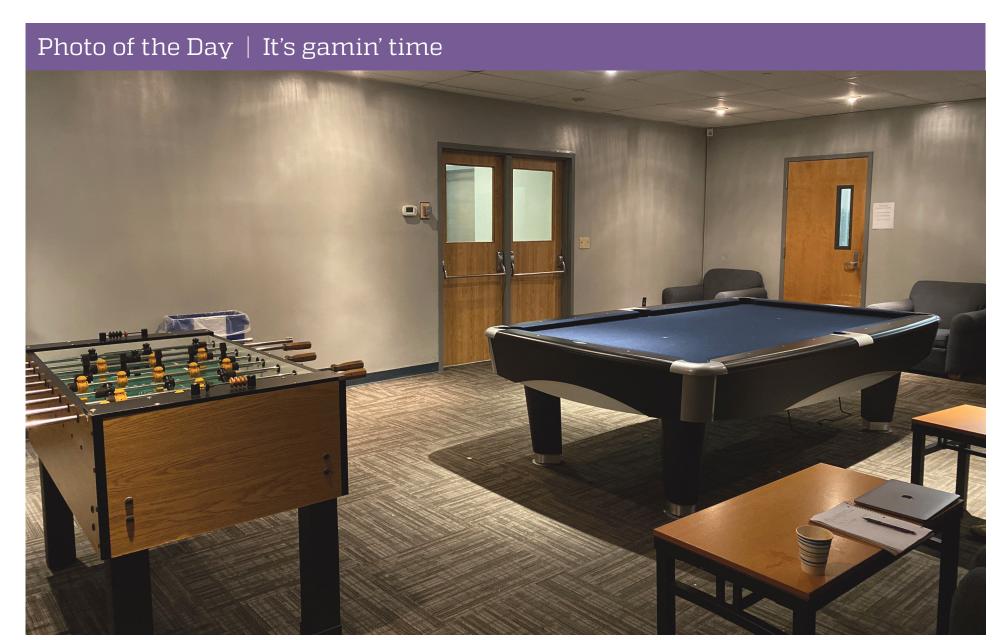
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Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio, then a member of the House Select Com-mittee on Benghazi, listens to ques-tioning on Capitol Hill in Washington, Jan. 27, 2015. Now, as the House Judiciary Committee chairman, the longtime Republican stalwart has emerged as a top contender to replace former House Speaker Kevin McCarthy who was voted out of the job by a contingent of hard-right conservatives, Oct. 3, 2023.

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#### **Opinion**



Ellsworth building has a game room where students can get involved and relax. It can also serve study sessions when it's not as active. PHOTO BY BRIAN JEREZ, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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#### **Sports**

## ROUNDTABLE WHO WILL HAVE THE BEST WALK-UP SONG DURING FIRST NIGHT?

UConn basketball's First Night event at Gampel Pavilion is almost upon us, and Huskies fans will have an opportunity to get a first look at both the men's and women's basketball teams' fresh rosters. While there will be plenty of skill events to get fans excited for the season, this will also be an opportunity to see who has the best walk-up song on the team. Thanks to some impeccable research by staff writer Ava Inesta, we have some great info about the music taste of players like Solomon Ball and Tristen Newton. Today, our writers predict who will have the best of the bunch in a special First Night edition of The Daily Campus Sports roundtable:

#### HASSAN DIARA

#### by Evan Rodriguez

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Diarra, a New York native with some of the best swagger on the roster, is a huge sleeper pick for the best hype song on the team. With the info that we know about Diarra's music taste, the UConn guard picked "Dreams and Nightmares" by Meek Mill for his ideal pregame hype song, a great pick and a guaranteed way to get the crowd going. However, I wouldn't be surprised if we potentially get some New York drill instead, which is also electric with the Gampel Pavilion speakers booming. He's also not afraid to go in his bag and grab a throwback track like "In da Club" by 50 Cent, which adds another layer of variety to an already loaded set of choices. However, regardless of the direction that he goes in, I feel like I can make this pick with confidence knowing that he's going to come out with some heat.

## TRISTEN NEWTON

#### by Nate Torres

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A number of characteristics that make Newton stand out both on and off the court help showcase his ability to have the finest walk-up song in college basketball. He is a fan favorite first and fore-

most because of his charismatic playing style. The player's personality and style should be reflected in the walk-up music, and Newton's lively and vivacious approach calls for a track that energizes the fans. He personifies the virtue of tenacity, which is frequently con-

nected to motivating musical selections. The Texas native's two favorite artists are Rod Wave and Lil Durk, two of the more popular superstars in the rap game. I feel like many people will end up agreeing that the UConn lead guard will have the best walk-up song.

#### SAMSON JOHNSON

#### by Liam Whelan CAMPUS CORRESPONDENT

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Johnson was a top-50 player in the 2021 class when he arrived on campus. Since then, Johnson has been limited to only 25 games because of a foot injury and an overall crowded frontcourt during his time at Storrs. Due to limited playing time, he enters the 2023-24 season as a player that many are expecting to have a huge rebound year. With a potential breakout season awaiting, I believe Johnson will pick the best walk-up song, one that

captivates those in attendance and signals that it is his time to shine on the court. I could see the Huskies' big man potentially picking artists such as Meek Mill or NBA Youngboy, as those two are known for their adrenaline-pumping, explosive music.



#### by Cole Stefan

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DeBerry, a junior forward from Williamsville, New York, brings a lot of energy both on the court and from the bench. WNBA All-Rookie forward Dorka Juhász's graduation and subsequent second-round draft selection by the Minnesota Lynx opens a spot on the Huskies' frontcourt that I be-

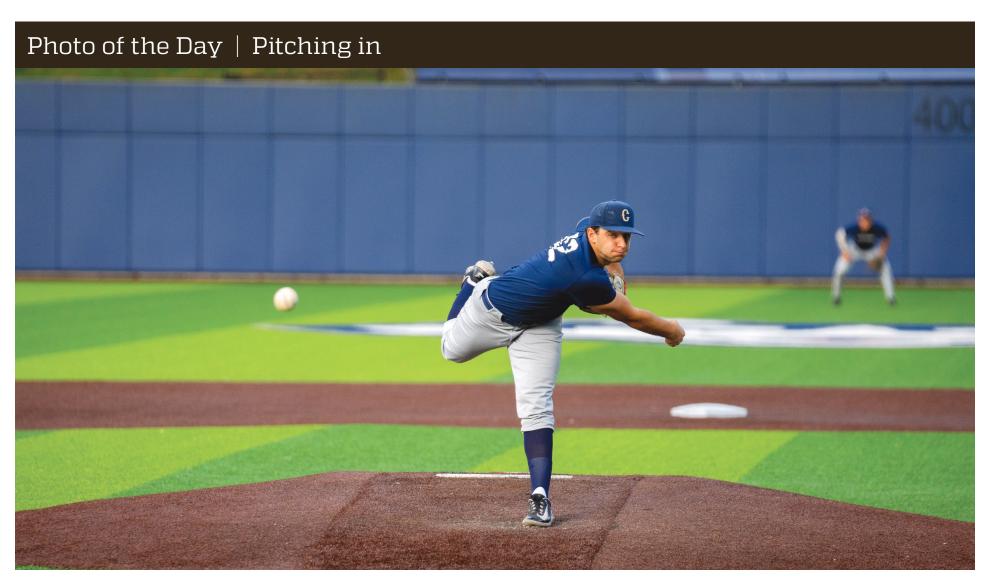
lieve the 6 foot, 5 inch junior will share with sophomore Ayanna Patterson at the start of the season. Even though she averaged just seven minutes in 42 games across her first two years in Storrs, DeBerry could be one of a few breakout players on a UConn team hungry for their 12th national title. Part of that will be attributed to the forward's song choice at First Night, and while

she has walked out to bangers the last two times, I believe that DeBerry will dance on stage to anything by DaBaby. Digging down further, the Gampel Pavilion speakers will be playing DaBaby's hits from the albums Baby on Baby or Kirk. Fans may recognize a couple tracks from either album, but even they may start moving the instant DeBerry makes her entrance.



LOGO BY HAILEIGH SCHMIDT, ASSOCIATE ARTIST EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

#### **Sports**



UConn baseball beats Long Island University on Oct. 6, 2023 at Elliot Ballpark in Storrs, Conn. The Huskies won with a final score of 9-6 over a twelve-inning game. PHOTO BY CONNOR SHARP, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

#### THE ROD WAYE:

#### WHY VICTOR WEMBANYAMA AND CHET HOLMGREN WILL BE THE NEXT GREAT BIG MAN RIVALRY

by Evan Rodriguez ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

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It may have just been a preseason game on Monday between the Oklahoma City Thunder and the San Antonio Spurs, but, it felt like more.

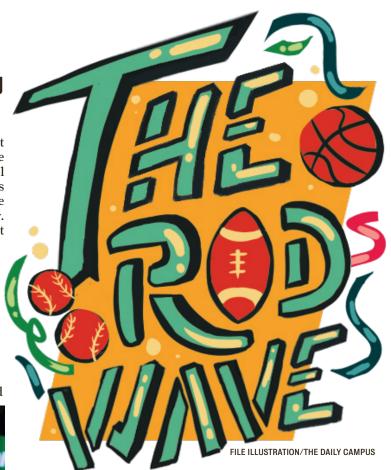
That's because of the blockbuster big man matchup between Victor Wembanyama and Chet Holmgren. Standing at 7 feet 4 inches, Wembanyama is being touted as the most hyped up prospect since Lebron James after the Spurs selected him first overall in the 2023 NBA Draft. It's quite the compliment when you're being compared to such illustrious company, but with everything that NBA fans have seen from the young Spurs prospect up to this point, it's certainly deserving. It's just a matter of whether Wembanyama will actually live up to that hype in the next few seasons.

It also depends on how he matches up against top NBA big man talent, and one of those talents happens to be Holmgren, a young big man out of Gonzaga. While the

hasn't received the amount of hype that someone like Wembanyama has, he is still extremely talented and was expected to be a major piece last season for Oklahoma City. Unfortunately, things didn't work out for Holmgren, as he missed the entire 2022-23 season due to a Lisfranc injury in his foot. However, this season is an opportunity for him to quiet his doubters and make noise on an up-and-coming roster.



San Antonio Spurs center Victor Wembanyama, top, dunks over Oklahoma City Thunder forward Chet Holmgren in the first half of a preseason NBA basketball game, Monday, Oct. 9, 2023, in Oklahoma City.



Hol-

mgren were able to duel in some early NBA preseason action. Both players had excellent performances, with Wembanyama pouring in 20 points and five rebounds while Holmgren countered with 21 points, nine rebounds and the 122-121 win. While it is important to note that this is just the preseason, it's something to think about

when it comes to a potential future rivalry between these two young players.

players. The two have yet to play a single regular sea-**NBA** son but game, fans have certainly been able to see a good share of action be-

tween them. While Holmgren did miss all of last season, fans were able to watch him play in two summer league seasons and put on a show in each of them. If he manages to stay healthy and continue adding muscle to a frame that's susceptible to injury, he'll continue to be a talented foe that can go up against a player of Wembanyama's status.

One thing to keep in mind as well when it comes to Holmgren is his team's entire roster. While the Thunder didn't make much noise last season, they clearly have the pieces to be a contender in the future with players like Shai Gilgeous-Alexander and Josh Giddey. The amount of draft

picks that Oklahoma City has over the next few seasons will also allow them to either acquire more talent in an effort to contend or sign even more young talent to contend in the future.

But in terms of Holmgren himself, even going back to Monday's preseason matchup, he showed an incredible selection of his skillset, whether that was his ability

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to get to the rim or his shot from the 3-point line, an attribute that's become highly valuable amongst taller big men in the NBA.

Wembanyama also had an impressive showing beyond his Monday statline. While he showed many

of the same qualities that Holmgren did, he also showed impressive court vision and ability to utilize his size for easy blocks. While his passing will need to improve to be effectively utilized in the Spurs system, it's certainly not a weakness either.

While the full potential of either players has yet to be realized, there are more than enough reasons why this could be the next great NBA big man rivalry. Could it be like Hakeem Olajuwon vs. Patrick Ewing or Dennis Rodman vs. Karl Malone? It's too soon to tell, but one thing is for certain: basketball fans are in for a treat for future matchups between these two.

#### **Sports**



#### The Patriots have hit rock bottom, and Bill Belichick may be to blame

by Sam Calhoun STAFF WRITER

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It's a headline I never thought I would write. Bill Belichick is the greatest head coach in NFL history. He's an eight-time Super Bowl champion after winning six with the Patriots and two as the defensive coordinator of the New York Giants. He is a three-time AP NFL Coach of the Year and built the Patriots' dynasty as the de facto general manager since 2000. So, why is Belichick to blame for the disastrous season the Patriots are currently having?

It's not what he's doing as a coach. He's been an excellent general manager in the 23 years spent in the position, and he's had his moments. He drafted Tom Brady and made the gutsy decision to name him the starter over former No. 1 overall pick Drew Bledsoe. He signed Hall of Fame wide receiver Randy Moss, leading to an undefeated regular season in 2007. He has a great eye for spotting defensive talent, but the NFL's offense has changed and Belichick has yet to adjust.

Belichick has received blame from multiple sports media figures. ESPN's First Take cohost Stephen A. Smith called for Patriots owner Robert Kraft to remove the 71-year-old as general manager, and if Belichick has a problem with that, it could be his last year coaching in New England.

expectations for the Patriots to succeed and Kraft knows that. With a record of 1-4,

the Patriots are in line to receive the fifth overall pick in the 2024 NFL Draft.

It is obvious that Tom Brady deserves more credit than Belichick for the six Lombardi Trophies the franchise won during his 20-season tenure with the team. When he left in free agency after the team's AFC Wild Card loss to the Tennessee Titans in 2019, there was no one to take over as quarterback.

Belichick signed former league MVP Cam Newton as a temporary replacement, who impressed for the first few weeks before performing poorly for the rest of the 2020 season. This resulted in Belichick's first losing season with the Patriots since his first year with the team.

Belichick tried to bring back a Tom Brady-like offense, selecting Mac Jones with the No. 15 overall pick in the 2021 NFL Draft. However, he did not provide the supporting cast the Alabama alum needed. There was no standout receiver like Brady had with Moss, Wes Welker, Rob Gronkowski and Julian Edelman. The closest Jones had was Jakobi Meyers, but Belichick decided to move on from him after last season in favor of JuJu Smith-Schuster.

also tried to find wide receiver talent in the 2019 NFL Draft, selecting Arizona State's N'Keal Harry in the first round. Harry has turned out to be one of his worst draft picks, as A.J. Brown, DK Metcalf and Deebo Samuel were still on the board at the time. Since Jones has been given the keys to New England's offense, the offensive line has been arguably the worst in the NFL. There are a lot of problems on that end of the field. It is clear that Belichick does not have the offensive mind for today's game.

The NFL's offense has changed in favor of more dualthreat quarterbacks, who are equally skilled in the air and on the ground. The earliest example was Michael Vick, a four-time Pro Bowler who played in the NFL from 2001 to 2017, starting for the Atlanta Falcons and Philadelphia Eagles. The one who set the stage was Newton after a 2015 MVP-winning season with the Carolina Panthers.

Now, the NFL is loaded with quarterbacks that can both pass and scramble. Buffalo Bills quarterback Josh Allen and Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes are two of the best in the league and are both dualthreat quarterbacks.

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out horribly, as the Patriots were one of the worst offensive teams last season and were dead last in red zone offense. Former Patriots offensive coordinator Bill O'Brien took back his old job in Foxborough in hopes of restoring the oncewatchable offense. However, Mac Jones regressed so much that he has already thrown as

many pick-sixes at Gillette Sta-

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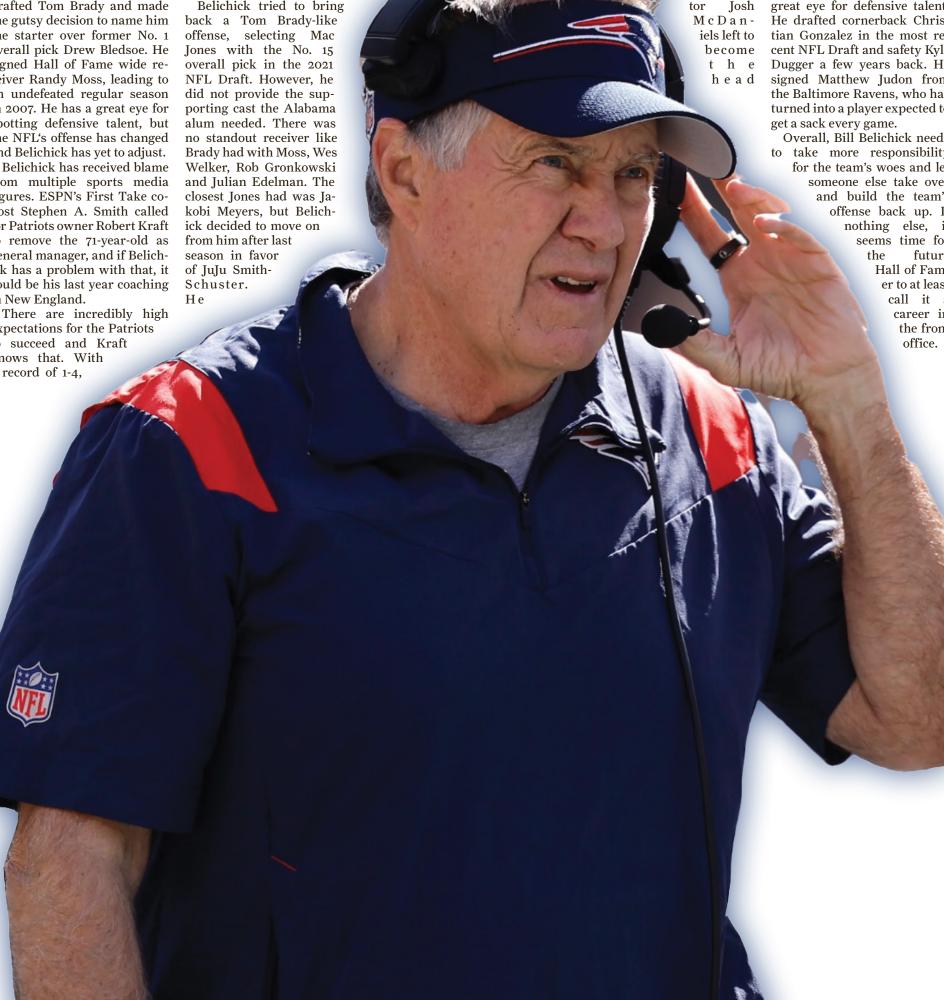
team's offense: former defensive coordinator Matt Patricia

and former special teams coordinator Joe Judge. This turned

I don't think Belichick is a problem on defense. As mentioned earlier, he still has a great eye for defensive talent. He drafted cornerback Christian Gonzalez in the most recent NFL Draft and safety Kyle Dugger a few years back. He signed Matthew Judon from the Baltimore Ravens, who has turned into a player expected to get a sack every game.



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### Onily Sports

## MEN'S SOCCER.

#### UCONN FAILS TO FIND SEPARATION, TIE ASSUMPTION 1-1

by Noah Reed STAFF WRITER HE/HIM/HIS noah.reed@uconn.edu

Coming off two ranked losses to Vermont and Georgetown, UConn looked to right the ship against Division II school As $sumption \, on \, Tuesday \, night. \, Most$ of the Husky's starters started the game on the bench with Coach Gbandi hoping he wouldn't have to bring them in, however, that was not the case.

In the first half of the game, UConn went on to outshoot the Greyhounds 12 to 3 including 5 total shots on goal. But like most of the season, the Huskies weren't able to get their shots to translate into goals. Assumption keeper Francisco Teixeira had an outstanding performance against the Huskies, and it can be seen with his five first-half saves. Despite not playing

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stayed strong. Right before halftime, freshman Lucas Almeida went down with an apparent ankle injury and should be something Huskies fans keep an eye out for. Almeida had three goals for Connecticut and was a vital part of the offensive scheme at the start of the season.

Heading into the break, the teams remained tied. The even score made it look as if Assumption could steal this game from UConn, and they came pretty close.

Still tied in the 69th minute of the match, the Greyhounds marched down the field in one of their few offensive advances of the game. Senior Vegard Pernes sent a pass in front of the net to teammate Sam Cardoza,

> hands of backup goalie Clayton Knibbs. The keeper wasn't able to come down with the ball, allowing Daniel Paulsson the easy chip in shot to give Assumption a 1-0 lead. Now behind the Grey-

who fired the ball into the

hounds, the goal forced Coach Gbandi to bring in all of his starters. It was a

tall



21 minutes to play, but the team seemed up for the task. Even though the bench had started putting pressure on Assumption, you could tell that something had shifted. UConn, who has had to come back in plenty games this season, pressed a full-scale offensive attack to at least walk away with a tie.

UConn's starters got their first chance on a shot by Scott Testori. In the 72nd minute, the junior from Madison, Connecticut fired a bullet to the near post but could not get it past Teixeira.

Later on, in minute 80, sophomore Eli Conway set up for a header but hit it too lightly, landing in the hands of Teixeria or his tenth save of the night.

Just as the fortunes for the Huskies started to look bleak, a penalty in the box granted Adil Iggoute a penalty shot in the 81st minute. Even with goalie Francisco

Teixeira guessing the right way, Iggoute buried the ball into the lower left corner of the net for the equalizing goal. It was his third goal of the season, his first since UConn took on Manhattan almost exactly a month ago.

With less than ten minutes to go, it was UConn that was be-

ginning to feel the pressure. Assumption played most their men back, flooding any move UConn was trying

to make as it was fairly obvious, they were happy to take the tie. In the end, Assumptions defense prevented any more scoring from the Huskies and went home having tied the UConn Huskies.

Here's what head coach Chris Gbandi had to say after the conclusion of last night's game: "[We] gave some guys the opportunity to play, and it was a lot of our guys who haven't played, and Assumption UConn men's soccer plays against Asdid a great sumption University at the Morrone stadium in Storrs, Conn. on Oct. 10, 2023. The Huskies put up a good fight, coming back in the second half to tie neuiob tralizing up the final score of the game at 1-1. PHOTOGRAPHY BY SIHAM NEDLOUSSI,

This leaves just four games left on the UConn schedule, all of which are Big East games. Their next game comes against Marquette back home again in Storrs. The Golden Eagles come in well rested, hav-

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ing played last Saturday against the Xavier Musketeers. Overall, Marquette has played solidly with record of 7-4-1 on the vear.

but conference play is where they really have struggled. In Big East games thus far, Marquette is 1-3 with losses to Creighton, St. John's and Xavier. Their lone win was against Butler on the road at the end of September.

Saturday's game against Marquette will be played at Joseph J. Morrone Stadium at 7 p.m. but can also be streamed on FloSports.

#### WHAT TO KEEP AN EYE ON THIS WEEK

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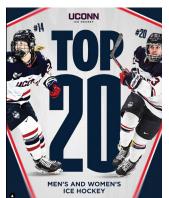


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If UConn's ranked any lower than #2 in next week's preseason poll then I'll have a few choice words for @AP

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preseason rankings:

2) UConn 3) Creighton

4) Villanova 5) St. Johns

1) Marquette

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