



FOSSIL FUEL FREE UCONN MARCHES TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

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Fossil Fuel Free UConn held a walkout and attended the University of Connecticut board of trustees meeting yesterday to demonstrate support for the release of a sustainability action plan and the UConn Foundation's divestment in fossil fuel industries.

Over 30 students attended the event. The students met outside of the Rowe Center for Undergraduate Education and walked to the Wilbur Cross Building to attend the board

of trustees meeting. Four students spoke to the board on behalf of Fossil Fuel Free UConn.

Julia Stout, a fifth-semester political science and human rights double major, shared why she chose to attend the walkout.

"I'm here today because it's essential that big universities like UConn not only set an example for other universities, but live up to their promises, especially because they advertise themselves as a human rights-focused university," said Stout.

Monet Paredes, a seventh-semester environmental studies and political science

double major, explained why she thought activism by students was important.

"It's especially important on campus because as students we have a responsibility to hold the school accountable, and we can't showcase that unless we come out to events like this," Paredes said.

At the board meeting, Lilly Adamo, a seventh-semester environmental science and political science major, opened the meeting's public session by advocating for a full transparent sustainability action plan.

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MONET PAREDES

Adamo said. "We recognize that there needs to be a collective effort, that we need the board's support to realize these goals. As concerned and passionate students, we need to see the board supports President Marie's and students' goals of carbon neutrality by 2030 and zero carbon by 2040."

Colin Rosadino, a second-year law student, then spoke about financial and ethical reasons to withdraw funds both directly and indirectly supporting fossil fuels. He asked the board to call on the UConn Foundation to disclose and remove their indirect exposure to fossil fuel companies.

"How can a university claim to be respecting educational purpose or any other essential values of morality, social awareness or race consciousness if it cannot even ascertain where its money is invested, if it has no authority over the companies its own money is invested in?" Rosadino asked the board.

Paredes read a letter to the board outlining Fossil Fuel Free UConn's goals for the school, including decarbonization, divestment in fossil fuel-based companies and full disclosure of the UConn Foundation's investments.

The students representing Fossil Fuel Free UConn then gathered behind Dylan Steer, a fifth-semester environmental studies and political science major and the president of EcoHusky, as he delivered a final speech asking the board to join the coalitions and organizations that were supporting Fossil Fuel Free UConn's goals.

Daniel Toscano, the chairman of the board, thanked students for attending the meeting and informed the room of a sustainability town hall that is to be held on Nov. 2, where attendees can learn more about the university's sustainable initiatives.

Later in the meeting, board member Philip E. Rubin proposed adding a statement to the board's agenda in support of Fossil Fuel Free UConn's goals. The board voted to add the statement to the agenda without any opposition.

When discussing the statement, Toscano again thanked the students for creating awareness for sustainability. He also said that the goals would be challenging to achieve, but that the board would do everything in their power to reach them.

"It's just a statement. We've not accomplished anything," Toscano said. "But we've put a marker down that this is the path we're on, and we need to do everything to support leadership and resourcing these initiatives."

After the board of trustees meeting, Adam Opin, a seventh-semester political science major and a member of Fossil Fuel Free UConn, spoke about Fossil Fuel Free UConn's feelings after the meeting.

"I think I speak for the group when I say we're hopefully optimistic, but this doesn't mean we demobilize, it means we mobilize further to secure the gains that we've gotten and to get this hard plan, which the board of trustees said they wanted, and now we're really in control of our own destiny at this point," Opin said.

Stout emphasized that the group was not holding this event to be disrespectful or cause trouble.

"We're doing this because we genuinely care about UConn," Stout said. "We know they can do better, and we know they have to do better, so we are doing this for the sake of everyone here at UConn, from students to the top of the administration because we all share this Earth."

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE

WEDNESDAY WALK-OUT



WALK-OUT OF CLASS ON **OCTOBER 25TH** TO SUPPORT CLIMATE ACTION AT **UCONN**. STUDENTS WILL MARCH TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING TO DEMONSTRATE SUPPORT FOR THE RELEASE OF A **SUSTAINABILITY ACTION PLAN** AND **DIVESTMENT OF THE UCONN FOUNDATION**.

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A post from the Fossil Fuel Free UConn Instagram to spread awareness about the walk out they hosted on October 25th. They walked to the Board of Trustees meeting to encourage a Sustainability Action Plan and Divestment of the UConn Foundation.

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UNICEF holds fundraiser to provide relief and spread awareness about the families affected by Earthquakes in Afghanistan

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After four devastating earthquakes hit Afghanistan between Oct. 7 and Oct. 15, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund at the University of Connecticut worked to provide relief to affected children and families by raising money and spreading awareness through a trick-or-treat fundraiser.

The fundraiser took place at the entrance to the Homer Babidge Library on Fairfield Way Monday through Wednesday this week from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. UNICEF sold Halloween treats to students for \$1-2 as they walked past, with all proceeds going towards helping children and families gain clean drinking water, protection from violence, education, food and medical treatment. Over the three days of the fundraiser, UNICEF raised \$216.

Fifth-semester student Grace Xiong, president of

UNICEF, mainly hopes that the fundraiser will not only help provide relief, but spread awareness to the UConn community on what is going on in Afghanistan.

"We want to raise as much money as we can, but the ideal goal for us is to spread awareness and be able to talk with people who may not know what is going on," said Xiong. "A lot is going on in the news, and it is hard to keep track, so sometimes it is good to have a little information to keep your eyes out for trends."

According to UNICEF's website, around 1,500 people were reportedly killed in the earthquakes surrounding Herat, Afghanistan, and 90% of the fatalities consisted of women and children. In the three most affected districts, around 154,000 people have either completely lost their homes or are facing severe damage to their homes.

UNICEF's goal overall is to spread news like this around campus. According to Xiong,

throughout the academic year, UNICEF works to increase awareness of humanitarian issues and environmental sustainability and encourage people to think in the human rights framework. They hold bi-weekly meetings and advocacy chats about human rights issues, recent events and food insecurity.

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GRACE XIONG

The Halloween fundraiser is an annual event inspired by the UNICEF international organization's version of the event. Xiong expressed that the organization here at UConn tries to promote what

the international organization is doing.

"UNICEF as an international organization is a branch of the United Nations that advocates for children's rights and promotes children's welfare. Our work is to raise awareness on campus through advocacy chats and encourage students to become better advocates in order to make change at the local level of the university as well as higher levels in their future," said Xiong.

UNICEF as an international organization is sending over supplies and health teams to Afghanistan, which is what the UConn fundraiser supports.

Xiong, along with UNICEF at UConn as a whole, hopes their work will not only help in the short term but also have long-lasting effects. She expressed that when these devastating natural disasters occur, it is not just a temporary struggle. The disasters cause "infrastructural damage that affects access to food, water, electricity and hous-

ing, that all have ricocheting effects for months on end," according to Xiong.

Therefore, the group hopes to encourage action that will help in the long run. Xiong expressed that she is not a big fan of sending only "hopes and prayers" that just offer condolences because what people need is action.

"When we are looking at natural disasters we have to look at the bigger picture and see if it is related to climate change or lack of sustainability efforts on the international level," said Xiong.

She believes that this examination must relate to not only supporting people or countries in the face of disaster but on a "baseline level daily basis."

UNICEF is constantly pushing students, UConn leaders and the international community to make sure "fundamental human rights are being addressed," and hopes to continue doing this through future fundraisers and events.

Students meet over dinner with new Dean of Students

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University of Connecticut students recently had the opportunity to meet with the new Dean of Students, Dr. Fany DeJesus Hannon. Hannon was previously the interim Dean of Students and director of the Puerto Rican/Latin American Cultural Center for over a decade.

Initiatives through the Division of Student Affairs and Office of the Provost like "Dinner with the Dean" can provide a crucial bridge between the student body and university leadership by fostering a supportive and inclusive campus

environment. At the dinner, Dr. Hannon spoke of her commitment to support the student body of UConn both academically and emotionally.

As Director of the PRLACC in the Student Union, Hannon worked to develop programs designed for Latinx students on campus and taught courses in Spanish leadership and education in graduate programs for Student Development. In the Division of Student Affairs, Hannon's leadership will continue to reinforce relationships between UConn's schools and programs between campuses, working with the Office of Financial Aid, the Registrar and Orientation teams to strengthen UConn's commit-

ment to support students academically and holistically.

"It was a good place to ask questions," Rob Wen, a first-semester mathematics major, said of the event. "I will reserve a space for the next one, too."

Prior to her time as the director of PRLACC, Hannon worked for the UConn Foundation and as an academic advisor at Miami Dade College. The team behind Dinner with the Dean expressed how meeting with administrators offers students a chance to seek guidance, both academically and personally. Students can discuss their educational goals, career aspirations and any challenges they face, leading to tailored advice and support. Events like these can also

promote a sense of belonging, as students feel heard and valued.

The invitation for students to attend the Dinner with the Dean was sent to every undergraduate student and all were encouraged to RSVP due to a limited event capacity. Students who attempted to apply after all the seats had been taken were met with a message explaining the Dean of Students' surprise toward the interest and to reserve their seat for the next event as soon as interested students are able.

The next Dinner with the Dean will be held on Tuesday Nov. 28. Interested students can reserve a space on the Dean of Students webpage or contact dos@uconn.edu for more information.

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CAN YOU HEAR WHAT THEY'RE SINGING?

"MILLI VANILLI" DOCUMENTARY SHEDS LIGHT ON POP MUSIC'S BIGGEST SCANDAL

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We've all seen those funny moments on TV or online when a performer messes up a lyric or misses a beat. Sometimes they're lip-syncing: pretending to sing along to a pre-recorded backing track. Could one of those moments ruin a group's career?

In the late 1980s, R&B duo Milli Vanilli rose to stardom, producing many best-selling singles and winning Grammy awards. Paramount Network's new documentary analyzes the story of how two European dancers, Rob Pilatus and Fabrice "Fab" Morvan, became the world's largest stars, and one of music's biggest controversies.

Enter Frank Farian. The German record producer had success in the '70s and early '80s with Caribe-Europop group Boney M, whom you may recognize behind the hits "Rivers of Babylon" and "Rasputin." However, once the disco age was finished, Farian set his sights on Pilatus and Morvan to bring his next idea to life. The two men came from impoverished lives in France and Germany and didn't speak much English, but wanted to make it big.

Farian took the two under his wing and started producing hit after hit, booking late night talk show appearances and selling out concerts worldwide. Pilatus and Morvan were starstruck by their sudden fame, but behind the scenes there was a much darker tale. As the story goes, Farian tricked the two into lip-syncing anonymous session players as soon as they signed the first contract. Pilatus and Morvan wanted to sing, but were trapped due to a cash advance they accepted from Farian's record company. They got to be famous, but they weren't the ones on their records, including mega-songs like "Girl You Know It's True," "Baby Don't Forget My Number" and "All or Nothing."

The public was none the wiser until a 1990 concert at Connecticut's own Lake Compounce Concert Park in Bristol, when the scheme was revealed on live television. It shattered their image and led to massive backlash from fans and the music industry. The Grammy Award they had won for Best New Artist was revoked, and they became the poster children for lip-syncing and inauthenticity in the public eye.

The documentary paints the story through interviews with Morvan, now an accomplished solo artist, and other key players in the story like Farian's girlfriend Ingrid "Milli" Segieth. Farian himself declined to be a part of the film, providing no comment on the storied situation. The film presents

an interesting question for the viewer to decide: Was the duo tricked into lip-syncing or were they in on the deal?

Throughout the '90s, Milli Vanilli's career plummeted. Tragically, Pilatus faced personal issues and legal troubles, ulti-

mately passing away in 1998. The session musicians who actually lent their talents to Milli Vanilli's mega-hits continue to tour as "The Real Milli Vanilli," even making appearances in New England over the last couple of years. All of the hits which sky-

rocketed the group to stardom are available on paid music streaming services as well as on adult contemporary radio stations.

For those looking to learn about the inner workings of the scandal or are just interested in a good story, this

feature-length documentary is a good watch. Produced by Paramount Network, you can watch "Milli Vanilli" as a special on CBS (local WFSB channel 3 - Huskyvision channel 3) or on-demand with a Paramount Plus subscription.

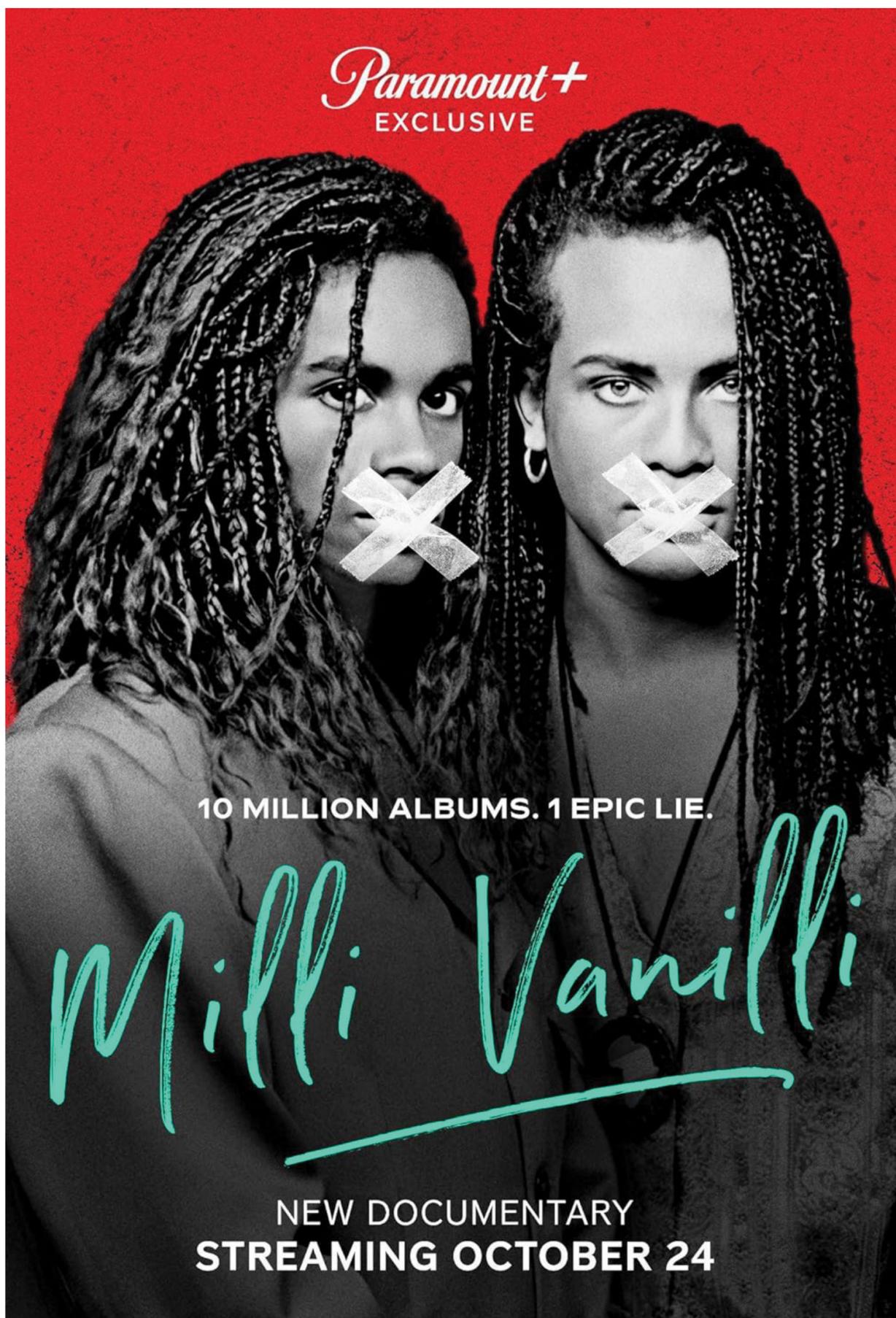


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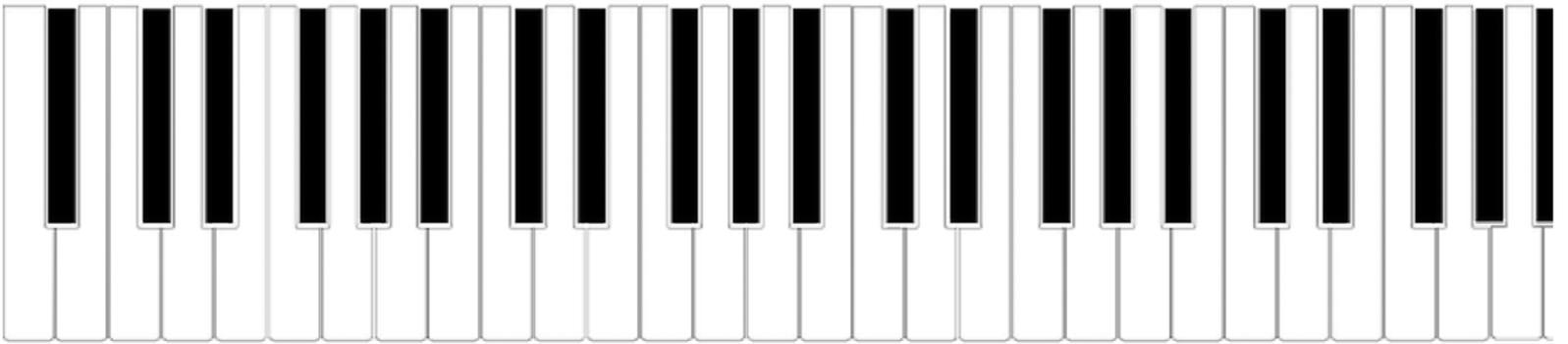


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Do you like piano? If you do, then don't miss the University of Connecticut's Piano Day. Every year, the music department schedules a day dedicated to this instrument, inviting professionals from across the world to play here in Storrs. This year, the wonderful Steven Osborne will give a masterclass and a performance this Friday, Oct. 27 in von der Mehden Recital Hall.

Osborne is an accomplished musician from Scotland whose performances have been met with much praise. These recognitions include Instrumentalist of the Year from the Royal Philharmonic Society, two Gramophone awards and many first prizes

in international competitions.

The first event, the masterclass, starts at 12:30 p.m. Masterclasses are events where an audience watches a master give a student a lesson on how to improve their playing. On Friday, students studying piano performance will be working on the first movements of Ravel's Piano Concerto in G major and Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2. These concertos are pinnacles of music written for piano, specifically made to test the performer's ability as a soloist accompanied by an entire orchestra. The Rachmaninoff piece is one of the most famous concertos ever, with its beautiful melodies going beyond the concert hall and into several classic films and even a song by Frank Sinatra. Ravel's concerto mixes Ameri-

can sounds into his impressionistic style, including signature features of jazz and blues.

During a masterclass, you often hear already exceptional performances improve further, as the student pianist takes input from the master. These events are great for pianists of all levels. Lessons of this nature typically help performers on the stage change their perspective on certain sections of the piece and encourage everyone watching to do the same to their own music. If you care about playing any sort of music on the piano, then you should attend.

At 8 p.m. on Friday, Osborne will give his own performance. Pieces by Franz Schubert begin and end the program. It starts with his six "Moments Musicaux," which are, as the title implies, short pieces for

solo piano; they are among the most frequently played of all Schubert's piano music. Then Osborne will play Robert Schumann's "Kinderszenen," Opus 15, a piece the composer wrote to memorialize childhood experiences, ranging from "Von fremden Ländern und Menschen" (Of Foreign Lands and Peoples) to "Ritter vom Steckenpferd" (Knight of the Hobbyhorse) to the very famous "Träumerei" (Dreaming). If you want a preview, see this YouTube video: <https://tinyurl.com/Schumann15>.

After the intermission, Osborne will return with a single Bagatelle (a form of dance) written by Beethoven. Then, the grand finale, Schubert's Sonata in A, one of the last works the composer completed and one he completed knowing that he did

not have long to live. Although it was written in 1828, the work did not become popular until the mid-20th century when some famous pianists championed it along with two other late sonatas that Schubert wrote at the same time. These sonatas are now routinely praised for using a mature style and a rare depth of emotional expression. The work is in four movements and lasts about 40 minutes. If you want a preview, check out this Youtube video: <https://tinyurl.com/Schubert959>.

Admission is free for the concert, but von der Mehden encourages getting a free ticket here: <https://tinyurl.com/OsborneTix>. If you can't attend in person, the concert will also be livestreamed at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/SOsborne>. See you there!

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'LOVING TO HATE:' EMPATHY BIAS, TERRORISM AND GENOCIDE IN THE ISRAELI/PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

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A major problem with empathy-driven kindness is the tendency of people to not only show kindness only to those deemed to be of their own kind, but what neuroscientists refer to as "the mother bear" phenomena; that is, a mother bear's love for her cubs can drive her to the most horrific acts of violence against those she sees as a threat to them. Unfortunately, we are now seeing this "mother bear" type of empathy bias in the long-standing conflict between Israel and the Palestinians that recently erupted into a full-scale war after Hamas terrorists killed, injured and captured innocent Israeli men, women and children under the claim of its love for the Palestinian people and commitment to liberate them from decades of oppression. After that inhumane act of terrorism, the focus rightly shifted to the pain and suffering that attack caused Israelis, as we are now seeing many news stories of Israeli families that have been literally torn apart by such hatred and violence.

Unfortunately, some of those expressions of love and loss have quickly morphed to promises of revenge, including to destroy Hamas, Gaza and, by implication, the Palestinian people, who are trapped there amidst endless bombing and a major planned ground offensive that threatens them with nothing short of forced migration or genocide. In the midst of this tragic madness, people in the United States and other countries are now choosing sides of who to love and who to hate that is increasingly erupting into violence.

There can be no end to such "loving to hate" driven violence until all of us are able to find room in our hearts to express compassion for all those who are suffering in a way that we are able to both stop the oppression of Palestinians experience daily, as well as the horrible acts of terrorism Hamas has directed against innocent Israelis.

Unfortunately, one of the problems we face in trying to comprehend and address such a huge and socially complex phenomenon is that our understanding of what it means to be kind and compassionate is not up to the task. Indeed, under such a

small, popular-psychology and anodyne definition of kindness as simply "random acts of kindness" one individual does for another, politicians in the U.S. and other countries have organized anti-democratic and authoritarian movements that pit empathy for one group of people against enmity against members of others that are vilified and targeted in way that furthers unkind, and inhumane oppression. This applies to things like class-based inequality and exploitation, racism, gender subjugation, LBGTQIA+ persecution, war, colonialism, imperialism, genocide and the destruction of the planet.

To stop such group-targeted hatred, we must restore kindness to its rightful place at the center of big and important intellectual and political debates as was the case during the Enlightenment; a conceptualization of kindness that both explains and promotes human caring beyond self and interpersonal kindness, to kindness expressed at the group, formal organizational, institutional, societal, intersocietal and universal levels of human actions. To that end, we may wish to consider as a large, robust and politically engaged re-conceptualization of kindness, the benevolent thoughts, feelings and actions of individuals, groups, institutions and societies that nurture the physical, psychological and social well-being of all sentient beings and protects and sustains the natural environment of which they are an inextricable part.

How do we do that? And how do we stop the vicious cycle of love-driven hatred in the Middle East by expanding our understanding of what kindness is, who should receive it; and how? I don't know. But I do know that a movement toward universal and compassionate kindness must begin with a commitment to go beyond expressing empathy for those deemed to be of our own kind. A good place to begin perhaps is for our religious and other leaders to lead us in reflection of the various versions of the Golden Rule adopted by most religions and spiritual traditions throughout the world: "Do to others as you would have them do to you."

THE POWER OF SHARED EXPERIENCE

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Of the 44 nations in Europe, the State of Israel has labeled Ireland as the most pro-Palestinian, anti-Israeli state.

While western democratic powers such as the United States, Britain, France and Germany have shown unequivocal support for Israel since the events of Oct. 7, the Irish government has been different. Joining countries such as Turkey, Jordan and Tunisia, the Republic of Ireland recently announced that they would be sending humanitarian aid to Gaza.

When debating the Israel-Hamas war in the Dáil Éireann — the Irish version of the House of Representatives in the U.S. — there was bipartisan support for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire. Ireland is unique in the west for two reasons: their criticism of Israel's retaliation since the events of Oct. 7 and their overall criticism of the state of Israel since its inception.

But why? At surface level there seems to be no relationship between the Irish people and Palestinians. It's not like they are geographically close to each other. Dublin, Ireland's capital, is 2,513 miles away from Gaza City. The real answer lies in a shared history. As Sinn Féin leader Mary Lou McDonald pointed out, "We in Ireland know all too well the pain and tragedy of colonization, occupation and dispossession. We have known conflict and suffering. We have known war. We know peace."

There are few countries around the world who are as sensitive to the dangers of colonization as Ireland is. The blueprints for the tactics the British would use to create one of the largest empires in the world were perfected in Ireland.

Going as far back as the 1600s, the British government has treated the Irish people and their land as a personal punching bag, beginning with the establishment of English and Scottish settlements, followed by the slow takeover of the lands of the indigenous Gaelic Catholics.

In 1690, the British began imposing Penal Laws, banning Irish Catholics from holding office and practicing the law, limiting educational opportunities for Irish people and making the practice of their religion illegal. It's not just that these people were having their land taken; they were not even viewed as people. The Protestant British settlers viewed the Irish Catholics as racially inferior to them.

Abuses of the Irish by the British government continued into the subsequent centuries. The infamous Irish potato famine of 1845, which killed over 750,000 people in 10 years, was largely caused and worsened by the social policies implemented by the British government.

The English government believed that a free market solution was the key to solving the

famine. Following this belief, in 1846, the government repealed the existing Corn Laws, laws designed to protect domestic growers from foreign competition; however, this failed to end the famine because most Irish farmers were too poor to purchase foreign grain.

The Irish population was still reeling from the effects of the famine. In 1841 Ireland was home to over 8 million people. Half a century later, the native population decreased to 6 million despite having a significantly higher birth rate than other nations. In addition, strict English laws prevented the development of any Irish industry that could rival Britain's economic power.

Due to these conditions, Irish resistance to British rule became more frequent. The Easter Rising in 1916, when Irish nationalists attacked colonial forces the week of Easter, was a short-lived insurrection that laid the foundation for the Treaty and the Government of Ireland Act. This treaty led to a partition of Ireland. 26 southern colonies became an independent nation while the six counties in Northern Ireland remained firmly under British control.

Around the time that Ireland was finally achieving some level of independence from colonial rule, the British had their eyes set on another colonial project, announcing the Balfour Declaration in 1917. This declaration received heavy support from Zionists — those in favor of the creation of a Jewish state in Palestine.

When this first happened, the Irish were actually on the side of the Zionists. The Irish saw in Zionists another group of people who had been persecuted and tossed aside. Irish Republican leader Michael Davitt gave a glowing endorsement, saying he was "a convinced believer in the remedy of Zionism."

But over time, Irish sympathy for the cause began to diminish. In 1937, when Zionists accepted the British plan to partition Palestine and create an independent state, Irish Prime Minister Éamon de Valera compared the British carve-up of Palestine to that to which Ireland was subjected.

In 1967, there was still support from the Irish for the Israeli government; however, that support dried up after the Six Day War. As the Irish became more aware of the cruel treatment of Palestinians, public opinion shifted away from Israel more and more by the day. Additionally, Ireland was the first European country to recognize the Palestinian Liberation Organization.

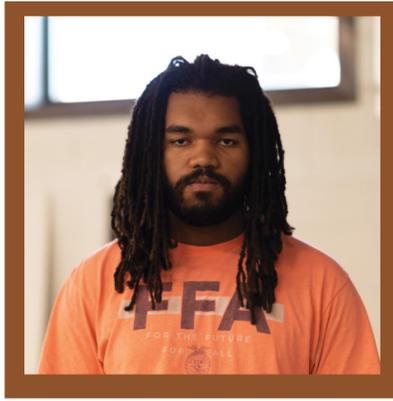
To this day, the Irish government remains one of the loudest voices advocating for the rights of Palestinians. Their support is a lesson in the power of empathy. Despite being thousands of miles away from Gaza, the scars of colonialism and the terror that came with it will forever keep these two communities tied closely together.

Opinion

Huskytalk | If you're able to introduce one dish to the dining hall menus, what would it be?

"I want exponentially more scrod. UConn doesn't serve enough scrod these days. I've heard everyone loves scrod."

Samantha Barile
Fine Arts
Eighth semester



"Sharkfin soup."

Donald Dinkins
Fine Arts
Third semester

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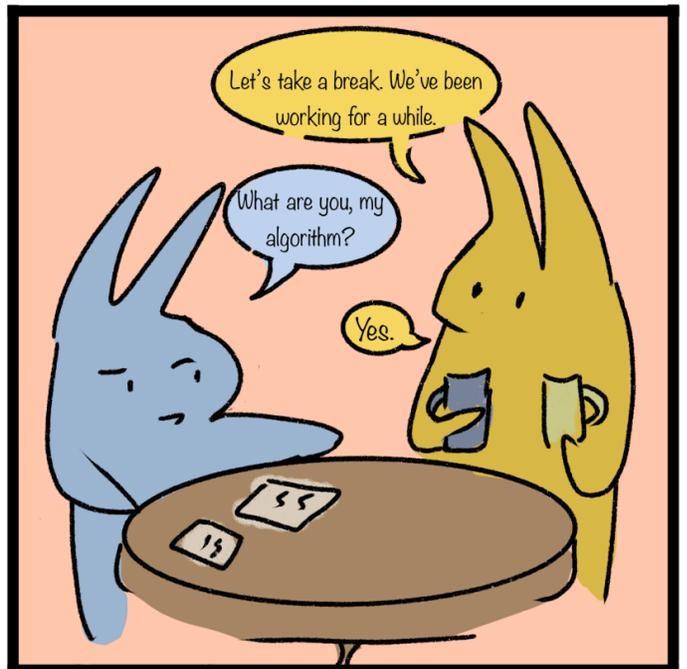


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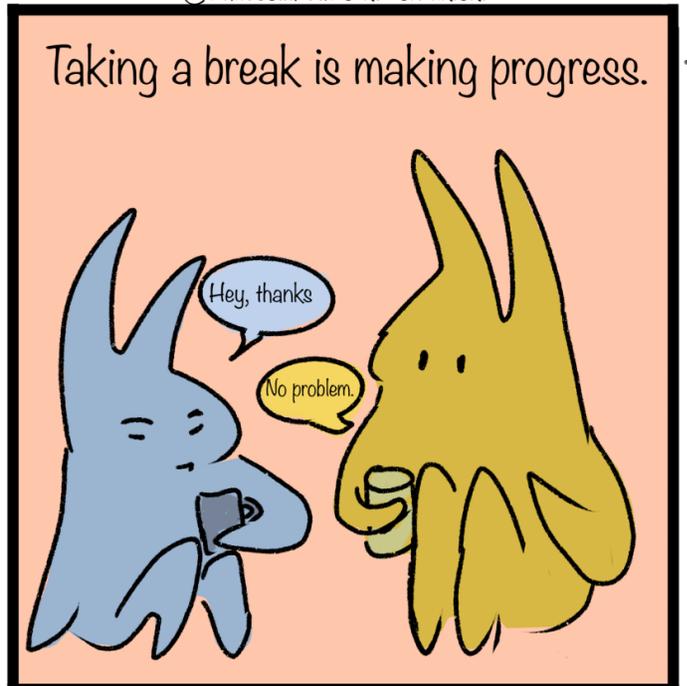


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The Coleumn: Why postseason baseball is October's best sport

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For the second consecutive year, the last Monday in October will feature a sports equinox. Not related to the vernal and autumnal equinoxes, a sports equinox happens when the NFL, NBA, NHL and MLB each have games scheduled on one day. On top of game 3 of the World Series between the Texas Rangers and Arizona Diamondbacks, Oct. 30's professional sports slate includes "Monday Night Football" between the Las Vegas Raiders and Detroit Lions, nine NHL contests and 11 NBA matchups. Additionally, Orlando City SC hosts Nashville SC and the Seattle Sounders play FC Dallas in the first round of the Major League Soccer Cup Playoffs.

Monday's equinox will mark the 15th time that this phenomenon has happened since 2010 and the 30th overall since it first occurred in 1971. 24 of those instances took place in October, the one month where the five major North American major sports leagues and the WNBA all simultaneously played. The new NHL and NBA campaigns begin within two weeks of each other while the NFL enters the middle of their 17-game regular-season slate. By Halloween, NHL and NFL fans get some understanding of how their favorite team's season could go by the end of the month.

But none of those come close to the intensity of postseason baseball. Although postseason contests have more impact than regular-season games do, playoff baseball is a different animal. With the expanded postseason format introduced in 2022, where the Wild Card Series went from a winner-takes-all situation to a best-of-three duel, every sub-

stitution matters as it can affect a team's short-term outlook and their World Series chances.

Using a recent example, Tampa Bay Rays manager Kevin Cash pulled starter Blake Snell in Game 6 of the 2020 World Series with their season on the line, despite the fact that he threw 73 pitches in 5.1 scoreless innings.

Right-handed reliever Nick Anderson entered from the pen, surrendered the Rays' 1-0 lead in that

the MLS' postseason structure involves more "one-and-done" matches than the MLB does, the later rounds and the MLS Cup take place in November. More MLS teams may be fighting for a playoff spot during October, when the regular season ends, but treating the last few matches like playoff games feels much different than actually playing in one. The WNBA has their champion decided in a best-of-five series, which ends a week before the NBA

especially when accounting for travel and the way their regular season schedules are formatted, but the suspense of what happens next in baseball keeps fans on the edge of their seats daily. Even then, who walks out of the ballpark with the win can be unpredictable.

Since the Wild Card era began in 1995, MLB's postseason has gained an unofficial reputation as the fall version of

pearance and two victories in that span.

Non-division champions make up 15 of the 58 total World Series representatives in the 29 postseasons with the Wild Card; seven of them have won it all with an eighth on the way. The 174 combined wins between both of this year's World Series participants are the fewest in Major League history, excluding 2020. Only the 2018 Boston Red Sox and 2022 Houston Astros won the World Series with 100+ regular season wins since UConn men's basketball coach Dan Hurley got hired in March of 2018.

For comparison, the NFL has had seven non-division winners in the Super Bowl who won a combined 6-1 between the 1995 and 2022 seasons. Since its inaugural campaign in 1997, the WNBA has had four championship series where at least one team was not in the top three in either their conference or the league's standings.

One trend has become increasingly clear through this analysis: wild card teams make an improbable championship run more often in the MLB than any other sports league that has one in their playoffs. While October features a mix of regular-season action and competitive battles for historic trophies, there is no sport I want to watch more than baseball because of the unanticipated results and memorable battles that its postseason brings.



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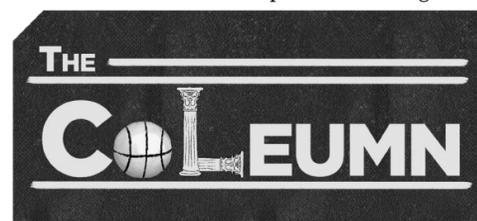
for a me and took the loss in the season-ending 3-1 defeat against the Los Angeles Dodgers. The decision to remove a player can backfire because like in soccer, an athlete may not re-enter a baseball game when they are removed and replaced. Ramifications that arise from ill-timed decisions may occur when that happens, but those regrets can be redeemed the next day, unlike other playoffs transpiring during the Halloween month.

Starting with yesterday's Wild Card contests between the Eastern and Western Conference's No. 9 and No. 8 seeds, the early rounds of the MLS Cup playoffs occur toward October's end. Although

season tips off. Approximately half of the eight teams that qualify for the playoffs, a number that has been consistent since the turn of the millennia, go home before October starts because the entire first round takes place at the end of September.

One major aspect that separates the MLB postseason from the other two playoff formats is the number of days between games. The WNBA playoffs typically feature 3-4 days where teams are not playing each other, while MLS wait times range anywhere from five days to one week. I find nothing wrong with there being at least one day off between soccer and basketball games, espe-

March Madness because of how unexpected the results can be. The Atlanta Braves scorched baseball with a league-leading 307 home runs during the regular season and left the yard just three times in their second-straight NLDS loss against the Wild Card Philadelphia Phillies. The No. 6 seed has won the National League pennant each of the last two years. The Dodgers won a combined 423 regular-season games between 2019 and 2023, excluding the 60-game 2020 slate; they have one NLCS ap-



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Roundtable:

Which NFL Player would you want on your dream Flag Football Team



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CJ Stroud
With quarterbacks like Patrick Mahomes, Justin Herbert, Joe Burrow and many others who are more established than Texans rookie CJ Stroud, this pick may not make the most sense right now. But with the debut of flag football in the summer Olympics not until 2028, the landscape of talent in the NFL will look completely different five years from now. Stroud without a doubt has been the best rookie quarterback through seven weeks of the season. The former Ohio State Buckeye is averaging 276 yards per game along with nine touchdowns and just one interception for a Texans team that won just three games the season prior. With Stroud looking this dangerous as a rookie in 2023, we can only imagine how elite Stroud could be come time for the Olympics.

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Devon Witherspoon
I doubt whoever coaches the United States' flag football Olympic team will allow their offensive stars, especially the quarterback, to also play defense. Keeping that assumption in mind, if I were the head coach of a flag football team, I would want Seattle Seahawks rookie cornerback Devon Witherspoon roaming the secondary. I could have chosen Seahawks cornerback Riq Woolen or free safety Quandre Diggs here, but Diggs is already 30-years-old and Woolen's career may start to decline in five years at 29. The 2023 fifth overall pick sits fourth on the team with 31 tackles after six career games and has a pick six, but his intimidating presence makes him look like a five-year veteran on a dangerous defense. He may be just a rookie, but by his fifth year, the Illinois product's name will be in the same sentence as New York Jets cornerback Sauce Gardner as the league's best cornerback. Mark my words, Witherspoon will catch the game-sealing interception in the gold medal game at the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles, California.

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Tyreek Hill
I do not think there is a better option in the NFL than Miami Dolphins wide receiver Tyreek Hill. He is arguably the best wide receiver in the league and is considered one of the fastest players we've seen. His run-after-catch ability is so unfair that he already has 902 yards on 53 catches this season. We are not even halfway through the season yet. You do not need a quarterback at the NFL level on your dream flag football team. You can have him run a quick slant route and he would be gone instantly. No one on the defense would get within a foot of his flag. He is that fast. He has averaged 14.2 yards per catch throughout his career and would make a massive difference in a flag football game with his run-after-catch yardage.

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Christian McCaffrey
When I am picking a flag football team, I am looking for who gives me the most versatility. Who is a matchup nightmare no matter where he lines up? The answer is simple: Christian McCaffrey. The Stanford alum is the best running back on the planet, leading the league in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns. He's also a threat in the passing attack, possessing a high ability to turn two-yard checkdown passes into 10-15-yard gains. In case you have forgotten, McCaffrey is an elite passer too; last season, he threw a perfect ball to Brandon Aiyuk for a 34-yard score, so he is a threat for any head coach daring to implement trickery. McCaffrey also has the elite speed to outrun just about anyone. In Week 2 against the Los Angeles Rams, McCaffrey broke a run for 51 yards where he reached a top speed of 20.92 mph. McCaffrey is the best option, and if I were starting a flag football team, the reasons are endless for why he's my first call.

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Lamar Jackson
If there's a quarterback in the league that I think can be an absolutely dominant option on the flag football field, it's Lamar Jackson. He's still just 26 years old and easily one of the biggest mobile threats in the entire league currently. Imagine the thoughts from opponents when they have to keep Jackson from embarrassing them, whether through deadly throws or making opponents miss with some sneaky juke moves. While it will matter what the talent level will look like from the men around him, he's going to be able to make noise no matter what. He's already a tough cover in the NFL, but on the flag football field, I know that he can be just as great, if not better than his current skill level in the league.

Sports

Photo of the Day | Women's hockey



UConn women's hockey took on University of New Hampshire on Saturday, October 21 at the Toscano Family Ice Forum. The Huskies won with a final score of 4-0. PHOTO BY SYDNEY HAYWOOD, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

Huskies in the Pros: Five Huskies on NBA rosters going into 2023-2024 season

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After a wild, four month off-season, the NBA is back for what should be an exciting 2023-2024 campaign. As of now, five players will represent UConn in the NBA, including three rookies from the 2023 National Championship team. Former UConn basketball stars such as Ray Allen, Richard "Rip" Hamilton, Rudy Gay

and many others have already established prominent careers for themselves, and now it's time for the recent wave of Husky draft picks to make careers of their own. Let's look at the Connecticut players new and old who made opening night rosters for the 2023-2024 season.

Andre Drummond: Chicago Bulls

Following Gay's release this week, former top 10 pick Drummond is now the longest tenured Husky in the NBA. A two-time All-Star and four-time league leader in rebounds, Drummond has had a very impressive career and

was awarded an All-NBA Third Team selection after the 2015-2016 season. The 6-foot-10-inch center from Mount Vernon, New York spent his first eight seasons in the league with the Detroit Pistons and has since suited up for the Cavaliers, Lakers, 76ers, Nets and Bulls. Drummond's career 12.7 rebounds per game is good for the 13th highest in NBA History.

James Bouknight: Charlotte Hornets

Two seasons have gone by since former UConn guard Bouknight was drafted 11th overall by the Charlotte Hornets. Over those two seasons, the former Husky star has appeared in just 65 games with career averages of 5.1 points and 1.9 rebounds while spending most of his career in the G-League. Bouknight will be sidelined for the start of the 2023-2024 season as he recovers from a meniscus injury he suffered in practice on Oct. 5. His injury will be re-evaluated in four weeks, though his role on the team is unclear whenever he does return.

Jordan Hawkins: New Orleans Pelicans

After averaging 16.3 points and shooting a blazing 21/42 from beyond the arc in UConn's 2023 national championship run, Hawkins was selected 14th overall by the New Orleans Pelicans



UConn men's basketball blows past DePaul capturing a 88-59 victory at home in the XL Center in Hartford, Conn. on March 1, 2023. This was the last home game of the season for the Huskies, as they will end their regular season in Philadelphia competing against Villanova on Saturday.

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in the 2023 draft. Hawkins averaged just 5.8 points as a freshman, but really blossomed into an elite draft prospect in his sophomore season, courtesy of his lights-out shooting ability. The 6-foot-5-inch sharpshooter from Gaithersburg, Maryland will look to help New Orleans with elite perimeter shooting and athleticism on the defensive side of the ball.

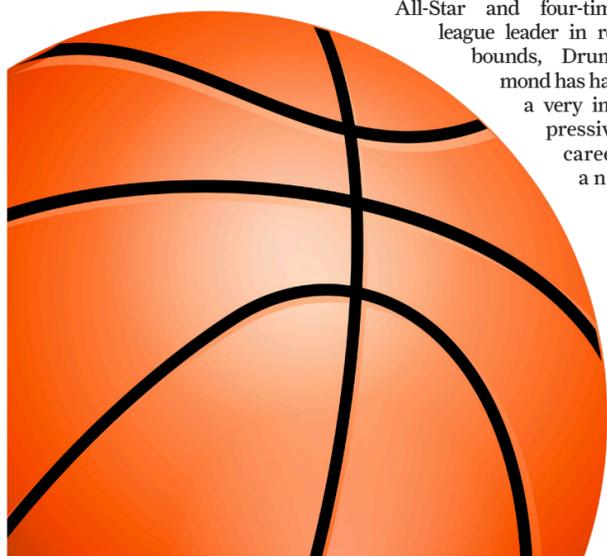
Andre Jackson Jr.: Milwaukee Bucks

The heart and soul of UConn's 2023 national championship run opted to forgo his senior year in Storrs and declare for the NBA Draft, where the Orlando Magic (pick rights to the Bucks) selected him 36th overall. Jackson isn't known for racking up points but rather his freakish athleticism on both ends and his elite floor vision with the basketball. The 6-foot-6-inch wing from Amsterdam, New

York averaged 6.7 points, 6.2 rebounds and 4.7 assists in his final year with UConn and will look to generate open shots and impact games with his raw athleticism in year one with Milwaukee.

Adama Sanogo: Chicago Bulls

After winning the 2023 NCAA Tournament's Most Outstanding Player, UConn big man Sanogo went undrafted and was later signed by the Chicago Bulls. Sanogo is coming off an NCAA Tournament for the ages, leading the Huskies with 19.7 points on an unstoppable 67% from the field during the team's championship run. Despite going undrafted, the former Big East All First-Team selection made the Bulls' opening night roster and will look to carve out a role coming off the bench behind Drummond during the 2023-2024 season.



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Chris's Column: Tyson Fury v. Francis Ngannou preview + prediction

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The heavyweight title fight the world has been waiting for is this Saturday, Oct. 28, in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. This will be the boxing debut of former UFC heavyweight champion Francis Ngannou, who is pitted against the elite heavyweight champion of the world Tyson Fury. It's a 10-round fight and will count as an official bout according to the WBC.

Tale of the Tape:

Fury is 35 years old with a 33-0-1 record in boxing. At 6-foot-9-inch, with a reach of 85 inches, Fury has 24 knockouts in his career. Ngannou is 37 years old with a 17-3 record in MMA. He is 6-foot-4-inch, has a reach of 83 inches and a recorded 12 knockouts.

Tyson Fury:

Fury, aka "The Gypsy King," is fighting at roughly 270 pounds. He provides a fighting style that can be described as orthodox. Fury presents a lot of challenges in the ring for Ngannou. In some of Fury's most recent fights against Deontay Wilder, he has shown how effective his defense tactics are against fighters. Wilder, an Olympic medalist, looked foolish at times, throwing wild punches towards the end of each round. Fury is known for his exceptional footwork and rolls and ducks under quick jabs. He is a two-time champ who has never lost as a pro. He averaged a draw against Wilder with two KO wins. Of his 24 victories by knockout as a professional fighter, Fury has recorded those against Derek Chisora (twice), Wilder

(twice), Dillian Whyte, Otto Wallin, Tom Schwarz and Steve Cunningham.

Francis Ngannou:

Ngannou, aka "The Predator," also offers an orthodox fighting style and has not fought since January 2022. This will be the first time viewers get to witness Ngannou's boxing skills. Ngannou competed in the UFC and fought from typically a right-handed stance. He has also displayed impressive uppercuts with his left hand and likes to close distance early on. Ngannou is known for his punching power.

"His punches are equivalent to 96 horsepower," noted UFC President Dana White. "That's equal to getting hit by a Ford Escort going as fast as it can and it's more powerful than a 12-pound sledgeham-

mer from full force overhead."

Ngannou has only had to defend a title belt once against Cyril Gane, but his belt was stripped when his contract expired with the UFC.

Final Takeaways:

Boxing legend Mike Tyson has been Ngannou's trainer for the last month. The greatest heavyweight boxer of all time serves as the perfect trainer for Ngannou, though Fury will have the height advantage over Ngannou. While Ngannou is an elite MMA heavyweight, he will have his work cut out for him in a lengthy 10-round clash against Fury. Ngannou has the punching power to knock out anyone, but Fury's movement and defensive skills will likely tire out Ngannou. I expect Fury to come out on top in a defensive masterclass KO on Ngannou.



Heavyweight champion Tyson Fury battled against Dillian Whyte at Wembley Stadium, London on April 23, 2022. Fury won by knockout in the sixth round of the match.

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Men's Golf: Huskies head out west to Hawaii

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After finishing in 10th place at the Carolina Cup in Spartanburg, South Carolina, the Huskies' final fall tournament is in Maui, Hawaii. In preparation, Connecticut flew out west on Monday for the Ka'anapali College Invitational in the Royal Ka'anapali Golf Course from Oct. 26 through Oct. 28.

Head coach Dave Pezzino announced that Tommy Dallahan, Ray Dennehy, Alex Heard, Connor Goode, Bradley Sawka and Colin Spencer would each be competing as individuals.

Air Force, Boise State, Colorado, CSUN, Denver, East Tennessee State, Georgia, Gonzaga, Hawai'i, Liberty, Louisiana, Mount St. Mary's, North Florida, Sacramento State, San José State and Wyoming will be UConn's competitors through the tournament. Defending champions Oklahoma, 2021 champions Kansas and 2016 winners Clemson are also part of the tournament.

The three-day, 54-hole tournament starts each day with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. The par-71, 6,700-yard Royal Ka'anapali Course, built in 1962, provides the players at the tournament with a picturesque tropical backdrop.

In last year's Ka'anapali Classic Collegiate Invitational, Dallahan shot -5 (66) and -1 (70). Dallahan finished in a tie for 22nd place in the 123-player field.

Dallahan's total aggregate was 208 (66, 72, 70) and helped UConn to a tie for 13th place with Cal State-Northridge in the 20-team field. The Huskies' team aggregate was +3 (288, 285, 282= 855). Trevor Lopez shot +10 (78, 71, 74) with a total aggregate of 223, tied for 104th place. Spencer shot +17 (79, 76, 79) with a total aggregate of 230, tied for 118th place. Junior Vikram Konaniki, who played as an individual, shot +21 (79, 76, 79) with a total aggregate of 234.

The weather for the golfers will be sunny with average temperatures hovering around 85 degrees. Overlooking the west Maui Mountain

foothills, the Huskies will end their rounds with the hardest hole on the entire course. The 18th hole is a par -4 449 yard that PGA legend Arnold Palmer labeled "one of the best and most challenging holes he'd ever played." It's also one of the most memorable holes for golfers, with long brackish canals on the entire length of the fairway and green.

The Huskies aim to build off their late strong round play at the Knoxville Collegiate, the UConn Invitational and the BMW Intercollegiate. They also look to build on Dallahan's 13 birdies at Spartanburg, Goode's first-place finish at GreatHorse, and Dennehy's low average round scores of 74.6 with a top-10 finish under his belt.

The Ka'anapali College Invitational is a great opportunity for younger players like Heard and Spencer to end their fall season with lower individual scores.

When the Huskies return from Hawaii, the next tournament is on Feb. 5 at the Big East Match Play at Bear Lakes Country Club in West Palm Beach, Florida.



UConn men's golf hosts their invitational at Greathorse Country Club in Hampton, Mass. on Oct. 1, 2023. The invitational will play out for the next two days.

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Sargeant's Orders: Alex Rodriguez does not belong in Monument Park

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In case you missed it last Thursday, former player turned baseball analyst Alex Rodriguez appeared on Evan and Tiki, a New York-based radio show. While subtle, an interesting topic on the show was if Rodriguez wanted his number retired in Monument Park, and he said he does. Looking at his resume, it makes sense; he won two American League MVP awards and hit 351 home runs in the Bronx. The former Yankees slugger was also a vital member of the 2009 Yankees team, hitting an absurd .365 in the post-season when they won their record 27th World Series title.

While impressive, his stats and recent radio interview fail to mention his well-documented usage of performance enhancing drugs (PEDs), the numerous lies he told about his usage and what a toxic teammate he was. For all the reasons above, Rodriguez does not deserve to be honored in any capacity of the game, including enshrinement in Monument Park.

Despite his success in the Bronx, Rodriguez was a poor teammate to many, including Derek Jeter, but it wasn't always this way. Breaking into the league, the two athletes were good friends on different teams, staying at each other's houses, eating out together and relishing in the success of being two of the most renowned shortstops at the time. Of course, it's hard not to mention the 1997 Sports Illustrated magazine that featured the two on the cover and the "shirtless shortstops" photo that featured Jeter, Rodriguez, Álex González, Édgar Rentería and Rey Ordóñez. However, everything changed in 2000. In the 2000 ALCS, the two friends faced each other, and both played like the best shortstops in baseball, with Rodriguez hitting over .400 and Jeter nearly scoring .320. New York won the World Series that year. Afterward, Rodriguez hit the free agency market, signing the



Alex Rodriguez, nicknamed "A-Rod," played 22 seasons in the MLB for the Seattle Mariners, Texas Rangers and New York Yankees. Rodriguez' last game took place on Aug 12, 2016.

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richest contract in sports history, a 10-year \$252 million deal with the Texas Rangers.

At the same time, Jeter was negotiating a long-term extension with the Yankees. Rodriguez let it known that his old friend Jeter wasn't in the same class as him, saying, "A guy like Derek, it's going to be hard for him to match that," adding "He doesn't do the power numbers, and defensively, he doesn't do all those things. So he might not break the 252 [million dollars]. He might get 180 [million dollars]? I don't know what he's going to get. 150 [million dollars]? I'm not sure."

"I'm not trying to beat Alex's record anyway," Jeter responded. "The only record I'm concerned with is Yogi [Berra]'s record, and that's the (10) championships."

Jeter signed the second richest contract in sports history, a 10-year \$189 million contract. Instead of congratulating his friend, Rodriguez kept running his mouth, this time in a 2001 Esquire profile titled "Alex Rodriguez is underpaid."

"Jeter's been blessed with great talent around him, he's never had to lead," said Rodriguez. "He can just go and play and have fun... you never say, don't let Derek beat you. He's never your concern."

What was Rodriguez's legacy as a Yankee? Sure, he had numerous individual awards for his regular-season performance. Yet, in the biggest of moments, Rodriguez was nowhere to be found. The Brooklyn native was the face of the Yankees' historic 2004 ALCS collapse when the third baseman went 2-17 in games 4 through 7 and infamously slapped the ball out of Bronson Arroyo's glove in game 6. In the 2006 playoffs, Rodriguez hit so poorly that Joe Torre slid him to eighth in the lineup, where they lost in the Divisional Round to the Detroit Tigers. Despite New York winning its 27th ring in 2009, the headlines surrounding Rodriguez weren't for his great performance.

Rodriguez came under the spotlight in 2009 when he tested positive for two anabolic steroids in 2003, which he admitted to. His usage was from 2001-

2003. He was never disciplined for this incident, as it was supposed to be anonymous, and during an era in which most of the players were doping; however, the drama was far from over.

In 2013, the infamous "Biogenesis scandal" rocked MLB, suspending 14 players, including Rodriguez. The third baseman got the longest suspension, as he missed the entirety of the 2014 season. He used PEDs from 2010-2012 while on the Yankees and even got a fake doctor, Anthony Bosch of Biogenesis Labs, to help him pass the MLB-mandated drug tests. After receiving his season-long suspension, he denied his PED usage, saying, "I have been clear that I did not use performance-enhancing substances," adding "And in order to prove it, I will take this fight to federal court."

Less than a month later, Rodriguez met with federal prosecutors behind closed doors, who were investigating Bosch and Biogenesis Labs. The former MVP admitted to everything: his usage, how he "beat" the tests and how he got the drugs. The public only found out about this after the Miami Herald obtained Rodriguez's testimony and published an exposé on Bosch's clientele. MLB had already suspended the slugger for an entire season. After Bosch rolled over on Rodriguez, there was no denying the truth: The two-time

MVP and World Series champion was doping, and it called everything he had done in his career up to that point into question.

There is still a chance that the Yankees will retire Rodriguez's number. After all, Andy Pettitte's number is retired despite using PEDs. Unlike Rodriguez, Pettitte came clean about using and did not abuse steroids to the extent Rodriguez did. Despite his five rings, Pettitte does not deserve that honor because everyone else in Monument Park did it clean, and taking PEDs is a violation of MLB's Drug Policy. It also makes you wonder if these reports were never brought to light, would these two athletes or anyone else who was doping admit to that fact years later? Probably not, because they thought they could get away with it.

Why do all baseball fans universally like Jeter? While his play on the field was nothing short of spectacular, so was his character. Unlike Rodriguez, Jeter was not attention-hungry for the camera. He was humble in triumph and in defeat and never started fights with Jason Varitek. Jeter and so many other athletes serve as role models for the next generation of fans, and to put a cheater, whose entire career is tainted with his use of PEDs, on the same level as Yankee legends like Jeter, Mariano Rivera and Babe Ruth, would be baseball's greatest tragedy.



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Women's Soccer: UConn closes out the regular season at Seton Hall

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The UConn women's soccer team (8-3-5, 5-1-3 Big East) travels to Seton Hall (6-6-5, 2-3-4 Big East) for the last match of the regular season today at 6 p.m.

Heading into the game, UConn sits in third place in the Big East standings, one point behind Xavier. With a win over Seton Hall and a Xavier loss or tie against Marquette, the Huskies can move into second to earn a bye to the Big East semifinals.

In the event of a UConn loss, the Huskies will remain in third place and will prepare to host the Big East quarterfinal at Morrone Stadium on Sunday, Oct. 29. They will host whichever team finishes sixth in the league.

The Huskies are coming off an impressive week where they collected two convincing wins

points with 12. Her five goals is her career high, with plenty of soccer left to be played to extend the personal record.

Seton Hall welcomes the Huskies not having collected a win in the past four games, but they are playing in the comfort of their own home. The Pirates have not lost a game at Owen T. Carroll Field since the season opener against Lafayette on Aug. 17.

Today's game is a must-win for the Pirates if they wish to play in the Big East Tournament. They currently sit in sixth place, one point ahead of DePaul. The top six teams will qualify for the Big East Tournament.

UConn's defense will have their hands full with junior Natalie Tavana. The Middletown, Connecticut native tops the Big East with 12 goals scored, which has her tied for 13th in the country. She also sits second in points



The UConn women's soccer team took on Villanova for the final home game of the season on Oct 19. The Huskies emerged victorious, ending the game 4-0.

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over Villanova and Providence. The offense scored six goals and the defense only allowed one goal over that stretch.

The weekly awards continue to rack up for UConn with senior goalkeeper Kaitlyn Mahoney earning her second-straight Big East Goalkeeper of the Week honors. Graduate student Cara Jordan was also named Big East Player of the Week for the second time this season.

Mahoney has locked down the net this season; she's collected nine shutouts and ranks seventh in the country in goals against average percentage. What's more impressive is all goalkeepers ahead of her have played less minutes in relation to the total team minutes, showcasing Mahoney's durability.

Jordan has also been stellar for the Huskies during conference play. With her four goals, she ranks third in the Big East and is tied for third in total points with 10.

For the current season, Jordan leads the team in goals with five and shares the team lead in

in the Big East at 26 behind St. John's Jessica Garziano.

The UConn defense should remain confident despite Tavana's offensive impact this season. The Huskies have shut out opponents 10 times this season, only allowing an impressive seven goals in 16 games, leading the Big East.

After a three-game skid without scoring a goal, the Huskies' offense has come alive in the past four games. Over that stretch, UConn has scored 11 goals for 42.3 percent of the season's total.

The Pirates have not had any success against the Huskies in 14 total matchups. UConn remains unbeaten in the history between the two programs, scoring an average of 4.07 goals per game. Seton Hall will need to break this streak to keep their postseason hopes alive.

As another season nears a close, the Huskies will gear up to play for another Big East Championship title.

For those unable to travel, the game will be streamed on FloSports.



Emily Durgin came to UConn already being a three-time state champion and a Foot Locker Championship finalist. Durgin graduated from UConn in 2017.

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Husky History: Emily Durgin

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Hello all, and welcome to another edition of Husky History. Each week this column highlights the accomplishments of a former UConn athlete and their ability to perform at the professional level.

This week's edition focuses on star distance runner Emily Durgin, who has collected countless honors in her time as a Husky.

The native of Portland, Maine was a star runner early on in her life. During her time at Cheverus High School — where she participated in cross country, track and field and swimming — Durgin won state championships in the two-mile and 4x800 meter relay on the track. In cross country, she was a Footlocker Championship finalist, a national meet only 40 athletes qualify for each season.

For her high school accomplishments, Durgin earned herself a scholarship position on the UConn cross country and track and field teams.

In 2013, Durgin got off to a strong start in her freshman track campaign. In the indoor season, Durgin ran a season best in the mile with a 5:06.43 effort at the Boston University Terrier Classic. She came back less than a month later to run 10:08.02 in the 3000 meter run at the NEICAAA Indoor Track and Field Championships, where the Huskies captured the team title.

Her sophomore year was when she broke out on the oval. At the 2014 American Indoor Track and Field Championships, the sophomore took home three gold medals in the 3000, 5000 meter and distance medley relay. Despite her gold medals, the Huskies came up short in the team race, placing second behind Southern Methodist.

Later that outdoor season, Durgin came through again at the conference championship for the Huskies. One of the most physically challenging tasks for a track athlete is to run the 10,000 and 5000 meter runs within two days of each other. Racing over nine miles, Durgin turned in two top six finishes to lead the Hus-

kies to a third place team finish.

For her performances in the 10,000 that season, Durgin qualified for the NCAA East Preliminary Round for a chance to race at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. She came up short in her efforts, but represented the track and field program proudly.

Returning for her junior cross country season, Durgin had about as successful a fall as one can hope. Running a personal best five kilometer race in the season opener at UMass with a time of 17:10.1, the Husky would go on to win the 2014 American Athletic Cross Country Championship individually.

After her 12th place finish at the NCAA Division I Northeast Region Cross Country Championships, Durgin earned an at-large bid to represent

the United States at the 2024 Paris Olympics.

After Durgin's time in Boston, she signed a contract with Under Armour in 2019 and was a sponsored athlete with them until July 2021. As an Under Armour athlete, Durgin posted a personal best in the 5000 run with a time of 15:24:19.

Durgin currently runs for Adidas, where she has made her mark on the roads. At the Toronto Waterfront Marathon on Oct. 15, Durgin placed fifth in the women's race, completing the race in a blistering 2:26:46. The time qualifies her for the 2024 Olympic marathon trials with a chance to represent the United States at the 2024 Paris Olympics.

After her performance at the Toronto Waterfront Marathon, Durgin went to Instagram and posted a picture with family and friends with the caption, "Whenever people ask me why I decided to continue to pursue running after college I say, I wanted to see how good I could be and because of the incredible support system behind me telling me to go for it."

Durgin currently resides and trains in running hot-spot Flagstaff, Arizona. In 2020, UConn made difficult financial decisions to cut four different sports, one of them being men's cross country. Further plans were made by the university athletics department to make more budget cuts, and track and field alumnus all over came together to voice why track and field should remain at UConn, one of those being Durgin.

On Instagram, Durgin compiled a gallery of photos with a caption that included, "Being a student-athlete taught me so much about myself and shaped who I am today." She continued with, "I want to continue to influence and empower other athletes to pursue their dreams, and to do that as a UConn Husky!"

UConn is proud to have a supportive former athlete that still encourages current athletes to reach new heights, even from across the country.



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