

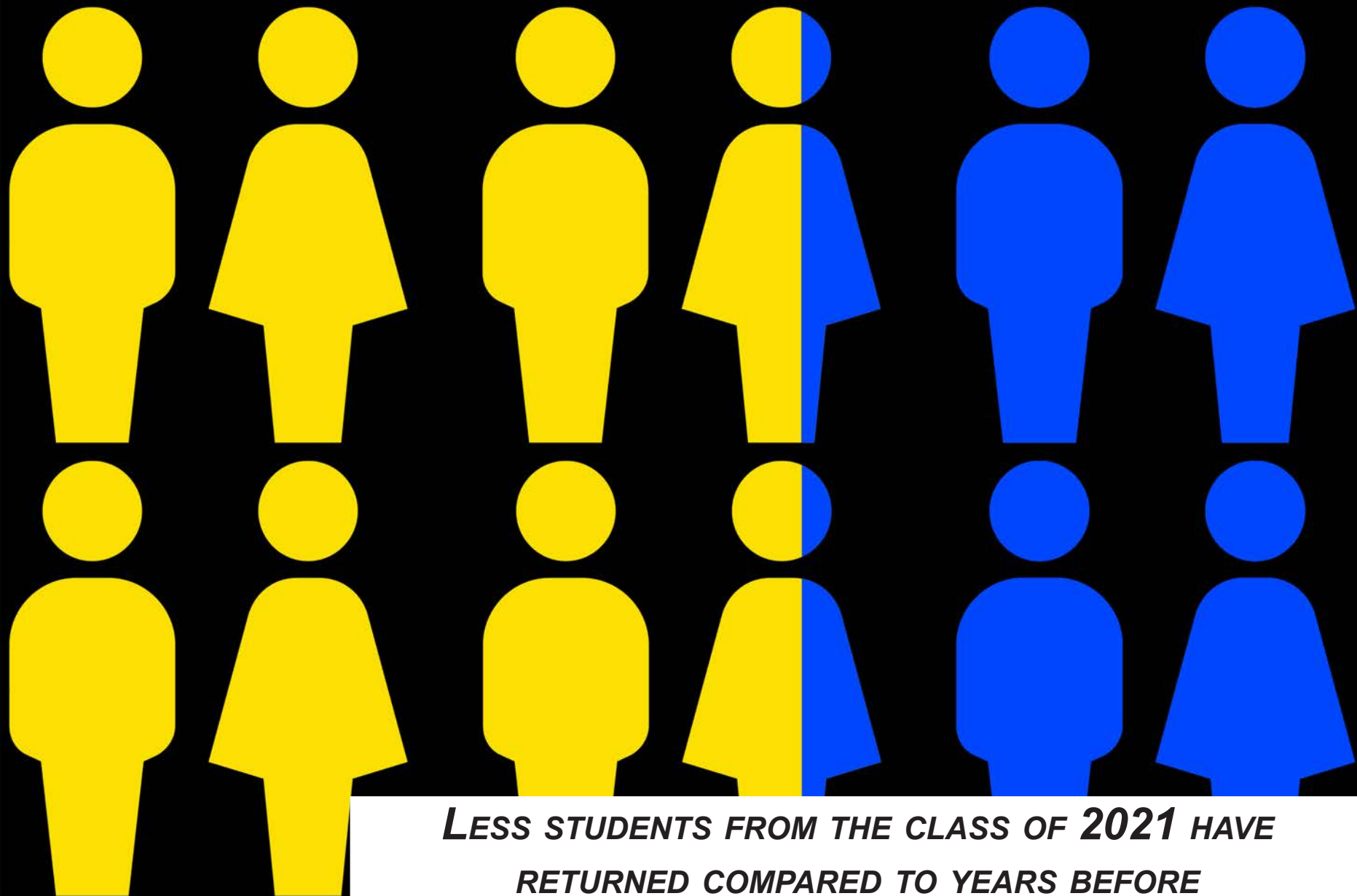
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Mold and Damage Go Unaddressed

BY KIANA QUINONEZ
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Apartment 31 in Savin Court Townhouses currently has mold in their kitchen and bathroom and the ceiling in their kitchen is caving in. Despite requests from its student residents, facilities has visited the apartment but not yet taken

it, and the walls were wet, and like dripping behind the stove,” said Wyman.

That’s when they looked up to see the ceiling had bowed, and opened on one end.

Just a floor above the seperated ceiling is a bedroom and a bathroom that is also causing concern. The apartment’s bathroom tub is surrounded by mold. There are splotches of it on the ceiling and a ring



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Mold on the bathtub in apartment 31.

action. Tora Wyman, a junior communications major living in the apartment, said she started noticing a crack in her kitchen ceiling about two weeks ago.

Her and her roommate dismissed it as paint chipping. But on Family Day, they started to realize the scope of the problem. A family member of one tenant was attempting to cook in the kitchen when she noticed something was off.

“The stovetop, it was all wet, like there was water all over

of it around the tub.

The tenants filed two work orders, one to have the mold addressed and an emergency form to have the roof fixed. So far, only the bathroom has been looked at by facilities.

“Somebody came, and they actually came inside, checked out the bathroom and said ‘Oh, it’s just water damage, forget about it,’ and they didn’t even check the kitchen which the emergency work order is for,” said Wyman.

Although the exact cause of each of these incidents is un-

clear, Wyman thinks that the weather may play a factor.

“Everytime we have a heavy rain, it cracks even more,” she said.

Connecticut’s weather has been rainy nearly completely rain with the fall season rolling in. West Haven has had flooding on main campus causing water damage, and violent storms almost every week since the start of the semester.

Wyman says the situation has become so bad that she believes it’s part of the reason she has been feeling sick.

At first she had a cold, but now Wyman says that she has a bad cough that clears up as soon as she leaves her apartment..

With off-campus housing, although students still rely on facilities, the process is a little different.

Residence halls like Savin Court have a landlord,

whose responsibility is to handle situations like those in apartment 31. However, the students cannot contact their landlord directly, they must go through facilities to do so.

“He usually takes care of all the issues, but like he’ll take his time,” said Wyman. “There’s no way that we can get in contact with him, and we’ve asked the RA’s before.”

The mold and collapsing ceiling pose hazards to the students. After two weeks of waiting, a Wyman said she just wants the school to take action.

“If you have the option to file an emergency work order, then maybe you should make that your primary or your like number one thing to do,” she said.

Facilities has not returned The Charger Bulletin’s request for comment before the press date.



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Ceiling damage in the kitchen of apartment 31.

NEWS

ASR Uncovers Low Campus Crime Rate

BY KARINA KRUL
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The University of New Haven police department recently released the 2018 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report (ASR), which details campus crime over the last three years.

On the main campus, the third-highest count for reported crime in 2017 was rape, with a total of eight. The most reported crime was alcohol violations, while the second most reported was drug violations.

The first 23 pages of the report are dedicated to university policies on everything from drug and alcohol violations, to reporting sexual

assault. The report also details the university police department's mission and structure, as well as the process for sending emergency notifications to the campus community. The remainder of the report is dedicated to crime definitions for what is



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reported as well as the counts for the various crimes.

Crimes included in the report are from 2015, 2016, and 2017 and they range from

murder and rape, to motor vehicle theft, and stalking. The ASR also reports the number of drug and alcohol-related violations, but according to university chief of police Tracey Mooney, the report counts reports of minor drug and alcohol violations not the arresting violators.

"I would like to make it perfectly clear, however, that the police department has full arrest powers and may at any time, utilize our discretion to use those powers in an investigation of wrongdoing," said Mooney.

According to Mooney, the crimes listed in the guide "were investigated and were found to be valid complaints" by campus police. However, she said, for crimes of sexual

assault, this may not be true. According to Mooney, sexual assaults can be reported anonymously through various sources, but federal law requires that they be listed in the ASR.

The report breaks the occurrence of crimes down between main campus, Lyme Academy, and Prato, Italy. However, the only crimes reported at the Prato campus were two incidences of drug use violations in 2015. Lyme was only slightly higher with six cases of reported fondling, one drug violation, and a combined 16 liquor violations between 2015 and 2016.

On the main campus, the highest reported crime in 2017 was liquor violations, totaling 336. Drug violations

followed, with 37 incidents. There were also eight reports of rape in 2017, which is considerably higher than the two years prior, with one reported in 2016 and four reported in 2015.

Overall, there is no indication of any criminal trends and the campus has a low crime count, said Mooney

The crime report includes a fire safety report, which counted two total fires in 2017, one at 19 Ruden St. and one at the Atwood.

"We are always cognizant of the negative impact any type of crime can have on our campus community and try our very best to protect everyone and keep them safe," said Mooney.

New Initiative Introduces Street Signs on Campus

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Recently, two roads on the University of New Haven's main campus have been named. The move is part of the new Building for Success Initiative whose goal is to "revolutionize the central campus and enrich our community in countless ways,"

according to the university's website.

The two main streets that have been named so far this semester are near the Maxcy Hall parking lot.

The entrance road off of Boston Post Road was named Constance Way by Board of Governors chair William L. Bucknall Jr. Bucknall chose the name in honor of his mother. The second street, Margaret Lee Way, is named



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The street signs outside of Maxcy Hall.

after Dr. Henry C. Lee's wife. The road is located on the shuttle stop in front of Gehring Hall.

"These streets were named by two individuals who have made many contributions to the university through their work, philanthropy, and volunteerism," said campaign director Marya Neary.

The street signs are also part of a larger initiative to improve the campus and

provide better directions for emergency vehicles and campus visitors. One of the Building for Success Initiative goals is to continue naming streets on campus as construction continues.



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NEWS

University's Largest Class Comes Back Smaller

BY SEAN MCGUIRE
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The Class of 2021 was the biggest freshman class to ever be accepted into the University of New Haven. But is it as big as we remember? The answer is no.

Every university has retention rates. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, defines retention rate as, "the percentage of a school's first-time, first year undergraduate students who continue at the school the

next year."

The University of New Haven has prided itself in the past for having a high retention rate. The use of the data provided by the National Center for Education Statistics reports that from 2001 to 2017 the average retention rate for full-time freshman undergraduate students was 80.1 percent. In comparison the retention rate for part-time is around 43 percent.

This past year the retention rate of the class of 2021 dropped below average in both categories. Full-time fell to 79.1 percent and part-time

fell to 41.3 percent. This means that more people left the university after their first year than in recent years.

Recently, the university has been building up its facilities to make room for more student resources. This includes parking lots, lab rooms, and newer classrooms.

"We work hard to provide a positive experience and a community where all students have a sense of belonging," said vice president of student affairs and dean of students Rebecca Johnson.

Some students feel the number of new students coming in

are crowding the facilities.

"Many labs and other classes are being overfilled making it so hard for students to take classes specifically for their major," said Britney Caso, a junior in forensic science. "I cannot even take my lab for my microbiology class. I have to wait till next semester after I finished the class. It is definitely due to the overabundance of students fighting for the exact same classes."

Some students are leaving the university because they feel the promises they were made are not coming to fruition.

New student Casey Van Veen said that these projects are making the experience less enjoyable for students, which is why she is leaving the university.

"I just feel the school is always talking about improving things, but it seems like they are not improving the actual lives of the students," said Van Veen. "The one on one with professors that students have been promised has lessened. This actually formed my distrust with the university. My biology class that usually has a cap at 18 has 27 people in it."

Examining Sexual Assault Resources on Campus

BY EVERETT BISHOP
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When students are in danger, they need to know that their university is there to protect and support them. In sexual assault cases, this is especially true. So what protections are in place to prevent students from becoming the next survivor? And how effective are those programs and policies?

The University of New Haven's resources include the Title IX office, counseling center, and the university po-

lice department (UPD). But trying to curb sexual assaults, is no easy feat, female college students are four times more likely to be the victims of sexual assault than other women and college men five times more likely.

University police chief Tracey Mooney says that UPD is well-equipped to handle sexual assaults on campus.

"Officers are fully trained in the process and procedures of criminal investigations, to include those of sexual assaults," said Mooney. "Officers also regularly receive

re-certifications training and updated courses on criminal investigations."

In fact, any allegation of sexual assault that is reported to university police goes through a full investigation, so long as "probable cause was developed to believe a crime was committed," said Mooney. University police also work with the West Haven police department during such investigations.

Incidents occur at the University of New Haven less often than national statistics may lead us to believe, with only eight instances of rape

occurring in 2017.

But what about the instances of sexual assault that aren't reported?

Rebecca, a senior criminal justice major at the University of New Haven who asked that her last name not be used, is a survivor of sexual assault. During her junior year, Rebecca said she was assaulted by a man off campus, and she never reported it to any of the university's resources.

"I didn't feel like it was important enough to make an issue of it," said Rebecca. "I would hope that the univer-

sity would have resources to support me, but I don't know who I would even go to."

This is a common response for survivors of sexual assault. According to, the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), 26 percent of female students age 18-24 believe that their experience with sexual assault is a personal matter, and an additional 12 percent believed that it wasn't important enough to report.

"I think having some kind of information on who to contact and more educa-

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Write Your Own "Odyssey"

BY MATT VERRILLI
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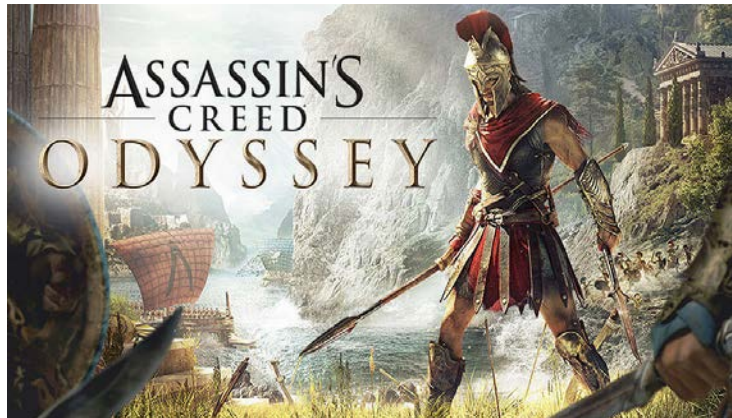
Assassin's Creed *Odyssey*, the eleventh entry in the titular video game series, gives players a front row seat to the Peloponnesian War. The series prides itself on making "history our playground," and with this installment that has never been more true. Throughout the series, players have been to the Third Crusade, Renaissance Italy, Colonial America, The French Revolution, Victorian London, Ptolemaic Egypt, and now, Ancient Greece. The game is developed and published by Ubisoft.

The story of *Odyssey* begins in 431 BCE, at the start of the conflict between the Spartans and the Athenians.

When the game begins, players can choose to play as either a male (Alexios) or female (Kassandra), who are siblings, and the only real difference this makes to the narrative is the higher tier voice acting from Melissanthi Mahut, who voices Kassandra. One of the most prominent changes that *Odyssey* makes to the franchise is the ability for the player to make decisions that can drastically change the story. Choices can

be made on who the player can spare and whom to align themselves with, the Spartans or Athenians. These choices dictate which ending the player sees in the game.

Odyssey moves away from the traditional mechanics of the series and places an emphasis on role-playing. Gamers who have played the previous entry to the series,



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Assassin's Creed Origins, will see an evolution of these mechanics, which include dialogue options, expanding quests, and romance options.

While all previous entries focus on the stories of the Assassin Brotherhood, *Odyssey* takes a different route. Alexios/Kassandra take on a quest in which they try to reunite a broken family that was split apart when the siblings were thrown off a cliff decades prior. The game also features a prominent group proposed as the antagonists, The Cult of Kosmos, who have

a reach spanning the entirety of Greece and are plotting to rid the ancient world of its typical politics as well as a sinister plot that involves the family of the protagonist.

The gameplay is reminiscent to that of *Origins*. All enemies are set at a specific level depending on the region in which they are located. As the player progresses through

the game, they will visit a variety of different locations and islands throughout ancient Greece, and will continuously level up their character. The combat can be difficult, especially if the player is at a lower level than their enemies.

Ubisoft has done its usual amazing job at rebuilding the historical locations of ancient Greece. The world is full of enemy fortresses and temples that honor gods such as Zeus or Apollo. Players can visit the city of Athens itself which effectively transports them to the world the developers have created.

Return of Weezy

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Lil Wayne has given his fans numerous hits since his last album, exclusively released on Tidal, "Free Weezy Album."

Since that album was released in 2015, Wayne battled with Birdman, co-founder of the label Cash Money Records, along with his own label, Young Money Entertainment.

This battle has been ongoing since 2014, when Wayne said on Twitter:

"To all my fans, I want u to know that my album won't and hasn't been released bekuz Baby & Cash Money Rec. refuse to release it."

In 2015, Lil Wayne sued Cash Money for \$51 million, claiming they violated the terms of his contract by withholding his album, and royalties earned from various Young Money deals. The suit wasn't settled until June of this year, paving the way for "Tha Carter V"'s release.

For the first week, Nielsen Music group recorded "Tha Carter V" as Wayne's fourth-best chart-topping album. Wayne hit this mark before when he dropped "Tha Carter IV" which spent two weeks

as No. 1. Wayne is making milestones again, as he reached the third biggest selling album of the year, and second in streams next to fellow Young Money member Drake's album "Scorpion."

Lil Wayne's "Tha Carter V" was worth the wait. Songs such as "Uproar," produced by Swizz Beatz, gives off a New York vibe. Even his song with the late "XXXTentacion," gives off a dark theme, fitting to the late rapper's unfortunate death. Another fan favorite is "Mona Lisa," which features Kendrick Lamar, rapping in an android voice.

Lil Wayne's success proves that even if this album is the final call for him, he still can reach us, even if it's just for a moment.



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Taylor Swift Breaks Political Silence

BY KARINA KRUL
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Taylor Swift has been in the spotlight for more than 12 years now, but she has never spoken publicly about her political beliefs.

She has, however, spoken about sexual assault. In 2017, she was on the cover of Time Magazine for being a silence breaker because of a sexual assault court case. In 2013, she was groped by DJ David Mueller, who grabbed the singer's butt at a meet-and-greet session. When she told his boss, he was fired and filed a defamation lawsuit against Swift, who counter-sued, and claimed

he assaulted her. She won a symbolic \$1, which she requested to "serve as an example to other women who may resist publicly reliving similar outrageous and humiliating acts," according to her lawyer.

In an Instagram post on Monday (Oct. 8) Swift broke her political silence by endorsing the Tennessee Democratic candidates and urging her fans to vote in the midterm elections.

"In the past I've been reluctant to publicly voice my political opinions, but due to several events in my life and in the world in the past two years, I feel very differently about that now," said Swift in the post. "I always have and always will cast my vote

based on which candidate will protect and fight for the human rights I believe we all deserve in this country. I believe in the fight for LGBTQ rights, and that any form of discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender is WRONG. I believe that the systemic racism we still see in this country towards people of color is terrifying, sickening and prevalent."

She also condemned Republican Senate candidate Marsha Blackburn for voting against equal pay for women, and for not protecting women from domestic violence, stalking, and date rape, as well as voting against gay rights.

"Her voting record in Congress appalls and terrifies

me," said Swift. "These are not MY Tennessee values."

Swift endorsed Democratic candidates Phil Bredesen and Jim Cooper and asked fans to "educate yourself on the candidates running in your state and vote based on who most closely represents your values." She urged fans to vote even if there was no ideal party or candidate.

"So many intelligent, thoughtful, self-possessed people have turned 18 in the past two years and now have the right and privilege to make their vote count," said Swift. "Happy voting!"

She spoke again about the necessity of voting again during her American Music Awards acceptance speech for artist of the year. Swift

broke AMA records, and became the most decorated female artist with 23 total awards.

After thanking her fans, she said, "This award and every single award given out tonight were voted on by the people and you know what else is voted on by the people is the midterm elections on Nov. 6. Get out and vote I love you guys."

President Donald Trump has already spoken about the singer's statement. He said he likes her music "about 25 percent less now."

As Swift continues to speak out about politics and the midterm elections get closer, it will be interesting to see what comes next.

"A Star is Born" Shines at Box Office

BY SEAN MCGUIRE
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Lady Gaga made her debut as a main character in a feature length film and it is arguably her best performance ever. The film, as of Oct. 14 has made \$136.2 million worldwide since its release on Oct. 5.

"A Star is Born" has been made three times. This ver-

sion tells the classic story of an accomplished country singer Jackson Maine, played by Bradley Cooper, who discovers a girl named Ally, played by Gaga. They perform together and gradually fall in love. The movie follows the duo and their struggles as Maine descends from fame while Ally rises into it.

Gaga expertly portrays Ally, an upcoming musician full of doubt. From the beginning,

she struggles to believe she is good enough and doesn't know if she can even make it. Her character goes through so much change that you understand her not only as a person, but also as a good friend. Ally is someone everyone can relate to.

With that being said, this movie also marks Cooper's directorial debut. In order to play his character, Cooper had to learn both the guitar

and piano and drop his voice a full octave to sound like a country singer.

The chemistry between Cooper and Gaga is fresh, unique, and believable and the songs in this movie are breathtaking and powerful. They showcase both Gaga and Cooper as singers and songwriters. The songs bring out the emotion of new love, the betrayal it can bring, and the weight felt when it leaves. The entire

movie shines light on the turmoil that can come from stardom and pulls on viewers heartstrings as Maine and Ally fall apart in the process.

This movie has already been nominated for Oscar's for Best Picture, Best Actress, Best Actor, Best Director, and best original song.

The movie is currently in theaters, and the popularity of the film points to an extended release.

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Spotify Playlist of the Week

BY NICOLE MANALL
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“Songs for
Fall”



The season is changing, and so should your music! Listen to some of these songs as you watch the leaves change different colors.

Pink + White - Frank Ocean

“Pink + White” flows like an autumn breeze, and the lyrics backing up the song lead the listener to believe that Ocean thinks life is going to be the best that it gets.

Sweater Weather - The Neighborhood

Who doesn't love breaking out a nice sweater when it gets cold outside? Vocalist Jesse Rutherford gets listeners ready for fall with this cozy tune.

Nina Cried Power - Hozier feat. Mavis Staples

It's been four years since Hozier has put out any new music, and his new EP does not disappoint. The title track delivers a powerful performance complete with strong vocals and guitar riffs.

Role Models - AJR

AJR hilariously sings about some of their favorite celebrities like Louie CK & Kanye West who they've looked up to, but have let them down.

Honey Moon - Mac DeMarco

Originally released by Haruomi Hosono in 1975, DeMarco sings the whole song in Japanese and puts his own spin on it.

Golden - Hippo Campus

Hippo Campus takes the listener on a journey through a long lasting relationship, and the questions that one has to face on whether to scrap everything, or to keep it all intact.

Climax - Young Thug feat. 6LACK

Off of the long awaited EP “On The Rvn”, Thug stretches his vocal range and delivers over an amazingly catchy beat.

Chewing Gum - Blood Orange feat. ASAP Rocky & Project Pat

Blood Orange wraps you in the lyrical loneliness with this fall hit featuring great features from ASAP Rocky and Project Pat.

REEL IT IN - Aminé

Not only is the production great, but there are also many standout lyrics.

1999 WILDFIRE - BROCKHAMPTON

This R&B style tune maximizes each member of BROCKHAMPTON's talent and continues to reinforce their teamwork as America's favorite boy band.

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OPINIONS

The Planet is Begging You: Vote for Science

BY KARINA KRUL
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Recently the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change released a report, "Global Warming of 1.5°C," that warned we have 12 years to get climate change under control before the world faces grave consequences.

As a result, a great majority of university students will be around to see the beginning of the end of the world.

So why is it that we seem to care so little?

According to the report, temperatures will reach 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels

between 2030 and 2052, and 1°C of it is a direct result of human activities. If the current trend continues, the world faces increased food



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shortages and wildfires and a mass die-off of coral reefs by 2040.

The damage caused by climate change could cost \$54 trillion in just the next few years.

The study's authors warn

that after 12 years, we will be past the point of no return, and they expressed reservations about our ability to turn it around now. This is significant, because in our time of political bipartisanship, it is unlikely that the government will come up with a solution to reverse the atrocious effects we're having on the environment.

The only way to take a step towards reversing climate change is by electing individuals who will vote for science. In a world where we have politicians like Sen. Jim Inhofe (R-OK) who call climate change the "greatest hoax ever perpetrated on the American people," it is crucial to vote for politicians who

believe in science.

Yet, we are not voting for science. We are not voting at all.

According to a report published by Tufts University's National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE), out of 9,784,931 university students, only 48.3 percent of them voted in the 2016 presidential elections. Voter turnout is even lower in the midterm elections. According to Pew Research Center, in the 2018 primary elections, only 19.6 percent of all registered voters cast their ballots.

When considering the pressing issue of creating legislation to reverse climate change, the news keeps

getting worse. According to NSLVE, only 43.6 percent of students in STEM fields vote. Let that sink in, climate change is threatening to swallow the world in water in a mere 12 years, and the students who know this better than anyone, aren't voting.

Again: We need to vote for science. The majority of university students will be starting families when we begin to see the effects of the "out of sight out of mind" impacts of climate change. This is no longer a problem that will affect the world thousands of years from now. It's knocking on our door, and we're leaving it wide open.

How long are we going to pretend we still have time?

Sexual Assault Resources on Campus

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tion would be helpful," said Rebecca.

But with a dean of students' office that hosts events on sexual assault and consent, and mandatory classes for freshman students, what is the next step for the university to increase education about sexual violence, and become more transparent to students who might need help?

Ashley Dunn, assistant

director of student programs and Title IX compliance, said that "there's always room for improvement" when it comes to education and information about reporting, recognizing, and stopping sexual assault.

Dunn's work in Title IX compliance includes training the campus community, employees and students, on issues related to sexual assault and consent. In her time working on campus, one thing that Dunn has realized is invaluable in sexual assault

education is student leadership and partnering with student organizations.

"We try to play a backseat role in the sense of, I would say, just as a best practice for education," said Dunn. "We know that when we allow students to lead it, students feel more comfortable attending."

Dunn has worked with the Undergraduate Student Government Association (USGA), the victimology club, and several Greek organizations to host events

related to consent and sexual assault.

According to a report published by the dean of students' office, in 2017 five formal reports of sexual assault/misconduct and 37 informal reports were brought to their attention. Formal reports are investigated. Informal reports are either reported anonymously or not at all, but those that reported did not seek any sort of investigation.

These numbers also differ

from those provided by the campus police because of the difference in definition. As a private institution, the university has the power to create its own definitions for sexual assault and misconduct. UPD is much more precise in their definitions, strictly using legal terms.

The number of rapes on campus are not increasing. Many sexual assault cases go unheard of because survivors, like Rebecca, don't want to share their stories.

OPINION

Studying Abroad Widens Your World View

BY REBECCA TATERA
STAFF WRITER

Exploring new cultures is a wonderful way to learn more about your values, yourself, and it teaches you to respect differences and appreciate new ways of life. Those lessons are more important than they ever have been.

I have explored 16 countries, gained a unique education that not all students have access to, and formed lifelong friendships with locals.

So, why is it that students are choosing not to go abroad? The number of

students is rising, but it is nowhere near as high as it should be.

“Nationally, the number of U.S. students studying abroad for credit during the 2015-2016 academic year grew 3.8 percent from 313,415 students to 325,339 students,” according to NAFSA.org.

National Association of Foreign Student Advisers, with a goal of advancing international education.

Many of the issues being debated in our society stem from misunderstandings and preconceived notions about differences. According to InternationalStudent.com, when a student studies abroad they “have a better



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understanding and appreciation for the nation’s people and history.”

Our university is fortunate to have a satellite campus in Prato, Italy, which makes studying abroad easier for any University of New Haven

student who wants to take the international plunge.

For students afraid of terrorism, scared of being alone in a foreign land, or afraid to speak a new language, I am now specifically talking to you: Do not let fear keep you

from seeing the world. If you want to go, if even the smallest fraction of you wants to go, go.

You will regret not going for the rest of your life. If you choose to go to Prato, the food is fabulous, the locals are kind, and you are in the middle of Europe. You can go anywhere and see anything.

Studying abroad pushed me out of my comfort zone every day, and insured that every day I grew as a person. I can now semi-fluently speak Italian, live independently, and I have learned to trust my decision-making skills because if I can navigate my way through Europe, I can navigate anything.

Hurricane Season Hits Home On Campus

BY SOMMERS SMITH
STAFF WRITER

The 2018 Hurricane season isn’t holding back this year, as not one, but several massive hurricane storms have slammed into the Atlantic coast. These storms are making history in the United States by being a part of the first season recorded to witness so many subtropical

storms.

The time period for storms, beginning June 1 and expected to end November 30, describes the occurrence of the annual formations of tropical cyclones. Tropical cyclones have a low pressure center, closed low-level atmospheric circulation, strong winds and a spiral arrangement of thunderstorms that produce heavy rain.

Hurricane Florence and

Michael are the largest hurricane storms to hit the United States so far this year. With Michael being ranked the



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third-most intense hurricane in the United States since 1969.

The most recent damage from the storm includes power outages that have affected 1.3 million people and turned buildings into rubble in places like Mexico Beach, Florida. Florida is the storm’s latest victim, with Coast Guard crews helping hundreds of people. As teams search for survivors, the death toll has

increased to 19 people.

A public health and safety emergency has been declared in Georgia. According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, Secretary Alex Azar said, the declaration will help make sure people who rely on Medicare and Medicaid have access to the care they need.

Lending a hand won’t keep the storms away, as the stu-

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SPORTS

New Editions Lead Tennis to Success

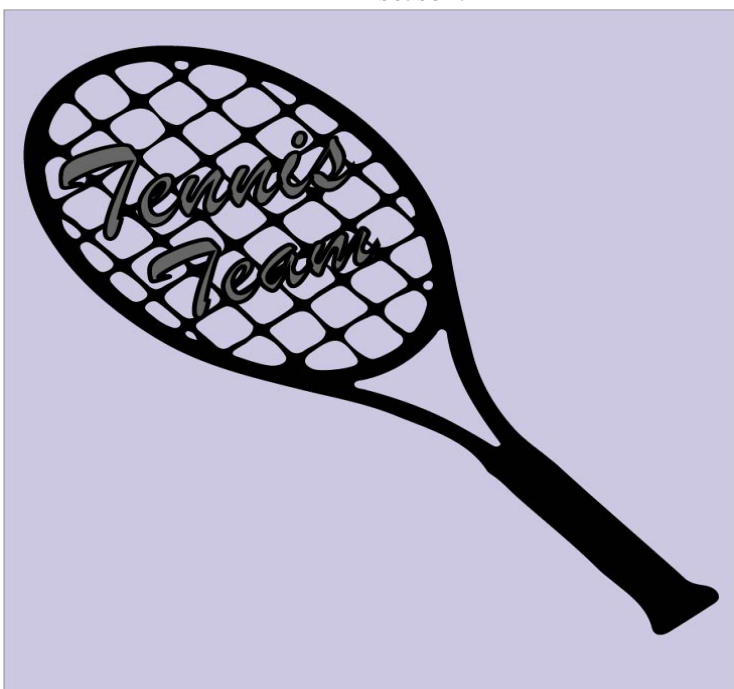
BY CHRIS DIGERONIMO
SPORTS EDITOR

Women's tennis made program history last season, and they look to do it again.

Last season, the team won 10 matches, the most in

conference.

This season, the team has already recorded seven wins with five games left. The Chargers' biggest win this season came on Sept. 22 when they defeated regionally-ranked Southern New Hampshire, 4-3. The Chargers are now 7-2 on the season.



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program history. Coming into the season, the Chargers were picked to finish only eighth in the NE-10 preseason poll as voted on by the league's head coaches. They are beginning to prove the doubters wrong, as they have won six of their last seven matches and are currently fifth in the NE-10

"I am very enthusiastic about the strength and success that this team has shown this season" said head coach Hannah Still. "I could not be more proud of how hard my athletes work every day in practice in order to go out and perform at a high level during matches with great attitudes

and teamwork."

One factor of the Chargers' success has been the play of graduate student Laura Fermosel and freshman Nicole Mika, new additions to the team. Fermosel is 7-3 in number one singles matches, and when paired with sophomore Stephanie Gonzalez, the duo is 8-2 in number one doubles.

Mika holds an 8-2 overall singles record and a 7-1 record in dual matches. When paired with sophomore Lila Rodriguez, the pair boasts a 6-3 record, at no. 2 doubles, the second highest on the team.

Mika was also named NE-10 Rookie of the Week for the week of Oct. 9. She won the award following a 3-0 week in No. 3 and 4 singles, and a 2-1 record in No. 2 doubles. Mika follows in the footsteps of Gonzalez, who won the NE-10 Rookie of the Week three times and ended up winning the 2017 NE-10 Rookie of the Year, the first in program history.

The tennis team will look to get their eighth win of the season at 1 p.m. Saturday Oct. 20 when they take on Merrimack on the road at 1 P.M.

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SPORTS

Chargers defeat American International College

BY KENNY SORRENTINO
BUSINESS MANAGER

The New Haven Chargers football team defeated the American International College (AIC) Yellow Jackets this past weekend, 33-13. The victory puts New Haven 5-0 in NE10 play, and 5-1 overall.

AIC led for almost the entirety of the first half. On the first drive of the game, Chargers quarterback Ajee Patterson threw an interception, leading to a Yellow Jacket touchdown. A few drives later, New Haven's Mcprecia Remy caught an interception

of his own, setting New Haven up 30 yards from the end-zone. Seven plays later, the Chargers scored their first



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touchdown of the game on a short pass from Patterson to running back Ryan McCarthy. The extra point was blocked, leaving the score at 7-6.

On the second-to-last drive of the first half, New Haven went 70 yards in four plays, highlighted by a 41-yard

touchdown pass from Patterson to receiver Ju'an Williams, who last season played for the Yellow Jackets. With no issues on the point-after,

the Chargers took a 13-7 lead, and didn't look back. In the third-quarter, a 47-yard passing touchdown to receiver AJ Greene put the Chargers up, 20-10. The pass was the Chargers season longest, capping off an offensive showcase.

Patterson ended the day going 15 for 30 on passes, for 188 yards and four touchdowns, and two interceptions. McCarthy and senior Chris Liggio added 39 and 36 yards on the day on 17 and 15 carries. Defensive secondary player Shawn Tafe had a big day with 6 solo tackles, two assisted ones, and a big interception.

Next week, Assumption

College's Greyhounds take the journey down to West Haven in a huge faceoff. The boys from Worcester, Mass., have the same win/loss records as the Chargers, coming off a 26-20 overtime thriller against Southern Connecticut State, who lost to New Haven 37-18. The Greyhounds average scoring over 48 points per game, allowing only about 17.

In the same categories, the Chargers average 35 and 21. Kickoff is at 1 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 20 at DellaCamara Stadium. Looking ahead, the Chargers will faceoff against Stonehill, Saint Anselm, and LIU Post to conclude the 2018 regular season.

Field Hockey Wins First Home Game

BY ETHAN CARDONA
STAFF WRITER

Field hockey won its first home game on Oct. 9 on the blue turf as freshman Morgan McCarty scored the game winning goal with just 4.4 seconds left to lift the Chargers over rival Southern Connecticut State 2-1. This was also the team's first Northeast-10 conference win.

It was a goal by Southern Connecticut in the second half, just two minutes after a

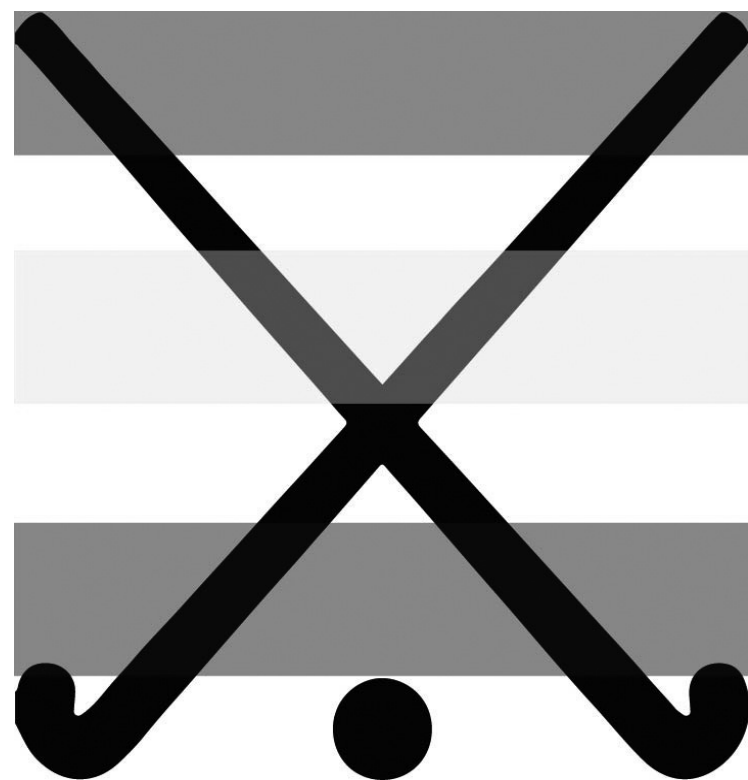
New Haven goal was waved off that opened the scoring. The Chargers quickly battled back and equalized on a goal by freshman Julia Battino off a pass from junior Ashley Higgins.

The game appeared to be heading into overtime as the Chargers pushed one last time upfield in the final 20 seconds of regulation play. Freshman Alexis Rider saw the opportunity and pounced on a gap in the defense, drilling a shot from near the top of the circle that was tipped on goal by McCarty to put the Chargers

up 2-1 with just four seconds left on the clock. That gave the program its first NE-10 victory and its first victory at DellaCamera stadium.

"This means a lot to our team, being our first year competing in the conference to get this first win, fairly early in the season is a huge confidence boost for us as a team," said head coach Kelsi Lykens.

The team fell 1-0 to Bentley on Friday, but will look to get back in the win column Wednesday when they take on LIU Post at 4 p.m. in New York.



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Volleyball Bounce Back, After Sweep by Adelphi

BY MAJELIQUE LEWIS
STAFF WRITER

Charger's volleyball took their fourth loss of the season, and broke their 10-match win streak after facing Adelphi, Oct. 9. They also broke the Chargers' 29-game winning streak vs an NE-10 opponent dating back to 2016.

Kali Greathead was the bright spot in a tough loss; she led the team with 15 kills. Greathead was able to rack up these kills on 44 attacks, and finished the match hitting .250. Also leading the way for the chargers was NE-10

rookie of the week Ruby Fera, who finished with nine kills, which broke her nine-game streak of double figure kills. Fera is averaging .259 overall hitting percentage, in her first year.

The Chargers had six other contributing players. Junior Mallory Nowicki and senior Kristine Rios finished with 6 and 5 kills, respectively. Sophomore Angela Chan contributed with 27 assists and also finished with 7 kills. Offensively, it was a slow night for the Chargers, who finished with a .175 hitting percentage as a team.

Defensively, the Chargers were able to maintain ground

as senior Brianna Mirmina finished with 22 digs, the second time this season she has finished with over 20. Rios finished with 12 digs and Fera



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with 10.

The Chargers flipped the script and came out with a victory against Stonehill college (9-7) on Saturday (Oct.

13).

Greathead led the charge again as the only player to finish in double digits.

Greathead had 12 kills with a

.379 attack on average. The Chargers had a .364 average on attack.

Sophomore Camile Garden added a team high of nine kills. She finished with a

.533 attack percentage, and she only had one error in 15 attempts. Nowicki and Fera ended the night with 8 and 7 kills, respectively. Rios led New Haven to .364 team hitting average. She finished the match with 35 assists, adding five kills and eight digs. The Chargers defeated Stonehill by 13 points in straight sets. Chan and Mirmina led the team with 15 digs, respectively. The Chargers also had 15 blocks collectively as a team.

The Chargers will look to continue their new winning streak when they face non-conference opponent NYIT on the road at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Love of Ice Hockey Turns to Field Hockey

BY ETHAN CARDONA
STAFF WRITER

Taylor Geaglone is a freshman forward/midfielder on the University of New Haven's Field Hockey team, who majors in sports management. She comes into her rookie collegiate year a member of a team with only four returning players from its inaugural year, and 14 new freshmen. For her, the opportunity was not one that

she could pass upon. In fact, she turned down Division I looks from Northeastern and Vermont to pursue her career at New Haven.

"I knew New Haven was going to be a new program," says Geaglone, "I wanted that opportunity to play and be a part of this new family and team and be a part of making history with the program."

For Geaglone, her love for field hockey started in third grade, with a love of another, similar sport.

"I started playing ice hockey

when I was four," says Geaglone. "That was my main sport and I was constantly playing it. Then one day,



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I was hanging around and someone from my mom's high school said I should play field hockey and I started doing camps and that's when I really caught the bug, like right away. Right when I picked it up I was like, 'I really like this.'"

The game got serious for Geaglone in fifth grade when she began to hone her skills while beginning to play at the club level outside of school.

She earned a number of awards during her high school career, including the 2017

Hartford Courant player of the year, All-Regional honors her junior and senior years, and Connecticut player of the year her senior season, a goal that she says she had worked for since her sophomore year.

The decision to pursue field hockey in college came during her sophomore year of high school, following an injury that kept her out the majority of her freshman year.

"I knew I loved the sport and that I could make some-

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STUDENT LIFE

Donut Dash Replaces SwimSuit Sprint

BY NICOLE MANALL
STAFF WRITER

Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) hosted their second annual Donut Dash Saturday, Oct. 13 in the Bixler/Gerber quad. Participants paid \$5 and received three donuts and a t-shirt, with proceeds going to Children's Miracle Network, SAE's national phi-



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Students walk around a path in the Bixler/Gerber Quad to participate in Donut Dash.



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Angelo Prevosto addresses the crowd at the Donut Dash.

lanthropy.

The dash included more than 70 participants running or walking, around a designated path on campus, while stopping at three pit stops to eat a donut. There were prizes for the winners of the race, as well as prizes for people who participated. In addition to the run, there was music and other activities such as lawn games to keep everyone active and having a good time.

Donut Dash is an adaptation of a past event that SAE held, called the Swimsuit Sprint, where participants would wear several layers of clothing over a bathing suit, and then take all of those clothes off during the run, eventually finishing the run in just a swimsuit. All removed clothing was donated to charity.

"We decided to reinvent the Swimsuit Sprint and thus the Donut Dash was born," said

Matthew Lind, president of SAE. "We had a great first year with the Donut Dash and saw different ways we could improve and capitalize on the event, so we decided to stick with it."

This is the first year where SAE charged an entrance fee. Last year, they asked partici-

lar to the Swimsuit Sprint.

"The Donut Dash is a great fundraising event because our goal is to get everyone involved with this event," said Lind. "Even if someone is unable or does not want to participate in the run, there are plenty of other ways to get involved during the event and still have an incredible time."



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All participants received a Donut Dash t-shirt.

CHARGER COMICS

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STUDENT LIFE

Foundation Teaches Women Self-Defense

BY LINDSEY SCALABRINO
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On Wednesday, Oct. 3, the university hosted an event by the Maren Sanchez Home Foundation. The foundation was created to empower and teach girls how to defend against manipulation. The foundation is named for Maren Sanchez, a Connecticut teen who was stabbed to death after she rejected his invitation to prom.

The presentation explored Sanchez's life, starting from before she was born, when her mother already knew she was going to be special. Her mother said her daughter had a spirited and warm personality she struck people as a responsible, and loving girl.

"I thought to myself, gosh I want to be like her someday," her mother Donna Cimarelli said during the presentation.

However, Sanchez could not prevent the fatal attack when she was just 16 years old.

There were events leading up to her death that Cimarelli now looks back on and sees signs that her daughter had been emotionally manipulated for months leading up

to her death; it's something Cimarelli refers to as "pre-incident indicators." The killer would threaten to go off of his medication, showed up outside her house, and brought a knife to school. All that stands out now, Cimarelli said, but at the time they were red flags in Sanchez and her mother's mind. Cimarelli said to trust those flags, above all.

The Maren Sanchez Home Foundation, named in part after the song "Home" Sanchez once sang in front of her school, urges young women to use their intuition for their own security, and remain vigilant with the safety of their friends.

"Your friends could be in trouble and they don't even know it," Cimarelli said.

The Maren Sanchez Home Foundation's mission goes beyond vigilance, and places emphasis on action as well. Self-defense courses are available to students for free in the Rec Center.

Cimarelli says she can never really know, but she'd like to think that if Sanchez had known self defense, she might have been able to protect herself against her attacker. She does not want any other victim or family member to have to ask that question.

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thing out of my play in college," she said.

Coming into preseason in August, she was excited to get on the field with her new teammates.

"I wasn't sure what to expect, but when I went in to the first day, I was really impressed with everyone," she said. "We all worked really hard and trying be the best they could be. We were all mixing really well and that made me really excited to play once we all got over the first day jitters."

Geaglone and the Chargers went into their first official season as a full member of the Northeast-10 conference and they took a few games to build chemistry. But in early October, when the team took on sixth-seeded Merrimack,

they began to turn for the better.

"We felt like we won that game honestly," she said. "We worked so hard. We were down four nothing at halftime and that's happened before and we kind of just dropped our heads, but this time we just didn't. We all picked each other up and we pushed and played as a team and we shutout a ranked team for an entire half. I don't even have words to describe because it was just so great to experience that."

After the game, New Haven earned their first win in program history, and it was Geaglone who sealed the victory as she punched the game-winning goal with just five minutes left in regulation. Geaglone suffered a setback in her play, and was forced to

sit out the last few matches before returning Friday against Bentley. However, she chose to look at the positives of watching the game from the sidelines, and used the time to help her improve when she steps back on the field.

"I definitely see a lot more and I can help my teammates when I came off the field and answering questions from the players in my position and I saw things I wouldn't have seen if I was on the field," said Geaglone.

She said she is excited for what's ahead over the next three years for herself and for the team. Her goal is to compete for an NE-10 championship and potentially a run at the National Championship which she calls an "exciting opportunity."

Hurricane Season

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dents at Jinks Middle School, in Panama City, Florida have lost their school. These same students opened their arms wide for the displaced children of Puerto Rico, after the destruction they faced from Hurricane Maria.

However, this hurricane season may be closely affect-

ing our campus community more than one would expect. The University of New Haven has students attend from all over the country, and those who are Florida natives are just as affected as the people going through the physical storm. These students' could have loved ones experiencing the aftermath of the hurricane

as we speak, and that can take a toll our fellow classmates.

These storms of the year, are turning cities upside down and inside out making it impossible for a moment of relief. As families lives are swept away, it is wondered what will come next after this epidemic of Hurricane storms.

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STUDENT TWEETS OF THE WEEK



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PRIDE Celebrates Ten Years on Campus with Pride Bash

BY NICOLE MANALL
STAFF WRITER

PRIDE celebrated its 10 year anniversary on the University of New Haven campus Friday, Oct. 12 in the Bixler/ Gerber quad. Special

“I have been a part of PRIDE since my freshman year and have seen it grow from 15 active members to over 50,” said PRIDE President Terrell Cantave. “Being a part of PRIDE is like being in a family, full of support and enjoyment from the people around you.”

thank you to the campus community for their support.

“Without the help from students, staff, RSOs, and the campus in general, we would have never had the opportunities we have today,” said Cantave.

Cantave and other members hope the organization continues to grow so that their 20 year anniversary can be bigger and better. Not only are they looking for growth, they are hoping that more of the campus will become allies.

“People often assume that you need to be gay, lesbian, trans, etc. to be apart of PRIDE, that is simply not true, we accept everybody regardless of sexual orientation and love the support we receive from our straight allies,” said Cantave. “I hope that in 10, 15, even 20 years from now, this will be common knowledge and there will be more allies in PRIDE.”



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Student band Cool Cool Ok Cool performs at Pride Bash.

guests came, including the student bands Cool Cool Okay Cool, and Crystal Clear, Monsoon Dance Crew, comedians, professional drag queens. Various Connecticut PRIDE centers, and LGBTQIA+ healthcare centers tabled and gave out information about their cause.

Started in 2008, the People Rejoicing in Diversity Everywhere (PRIDE) has encouraged acceptance at the university, promoted pride in the community, created a safe and nurturing environment for all students, and educated the university community.

They have formed alliances to support their community, received recognition on campus, and had an LGBTQIA+ flag raised in the library quad for National Coming Out Day.

The anniversary was a celebration, but it was also a



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Various local PRIDE organizations table at Pride Bash.