continually shifted towards an online medium. With the additional financial strain of COVID-19, investment firms Citron Research and Melvin Capital bet that the company stock would continue to drop, known as shorting. WallStreetBets, currently composed of over 3.5 million members, noticed that these firms had created a massive shorting investment, shorting more share equivalents than GameStop actually has, and decided to collectively buy in and trigger a 'short squeeze'.

While there is no singular reason for this collective action, some of the listed reasons included a general nostalgia for the franchise, a general resentment that the firm's position was covered when GameStop traded at $50 at the loss of 100%, Melvin Capital has received a $2.75 billion investment from firms Point72 and Citadel to help it weather the losses from their short position in GameStop. According to data from financial-analytics from S3 Partners, GameStop short-sellers have lost more than $5 billion. The news has also drawn attention outside the reddit social media sphere. Billionaire investor Chamath Palihapitiya tweeted that he bought call options on GameStop. By February 19, if GME stocks are trading above $40, Palihapitiya could have to watch this tick er every second until FRIDAY/MONDAY?? one user wrote in a Redditor discussion Thursday afternoon as GameStop soared. “I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I'M DOING,” adding that they had other things to do.

The impact on financial firms has raised concerns that investors are taking excessive risks. Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell was asked whether the federal government’s moves to support markets through the pandemic is helping to push stock prices too high. Powell downplayed the role of low interest rates and pointed to investors’ expectations for COVID-19 vaccines and more stimulus from Washington for the economy as drivers of record stock prices. As GME prices continue to rise, smaller online investors seem to be moving to new ventures of other heavily shorted stocks. AMC Entertainment shares, the theater chain suffering immensely in the wake of the pandemic, saw a surge of 30% in stock prices with $8.4 million shares

The game store's stock price, which was less than $3 last spring and $18 a few weeks ago, surpassed $80 on Wednesday morning. While the total losses suffered by the firm are unknown, it has been confirmed that both firms have dropped their positions. The Citron managing partner Andrew Left confirmed in a video on Wednesday pay $575,000 for 5,000 shares of GameStop at $115 per share. Tesla CEO Elon Musk has further contributed to the media hype train by tweeting ‘Gamestonks’ with a link to the WallStreetBets page, which resulted in a sudden-spike in shares.

Despite billions of dollars being involved, individuals of WallStreetBets seem to have little regard for the consequences of their actions on others or themselves. “WHAT IS AN ACTUAL RATIONAL SELLING POINT, (ABOVE 200? 300?) SO I DON'T

Jonathan Kawauchi
World News Editor

Massachusetts Secretary of State Bill Galvin called for a 30-day suspension of GameStop stock trading after the retailer's share prices rose to its highest recorded price on the public market.

“It’s dangerous not only to the investors, but it’s dangerous to the marketplace,” Galvin stated last Wednesday on CNBC.

The recent interest surrounding GameStop stems from an internet community’s recent heavy investments in the company’s shares after two major investment firms had shorted the stock. The reddit community r/ WallStreetBets, known for past investments in the company's stock trading app Robinhood which resulted in the generation of an infinite amount of funds after two major investment firms had shorted the

Additional information can be found on Rose Hulman websites.
Cyberpunk 2077 Full Review

Matthew Supp Flipside Editor

Cyberpunk 2077 is probably one of the most talked about video games of the last five years. It is a game that developers CD Projekt Red had in the works for roughly 9 years prior to its re-release. I am not the one to talk about the game flows, not only with the code involved, or about the build of the game itself. In this review, I will talk solely about fluidity of the mechanics, gameplay, and story.

Before that though, I will start by saying that I have played around 85 hours on an Xbox Series X, the purely digital version of the new generation of Xbox consoles. I have heard about strange things about the game on other consoles. For instance, the Xbox One line and PS4 have had lots of issues, not only with the graphics but also with the build of the game itself. If you are curious to know how the game runs on PC, I recommend reading the Issue 10 article from Aidan about his first impressions.

Now to the juicy part. First, the fluidity. What I mean by this is how well the game flows, regardless of what it is you are doing. Whether it is you are playing the intricate main storyline, driving a stupidly fast car through the winding streets of Night City, or just trying to find the coolest combination of clothes. The game is as smooth as can be. I have had no bugs or disruptions that inhibit my ability to game. I want to play the game and I want to. The very few things I have seen in terms of fluidity have to do with textures, overlapping, or a car getting stuck underneath another one. However, these are things that happen in any other world or large-mapped game, like Skyrim or Grand Theft Auto V.

Next on my list, the gameplay. There is a ton of customization with how you play this game. If you want to use a baseball bat to take on the scum and villains of the city, by all means do so. If you want to add blades to your forearms like some kind of cyberg虹桥, you go for it. The sheer amount of weapons and ways to use them fills this game with replayability and makes no two save files the same.

The clothes are another story entirely. Even if you wanted to, you probably could not find all the clothes there are to find in the city. I find it better to find clothes that not only fit my aesthetic liking, but also suit my character's personality. However, if you really wanted to, you could combine clothing pieces and find that the outfit you land on is incredibly dumb looking, yet provides you with the best armor out there. And the vastness of the items that you can pick up along the way is quite something. You will find that you may not need hardly any of them besides the combat explosives and quick heals, but they give you a really cool glimpse into the background of the game.

Now for the story. There are three basic character builds to choose from, each one providing a glimpse into the clashing social classes. I chose to play Corporate, Nomad, and Street Kid when the game begins. Each one provides a different look into theclashing social classes. You can choose from the intricate character customization in the start of the game. You can choose from one of the three basic character builds to choose from, each one provides a different look into the clashing social classes.

Johnny will guide you in one direction, you will take up another direction, and your contractor will lead you in another direction. All in the interest of getting Keanu out of your head and saving your life. You have the option to play through these as quickly as the game allows or, like me, take your sweet old-time and rack up a bunch of money and resources through the various types of side missions.

This was a big review, I know, but I could honestly go on for much, much longer. This game has its drawbacks and bugs, as does any huge open world game. However, I believe that in a few years, after either a remastered version or a more polished version is released, that this game will be regarded very highly. All in all, there is a ton of variability in the way you can play this game, and the replayability seems very high. If you are willing to look past the minor bugs that appear while playing, this is a game that you will love to play. 
Colin Beach  
Rose News Editor  

Back during my first year here at Rose-Hulman, my third ever day of classes fell on Labor Day. I thought it was odd to have school on a national and federal holiday, especially one of the more well-known ones, but I figured it was because we started the academic year weeks later than other universities. However, the same feeling of oddity came back the latter that year for Easter. Rose does not strictly lean to one religion in any means, but I was not used to treating Easter as just another weekend between classes, with what seemed to be little recognition from the campus community. Additionally, the timeframe meant I was unable to return home and celebrate with my family, which meant a lot to me (as would for others). I hadn’t been able to go home for a Christmas celebration either because we were still in classes until four days before the holiday. My connections to life outside Rose had taken a major hit.

The feeling came back once more this past week on MLK Day and was built upon after some fellow students expressed the same disappointment. A federal holiday where most other schools would get the day off from classes – for the purpose of allowing time to reflect on the day’s meaning and importance – was not being treated the same here at Rose. While Rose does exhibit incredible diversity among its campus community, and the commemorative events provided share excellent insight on the world, many students believe there was more that could have been done. No matter the event being held, day or night, a majority of students are surely busy in class or swamped with homework, making attendance and celebration much more difficult. The pandemic, of course, makes campus gatherings and recognition harder, but the MLK Day commemoration last year was still a nighttime speaker when students are often busiest. Convocations like those during my freshman year did a much better job at setting aside time during the day and allowing students to recognize the importance of speakers’ messages and global movements, but involvement was still limited.

Celebrating historical and religious dates means giving students the time, not just the opportunity, to put the meaning of the day into full focus. Limited observation of MLK Day is especially prominent in these times of unnatural divide in the country. The importance of the day has sadly been debated by some since it was advocated for following Martin Luther King, Jr.’s assassination (it did not become a recognized national holiday until fifteen years after his death). MLK Day stands for a number of issues – not just race and equality – and not properly observing the day shows a certain disregard or lack of interest in those issues that the day represents. Said one student, “It’s an important day for many.” The Civil Rights Act of 1964 didn’t come easy.” It is understandably difficult to adjust the demanding schedule of a Rose-Hulman academic year, but there are certainly better ways of informing the student body and helping them celebrate the dates symbolic of life and love.

Good Monopolies  

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Today, economic theory suggests that a free-market with a sizable number of suppliers is good for everyone: consumers and producers. It is believed that people get the best product at the best value because companies try to attract a large customer base. Numbers speak for themselves. I think this view is correct only to a certain extent.

With the advent of the digital age and the rise of the internet, a new paradigm has been established in all fields of business. The rules that apply to conventional businesses need to be adjusted to take into account the widespread availability of high-speed internet.

The internet is a very interesting market because for the most part, the service is free. Companies are not interested in your money but in your attention because viewers aren’t the customers, the advertisers are. Because of this, the most productive thing would be to have a great concentration of attention in a few places. The setup is convenient for both advertisers and big tech companies.

Big tech monopolies are also great for economic growth because of economies of scale. Internet and digital platforms require great expertise and tremendous architecture for some. Big tech companies for the most part helps alleviate the burden from smaller tech companies. I think of Amazon and AWS in particular. They host several websites and web services for a fraction of the amount it would have cost small companies to manage and run those same services online. They in fact allow the existence of hundreds if not thousands of small businesses.

Big tech companies also exist because they provide the best products and services to customers. The internet is a very fast paced environment and users have a wide range of choices therefore it is imperative for big tech to keep up with the innovation and even get ahead of it. The barrier of entry is pretty low for some sector of the internet business. In order to attract users and get more data to sell to advertisers, companies need to continuously improve their products.

Another advantage of big tech monopolies is that they provide a centralized axis of focus. Since the sector is not very wide, it is easier for regulators, activists and lobbyists to oversee, monitor and influence their actions. Monopolies mean clear targets and total responsibility. It also helps in the fight against radical groups and extremist rhetoric. In January, we saw it in effect after the attack on the capitol. Many insurrectionists were easily identified and the people behind the call to riots were quickly and effectively silenced.

The internet has given rise to a new paradigm, it is important to get familiar with these new intricacies and developments in order to sustain the growth in the technological space that has made the United States great.
The intricate ballet begins at sunrise and ends after dark, a complicated series of movements requiring the utmost precision. What has long been a very simple task—getting tennis players to and from the courts so that they practice and train—has become a real-life ballet of sorts, something that requires the utmost attention to detail. The strict process of moving the hundreds of players and their coaches through four separate hotels and other facilities next to some of the courts. When the players are moved to their new residence, a new set of considerations comes into play. In the words of World Tennis, the organization will go to stage its tournaments better than the elaborate planning of the organizers. And nothing represents the lengths to which the organization will go to stage its tournaments better than the elaborate planning of the organizers. And nothing represents the lengths to which the organization will go to stage its tournaments better than the elaborate planning of the organizers. And nothing represents the lengths to which the organization will go to stage its tournaments better than the elaborate planning of the organizers.

The strict process of moving the hundreds of players and their coaches through four different stops each day and keeping practice groups separate has not been an easy adjustment for players. In normal times, they set up hitting sessions with their fellow teammates. But the pace of the tournament, the need to keep the groupings separate, and the need to keep the entire process moving as smoothly as possible has led to a strict routine to ensure social distancing. A typical day on the road involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a pre-game warm-up that involves jumping rope and stretching with a 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**Top Ten**

**Companies that did not go to the Winter 2021 Career Fair**

1. Nestle Foods
2. Tesla
3. Honda of Terre Haute
4. Local Militia
5. McDonald's University
6. Nestle Chocolate
7. Hennessey
8. Purdue University
9. Drip
10. Trump 2020 Campaign Team

**Career Fair Regrets?**

Well you are in luck. Did you have too much work to do and skipped the Career Fair? Did you allocate too much of your day to sleeping to be able to attend? Do you still want to apply to fifteen companies but hate the two months of silence until you realize they’re never going to respond? Apply with us at Computer Research Advisor Production, where we will immediately send you a rejection notice as soon as the “Submit Application” button is pressed! No longer will you have to sit in purgatory, wondering if you are不合格, because with us, no undergraduate is That is, of course, unless your dad works here, in which case we are deeply sorry, we did not know you were related to Mr. Scottsmith in management. We will set up a full time offer right away.

If you are interested in this offer, please do not hesitate to click this link and sign up for rejection.

*If you are reading this and want to earn a prize, find the hidden quotes.*

**The State of the RHIT**

Rose Hulman is entering crunch time. It is that time of the quarter when students truly begin to see the detrimental affects of procrastination. It is now when all hopes are driven to their breaking points, all dreams crushed in the jaws of reality, all goals seemingly getting farther and farther away. Now is the time to act.

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**Wacky Quotes**

“"I would like all of you to get jobs, because then you guys have to pay taxes and I’ll have to pay less."”

-Dr. Grigg

“Yes. That’s a fart joke. You’ve paid thousands of dollars annually in tuition, and this is the way you’re treated. I’m sorry”

-Dr. Thom

“I’m not trigonometry a pre-requisite for this class?...I was about to send you back to high school.”

-Dr. Rasheed

“You can do this immediately by staring at your own thoughts.”

-Tom Haverford

“You can’t just go out and make something up by yourself.”

-Bruce Almighty

“Isn’t trigonometry a prerequisite for this class?”

-Mr. D’Artagnan

“Because she had a date with the ghost of Rose Hulman.”

-Dr. Grigg

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