

Pandemic 2020 WRITING JOURNAL By Dylan Edwards



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1 March, 26, 2020

Over the past few weeks we have been seeing lots of coronavirus related things on the news. None of us truly thought it would make it to barrington but it did. On March ninth Gina Raymundo Declared a state of emergency because of covid 19. A few days later President Donald Trump declared a national emergency. Many bad things are happening like doctors not having enough ventilators for the sick, not enough toilet paper, hand sanitizer, and some places even deciding to help the young first instead of the elders. But not all covid 19 related things are bad. Because of the social distancing and the quarenting. Venice Italy, has discovered that the canals and rivers have all cleared out and the waters are clear. fish and dolphins have been appearing all over the city. Most companies not food related have been forced to suspend their companies while companies like shaws and fast food drive thrus keep their business up. With only a limited amount of stores open almost every store is jammed packed and getting lots of money. On the other hand the other companies are barely getting any income and almost going bankrupt.

#2 March 30th, 2020

The coronavirus is worse than ever in the US, with nearly 86,000 cases. More than any other country in the world. If maybe china had told the world about COVID-19 earlier we could have stopped or at least slowed down the spread of this virus. The US has heard China knew about the virus in December and the United States didn't find out until weeks after. Globally we have around 560,000 cases. Not many good things have happened in the past 24 hours. lots more people are being unemployed and unable to pay their mortgage. The coronavirus has affected millions of lives around the globe. We must work together to stop this horrific virus.

#3 March 31st, 2020

Lots of things have happened today around the globe like President Donald Trump extending social distancing up to April 30th, and also signing a 2 trillion dollar contract equally spread to the workers and business owners to help keep them financially stable. Over this weekend New York has had nearly 33,000 coronavirus cases and almost 700

deaths. Statistically a New York resident dies every 8.9 minutes from coronavirus. Worldwide there are 2,572 reported deaths. 27% of all coronavirus deaths are in New York City. Overall no one likes the coronavirus and it is not slowing down. This needs to stop and not enough people in the world are helping. We need to work together to stop this pandemic and can't do it alone.

#4 April 2nd, 2020

Just yesterday the White House's coronavirus coordinator said it could kill as many as 200,000 Americans even if America does everything almost perfectly. This is crazy and not good. Also Governor Gina Raimondo has announced that online school will be lasting up until the end of April. New York has just reached about 70,000 COVID-19 cases and 1,500 deaths. The peak of coronavirus cases in New York is estimated to reach its peak in about 3 weeks. It already has the most cases in the US and will continue to rise. Estimates suggest that 99% of the infected will recover which is good but compared to the world and the 7 billion of us there will be many many casualties. Ford has decided to step in by making ventilators for the sick. Overall today has had lots of bad things but some good things have happened.

April 6th, 2020 #5

Last week 6.6 million Americans filed for jobless by doubling the record set last week. This is not good and thousands of Americans will not be able to pay their taxes in the upcoming weeks. There have been few good things that have happened in the past week like one million N95 masks are being sent from China to America on the New England Patriots plane. This could help so many of the sick Americans in need. Also China is now trying to prevent a second wave of coronavirus by putting 600,000 residents in a total lockdown. If this works it will hopefully put a stop or at least slow down the virus in China so it doesn't spread even more to America. In conclusion this week has been a mix of both good and bad but hopefully next week will be just good things.

April 8th, 2020 #6

This weekend has been a mix of events, both good and bad. In New York all the puppies and dogs have been adopted. It seems like lots of people are buying them to keep them company during this pandemic. On the other hand New York's cases have been worse than ever with 123,000 cases which has gone up a whole 8% since last Saturday. The second most cases in the US is New Jersey with a total of only 37,000 cases which is 4x less than New York's crazy amount of cases. The world has now reached 1.28 million global cases and 70 thousand deaths. This pandemic has taken a turn for the worst. It all started with about a couple thousand cases and haven't hit much of the world yet but just weeks after it was a global pandemic.

April 14th, 2020 #7

So far in the week we have experienced some very good things such as the COVID-19 death toll has hit a new record dropping 1,800 cases just yesterday. Also, scientists have discovered that coronavirus is transmittable to tigers. Nadia, a 4 year old female tiger at the Bronx Zoo in New York has tested positive for corona. She is now on meds and will hopefully return back to the zoo soon. Some good news is she is expected to take a full recovery. In New York the cases have risen to about 140,000. (20,000 more than last journal entry) Iowa has the least amount of cases with only 1,048. Overall only time will tell when this will slow down or even stop this horrid pandemic.

April 19th, 2020 #8

The past several weeks have been very rough for the community, but things have been getting better recently. New York has received 7,000 cases by last Sunday and gone up only 4%. Now any plan to reopen society must be driven by data experts, not opinion and politics. This could be good and slow down the spread of the virus because they are

leaving it up to the experts to reopen society and not someone who doesn't know if the virus will increase in cases. Now Russia has increased their cases by almost 40% since April 12th. That's the highest percentage any of the countries have gone up since April 12th. All in all the cases are growing by the minute and we need to stop this.

April, 22, 2020#9

It is the end of the weekend and there is a mix of good and bad news about the spreading virus. One piece of good news is that New York's cases are finally going down. Ohio's cases have gone up almost 30% (2,500 cases). Europe is slowly recovering and is starting to reopen schools and businesses. Also, most governors of states with a high amount of cases are telling president Donald Trump it's way too soon to reopen America. All in all, this weekend has mostly been about opening/not opening America soon.

May 5th, 2020#10

It's the start of a new week and Ohio's coronavirus cases have worsened and it may be because of Ohio's state prison which now over 73% of their inmates have tested positive for COVID-19. They have about 2,000 cases just in the prison now. As of yesterday there are no reported deaths at the prison. More than 20% of coronavirus cases in Ohio are from the prison. Governors are now considering to reopen certain stores in the upcoming weeks but not anytime soon. President Trump is now signing an executive order suspending immigration into the United States of America. All in all today could have been a lot worse and still can but everything seems to be cooling down.

April 24th, 2020#11

It's now Friday and there's much more news on the coronavirus. The US has now reached 50,000 deaths just as they were about to start to ease social distancing. Donald Trump seems to still want to reopen America soon even if it gets worse. Black leaders in Georgia say reopening business is an attack on people of color. Donald Trump has just recently suggested poisonous and potentially fatal ideas for killing coronavirus inside the body. Many doctors are disgusted by him saying this. John Shields tweeted "please do not ingest or inject disinfectant. I feel like one should not have to say this." Another doctor tweeted, "ARE YOU KIDDING ME?!?!?" many people did not like what he had said. Overall this week has been no different from the last weeks and coronavirus does not seem to be slowing down.

May 2nd, 2020 #12

Many experts are saying the coronavirus outbreak is likely to go on for two years. This is crazy because millions of people are raging on about opening up again in the upcoming weeks. Officially say we are not ready to open up soon. At Least 31 states have loosened restrictions even if they don't meet federal guidelines for reopening. Now that it's May first it's rent due day and millions won't be able to pay.

May 22nd, 2020 #13

These past weeks have gone relatively well for coronavirus, many restaurants have reopened and many states are reopening and coronavirus cases are going down and there are not as many hospitalizations as in the past few weeks. The new antibody test has come out and many doctors are saying it can take up to 100 days to develop antibodies for COVID-19 so many people that tested negative may have actually had it. Also many states are going through phase 1 which is a slow phase to carefully take down coronavirus.

June 5th, 2020#14

It's now Friday, June 5th and there's been a mix of events but New York's cases seem to be slowing down a little bit by only going up 2 percent since May 29th while California has gone up 18 percent since then so New York has been doing particularly well over the past week. While the US has gone up 7% since then. Right behind it Brazil has gone up 32% and now has more total cases gone up since the 29th. Overall this week has not been the best but not the worst when it comes to cases.

Journal Entry #15

It is Tuesday, June 9th and this will be my last journal entry. This virus has not only affected the world but it has affected me personally. During the beginning of coronavirus I couldn't see anyone I called and facetimes with my friends and improved in many things such as freerunning. But since Corona I wasn't able to improve my flipping as much because I couldn't afford going to the hospital at this time. That's why it's harder to improve what I like which is flipping. Also not being able to see my friends was hard. I am happy this didn't all start during my ski season which is what I enjoy most and hope it doesn't ruin next years because I have recently been accepted to OMS (Okemo Mountain School) and will be attending school there for about 2 months so I hope coronavirus doesn't affect that. Overall lots have affected me in regards to coronavirus.

Journal Entry #16

Here at our houses

Nothing to do

While we sit here in quarantine

We all cry boo hoo

While searching for gyms

And eating too much

We sit here in quarantine

And eat froot loops and stuff

The virus has worsened

From china to here

All fifty states

Just hiding in fear

When will it be over

They all say

We'll never know

If it decides to stay

