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'FACE OF OSU'

Growlers on Fifth Street



LOCAL
BUSINESS
OF THE WEEK

■ Sub shop owner, partner open taproom featuring local brews in University Hero building

By Emma-Kate Schaaque
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Corvallis' passion for craft brew is on tap, and more accessible than ever before.

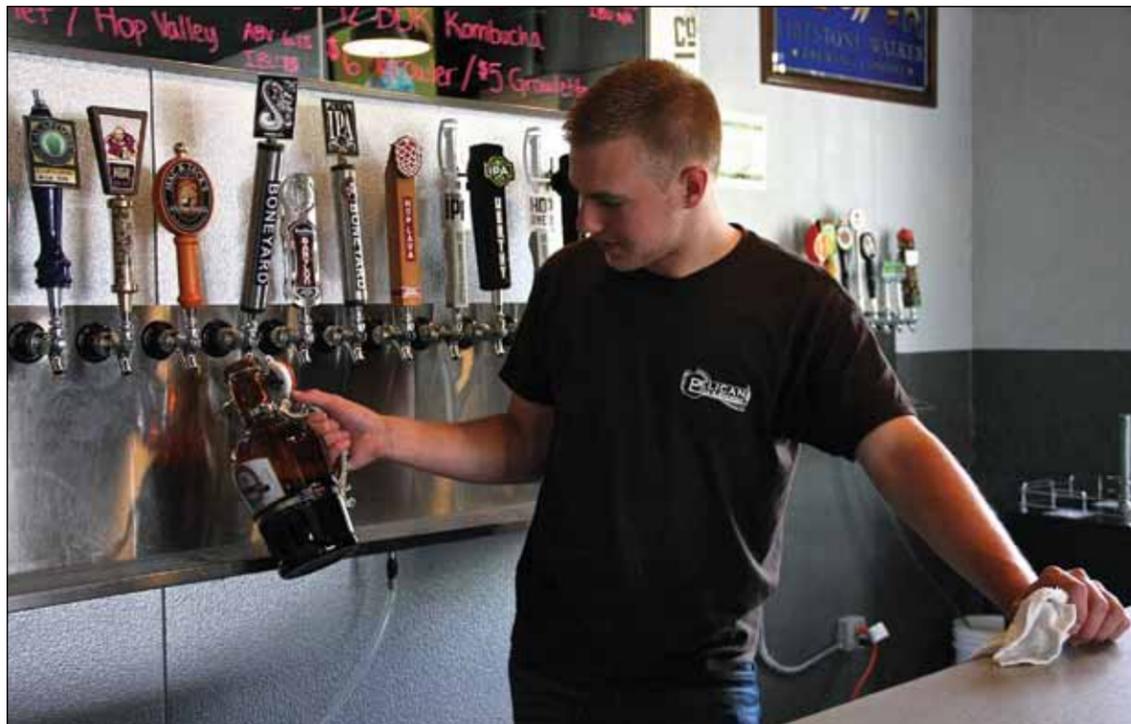
That's the idea behind Fifth Street Growlers, which opened May 3 at 211 SW Fifth St., inside University Hero. The business is a joint venture between Bob Van Vleet, University Hero owner, and partner Joe Fennimore.

"Our goal is to bring quality craft beer, cider, kombucha and wine to people that they can take home and try multiple varieties of for a reasonable price," Fennimore said.

Growlers are jugs that can be filled with beer. They are typically 64 ounces, though some are larger or smaller. Growlers allow patrons to transport draft beer home with them to enjoy.

The renovations to open began in January, including the addition of the bar, tap system, refrigeration and seating. Now there are 25 different craft brews, three ciders and three kombucha teas on rotating tap. Before filling, each growler is purged with carbon dioxide to help preserve each brew.

Many local microbrews like those of 2 Towns Ciderhouse, Flat Tail and Sky High are available, and three wines will soon be added from Philomath's Spindrift Cellars. The taproom also includes brews from Bend, Portland, Eugene and Washington and



EMMA-KATE SCHAAQUE | THE DAILY BAROMETER

Joe Fennimore, owner of University Hero, fills a growler for a customer at Fifth Street Growlers on Saturday.

GROWLERS

What: Tap room featuring 25 different craft brews

Where: 211 SW Fifth St.

Hours: The taproom is open Thursday through Saturday from noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday through Wednesday from noon to 8 p.m.

California. Some especially popular brews from Bend are Boneyard's "Hop Venom" and 10 Barrel's "Hop Rye'It."

The trend of growlers has become increasingly popular in many brewing areas across the Northwest. While Corvallis does have an active beer

culture, Fifth Street is the first taproom here that is dedicated to growlers specifically.

"We have great breweries here in Corvallis, so people are familiar with all that craft beer," Fennimore said.

The nature of the growler filling station allows the taproom to complement and work with the local breweries.

"We aren't really going to be competing with the breweries," Van Vleet said. "We get to sell their beer for them."

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Time for a ride in the campus cab

■ Dan Crall operates Corvallis Pedicab, takes people for rides campus for tips year round

By Greg Germano
THE DAILY BAROMETER

Some people looking for rides across campus hail a man who offers rides with his bike. His name is Dan Crall, and he gladly gives rides for small tips.

Crall is the owner, founder and operator of the Corvallis Pedicab. He has been biking people around Corvallis for a little more than four years.

"I was in Eugene once and I saw something similar, so I decided to start something here in Corvallis since I had to discontinue my radio show after four years," Crall said. "I am a firm believer in bike transportation. I believe it is the best way to get from point A to B."

Those searching for Crall can normally catch him and the Pedicab around Corvallis all year long between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. during the week. On Saturday, Crall is out and about, normally around the Farmers' Market area between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

He noted that business is typically slower in the winter, but that doesn't stop him, nor does the distance. The only thing of a concern to Crall is the rain.

"I typically try to stay out of the rain, it's bad for the bike. But, as long as my legs and bike are working and there aren't a lot of hills, I will pretty much go anywhere in Corvallis," Crall said. "I typically stay around campus, though."

Crall gives about 15 to 50 rides per day. He reports that night shifts are typically busier than day shifts, but he delegates the night shifts to his workers.

"There are not any days in the week that are busier than others, except for ones that have events or games," Crall said. "Game days are great and this last mom's weekend was good for business."

The Corvallis Pedicab is an environmentally-friendly way of getting around Corvallis. Those with a little bit of extra time can help support the local business by taking a trip in the Pedicab.

For more information, search for "Corvallis Pedicab" on Facebook and check out Crall's page.

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Efforts prove good for the bird, good for the herd

■ A ranching community works together toward conserving rangeland, sage grouse population in high desert

By Peg Herring
OREGON'S AGRICULTURAL PROGRESS

In the chilly light of an early April morning, bubbling sounds fill the air above Oregon's high desert. A dozen sage-grouse roosters strut and puff across

an open patch of short-cropped grasses, their tail feathers spread in spiky fans. Each bird looks like a dancing feather pillow, two yellow air sacs ballooning from their ample fluffy bosoms. They swish their wings and gurgle their air sacs, creating a bubbling pop.

Greater sage-grouse cut the rug in flamboyant courting rituals each spring in open areas of the sagebrush grassland across eleven Western states. The birds depend on sagebrush and the grasses

growing among these shrubs to provide food and a safe haven to raise their young.

Ranchers depend on this sagebrush country, too. Four southeast Oregon counties contribute 80 percent of the state's \$535 million beef cattle industry. Those same Oregon counties — Baker, Malheur, Harney and Lake — contain some of the nation's last, best sage-grouse habitat.

But this ecosystem, on which ranchers and wildlife both depend, is not healthy. Precipitous declines in sage-grouse numbers is just one symptom. The U.S. Department of Interior estimates that sage-grouse have experienced a 90 percent decline in their numbers and a 50 percent decline in their habitat over the last century. As a result, the greater sage-grouse is now a candidate for listing under the Endangered Species Act. It's easy to see another showdown brewing between a resource-based industry and an endangered bird — think: The Northwest timber industry and spotted owls — but look again. Ranchers in southeast Oregon are working with land managers and conservation groups to develop immediate plans to protect sage-grouse, improve habitat and ultimately restore health to the sagebrush grasslands for the benefit of both wildlife and ranch life.

"The decline of the sage-grouse is an ecosystem problem, not a species problem," says Chad Boyd, a rangeland scientist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Burns. "The decline of sage-grouse is a symptom of an ecosystem that is not functioning as well as it could. And we can't fix the ecosystem problem by fixing one symptom at a time."

Much of the original sagebrush grassland was transformed generations ago into the West's iconic amber fields of grain. Where sagebrush rangelands

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The Miller Homestead Fire, near Burns, Oregon, was part of a series of fires that scorched more than 870 square miles of rangeland in southeast Oregon in 2012.

New book binding class

Beginning book binding is a new class for the OSU Craft Center and an opportunity to learn from a talented bookbinder. Pam Thompson is looking for students. No experience is needed, only an appreciation for books. The class will meet Thursdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m., from May 16 to June 6. Call the Craft Center at 737-2937 or visit them in Snell Hall/MU East for more information. The class description is at mu.oregonstate.edu/craftcenter/mixed-media2-d.

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Twitter reactions to Monday's Kappa Sigma article

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"I wonder which Alum pulled strings to make the whole paper about Kappa Sigma..."

@mrowenjones

"Barometer writes a positive article about Ksig and brew station announces they're closing. #worstdayever"

@jamiedaut

"This is so cool! Good job to the Barometer and Kappa Sigma for focusing on improving!! :)"

@ToddgetsMoore

"What's the cut off # of people who have to get beat up at your fraternity before the Barometer will write an apologist feature on you? 6?"

GROUSE

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have persisted, in southeast Oregon and parts of the Snake River Plain and Great Basin, the ecosystem has been hard hit by previous decades of unmanaged grazing and altered fire patterns. In lowland areas, large swaths of cheatgrass, medusahead and other noxious weeds have increased soil erosion, reduced rainfall infiltration and displaced native plants.

Farther upland, western juniper has spread across the landscape, sucking up surface water and crowding out sagebrush, native grasses and small plants. In places, juniper has become a dense woodland with no value for sage-grouse and little value for cattle or other wildlife, from mule deer to vesper sparrows.

Another symptom of an ecosystem out of balance is the change in the region's wildfires. Encroaching juniper in the uplands has elbowed out undergrowth, making wildfire less frequent but more intense. In lower elevations, large swaths of invasive cheatgrass have fueled ever bigger, more frequent fires. There, annual weeds lead a fast life: sprout early, grow fast, set seeds and wither to dry stems by midsummer, ready to burn. This cheatgrass-wildfire cycle has increased the frequency of wildfire in low elevation sagebrush communities from the historic 30 to 100 years to a vicious cycle of one to five years.

The 2012 fires across southeast Oregon, the most extensive fires in the state for almost 150 years, burned more than 870 square miles south of Burns. Although the fire cleared out some juniper in higher elevations, it left much of the lowlands scorched, killing hundreds of cattle and incinerating grazing land and sage-grouse habitat.

Juniper, cheatgrass and out-of-control wildfire are bad for people, livestock and ultimately bad for sage-grouse, too.

The loss of sage-grouse habitat is far from just an Oregon problem. Historically, the birds numbered in the millions and ranged across most of the northern plains of the U.S. and southern Canada. Today just a few hundred thousand remain. In 2010, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ruled that the sage-grouse was worthy of protection under the Endangered Species Act. But the ESA waiting list was backlogged with more than 250 other species waiting to be considered. So federal officials announced they would delay final consideration of the greater sage-grouse until 2015.

Listing under the ESA is seen by many people as a last-resort, emergency-room action. Citing "environmental and economic trainwrecks" from the past, former U.S. Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt said, "the only effective way to protect endangered species is to plan ahead and protect the ecosystem upon which they depend."

The delayed decision on the sage-grouse listing gave agencies and landowners the time to develop conservation plans that could possibly preclude listing if they could demonstrate that the plans they draw up are effective. Rather than wait for the big stick



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Helo 782 drops a load of water to combat the Long Draw Fire in southeastern Oregon.

of the Endangered Species Act, a group of ranchers in Harney County are developing strategies to protect habitat on both public and private lands, and in turn, sustain their ranches.

Harney County is the ninth largest county in the nation, larger than several eastern states. Its 71,000 cattle outnumber its people nearly 10 to one. As head of the Harney County office of Oregon State University Extension, Dustin Johnson knows most of those people on a first-name basis. So when it came to bringing together a potentially contentious group of ranchers, resource managers and environmental groups, Johnson had the relationships to do it.

"They wanted information about 'Candidate (species) Conservation Agreements with Assurances,'" Johnson said. So-called CCAAs are voluntary agreements that private landowners make with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service before a

candidate species is listed. CCAAs outline specific management practices and conservation measures the landowner agrees to undertake to conserve the species and its habitat on private land. The last "A" — Assurances — distinguishes these plans from conservation plans developed for public lands. Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances assure that the landowner will not be held to any higher standard if the species is listed under the ESA as long as the landowner continues to meet the terms of the original agreement.

Johnson, a tall, lanky redhead with a calm demeanor, laid out the details of the agreements to the Harney County community. He explained that regional CCAAs have been successfully negotiated in Idaho for the greater sage-grouse and in Colorado for the Gunnison sage-grouse; a statewide CCAA

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Calendar

Tuesday, May 14

Meetings

ASOSU Senate, 7pm, MU 211. Weekly meeting.

Educational Activities Committee, 5:30-7pm, Student Media Conference Room, 120 MU East/Snell Hall. Discuss funding requests and policy changes.

Events

Center for Leadership Development, Noon-2pm, MU Quad B. Free snow-cones! Come tell us what leadership means to you.

Wednesday, May 15

Meetings

ASOSU House of Representatives, 7-8:30pm, MU 211. Weekly meeting.

Speakers

Pride Center, 2-3pm, Pride Center. Jennifer Boylan, author of multiple pieces including a best-selling memoir *She's Not There*. We will be serving lunch and guests will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Events

Native American Longhouse Eena Haws, Noon-3pm, MU Quad. 15th Annual Salmon Bake. A cultural celebration with traditionally cooked salmon, other free food, drumming, singing and dancing.

Thursday, May 16

Meetings

Baha'i Campus Association, 12:30pm, MU Talisman Room. Learning through consultation. Devotions and discussion.

SIFC, 6:30pm, MU 207. Weekly meeting.

Educational Activities Committee, 5-6pm, Student Media Conference Room, 120 MU East/Snell Hall. Discuss funding requests and policy changes.

OSU College Republicans, 7-8pm, StAg 132. Come join us for fun events and friendly discussion.

Speakers

OSU College of Forestry, 3:30-5pm, 107 Richardson Hall. 2013 Starker Lecture Series. "Oregon's Biomass Experience: An Integrated Approach to Forest Biomass" - Matt Krumenauer, Senior Policy Analyst, Oregon Department of Energy.

Events

Vegans and Vegetarians at OSU, 9:30am-3pm, between Milam Hall & Gilkey/People's Park. Get paid to watch a 4 min. video!

Friday, May 17

Meetings

OSU Chess Club, 5-7pm, MU Commons. Players of all levels welcome.

Events

Native American Longhouse Eena Haws, 4-6pm, Native American Longhouse Eena Haws. The Grand Opening of the new Native American Longhouse Eena Haws.

Saturday, May 18

Events

Pride Center, 10am-1pm, Finley Wildlife Refuge. Wildlife excursion. RSVP at Pride Center.

International Health Club, 8am-5pm, Milam Auditorium 026. 3rd International Health Conference. Theme: Upstream Global Health. Breakfast and lunch provided.

Native American Student Association, 1-10pm, Gill Coliseum. 37th Annual Klatowa Eena Powwow. Experience Native American culture. Drum groups, dancers and Native American crafts/food will be present. Free dinner at 5pm for first 200 people to show up.

Type 1 Beavers & Native American Student Association, 9am, Native American Longhouse. 5k Fun Run - Jim Thorpe's Dash for Diabetes. Free glucose screening, diabetes awareness, free registration.

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- Ran away with an angry bear
- Was bucked off a wave runner
- Got lost in the woods
- Completed all my science classes
- Was burnt by a flaming marshmallow

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Undergraduate Research Fellow

or an

Undergraduate Arts Fellow,

depending on the nature of the work. This option is open to all undergraduate students in all majors and must be obtained prior to graduation. **The deadline this year is June 3.**

For more information:

1. Contact Kevin Ahern at ahernk@onid.orst.edu
2. Watch the video at: youtube.com/watch?v=x-n11XFjc5E
3. Download the application at: oregonstate.edu/students/research

Editorial

Sequestration being felt

An automatic system of cuts that were implemented in March, a result of Congress' inability to agree on a better way to handle the United States' debt and other financial issues, known as sequestration, is starting to affect Oregon.

Garbage cans at Upper and Lower Table Rocks' parking lot and trailheads are being removed, according to the Medford Mail Tribune. Due to sequestration cuts, crews won't be able to maintain regularly emptying the garbage cans.

It's unfortunate crews won't be able to make it up there to take out the trash. Though disappointing, we understand why this is. At the very least, it seems sequestration might have a hand in increased littering.

This small, possibly trivial blip in the array of sequestration effects is an example of how far-reaching the sequester ultimately is.

The Oregon Department of Health and Human Service estimated the sequester would cut nearly \$8 million in the next fiscal year from meal services provided to vulnerable seniors, the OPB reported.

Those who receive Federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) experienced a reduction in weekly benefits of 10.7 percent, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

Though these cuts are disappointing, it is not the majority of where sequestration effects are felt.

At Oregon State, sequestration effects were apparent almost immediately. The school is expected to lose \$10.1 million. Nearly 95 percent of these cuts are coming from research-funded projects.

Estimates from the OSU Research Office indicate a loss of \$7 million in salaries and benefits for research professors, faculty research assistants and graduate research assistants. It's expected there will be an eventual cut of 105 research-related jobs.

Twenty different federal agencies, like the National Science Foundation and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, are expected to face at least a 5 percent cut each.

Nationally, the impact is more significant. OSU research has a \$2 billion impact on the state annually. With the 5 percent cuts from each department, we're looking at a loss of \$100 million for Oregon's economy.

Though a less dominant portion of the cuts at Oregon State, some students who receive Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and those who participate in the Federal Work-Study program will see a loss in funding.

These programs will be reduced by 5.1 percent. As a result, Oregon State estimates 89 of those who receive Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and 32 individuals who participate in the Federal Work-Study program (FWS) will lose their financial academic year awards.

There's nothing more to say about the sequester — other than the obvious: It sucks.

Editorials serve as means for Barometer editors to offer commentary and opinions on issues both global and local, grand in scale or diminutive. The views expressed here are a reflection of the editorial board's majority.

Letters

Letters to the editor are welcomed and will be printed on a first-received basis. Letters must be 300 words or fewer and include the author's signature, academic major, class standing or job title, department name and phone number. Authors of e-mailed letters will receive a reply for the purpose of verification. Letters are subject to editing for space and clarity. The Daily Barometer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submissions.

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Implement a peer-observation system for instructors

We are at a time when educators and government alike are desperately trying to come up with innovative and creative ideas to improve education. While a large part of the focus is on K-12 education, students at OSU aren't any less deserving of better education.

Since professors script much of our education at OSU, they should continuously strive to better themselves as teachers. As a step towards this, OSU should implement a mandatory monthly professor/instructor observation.

Recently, Bill Gates graced the education world with a TED talk called "Teachers need real feedback." At one point during his 10 minutes of wisdom, he referenced Shanghai, China, which is the number one country in scholastic performance in all major areas — The United States is tied with Poland and Iceland for 15th place.

As an aside, it's important to note that in the education leaderboard of countries, China has to be referred to by individual cities — Hong Kong is fourth in the world, for example — because every province in China varies significantly.

One of the specific characteristics Gates brought up about Shanghai is a system of inter-teacher feedback.

"They make sure that younger teachers get to watch master teachers at work," Gates said. "They have weekly study groups where teachers get

together and talk about what's working. They even require each teacher to observe and give feedback to their colleagues."

All three of these concepts are clearly critical to Shanghai's massive success in education, but it's the last one that I think is fully implementable at OSU, and would greatly improve all professor and instructors' teaching skills.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation (OECD) published a book called "Strong Performers and Successful Reformers in Education: Lessons from PISA for the United States." It says that in Shanghai's schools teachers, during actual teaching, are "observed" by other teachers. Peer observation occurs "in the case of a new teaching topic because of curriculum change," and for instructional purposes, as new teachers are said to learn through observing more experienced teachers. Senior teachers provide mentorships. The principal observes teachers "for monitoring or for constructive development purposes."

A major platform for professional enhancement in China is public les-

sons where teachers instruct large groups of other teachers that are observing and commenting on the demonstration.

Every professor and instructor should constantly be seeking "professional enhancement." Currently OSU has a system of auditing between professors, but it's sparse, and this proposal isn't about measuring others' performance. It's about learning from others, in an attempt to strive to be the most effective teacher an instructor can be.

Faculty should want to learn from each other. What is probably the largest complexity of teaching is the seemingly infinite variety of styles and approaches available. One could argue that a teacher should just pick the style that fits his or her personality best, or adapt a style best suited for him or her over time by just teaching. This argument has to assume a teacher has experienced every teaching style possible, otherwise their selection is limited.

The only way teachers, whether grade school or college level, can maximize their teaching potential is by exposing themselves to as many styles as possible, giving them the maximum range to choose from.

OSU needs to implement a system where professors and instructors are required to attend another's class at least once a month. The faculty should vary month to month, allowing exposure to a wide variety of teaching styles. Observers should be encouraged to give their thoughts on the lecture.

It's important to note that this isn't an auditing process. Auditing assumes judgment and evaluation. While auditing is important, and should probably be done more frequently, this is about allowing professors and instructors to learn for themselves, and reflect on their teaching. It's also a great way to prepare faculty for their respective audits.

To be honest, something like this should be weekly, but professors are busy people. This is also just one small possible step toward an education revolution that needs to happen in the United States. Let's just hope the revolution comes before we fall any lower on the education ladder.

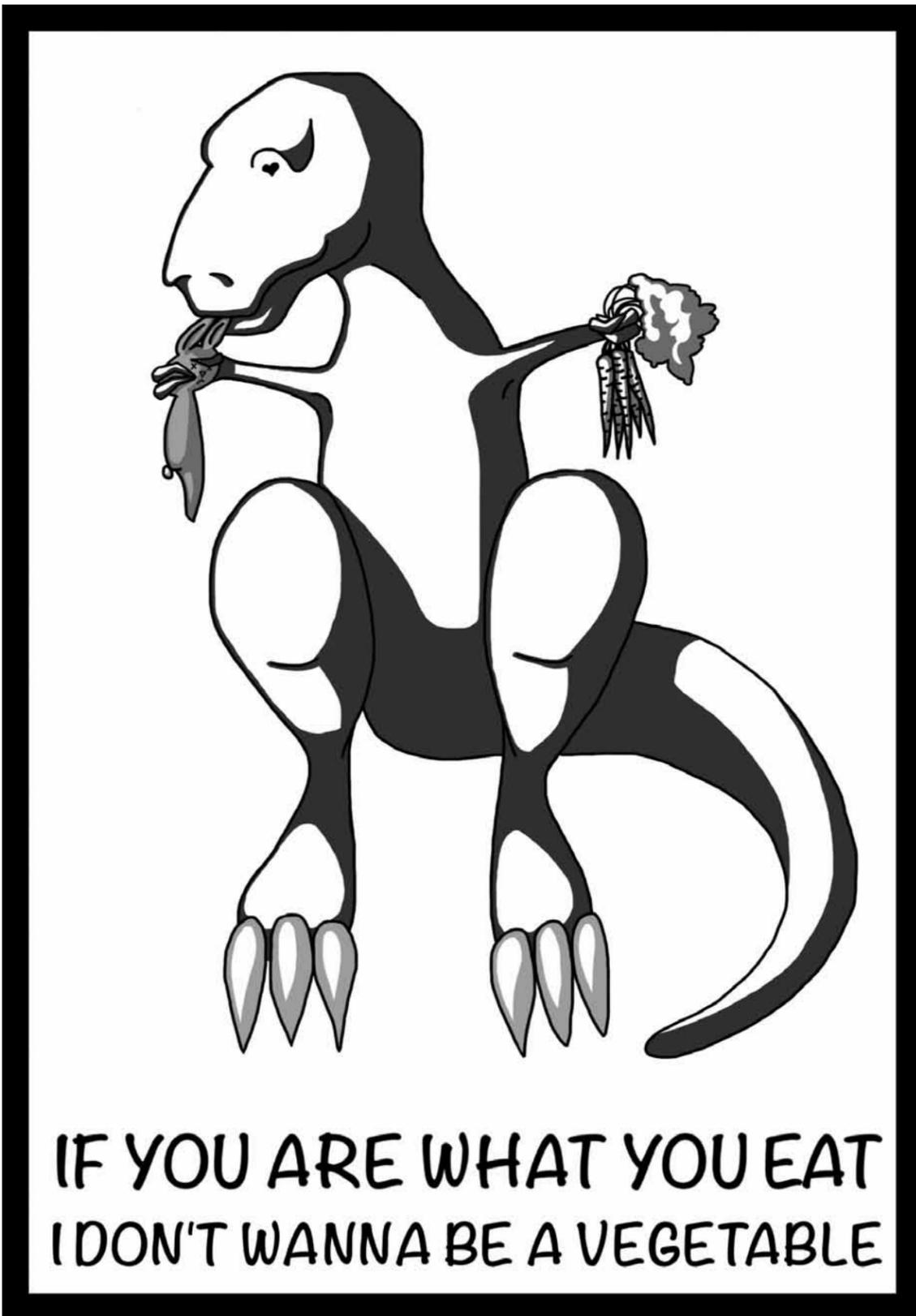
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IRENE DRAGE IS A SENIOR IN ENGLISH.

Letter to the Editor

In response to Drage's May 10 article

Use term 'trans*' instead of 'transvestitism'

I am glad to see your positive support for the LGBTQ+ community on our campus and as a national civil rights issue. However, I am a bit concerned about your choice of language, specifically the word "transvestitism."

People whose gender identity, expression and/or behavior is different from those typically associated with their assigned sex at birth are transgender. I prefer to use the term trans* to include many identities such as transman, transwoman, genderqueer, MTF, FTM, gender non-conforming, two-spirit, agender, transsexual and gender fluid. Although some individuals may identify with the term "transvestite," it is generally considered a derogatory term.

The National Lesbian & Gay Journalists Association publishes a specific stylebook for the media in regards to appropriate language surrounding gender identity. I highly recommend that The Daily Barometer staff, and anyone else interested in verbiage, read through it and become familiar with proper gender terminology.

I would also like to mention that Jenny Boylan, a transgender author, will be coming to campus this Wednesday and be sharing her thoughts about being transgender (7 to 9 p.m. at the LaSells Stewart Center). This will be a great experience for the OSU community to learn more about a commonly misunderstood identity.

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The Barometer sports **Who is the face of the Barometer?**

There are the obvious choices in sports — football, men's basketball — but what is the answer to that question?

We decided to make this into a contest to determine who truly is the face of the Barometer.

The field of candidates is a mix of athletes from all sports. We seeded the athletes ourselves to create an array of people to determine who would be the best way to fill the role.

Here's what you need to know

The Field

- At least one athlete from every sport is included
- Any athlete who played at OSU this school year was considered, though some (like Emery Welshman) were left out of the field because they're no longer in Corvallis
- Athletes who missed most or all of their season due to an injury were not considered

Criteria

The primary thing we based the seeds on was each athlete's individual athletic achievements, but that was not the only thing taken into consideration. We want this to be an "all-around" honor, so we considered various other factors, such as popularity, how recognizable and likeable they are around campus, versatility with other sports (two-sport athletes) and success in the classroom.

When it's time to vote on a matchup, we will feature it in the Daily Barometer and provide an explanation as to why each athlete got that seed.

FACE OF OSU?



THE QUESTION:

Barometer staff had a question: **Who is the face of OSU athletics?**

Choices from the three major sports — basketball, volleyball and baseball — but didn't come right away.

So we created a tournament to determine who the face of OSU athletics is right now.

It's a 36 — 18 men, 18 women. We wanted a wide variety of choices, but we wanted a wide variety of people who the winner is. And we wanted brackets, we thought it would be our answer.

What you need to know:

Voting

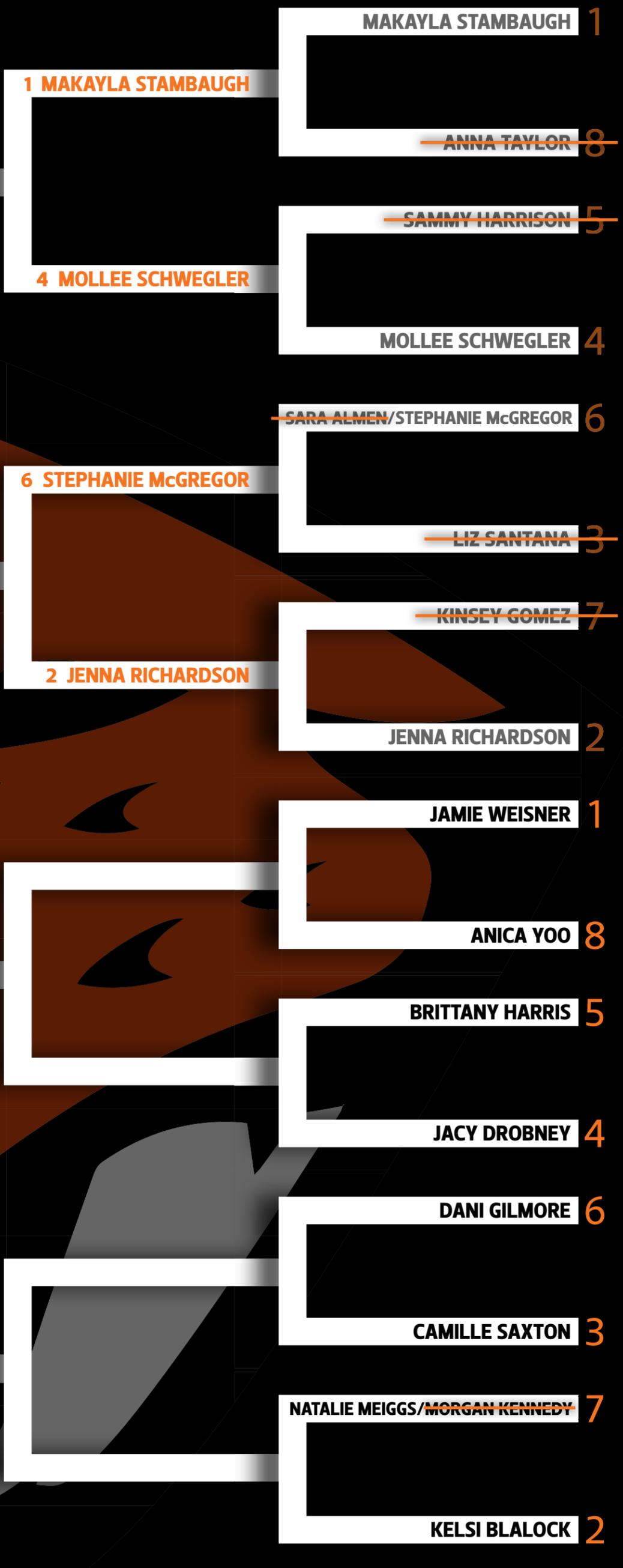
The voting is broken down into thirds:

- 1/3 fan vote — on the Barometer website and the Facebook page
- 1/3 athlete vote — two representatives from each sport who aren't in the field
- 1/3 media vote — media members of different news outlets who cover OSU athletics

(See Page 6 for a list of all media and athlete voters)

Matchups will be featured, complete with breakdowns, in the Barometer sports section every Wednesday and Thursday, starting this week and lasting until the end of dead week. Results of the previous week's voting will appear on the updated bracket on Tuesdays, and the winner will be announced during dead week.

Online voting opens the day the matchups are featured, and closes at midnight that night (except for the play-in round).



VOTING BREAKDOWN

ATHLETES

1. Josh Andrews, *football*
2. Devon Kell, *football*
3. Ryan Barnes, *baseball*
4. Dylan Davis, *baseball*
5. Angus Brandt, *men's basketball*
6. Daniel Gomis, *men's basketball*
7. Will Seymore, *men's soccer*
8. Matt Bersano, *men's soccer*
9. Pat Rollins, *wrestling*
10. Drew Van Anrooy, *wrestling*
11. David Fink, *men's golf*

12. Scott Kim, *men's golf*
13. Justyne Freud, *women's soccer*
14. Erin Uchacz, *women's soccer*
15. Haley Clarke, *volleyball*
16. Allie Rogers, *volleyball*
17. Thais Pinto, *women's basketball*
18. Quortni Fambro, *women's basketball*
19. Chelsea Tang, *gymnastics*
20. Erika Aufiero, *gymnastics*
21. Ocean Trail, *swimming*
22. Carrie Kelsey, *swimming*

23. Maggie Doremus, *softball*
24. Bailee Niehus, *softball*
25. Emily Wheeler, *track*
26. Whitney Pitman, *track*
27. Lauren Fischer, *women's golf*
28. Melissa Gibbons, *women's golf*
29. Gillian Cooper, *women's rowing*
30. Elizabeth Lewis, *women's rowing*
31. Kyle Wilkins, *men's rowing*
32. TBA, *men's rowing*

MEDIA

1. Lindsay Schnell, *Oregonian*
2. Angie Machado, *BeaverBlitz.com*
3. Stephen Nelson, *KEZI*
4. Brandon Sprague, *1080 The Fan*
5. Cliff Kirkpatrick, *Gazette-Times*

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	BURTON	36%	64%	43%	57%	40%	60%		MANNION		McGREGOR	47%	53%	71%	29%	60%	40%		SANTANA
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GROUSE

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is under development in Wyoming. By the end of the meeting, Johnson said that agency representatives and landowners were talking about working together on a Harney County CCAA to conserve the species and sustain ranching operations. "If enough landowners are interested in developing these agreements, their conservation efforts could preclude the need to list the greater sage-grouse," he said.

The clock is ticking. Each landowner must enroll through a certificate of inclusion before any listing is announced. Community engagement is most important now, according to rancher Tom Sharp, who quickly saw the advantage of CCAAs. As chair of the Harney County Sage-Grouse CCAA Steering Committee, Sharp is working to help his neighbors organize their individual efforts into a comprehensive plan.

"Ranchers and environmentalists came to realize that they wanted the same thing," Sharp said. "Juniper and weeds hurt sage-grouse and cattle grazing. By approaching the problem as a land management problem, not a species problem, we could develop plans that would benefit grazing and sage-grouse. And ranchers are land managers, so the approach made sense. Cattle across the West stand to benefit from rangeland improvements. What's good for the bird is good for the herd."

The committee has met monthly for a year. Supported by state and federal funds managed by the Harney Soil and Water Conservation District, their goal is to achieve sage-grouse conservation through sustainable ranching: managing grazing, controlling weeds and removing juniper. Tactics to protect sage-grouse include moving cattle at critical times away from leks and nesting areas and removing fences and trees where predators could perch.

In Harney County, where more than three-quarters of the land is state- or federally owned, most cattle ranchers rely on grazing public lands for part of the year. They move their herds from winter pastures to summer range, often onto allotments they lease from the Bureau of Land Management or the U.S. Forest Service. Sage-grouse, too, move across the landscape, using a



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Despite decades of unmanaged grazing, rangelands in southeast Oregon contain many mating grounds for sage-grouse.

mix of public and private land for mating, nesting or wintering. So, Johnson and Sharp are working with public land agencies to make sure the conservation plans and monitoring methods are consistent across a landscape of many ownerships and management. Johnson developed inventory and monitoring guidelines for landowners based on criteria he developed for the BLM that focused on the overall health of the ecosystem over time. "The best single indicator of overall ecosystem health is the condition of the rangeland bunchgrasses," Johnson said. Healthy bunchgrasses, moderately grazed, can reduce fire hazard and weed invasion and increase available water.

"Private landholders and government agencies are sometimes like oil and water, but we've done a good job with the CCAA," Sharp said. "Extension was instrumental in bringing all groups together. When you have relationships and trust already in place, it's easier to come to some agreement because people are already talking and working together."

And much of the science that will be used to develop conservation plans comes out of the Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center, a dusty collection of low-slung buildings on the outskirts of Burns, where OSU researchers share work with USDA scientists in the Agricultural Research Service. Some of that work goes back 75 years, when scientists fenced a series of exclosures on the Northern Great Basin Experimental Range west of Burns to compare grazed and ungrazed rangeland.

Production of grasses and shrubs was similar in both grazed and ungrazed areas. But the ungrazed plots accumulated three times the amount of dead grass and had built up a huge fuel load by the 1990s when the ARS researchers burned both sides of the exclosures. Years following the burn, when the researchers inventoried these sites, they found the ungrazed areas had lower abundance of perennial grass and higher abundance of annual grass than the grazed areas. Apparently, the accumulated grasses in ungrazed areas burned hot enough to kill the perennial grasses, which opened the ground to cheatgrass invasion.

"Conservation is not fencing off land and never touching it," said ARS scientist Boyd. "When you eliminate the small disturbance, the larger ones accumulate and become more threatening."

Other studies suggest similar advantages of moderately grazed land to sustaining habitat critical to sage-grouse. A 2004 inter-agency report concluded that, beyond the open areas for mating displays, sage-grouse prefer to nest under a protective canopy of grasses (at 7 or more inches tall) and sagebrush (at 15 to 30 inches tall). They need a supply of small plants and associated insects when their chicks are young, and they need access to succulent stream-side plants through the dry season. The researchers concluded that "these conditions can be enhanced by light to moderate grazing early in the season."

A report produced by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife concurs that light to moderate levels of grazing can have a positive impact on sage-grouse habitat. So it's not surprising that some of the best remaining sage-grouse habitat is in southeast Oregon, home to Oregon's cattle industry, where more than 700 leks are known and mapped, according to the ODFW report.

The report's author, wildlife biologist Christian Hagen, sees additional advantages to conserving sage-grouse habitat. "Because sage-grouse require many different habitats for mating, nesting, feeding and wintering across extensive home ranges, they really occupy

habitat that's home to a whole host of other species like elk, mule deer, pronghorn and a lot of neotropical migrant songbirds, too."

But habitat is not static. Fires, drought and floods can all affect the condition of rangelands. Big disturbances, like the 2012 fires, hurt ranchers and wildlife and open more land to weedy invasion.

The approach the Harney County ranchers are taking is community-based: keep the plant community functional, keep the ranching community functional, over the long haul. This kind of large-scale adaptive management could become a new model for the scientific management of sage-grouse. It also has the potential to create a new model for rallying unconventional allies in efforts to recover endangered species. Whereas some past efforts have been delayed and politicized by conflict and court battles, the future may involve more people working collaboratively — rather than at loggerheads — to come up with solutions.

And when the conversation comes to community, common ground is easy to find in Harney County. "Ranchers are land managers," Sharp said. "If we can find a land-management approach to conserving sage-grouse, we have a community of people who understand how to do this."

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GROWLERS

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Fennimore liked the idea of a partnership with University Hero, a well-established Corvallis business that opened its doors in 1981.

Van Vleet said the partnership decision will be advantageous for both businesses.

"It is an unusually beneficial partnership," Van Vleet said. "Because sandwiches and beer go together well and it doesn't increase our overhead a whole lot."

These businesses share more than their food, drink and building space. The established Beaver sports theme has progressed over to the Growlers' side. The two television screens will always be playing the Beaver sport in season, perpetuating the sports bar atmosphere.

"We are really focused on the growler feel," Fennimore said. "But we love it when people want to come in here and grab a pint, sit down, hang out, chitchat and watch the game."

Growlers are a cost effective way for customers to try a variety of local craft brews. A full size, 64-ounce Growler is, on average, \$10 to fill,



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Fifth Street Growlers opened up May 3 inside the University Hero building.

while the 32-ounce growlettes cost around \$6. Customers can also try out a variety of brews with a sample flight, or purchase traditionally in pints.

The taproom is open Thursday through Saturday from noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday through Wednesday from noon to 8 p.m.

On Friday, May 31, Fifth Street Growlers will be holding a grand opening party. Several of the breweries available will be visiting to offer tastings. There will also be giveaway prizes and activities.

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