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OSU MAKES STRIDES TOWARDS INCLUSIVITY DURING NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

By GINNIE SANDOVAL
News Contributor

November is Native American Heritage Month and Oregon State University is celebrating by hosting a number of events and encouraging students and the public to learn about how they can recognize past and present impacts within Native American and Indigenous communities.

According to the OSU website, it's important to recognize what a Land Grant is and what it means to be a Land Grant University and how a Land Acknowledgement shouldn't just be about words.

In Oregon, because of the acreage given to under a Land Grant, OSU was built upon the traditional homelands of the Marys River or Ampinefu Band of Kalapuya whose people were forcibly removed because of a Land Grant and sent to live on reservations

in Western Oregon.

The "Morrill Land Grant College Act of 1862" was a Land Grant bill signed by President Abraham Lincoln granting

federal lands to sell and fund the building of colleges. These colleges were known as Land Grant Universities.

According to a 2018 article by iMPACT Magazine,, Oregon State University originally began as Oregon Agricultural College and was established as a Land Grant University in 1868 when Oregon was given 90,000 acres to sell in order to fund the building of Universities.

Part of OSU's Land Acknowledgement states that this land was taken from the Klamath, Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw, and Coquille people to fund the building of Oregon State University.

"It's a lot to grapple with because there's that part of it [taking land from tribes] and there's the other part of the history of land grants to provide public education to the people of the state," said Luhui Whitebear,

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Worker shortage affects compound with existing hardships for Corvallis housing programs

By SAM MISA
City Editor

While the causes may be different, the problem remains the same for many industries across the U.S. — workers are needed but can't be found.

In Corvallis, the worker shortage has already caused the Corvallis Transit System to completely shut down weekend service and cut a few routes from the schedule in mid-September.

For housing programs, such as Community Services Consortium, Unity Shelter and Jackson Street Youth Services, the problems aren't as prevalent but no less important. These include the worker shortages as well as a variety of other problems unique to housing programs.

According to Housing Services Manager at Community Services Consortium Dina Eldridge, CSC has already hired more staff in the past few months, but recruiting is still difficult for them.

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Assistant Professor in Indigenous Studies and Center Director for the Kaku-Ixt Mana Ina Haws, “They are parallel stories. It’s okay to talk about both and we need to talk about both. That’s why OSU has specific commitments toward Tribal Nations and Indigenous people.”

Whitebear tells us that there are responsibilities that come with being a Land Grant University.

“Native Heritage Month has been happening around campus for decades, well before the University started formally acknowledging its history as a land grant institution and the responsibilities that come with it,” Whitebear said. “In the OSU community, part of that responsibility is learning about indigenous people and that’s where Heritage Month can come in handy as to learn about different parts of indigenous identity, heritage and histories.”

According to Whitebear, within the last five years, OSU has made significant strides in its efforts to assure that they are lending action to the Land Acknowledgement and their commitments to the Native American and Indigenous Communities.

“The land acknowledgment at OSU started through the efforts of faculty creating the email signature and receiving feedback from some folk over at one of the tribes for how it should sound and so that when it got updated and institutionalized,” Whitebear said. “It was through training the board of trustees

about the history of the people whose lands the Corvallis campus is on, which is where our main operations come out of.”

Whitebear tells us that for OSU to honor its Land Acknowledgement and learn how to best serve indigenous communities, the board of trustees invited the tribes whose lands it was built upon to help understand what could be done.

With the help of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians, OSU was able to learn important histories and evaluate how to bring forth the efforts needed to give back to the communities and be made to offer its highest level of support.

“OSU was involved with the conversations at the state level which turned into the Oregon Tribal Student Grant,” Whitebear said. “OSU recently started the OSU Tuition Program, allowing in-state tuition for members of the other sovereign tribal nations from other states. We’ve also created the munk-skukum Indigenous Learning Community in the resident’s hall which focuses on indigenous people. Then there was the development of the Dr. Larry Griggs Center for Black and Indigenous Student Success and the development of the Indigenous Mental Health Coordinator in CAPS 2022 as well as the Indigenous Studies Minor 2022, which included a cluster higher for indigenous studies faculty.”

In addition to this, OSU’s most recent initiatives include the establishment of the President’s Commission on Indigenous affairs and then the OSU College of Forestry

recently hired an Associate Dean for Inclusive Excellence and Director for Tribal Initiatives who will oversee Indigenous Natural Resources.

Events at the Kaku-Ixt Mana Ina Haws Center for this year’s Native American Heritage month will provide many opportunities for both students and the public to learn more about each one of the initiatives.

When speaking with event organizers, Kyles Gemmell, a Graduate Assistant for Ina Haws, and Brendan Dearing, a Community Relations Representative for Ina Haws, they told us that this year’s events were divided by and lead by the undergraduate student staff

They will kick off with the traditional Dia De Los Muertos event on Nov. 2.

“For Dia De Los Muertos, we partner with the Center Cultural Cesar Chavez and for the event we’re doing an ofrenda, where students and staff can come in and bring photos,” Gemmel said. “We’re also working on culturally relevant activities for people to do, a playlist that the 4Cs put together, and potentially live music for part of the time.”

For the second event, taking place on Nov. 8.

“There will be a Beading and Basket Weaving class where a Master Weaver will come to demonstrate,” Dearing said. “and we will be putting together beads and creating our baskets from yarn.”

While the events are still being put together, the last known event will be a Study Night on Nov.28, where anyone can gather together and enjoy snacks and the company of others in the center.

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COVER: Director of the Kaku-Ixt Mana Ina Haws and Assistant Professor of indigenous studies, Luhui Whitebear, stands outside of the Ina Haws on October 19, 2022. Beginning on November 1, 6.79 million americans (2% of the population) will celebrate their Native American ancestry during Native heritage month. *Photo by Matthew McKenna and Jess Hume-Pantuso, OMN Photographers.*

OSU native scientists lead three-year forest restoration project

Over the next three years, Oregon State
 By **Adriana Gutierrez**
News Reporter

University forestry scientists will collect data and collaborate with local Indigenous tribes to find the best methods to preserve forests in the western Oregon.

The restoration effort, led by Christina Eisenberg, just received \$5 million in funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior. Efforts will focus on the soil, understory, surrounding trees and the wildlife in each of the forests being surveyed.

At the forefront of the project is the team's commitment to Traditional Ecological Knowledge, said Christina Eisenberg, principal investigator on the project and Associate Dean for Inclusive Excellence and Director of Tribal Initiative in the OSU College of Forestry.

She described TEK as a philosophy with two major underpinning concepts. The first is cultural humility: that humans are embedded in nature and not superior to nature, and the second being reciprocity, which is a means of taking from nature what is only absolutely necessary.

"There's a third thing, the 'seventh generation approach' to life," Eisenberg said. "That means that whatever you do in this world, to do it keeping in mind how your actions are affecting the world moving forward seven generations in the future."

Eisenberg herself is Apache and Rarámuri, and finds her personal commitment to the land and wishes of local tribes to be critical to the project's success. Potential tribal partners in the project include the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde, the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz, the Coquille Indian Tribe and the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Indians.

Through collaboration with the tribes that live within the forests subjected to analysis, Eisenberg hopes that her team can learn traditional methods of conservation as well as what traditional plants and organisms are crucial to native land.

"The native communities there face a lot of challenges and went through horrible things as a result of settler colonialism and they're recovering from that. So, a project like this would be really beneficial to them," Eisenberg said.

The first groups of OSU scientists will enter any one of forests enrolled in the project within the next few months.

Allison Monroe, PhD student in the College of Forestry, will be working alongside Eisenberg, who is her major professor. Monroe is also native — Cherokee — and her work will surround entomology, working to find ways to understand the biodiversity of insects and pollinators within the forests.

"I try to understand relationships and express those through western science and use both the knowledge that we gain from both Indigenous knowledge and Western science to find a way forward using the strengths of both of those ways of knowing," Monroe said.

She and Eisenberg met while working on a similar project led by Eisenberg through the University of Montana this past July. After realizing how similar their interests of study were, Monroe quickly applied to OSU's masters program in the College of Forestry.

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Monroe received a National Science Graduate Research Fellowship while she did an internship at the University of Montana and specifically mentioned on her application that it was in her career goals to become a professor. When she heard back from OSU admissions, she was offered to start a PhD track instead.

Shortly after, she was asked to join the restoration efforts alongside Eisenberg.

"I am honored to get to learn from an Indigenous woman in science like Cristina and to get to learn how to be my most authentic self in academia," Monroe said. "Learning how to be everything my ancestors were told they couldn't be... with that comes the responsibility to uplift all the other Indigenous scientists that are going to help us in this project."

Another researcher on the project is Tom DeLuca, who is a soil scientist. DeLuca specializes in the damaging effects of wildfires on soil within forests and will continue that research within the next three years.

Through collection

of soil samples, DeLuca will focus on carbon turnover in soil, and how quickly the soil bounces back following extreme wildfire damage.

"The challenging thing with soils is like, when you look across a landscape you can see trees, you can measure them, you can measure the understory and that type of thing," DeLuca said. "With soils, it is out of sight, out of mind...the answers are hard to come up with."

Other scientists a part of this effort include the Cheryl Ramberg-Ford and Allyn C. Ford Dean of the College of Forestry; Chris Dunn, a fire

ogist in the college; restoration ecologist Tom Kaye, director of the Institute for Applied Ecology; and soil scientist Si Gao of Sacramento State University.

"The project at its heart has this concept of building strong allships across cultures. None of us can do this on our own,"

Eisenberg said. "It takes relationships and it takes wisdom that somebody from a Western-European



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A large conifer tree in Avery Park on Oct. 24 in Corvallis. The tree is one of many species abundant in the areas involved in OSU's forest restoration project in collaboration with Indigenous tribes.

'Your climb is your climb': Women, non-binary, trans climb night creates space

By NATALIE SHARP
Beaver's Digest Contributor

Oregon State University's Adventure Club is hosting its first-ever women, nonbinary and trans climbing night at the McAlexander Fieldhouse on Oct. 9, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The night will include free shoe rentals, exciting raffle prizes from local businesses such as Peak Sports and lots of snacks. This will be the first night to officially kick off this biweekly event that will occur every other Sunday throughout the year, except during long breaks.

Although this event is only free for OSU students, everyone is highly encouraged to bring friends from the community. Non-OSU students have to pay the standard "buddy" day pass with an entrance fee of \$10.

Organized by Adventure Learning Institute Specialist Kate Hasset, Indoor Climbing Center Wall Specialist Christine Castles and ICC Wall Specialist Shelby Wells, the three of these women said they saw a need in the community and decided to come together to make a change.

They explained how the night was semi-inspired by the Corvallis Valley Rock Gym's similar inclusive climb night as well as seeing a fellow coworker start BIPOC partnered belay classes at McAlexander which got the ball rolling on the event.

Additionally, climbing is a heavily male-dominated sport. However, unlike other sports

there is little gender separation. This results in a climbing gym with an environment that is majority male the majority of the time.

"Looking around the gym and seeing there's not a lot of women here and being like, 'let's do something about that,'" Castles said, when talking about inspiration for starting the event.

The organizers set five main goals for the event. First, they want to create a space where people can feel they belong and are comfortable. Second, having a space where you can see people who look like you doing things you hope to do can be motivating.

"Representation matters," said Castles.

Third, often the climbing community can be very competitive with people trying to get the hardest climbs, but they hope to foster a new environment where: "Your climb is your climb and you get to experience (it) however you want," Wells said.

Fourth, the isolating impacts of the pandemic are still felt throughout campus, so they hope this can be "a unifying event to bring people back into their community," Hasset said.

Finally, they hope this can be a collaborative event that continues to grow.

"As much as our goal is to make space for people in these communities, we also want people to be making a space," said Castles. "Let's create this together."

They explained how the organizing process was super collaborative.

After each of these women separately had

a desire to start this night, the ALI Operations Coordinator Emily Abrams, helped put them all together and guide them through the steps of making this night a reality.

Hasset was responsible for scheduling meetings and reaching out to local businesses, Castles focused on creating what she called a "baller presentation" and Wells was in charge of making the creative posters.

Hasset also reached out to the Valley Rock Gym for advice on how to start their own inclusive climb night. However, they hope to achieve different goals by targeting the student population to build a community within the already established school setting.

After jumping through a number of technical hoops with Dixon mainly regarding advertising for the event, and working with the ALI the event finally came together.

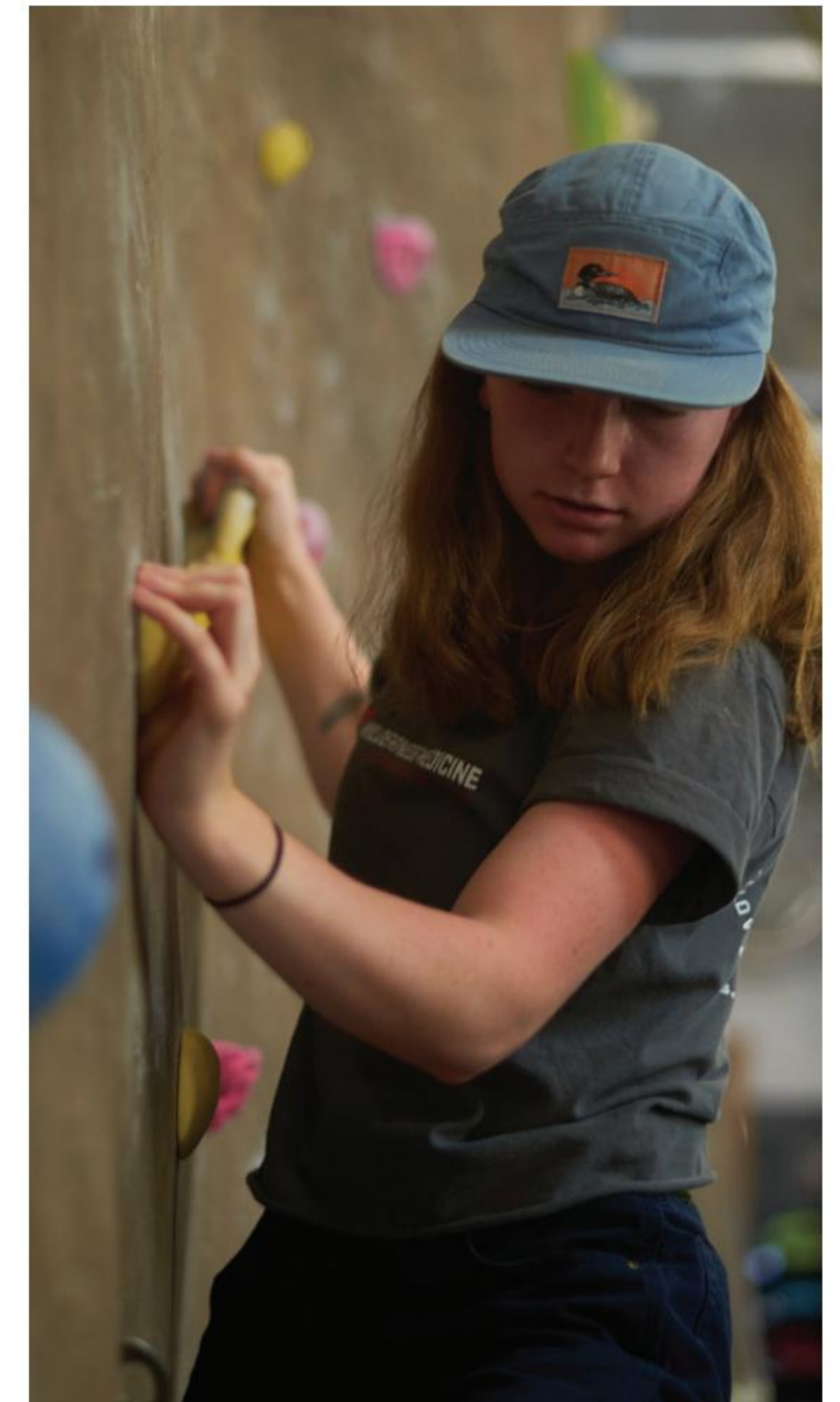
Because this night is creating a space for communities that are typically in the minority in the climbing gym, the organizers explained that people from outside these communities are discouraged from attending. They will not be offered free shoe rentals, and will be asked to climb another night.

The organizers are excited about the energy building around this event and are hyped to create this inclusive space with the people who show up!

None of the three organizers were managers or in high positions when they had this idea, they just worked in the area and wanted to make something happen. They hope this can be an inspiration for other people to start

similar events.

"We want this to be the beginning of having more inclusive events like this," Castles said.



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Kate Hasset (she/her), ALI operations specialist, at McAlexander Fieldhouse. Kate is one of three employees who recognized the need for an inclusive climbing space for women, nonbinary, and trans students in a cis male-dominated sport.

CALENDAR

<p>Oct.31 - Nov.6</p> <p>Orange Table Talk: Support Group For Black Women Lonnie B. Harris Black Cultural Center Thurs 5 p.m. (weekly)</p> <p>IM Dodgeball Tourdement Dixon Rec. Center Sat 11 a.m.</p> <p>Stienway Piano Series LaSells Stewart Center Sun 4 p.m.</p> <p>Mens Soccer vs San Diego State Thurs 6 p.m.</p> <p>Volleyball vs Washington State Fri 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Nov.7 - Nov.13</p> <p>Womens Basketball vs Hawaii Mon 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Mens Basketball vs Tulsa Mon 9 p.m.</p> <p>Beading and Weaving Kaku-lxt Mana Ena Haws Tues 4 p.m.</p> <p>Corvallis General Election Tues</p> <p>Fall Family Weekend Events Sat - Sun</p> <p>Wrestling Sun 2 p.m.</p>	<p>Nov.14 - Nov.20</p> <p>Beaver Booster Clinic Memorial Union 62 Mon - Fri 12 - 4 p.m.</p> <p>Hoil-Gay Party Memorial Union Ballroom Wed 5 p.m.</p> <p>Volleyball vs USC Fri 6 p.m.</p> <p>Rowing Black and Orange Regatta Corvallis Ore. Sat 9 a.m.</p> <p>Corvallis-OSU Symphony Concert LaSells Stewart Center Sun 3 p.m.</p>
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Beaver rolls & boba tea: Hana Sushi and Izakaya offers “high-quality sushi at the lowest possible price”

By HANNAH LULL
Beaver's Diegst Contributor

A new, speedy bite for sushi? A quick walk right off campus? Hana Sushi and Izakaya, located right next to Pollen on Monroe Street, opened up for business on Aug. 19, 2022 and is continuing to find new ways to promote their business and provide discounts.

Right now, they're looking into creating advertising coupons, posting about the restaurant on social media and developing a transferable point system.

Co-owners Kevin Yuan, Max Zhao and April Zhao designed an atmosphere for sushi lovers to pick rolls right off a conveyor belt or to order fresh from the kitchen. They also conveniently share the space with April's Tea House for customers to pair their sushi with some boba tea.

The point system, which you can register for in the restaurant, connects to any place owned by the Zhao's, such as April's Tea House, Number One Hot Pot, Summit Bar and Grill and Mix Asian Bistro. Customers are able to enter their phone number each time they visit any of these establishments and they can earn points. The points can add up enough for customers to receive discounts for the next time they dine.

From 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, the employees prepare new sushi every few hours and discard any that hasn't been eaten in order to maintain fresh sushi on the belt.

The discounted sushi can already make affordable sushi all the more cheaper. The



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Interior photos taken at Hana Sushi on Oct. 18 in Corvallis. Hana Sushi is a conveyor belt sushi restaurant that recently opened on Monroe St. in Corvallis.

conveyor belt system relies on colored plates, with each specific color relating to a price. At the end of each meal, the plates are added up and calculated for the total price. You can spend as little or as much as you like on your food.

The restaurant sources its food from Japanese Food Company and starts preparing the ingredients an hour before the restaurant opens.

“Our sushi chef has over 20 years of experience in sushi restaurants, and we offer high-quality sushi at the lowest possible price,” said Yuan, who has had kitchen experience since 2014. “We can accommodate over 70 people at a time.”

Employees Hannah Whitlock and Saul

Aparicil have enjoyed working at Hana Sushi and Izakaya for the last few months.

“I really like working here,” Whitlock said. “The owners are very nice and this place is very cute.”

Aparicil said the seared salmon is his favorite and recommended it. He also said the Beaver Roll is their most popular dish. This spirited OSU roll contains shrimp tempura, avocado, spicy tuna, tenkasu, spicy sauce and unagi sauce. Their nigiri rolls are also a pretty common order.

As well as their proud OSU Beaver Roll, Hana Sushi and Izakaya secures students with fresh sushi with affordable prices and a quick walk off campus. It's already been a hit with students as Whitlock and Aparicil say their



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Miko Vergun (they/she) an employee at Hana Sushi pictured making boba. Hana sushi opened on August 19, 2022, and is Corvallis's second conveyor belt sushi restaurant.

busiest days are weekdays and are relatively slow when sporting events are going on.

“Our goal is to allow OSU students to eat high-quality sushi in the most convenient way and in the shortest time, so that they can continue to engage in intense study,” Yuan said.

Aparicil agrees with Hana Sushi and Izakaya's convenient location for students because “the only other cheaper conveyor belt sushi place is on Ninth Street.”

“I do feel like you get pretty good quality for your money too,” Whitlock said. “You'll feel good about eating here.”

With cheap, good quality and ready-to-eat sushi, anyone can stop by for a quick bite. Hana Sushi and Izakaya is convenient for anyone on campus, Monroe Street or anyone willing to make the drive to try a new sushi experience.

Nov.21 - Nov. 27

Fall Intro to Meditation

Dixon Rec. Center
Mon 4 p.m.

Corvallis Turkey Trot

Crystal Lake Sports Field & Willamette Park
Thurs 8 a.m.

Thanksgiving Break

Thur-Fri

Football vs Oregon

Sat

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Punt, Pass and Kick Fall 2022

Truax Center
Wed 6 p.m.

Womens Basketball vs Southern University

Thurs 11 a.m.

Mens Basketball vs Washington

Thurs 7 p.m.

Fall Term classes end

Fri



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Fall Family weekend aims to connect students and families to OSU campus

By GINNIE SANDOVAL
News Contributor

Oregon State University will be welcoming students and their families to campus for Fall Family Weekend from Nov. 11-13.

This year, according to Zoe Arinsberg, a student-staff member of the Office of Student Orientation, Fall Family Weekend will be an opportunity for families to connect with their students and the OSU campus as a whole.

It's also a chance for students to show their families who they are here at OSU.

Each family can use the weekend as an opportunity to see their student's favorite spots on campus, and explore Corvallis. Overall, it's just a great way to build connections. The campus community can host events to meet and connect with students and their families or just enjoy the influx of people on campus.

"My parents and I have a really close relationship and I think the main thing I got out of it was merging my college life with my home life and it was really enjoyable to have them there and to see what my day is."

- Mckenzie Klecker, OSU sophomore

Arinsberg said there will be events all across campus and information desks at the Memorial Union to guide people through the weekend's festivities.

Bend native and Sophomore McKenzie Klecker, comes from a long life of OSU Alumni making last year's fall family weekend a familiar trip for her parents.

"My parents and I have a really close relationship and I think the main thing I got out of it was merging my college life with my home life and it was really enjoyable to have them there to see what my day to day is," Klecker said.

As a freshman last year and with her brother a then-senior, Klecker tells us her parents were empty nesters for the first time, so it was enjoyable for them to get to visit both of their children.

"My dad was an OSU alumni," Klecker said. "It was also fun for him to get to share his history and college experience of what life was like at OSU for him."

When it came to specifics, Klecker recalls showing her parents each building her classes

were held in as well as her dorm room. Once they had finished touring, they finished the day at the Arnold Dining Center.

Organizers are still in the process of collecting event details from campus partners to combine into a cohesive schedule but would like people to know if students, families or anyone in the OSU community has questions or would like to get involved with Fall Family Weekend, they are welcome to contact the Office of Student Orientation at newstudents@oregonstate.edu.

- Fall family weekend will take place Nov. 11-13
- Some events require registration but no registration is required for overall weekend.

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From serving to students: highlight of veterans students and ROTC

By LARA RIVERA
Assistant Editor

Carson Brosnan comes from a lineage of Beavers. He was excited to walk through the same halls as a lot of his family did when they studied at Oregon State University.

Even with a busy schedule as a Marine Corps Reserve Officers' Training Corps student and a business student at OSU, Brosnan has been able to form bonds that will last a lifetime.

His zealous drive to join the ROTC is fueled to "first and foremost" serve his country. There are about 2,300 veterans at OSU who are on Brosnan's path, not counting students who are on their relatives' Galvanized IronI bill.

"Based on my experiences and the experiences of veterans I know I can say we have all felt very supported by OSU,"

"I feel like there is a lot of misidentification of what veterans are. We just want to show them we are students first."

- Ray Sullivan, peer advisor of Veteran Education and current OSU student

Brosnan said.

The Veterans and Military Certifying Team made up of OSU School Certifying Officials, two out of three who are veterans themselves, are the link between the student and their veteran administration education benefits.

As opposed to other universities, at OSU it is not required for students to submit a form to have their enrollment certified each term, or to report a change in their enrollment.

Instead, once a student submits their VA education benefit verification via their online intake form, they set up the student's information to automatically certify their enrollment each term they are registered for classes.

The Veterans and Military Certifying Team recognized via email that VA education benefits are complex and often-times confusing. To help address this, they are soon

implementing a new certification system to improve communication between the student, the VA and the school.

"We're constantly looking at ways to improve and make things easier so that veterans can focus more on school and less on managing their benefits," stated the Veterans and Military Certifying Team in an email.

Ray Sullivan, Peer Advisory Veteran Education and a current student at OSU, said the first stop for veterans and their relatives is the Military Veteran Resource Center at Snell Hall. All veterans, family members of veterans and those who wish to get closer to the veteran community are welcome.

The MVRC offers printing, quiet areas, a small kitchenette and a team who work at the office to resolve veterans' affairs questions.

One of the benefits of the MVRC is the ability to make connections with veterans, and attend presentations hosted by veterans to talk about topics such as benefits and financial management.

The MVRC has a partnership with other resource centers such as the basic needs center to help people afford groceries for the month and direct lines to the housing departments of OSU.

One way Sullivan credits the reason veterans come to OSU is the Yellow Ribbon Program, meaning the university matches the cost of tuition for out of state above what the VA will pay so that students do not have to worry about paying extra for tuition.

After six and a half years in the military where Sullivan was a yeoman and five years doing sexual assault prevention and response, Sullivan decided he wanted to return to school to finish his degree in sociology and continue his career as a social worker.

"We are part of the OSU connected community to ensure that people have a continual care when they either get out of the military, coming to school or just have the option to know where to go next," Sullivan said.

OSU has the Associated Students of Oregon State University Veterans and Nontraditional Students Advocacy Coordinator Angelina Trillo, who gets the concerns of veterans and nontraditional students and communicates them with the student government "to make sure they are advocated for," said Sullivan.

Additionally, OSU has a Student Veteran Association made up of a small band of students that gather to hold events at school and the local community where they do activities such as writing hundreds of letters and deliver them to the veterans' home in Lebanon, Ore. for Veterans Day.



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Peter Hawkins, U.S. Navy, speaks about the ROTC program here at Oregon State University in Cascade Hall on Oct. 20. The Naval ROTC program was established in 1946.

"I feel like there is definitely a lot of misidentification of what veterans are," Sullivan said. "We just want to show them we are students, too."

The SVA and MVRC are putting on a Veteran's week on the week of Veteran's day hosting events to tell their story.

"OSU is a wonderful campus, and is very welcoming to all community members," Sullivan said. "We want to make sure any veteran that wants to further their education feels comfortable here."

- The Naval ROTC program was established in 1946.
- There are no requirements to have enrollment verified each term at OSU to achieve veteran status.
- The Yellow Ribbon Program will match the benefits of the VA program.

Blind grad student uses podcasts to make science accessible for all

By LEAH KAHN
News Contributor

Oregon State University Graduate Student Ashley Neybert is boldly redefining what a scientist can be.

Working alongside Martin Storksdieck, and other members of the STEM Research center at OSU, Ashley and co. are teaching kids, through podcasts, that a scientist doesn't need to be able-bodied, they could be in a wheelchair, deaf or blind.

Working with Tumble Media, a podcast company that creates educational podcasts for children, Neybert, Storksdieck and the STEM research center are creating science podcasts for kids that feature scientists with disabilities.

"They want to expand what youth, when they listen to podcasts about science, like cool stories about science, what their perception is on who can be a scientist," said Storksdieck, professor in the College of Education and director of the Stem Research Center. "By featuring scientists, who, in one example, are blind or visually impaired, just to let people know that in order to be a scientist, you don't have to be a fully able bodied person."

Neybert understands first hand the importance of disability representation in the field of science.

"I went blind in the middle of my undergrad," Neybert said. "So I needed to come up with ways to do things and my professor...was like well I've never worked with a blind student before. But he just googled blind chemists, he's like: you couldn't possibly be the first person who's trying to do this."

That google search led to Neybert discovering and meeting Dr. Cary Supalo, a blind chemist.

"I started working with him," Neybert said. "And it completely changed my world... I've always loved science, and so imagining not having that kind of ability to explore your world and how it works was heartbreaking to me."

Instead of having to give up science and change her degree halfway through her program like Neybert thought she would, she was able to learn new ways to study science, and continue her education.

Now Neybert is excited through this podcast initiative to teach other blind students that you can study science and be blind.

"Everyone deserves to be able to ask those 'why' questions and figure out about the world around them and explore," Neybert said.

Part of this podcast accessibility program is



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Graduate student, Ashley Neybert, posing with her guide dog, Phoebe, on the third floor of Furman Hall. Neybert is a strong believer in the idea that accommodating disability around campus is beneficial for everybody.

creating tactile pictures and 3D models to go along with the science podcasts.

According to Neybert, podcasters tend to

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- Ashley Neybert, OSU graduate student

describe things, and if you're blind it can be hard to conceptualize what is being described, so having those tactile pictures and models is really helpful in blind kids understanding the science concepts explained in the podcasts.

One pioneer in the tactile graphics field is John Gardner, founder and president of Viewplus, a Corvallis based company that aids in making tactile graphics and braille embossers for the blind.

Gardner started the company when he went blind from an eye surgery in 1988, he was a physics professor at OSU at the time and found himself unable to analyze data from his experiments. So he put a team together to create a new high resolution embossing technology.

"We knew that we needed a technology that could make tactile graphics inexpensively, and good," Gardner said.

As his company grew, blind students began to use tactile graphics more and more.

"Blind people began to tell their sighted teachers, we do need tactile graphics, by the way," Gardner said. "And we can learn to read them if you'll just make them and give them to us."

Now the company is one of the top tactile graphics and braille embosser companies in the world.

"I mean it's tough to study science when you're blind," Gardner said. "Taking labs is a challenge, but there are ways to make the

labs, and certainly the materials can be made accessible."

In the podcast initiative with tumble media, kids can use such tactile graphics and 3D models to better understand the information given.

The last part of the podcast initiative is encouraging children to make their own podcasts, creating a system on which kids can tell stories.

Martin Storksdieck has already implemented this idea with at least two schools for the blind.

"Whether it's mathematics, whether it's science, physics, chemistry, meteorology, geology, whether it's the arts or writing, no matter who you are, you should be able to do this. You should have the same access and you should be as much included as anybody else," Martin said. "We shouldn't put barriers up for people that we can avoid."

When it comes to the future of science and accessibility, especially at OSU, Ashley is hopeful.

"A culture of inclusivity is already here," Ashley said. "We just need to expand people's ideas of what is included in that accessibility and inclusivity."

Married Oregon State professors inducted into American Academy of Arts and Sciences and Pontifical Academy

By HAYDEN LOHR
Campus Editor

Oregon State University academics Bruce Menge and Jane Lubchenco inducted into American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Pontifical Academy of the Sciences, respectively.

The AAA&S is based out of Cambridge, Ma. and is one of the oldest scientific learning societies in the United States. The society was founded by several founding fathers of the United States, including John Adams and John Hancock.

Being one of the oldest and most prestigious learning societies in the United States, induction to the AAA&S means a lot for OSU.

Menge, a marine ecologist, has studied the rocky communities of the ocean shore and how these communities function. Menge has studied the upwelling conditions in different locations from California and New Zealand to British Columbia realizing that the oceanic systems account for most of the variation between these sites.

According to Menge, long term funding can be difficult to come by. His partners and him are engaged in long term research creating data sets that were over 10 years old.

“Our current focus with these long term data sets is how systems are changing with climate change,” Menge said. “With data sets that vary in length from 10 to 30 years we can do this.”

According to Menge, if you look at these ecosystems they don't seem to change all that much. The abundance of marine life, barnacles, mussels, seaweed, seems about the same.

Although the organisms that compose these intertidal zones on the Oregon coast remain the same, the stability of these ecosystems, the resiliency has declined.

“We found that the dynamic things below certain conditions are actually declining,” Menge said. “Mussel reproductive output has declined, Sea Star reproductive output has declined, and Sea Star predation has also declined... That was totally new, we had never seen anything like this in that system, there are all of a sudden things assaulting this system.”

According to Menge it is an honor to be inducted into the AAA&S. It is not something one applies for but that someone in the

society must invite you in; then the current members vote on your admittance.

Lubchenco was inducted on the same day to the Pontifical Academy of the Sciences, which is based out of the Vatican Gardens and was created in 1936.

Established by Pope Pius XI, the academy aims to further the progress of natural, mathematical and physical sciences. The academy examines subjects such as fundamental science, bioethics, and the ethics of science.

“These awards honor incredible scientific discovery, teaching and service to society that address some of the most important environmental issues affecting our nation and world,” Clark said.

Lubchenco was formerly the president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. She is one of the world's most highly cited ecologists.

Currently, Lubchenco is the deputy director of climate and the environment in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. As of February 2021 she is on loan from OSU to work for this office.

“Oregon State is very proud of the recent national and global recognitions provided by OSU distinguished professors Bruce Menge and Jane Lubchenco,” said Clark. “We applaud Professor Menge for being inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and Professor Lubchenco for being inducted by Pope Francis into the Vatican's Pontifical Academy of Sciences. These very deserving recognitions are limited to a few scientists nationally and globally.”

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- Steve Clark, University Vice President relations and marketing



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Bruce Menge (left) and Jane Lubchenco pose for an image on Oct. 5 at their home. Menge was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in Cambridge, Mass. and Lubchenco was inducted into the Pontifical Academy of Sciences by Pope Francis, both appointments happened on Sept. 10

OSU expands student mental health resources with addition of OSU Assist program: MySSP

By HALEY STARK
News Contributor

In response to growing awareness towards student mental health, Oregon State University has launched two new initiatives, “OSU Assist” and “Anytime Anywhere: My Student Support Program @ OSU.”

Combining the resources of Counseling & Psychological Services, the Student Care Team, Student Health Services and the OSU Police and Department of Public Safety, OSU Assist is a multi-disciplinary mobile crisis response program for students in need.

Live from 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday, students on the Corvallis campus can access OSU Assist by calling 911 or 541-737-7000 in the event

of a mental health crisis. OSU Public Safety Dispatch makes the decision as to what kind of response will be given in regards to the call.

“They’re going to know what questions to ask to determine the degree of response that we’re going to need, and whether or not we need police to respond,” Crisis Response Team Coordinator Josh Ford said.

If a dispatcher determines that the caller’s situation does not involve threats of violence or usage of/access to weaponry, one of four OSU Crisis Responders on Ford’s team will be deployed to provide care to the caller. Scenarios where a Crisis Responder may be dispatched include delivery of difficult news, abuse survivor support and instances of suicidal ideation.

Outside of OSU Assist hours, a typical

police-based response will be used.

As a companion to OSU Assist, the university has also released the Anytime Anywhere: My Student Support Program @ OSU app. Unlike OSU Assist, MySSP is a non-emergency service that can be accessed anytime, anywhere.

According to OSU Assistant Director of Mental Health Promotion Bonnie Hemrick, this new service attempts to address concerns frequently expressed by students.

“For years we’ve heard a lot of feedback that it was difficult to get into CAPS,” Hemrick said. “Not only was this not great for the student experience, but also we wanted to make sure that anyone who needs help is actually able to get it in that moment.”

The app is free for students to download and allows students to speak

to a counselor in real-time. The service comes with five primary language options, including English, Mandarin, Cantonese, French and Spanish, but other languages are available upon request.



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Fall sports gallery 2022: best moments



Top: Anthony Gould catches a pass from Chance Nolan during the Beaver football game against Montana State at Providence Park in Portland on Sept. 17, 2022. Gould had five receptions for 77 yards, including a team-high of two touchdowns.

Middle Left: Oregon State University men's soccer player, Clarence Awdoudor, sprints down the field alongside Stanford men's soccer player, Shane de Flores, on Oct. 9 at Paul Lorenz Field. The game resulted in a tie with both teams walking off with two goals.

Middle Right: Jade Soto scores from third against Clackamas on Friday, Oct. 14 at Kelly Field in Corvallis. No score was kept in this scrimmage.

Bottom Left: Sophomore outside hitter Kateryna Tkachenko lunges for a ball in a match against Arizona State on Oct. 2 at Gill Coliseum. Tkachenko had six total kills during the game against the Sun Devils.

Bottom Right: Oregon State University women's soccer player Valerie Tobias dribbles the ball through University of Southern California opponents on Sept. 29. OSU's women's soccer faced off USC's team on Sept. 29 with a final score of OSU 1, USC 5.

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OSU Defensive Coordinator Trent Bray's aggressive style works, players agree

By RYAN HARLAN
Sports Contributor

If you ask any Oregon State football player or coach, they'll tell you that defensive coordinator Trent Bray brings the energy no matter where he is on the field, even on gameday and in practice.

"Coach Bray, wherever he is you're going to feel his energy," said redshirt senior inside linebacker Kyrei Fisher-Morris.

"On the field he's getting us amped up, we're getting turned up, we're all meeting together, but a lot of the time Coach Bray gives the reins to the players," Fisher-Morris said.

Even though you feel Coach Bray's presence watching him coach from the sideline, he also allows the players to bring the energy on defense rather than have it all come from just him, which has been a benefit for the players.

"With him bringing that energy it's kind of like more people are bought in with it,

with his defense, you even have scout team players of the week going crazy," said redshirt sophomore defensive back Akili Arnold.

"I think the energy that Bray brought into the defense more just makes us run through a wall for him. It's like a shot of adrenaline when Bray talks to us," Arnold said.

So far, the past eight months have shown that players on the defensive have bought into Bray's defensive philosophy playing to the energy that Bray brings each day to practice.

As a first-year defensive coordinator, Bray has adopted a defensive style that leans on aggressiveness and the changes in philosophy have been well received by position groups and even the defensive position coaches throughout the course of fall training camp.

Secondary coach Blue Adams spoke of Bray's defensive scheme and how it impacted the secondary's play style.

"I think it fits us man, it fits us, it turns us loose, it allows us to play on edge, it allows us to play fast. I think for our guys and their skillset, that's a perfect matchup," said Adams.

Redshirt senior defensive lineman Simon Sandberg echoed similar sentiments to Coach Adams about Bray.

"Oh, we're allowed to just go, which is what we're meant to do and it fits us way better, go forward and be aggressive. It's really nice," said Sandberg.

Bray took over defensive play-calling from former defensive coordinator Tim Tibesar in the final four games of the 2021 football season as interim defensive coordinator.

There was not a lot of time for him to put his fingerprints on the defense with the transition but made some minor alterations with the limited time he had.

"We didn't have to switch up a lot, we kinda just kept going with what our game plan was throughout the year with Tibs, because you know it's really hard to change a full playbook throughout the year," said Arnold.

The transition between the two coaches was a bit of a challenge for the defense and the coaches initially but it helped simplify the schemes along with the playbook on the defensive side of the ball.

"It was kind of weird at first, but then I feel like it made it a lot more simple, a lot of people felt more comfortable being in better positions," said Arnold, "With Bray, he just



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Defensive Coordinator Trent Bray moves his way down the sideline communicating with the Beaver defense during a win on Oct. 15 against the Washington State Cougars. Bray was hired as a linebacker coach in 2018 and was promoted to interim defensive coordinator during the 2021 season before being named defensive coordinator for the 2022 season.

puts everybody in a good position and lets them play football free."

However, now having eight months along with a full offseason under his belt as defensive coordinator, Bray has been able to explore, tinker, and put his fingerprints on the defense with the defensive schemes and play calls.

Even with that time during the offseason, the playbook remains simple, which allows the defense to attack what opposing offenses give them rather than just sit back and wait.

As a result, Bray has been able to develop a level of trust with the defense with the familiarity of the scheme and that has

allowed more players to get playing time than previously before.

"He trusts everybody, like he knows how everybody plays, it's not necessarily we're going to have the same five people on the field every time for DB's [defensive backs], he knows that some people might be good at this, some people might be good at that," said Arnold, "subbing people in and out knowing that this is their strength and this is their weakness, knowing everybody's personnel

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TRENT BRAY FACT BOX

- Former Oregon State Football Player (Linebacker) 2002-2005, 34 consecutive starts, two time all PAC-10 conference.
- Sixth at OSU for career tackles with 337
- Bray's father, Craig Bray, was a defensive coordinator for Oregon State from 2000-2002
- OSU's defense allowed an average of 60 fewer yards per game over last four games of 2021 compared to first eight games. The defense also forced 7 turnovers.
- Served as interim Head Coach at Nebraska in 2017

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and skill talent is really big for us.”

The expectations for Bray’s defense are sky-high this year as the defense returns a lot of veterans and has depth at multiple positions.

The goal by the season’s end for the players on the defensive side of the ball is to be one of the best defenses in the nation but try not to get too ahead of themselves.

The aggressiveness and the energy of how the defense plays in both practice and on

gameday likely reflect Coach Bray’s playing style as a linebacker at Oregon State from 2002 to 2005.

Even on a hot day in summer, you’ll find him sprinting down the sideline with his players when there is a loose ball on the field just as if he was still out on the field playing in a Beaver Uniform.

Although Bray’s playing days are behind him as a linebacker, with the energy he brings to the sideline Bray would still try to make a tackle if given a helmet and shoulder pads.

“Oh, one hundred percent, I don’t know if he’ll make the tackle, but he’ll sure try to,” said Arnold.



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Ryan Cooper Jr. intercepts a pass during the Beaver football game against Montana State at Providence Park in Portland on Sept. 17, 2022. Cooper Jr. leads the PAC-12 with nine passes defensed as well as being second in the PAC-12 conference for total interceptions with three.



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Trent Bray instructs his defense during a timeout against the Washington State Cougars on Oct. 15 in Reser Stadium. The Beaver’s defense ranks third in the PAC-12, allowing an average of 359.6 yards of offense per game and have held six of their last seven opponents to less than 400 yards this season.

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'I didn't think I would leave that country,' OSU international athletes share perspectives

By LILY MIDDLETON
Sports Contributor

It's one thing to move across the country to play a sport you love, but what about moving across the world?

International athletes moving to the United States for sports is growing more and more common and has been mostly observed in sports such as soccer or basketball.

When taking a look at Oregon State's women's volleyball roster, there are six players whose hometowns reside outside of the U.S.

For many of these athletes, coming to the U.S. was the next step in their athletic careers.

"Well, my season in the Ukrainian Super League finished because of COVID. I had two choices: to go play professionally in Europe or go to the U.S.," outside hitter Kateryna

Tkachenko explained. "It's a nice ability that you can combine everything; you can get

that high education here and play at a pretty high level at the same time, which is kind of hard to do in Europe."

Many of the six international students on the OSU women's volleyball team learned English for the sole purpose of coming to the states.

In fact, according to head coach Mark Banard, to come to the states, you must pass an English Proficiency Test to enroll.

Due to many of these athletes not knowing whether or not they would end up in the U.S., many of them had limited time to learn.

"[My parents] were kind of doubting that I could learn English in six months because I didn't know anything," Balyko explained. "We had it in school but I never thought I would need it; I didn't think I would leave that country."

Learning a new language while living in that country is hard enough, but with no family or friends from home around it can be

even more difficult.

"In fact, I can say that the biggest problem of distance is longing," Turkish middle blocker DiLara Ünal explains. "There is quite a distance between Turkey and the USA. There is also a 10-hour difference. My speaking time is limited so I miss it more."

While some athletes, like Tkachenko's family, have moved to the states, others don't have that same luxury.

COVID as well as other events have resulted in travel being disrupted. For Balyko, she hasn't been back home in about two years.

Coach Banard has been making efforts not only to bring the team together but also to help share the diverse cultures and languages the team has to offer.

The Monday after Thanksgiving, the team holds a Friendsgiving where everyone prepares a home cooked dish.

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Corvallis sees surge in fentanyl seizures, police department says



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In this photo illustration taken on May 30 are miscellaneous pills and powder. Fentanyl can take the form of both pills and powder, and is laced in drugs such as heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamines.

By WES FLOW
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While the Corvallis area has seen an increase in fentanyl over the past few years, the roll out of funding to counter fentanyl has been slow, according to officials.

“Prior to around 2019, counterfeit pills containing fentanyl were not a common form of illicit controlled substance in the Corvallis area,” said Gabriel Sapp, Lieutenant with the Corvallis Police Department. “Since that time, the prevalence of counterfeit pills containing fentanyl has dramatically increased year over year.”

In 2020, Oregon voters passed Measure 110, which decriminalized personal possession of small amounts of illegal drugs, including fentanyl. Along with this, Measure 110 directs millions of dollars from the Oregon Marijuana Fund to the Drug Treatment and Recovery Services Fund.

Over the 2021-2023 biennium, the Drug Treatment and Recovery Services Fund was expected to receive \$229 million in marijuana tax revenue.

“Measure 110 funds low-barrier substance use disorder treatment, peer support and mentoring, housing services, harm reduction intervention, and supported employment for people who use substances or have a history of substance use,” said Kailee Olson, Communications Coordinator for the Benton County Health Department.

According to Olsen, all of these services

have been funded in each of the 36 counties in Oregon, including Benton County.

However, according to Dina Eldridge, Housing Services Manager for the Community Services Consortium, the release of this funding hasn’t been without problems.

“Unfortunately, the roll out of the funding that was supposed to come from Measure 110 has been pretty slow,” said Eldridge. “It’s leaving quite a gap.”

In the meantime, Measure 110 has also had a significant impact on the Corvallis Police Department’s response to fentanyl.

“Under Measure 110 enforcement of controlled substance offenses has become increasingly difficult for law enforcement,” Sapp said.

The standard of proof needed to conduct a stop and search changes, Sapp said, based on whether an offense is a violation, which fentanyl possession is now, or a criminal offense; fentanyl’s previous classification.

While police say Measure 110 has made responding to fentanyl more difficult, according to the Benton County Health Department, there is no data currently connecting Measure 110 with the rate of substance use.

Statewide, Oregon saw an increase in both opioid overdoses and deaths in 2021, driven in part by an increase in synthetic opiates such as fentanyl, according to an Oregon Health Authority press release.

In addition, emergency medical services personnel administered naloxone-- a drug

that rapidly reverses opioid overdoses—5,556 times 2021, up from 3,758 times in 2019.

“Our Harm Reduction team has recorded more than 80 community-reported opioid overdoses that were successfully reversed by a community member administering naloxone in 2022,” said Olson. “This does not include overdoses reversed by first responders such as police, fire, or EMTs, or unreported reversals outside of our distribution program.”

Naloxone is available from the Benton County Harm Reduction Program for free.

Individuals in Oregon additionally can request a prescription for naloxone.

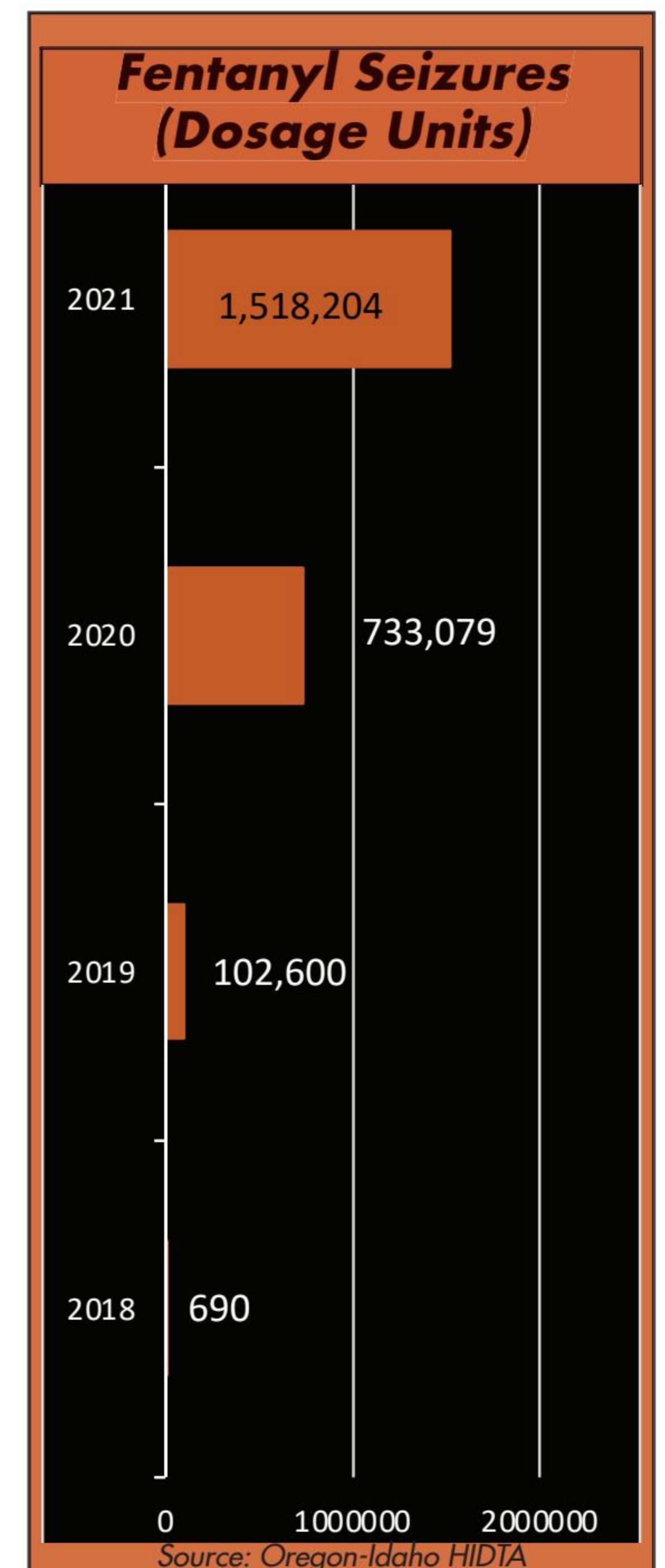
One thing officials have stressed is that any pill of unknown origin may contain fentanyl.

“Unless a pharmacist directly hands you a prescription pill, assume it is counterfeit and contains fentanyl,” said the OHA in a September press release, adding “assume any pills obtained from social media, the internet or a friend are counterfeit and contain fentanyl.”

“Fentanyl has been found in drugs sold as heroin, cocaine, methamphetamine, and pressed pills,” Olson said, “including... those sold as Oxycodone, Xanax, Adderall, and MDMA.”

“If you are using pills,” the OHA said, “don’t use alone and always have naloxone on hand and visible.”

More info on how to obtain naloxone for opioid overdoses is available at Oregon.gov as well as through the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas website.



Radiation oncologist joins campaign for single-payer healthcare:

Part of health professional-run movement to fix state and federal system

By KATIE LIVERMORE
News Contributor

“There are many students and older people like us, like me, that are deeply aware of the flaws and unfairness in our system.”

Dr. Mike Huntington is a retired radiation oncologist and Corvallis resident, currently advocating for single-payer national healthcare to provide equal access to medical care in the United States no matter the income, age or status.

Huntington grew up in a family of five in Ontario, California. His parents attended Oregon State University where they met. His dad became a pharmacist, introducing Huntington to the world of medicine.

His mom and dad opened a corner drugstore in their town, and Huntington’s first impression of helping others originated from watching his dad work his magic with patients.

“I saw how much pleasure he got out of helping people, and I saw how he did it. He did it in a way that calmed people down,” Huntington said. “They might have been angry or scared or whatever. And within a few minutes, he had this natural way of making them feel at ease and even smiling.”

Huntington was exposed to working physicians growing up watching his parents run the drugstore, and by middle school Huntington had decided he wanted to become a doctor. He attended OSU and Oregon Health Sciences University, graduating in 1967.

After exploring his options, Huntington landed on radiation oncology, a narrow specialty that allowed him to pursue his love of physics, tackle the mysteries of cancer and build relationships with patients.

Huntington worked as a radiation oncologist for 32 years, 7 years in Billings, MT and three years in Medford, before landing in Corvallis where he worked for 22 years, becoming the director of the Samaritan Regional Cancer Center helping people battle cancer.

Now retired, Huntington advocates for single-payer national healthcare in the United States. He’s currently the Vice Chair of Mid-Valley Health Care Advocates, Secretary Treasurer of Healthcare for All Oregon, and Secretary of One Payer States, all of which campaign for single-payer.

These organizations are run by healthcare



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Radiation Oncologist, Mike Huntington discusses healthcare measures at the farmer’s market in downtown Corvallis on Oct. 22. On top of talking about healthcare measures such as Oregon Measure 111, Right to Healthcare Amendment, Huntington also expressed the importance of generational gaps discussing topics to learn from one another and grow as a society.

workers and are part of the movement toward single-payer healthcare.

Toward the end of his career, Huntington noticed that although the detection for cancer was becoming more technologically advanced, there was an increase in patients admitted with more advanced cancers.

Huntington realized the patients were worried about covering the expenses of medical care, and often waited until their cancer was too advanced to be treated effectively.

At that moment, Huntington realized his passion for single-payer national healthcare, which he believes can provide equal access to healthcare.

“Single-payer is basically shorthand for everybody pays something into one central pot. And all the payments to the doctors, nurses, hospitals come out of that pot. There are no middlemen. Now, in this system that we have, there’s hundreds of insurance companies,” Huntington said.

Canada has the closest model to the ideal single-payer that Huntington imagines for the U.S.

“Saskatchewan made it so that you would

pay a tax — probably a hefty tax — so that you could go into the hospital and not have a bill when you came out, No matter how sick you were, how many procedures,” Huntington said.

Later on, other provinces followed suit and copied Saskatchewan’s healthcare system in Canada.

“The single-payer systems of almost all of the developed countries provides better care for more people at lower cost than we do in the U.S.” Huntington said.

According to Huntington, today’s U.S. healthcare system is run by insurance companies — the middle men — that find ways not to cover their patients’ medical expenses.

In the U.S., healthcare is often tied to a job that also covers a spouse and children. When a person loses their job, they lose their insurance and the ability to pay medical expenses.

“[Insurance companies ask] how can we avoid ensuring that patient who has a history of diabetes, and it’s going to cost us a lot of money someday? So let’s figure out a way to avoid that patient. What a way to take care of

people,” Huntington said.

Insurance companies call this concept a Medical Loss Ratio, which is the amount they lose when they actually provide health care for patients, Huntington said.

“[The insurance industry] is taking a fifth of our economy and it’s discouraging people from becoming entrepreneurs,” said Huntington.

Since many companies offer health benefits, many surrender dreams of opening their own business because they won’t possess adequate healthcare insurance.

For new and aspiring advocates of single-payer healthcare, Huntington suggests simply conversing with others in the community about what the healthcare system could look like in the U.S.

There are ways to contact local legislators by way of letters, emails, and phone calls.

According to Huntington, MVHCA always welcomes new members, and any OSU student or Corvallis citizen can get involved.

As Nov. 8 approaches— election day— MVHCA asks that everyone contacts their U.S. representatives and senators to remind them, “Now is the time for people to have the nation stop wasting its dollars on outrageous insurance prices and skyrocketing pharmaceutical costs that give poor health results for Oregon.”

On the ballot is Measure III which would add an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to provide equal access to affordable healthcare. If passed, Oregon would be the first state to establish affordable healthcare for its residents.

While Huntington expressed concerns about Measure III, because it is an unfunded mandate —doesn’t set up any procedures to carry out its intent — he still plans to vote for it.

“I just hope that this stimulates our voters and our legislators to really create a truly universal healthcare system that serves everybody efficiently and fairly,” Huntington said.

According to Huntington, it’s important to stay hopeful and consider all the progress made in the U.S. in the past 200 years for movements that once seemed unrealistic and impossible.

“It’s not going to happen unless you have hope. It’s not going to happen unless you show up. And it’s not going to happen unless you speak up,” Huntington said.

Casa Latinos Unidos: A key in the Corvallis community

By KATIE LIVERMORE
News Contributor

When you walk into the office of Casa Latinos Unidos, you're welcomed by friendly faces who share a passion for helping others.

"Casa Latinos Unidos is what is known as a culturally specific organization that was founded in 2009 by a group of concerned citizens that included and was led by Dr. Linda Gonzalez Berry," said Ricardo Contreras, executive director of Casa Latinos Unidos, who is originally from Chile.

CLU is based in Corvallis, and has four programmatic areas: family empowerment, capacity building, celebration of cultures and system performance.

According to Contreras, family empowerment performs wraparound support to families in the community. Capacity building constructs resilience in the Latinx community through culturally appropriate educational programs.

"(We have) celebration of cultures that has to do precisely in implementing activities that celebrate the cultures of the people who reside in Linn-Benton County that share a heritage from Latin American countries," Contreras said.

Finally, system performance aims to increase the participation in decision making processes from individuals in the Latinx community.

Each team member has their own story that drives them to help their community.

"I am from El Salvador. I moved to the U.S. when I was 10 and I lived in Los Angeles for about a year and then I moved to Oregon" said Yanci Hernandez, the Coordinator for Engagement and Capacity Building for CLU.

Hernandez didn't speak any English when she arrived in the U.S. and said the move was a culture shock. She quickly learned the language, though her parents didn't speak any English.

"From a very young age, I would take care of bills or translating how to write things or calling the pharmacy or making appointments and things like that," Hernandez said.

Hernandez is a student in the Honors College studying Human Development and Family Sciences at Oregon State University.

"I'm very excited to be a part of CLU and to help the community," Hernandez said.

According to Contreras, when COVID-19 hit the community, CLU played a key role in supporting the Latinx community, mainly for individuals who lost jobs and needed assistance in covering their expenses.



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(Left to right) Gustavo Esparza, Yanci Hernandez, Ricardo Contreras, Ken Crouse, and OMN writer Katie Livermore meet in the CLU room at Garfield Elementary School on Sept. 30.

"At the center of everything that we do is a deep identification with the community with which we work. Because all of the members of the team, they are people who share common experiences, life experiences with the people within the world," Contreras said.

CLU hosts a wide array of workshops for the Latinx community. They recently exhibited *Nuestras Historias*, an event hosted at Corvallis Museum that displayed interviews of 20 different Latinx community members.

"We asked them about who they are, where they come from, their journey, because most of them had a pretty big journey," Hernandez said. "We wanted to know more about their story."

The videos are now posted on their YouTube channel, and *Nuestras Historias* will continue to be an ongoing event.

Over the summer, CLU offered a financial and nutritional education program for children and families in the Latinx community.

"That program was very successful. We had an average of 30 families coming to each session for eight sessions, downtown at the Riverfront Park," Contreras said.

In October, CLU plans to start a program to provide women in the Latinx community a place to relax through art and music at Garfield Elementary.

Another program is led by Gustavo Esparza, the coordinator of *Jóvenes en Acción*.

"[*Jóvenes en Acción*] is a project designed for high school students to learn about

research, collecting data, analyzing it, interpreting it and creating an action plan to address it," Esparza said.

CLU has a team of ten and a network of volunteers who donate their time to build new ways to support the Latinx community.

"Where I can contribute something, I've been given that opportunity and had the chance to work with a lot of really dedicated people. Occasionally, get to interface with people in the community as well. I really like that," said Ken Crouse, a volunteer at Casa Latinos Unidos.

"We are tremendously grateful to the many people in the community that support us through donations. Without their support, our organization could not exist,"

Contreras said.

CLU will continue to create ways to support Linn-Benton county and are looking to expand their team and network of volunteers.

CLU recognizes they couldn't exist without key contributors with Oregon Humanities, Corvallis School District, Greater Albany Public Schools, Benton County, City of Corvallis, Community Services Consortium, Farmworker House and Development Corporation, Colonia Paz, Hispanic Advisory Committee, Oregon Health Authority, Benton Community Foundation, Oregon Community Foundation, United Way, Intercommunity Health Network CCO, Museum of Corvallis and more.

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HOUSING PROGRAMS

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“[Recruitment time] hampers how fast we can serve people and how many people we can serve,” Eldridge said. “We’re doing our best, but it’s a tough climate out there for finding good employees.”

Despite not suffering from losing workers through poor working conditions like Amazon, CSC instead cannot find enough workers in a field that not many are qualified or interested in working in according to Eldridge.

“Social services are obviously in high demand these days, with all the economic impacts on people,” Eldridge said. “It’s a sector of employment that has a lot of openings, and I think sometimes we’re all trying to recruit for the same position.”

JSYS and Unity Shelter are both short on staff as well, with Executive Director of Unity Shelter Shawn Collins, stating that they are almost always a little lean on staff.

“Demand for shelter beds is high, especially at the women’s shelter, Room at the Inn, so we are changing the layout to allow increasing the number of available beds. This means more beds for people in need of shelter, but it also means more staff, food, laundry, etc — so we’re hoping to bring more volunteers back into our operations to help,” Collins said.

Outside of the worker shortages, according to Program Director at Jackson Street Youth Services Kendra Phillips-Neal, the effects of COVID-19 still linger for JSYS. The organiza-

tion has seen mental health needs increase as well.

“COVID-19 has greatly impacted the youth and families we serve. There are higher rates of isolation, abuse, neglect and financial hardships,” Phillips-Neal said. “We expect numbers to increase over the next several years from the negative impacts COVID-19 has had.”

For Unity Shelter, which deals with people aged 18 or older, they are also concerned about COVID-19 with the expected spikes in both the fall and winter. However, according to Collins, Unity Shelter is well trained to limit the exposure to the virus.

“We have been very fortunate and able to have limited outbreaks in our facilities and have had great partnerships with folks like Benton County Health, Samaritan Health Services and Oregon Health Authority for vaccinations, PPE, and other support,” Collins said.

Another set of challenges that the housing programs face include the approaching winter and the problems that come with the season.

“There’s obviously a need for more attention to the weather, impacts on those we serve who are not sheltered, and keeping blankets, dry socks and other clothing, hand warmers etc on hand,” Collins said. “Wet weather is hard when you’re living outside, even if you can come in at night.”

In large part, according to Collins, the basics of helping the houseless are not tied to



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The sun sets on the Corvallis Unity Men’s Shelter, where Corvallis residents come for a hot meal during the cold day on October 20. The Men’s Shelter, “seeks to provide temporary refuge overnight that provides a healthy meal and shelter from the elements in a friendly environment,” according to their website.

the seasons besides the extra attention to weather during the colder months. However, there are differences between the women’s shelter and the men’s shelter.

“There’s a higher percentage of guests at the women’s shelter who have been victims of domestic violence and may have significant PTSD or other issues related to past trauma,” Collins said.

These differences can create unique challenges, but for all of the programs at Unity Shelter, the impacts of trauma can be seen.

“We train staff in trauma informed care and other topics that can help to meet the needs of our guests - but it can be difficult work, and seeing people whose lives are made so much more difficult due to a lack of stable and affordable housing has an impact,”

Collins said.

For JSYS, which serves people 10-24 years old, the problems they encounter are more centered around school life and family issues according to Phillips-Neal.

With Nov. 8 rapidly approaching, all three governor candidates include tackling the homeless issue on their lists of priorities. However, their methods do differ, and the organizations are not able to express their opinions on who they support.

“Because we’re a public agency, we can’t express opinions on candidates or legislation or ballot measures or anything like that. So, you know, we are always just advocates for people who are living in poverty and who need help,” Eldridge said.

Benton County officials prepare for voting changes in Corvallis

By WES FLOW
News Contributor

After significant preparation by Benton County election officials, Corvallis voters will be using ranked choice voting in municipal elections for the first time on Nov. 8.

According to the City of Corvallis website, RCV will be used for all races with at least three candidates.

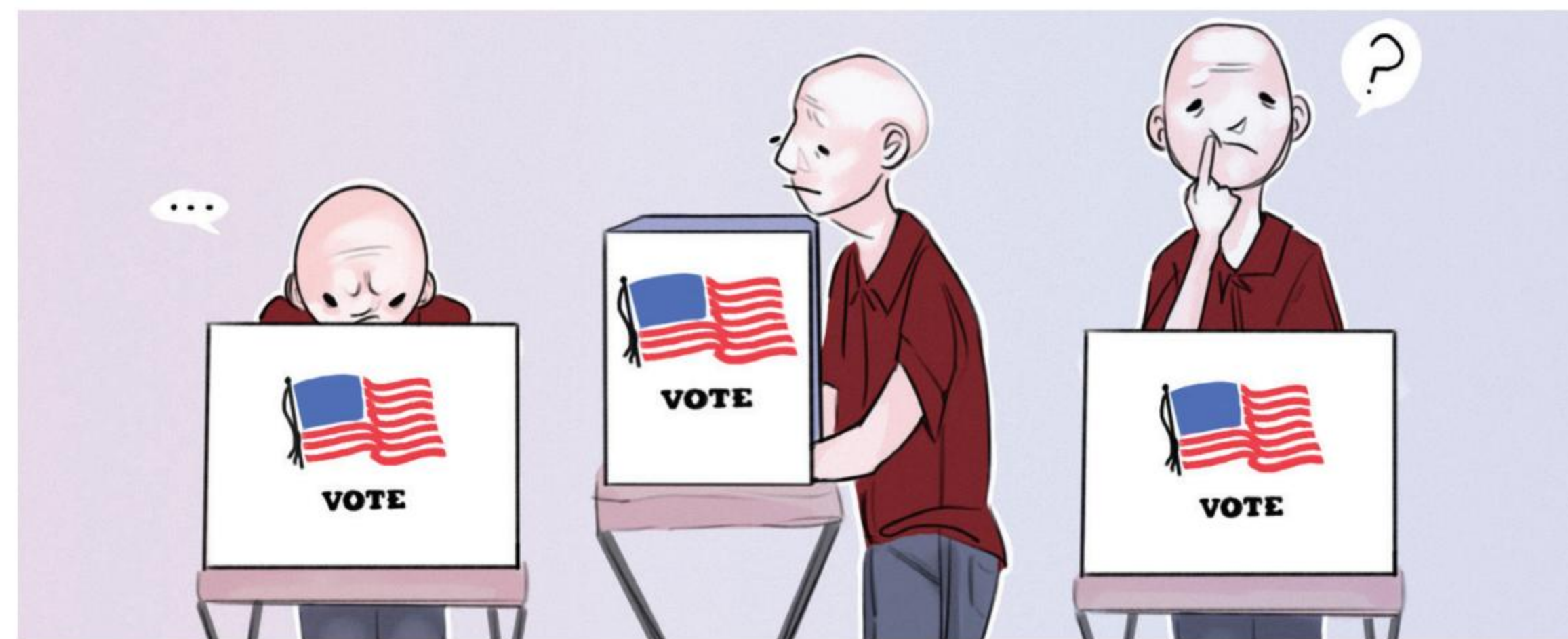
This year, voters will be using RCV for the mayoral race, as well as the race for City Councilor of Ward 9.

Ranked choice voting is a system in which voters, rather than selecting one candidate, rank several candidates by preference.

In January, the Corvallis City Council passed Ordinance 2022-02, adopting RCV for future Corvallis municipal elections.

While the 2022 general election will mark its first use in a Corvallis municipal election, Benton County voters have used RCV before for the 2020 county commissioner election.

According to Benton County Records & Elections Department Director James



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Morales, county officials learned a lot about RCV from the 2020 election.

In Morales’s opinion, the switch may make a difference in this year’s election results.

“I believe RCV has the potential to have a significant impact in any contest to which it is applied,” Morales said.

While Benton County officials had big plans for an awareness and education campaign before the 2020 election, the COVID-19 pandemic forced them to scrap any

in-person public forums and demonstrations.

However, the online portion of the campaign was more successful. According to Morales, the voter education website BentonBetterBallot.com worked well to prepare voters for RCV.

The website provides both information about the ranked choice process, as well as a practice ballot for voters to familiarize themselves with new ballots.

It is still available for voters looking to learn

more about RCV.

Morales said that the 2020 RCV rollout went smoothly in part because Benton County was able to learn from other jurisdictions.

“We spoke with the election officials from... cities in New Mexico and Minnesota, as well as former election officials working with the Ranked Choice Voting Resource Center out of North Carolina,” Morales said.

Besides the public side of the change, there was also the matter of preparing Benton County’s vote tabulation equipment to handle RCV.

“We worked with the Secretary of State and our vote tabulation system vendor, Elections Systems & Software, to conduct certification testing on the software developed by ES&S for RCV called ExpressRunoff,” Morales said.

Voters must have their ballot submitted by 8 p.m. on Nov. 8, and unofficial election results will be available as soon as possible.

Official results for non-RCV elections will be released by Dec. 2, while those for RCV elections will be released by Dec. 5.

Corvallis Police Department issues advice to help keep residents safe on roadways

By KATIE LIVERMORE
News Contributor

The Corvallis community has suffered multiple collisions involving our Corvallis citizens and an OSU student in the past two months alone.

On Sept. 5, a collision involving three pedestrians and a driver occurred on Hwy 99, and on Sept. 26, a collision with a pedestrian crossing the intersection of NW 26th St. and NW Harrison Blvd. was named a hit-and-run.

On Sept. 28, a collision resulting in a fatality took place on Hwy 99.

Moving forward, OSU's Public Safety Department and Corvallis Police Department have advice to keep everyone safe on and near roads.

According to Jim Yon, lieutenant of the OSU Public Safety Department, the issue of collisions has become increasingly worse with cellular devices.

"Be mindful of where you're at, and look up at where you're going as a pedestrian or driver," Yon said.

As a pedestrian, Yon suggests taking the few extra steps to a crosswalk as it's a designated area to cross the street.

Before and during the cross, always make eye contact with the driver to ensure it's safe to continue forward.

"If you're going to wear headphones, wear one of the earpieces so that your other ear is able to hear a vehicle or traffic, so it just adds one of your senses to help you be more aware while you're walking, especially in traffic," said Lieutenant and Public Information Officer Gabe Sapp of the CPD.

Both Sapp and Yon believe that bikers and scooters should practice defensive driving and take extra precautions near areas of heavy traffic.

Defensive driving is important because bikes and scooters often collide with pedestrians.

Yon said that many pedestrians have been injured by bicyclists.

Drivers can be distracted by cellular devices, have medical episodes, or suffer other issues that cause accidents.

According to Sapp, after COVID-19, drivers became accustomed to less foot traffic as there were less pedestrians walking and biking to work or class.

As a driver, Yon suggests never exceeding 20 mph while on campus, have your head on a swivel, be aware of students who cross without using crosswalks.

If you have an electric car, then remember they are silent and many pedestrians won't hear you coming.

"Be aware that cars don't always stop at stop signs and instead do the 'California Roll,'" Yon said.

According to Yon, a dangerous area for traffic is the front of the Kerr building coming off of 14th Street.

At night, Yon said to wear brighter colors as a walker or biker.

Fog, darkness and shrubbery makes it difficult for cars to see pedestrians.

"A flashlight at night never hurts when walking at night," Yon said.

According to Sapp, pedestrians and motorists should always consider times of limited visibility such as dusk, dawn, fog, rain, the position of the sun or darkness and how they can limit or hinder visibility.

"Pedestrians do not have any type of protection, so as a pedestrian you are going to be on the losing end of a crash, if a car does collide with you," Sapp said.

If you see an accident, Yon suggests standing by until the police and paramedics arrive at the scene.

They will ask for your name and number for contact later because a great witness helps the police identify what happened later on during the investigation.

"We need to get back into that mindset of safety and looking out for each other. It's gonna take everybody, both the people that are driving and the pedestrians and bicyclists," Sapp said.

CPD aims to keep pedestrians safe and has previously run an action plan that focuses patrols at crosswalks which will continue to occur.

CPD currently runs a traffic management plan to track traffic problems to address, leading to patrol presence, education, and enforcement that aims to reduce collisions at the top 10 intersections within the Corvallis community.

More information on Corvallis traffic crimes as well as all other kind of crimes are available on CPD's website.



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CPD investigates a reported pedestrian 'hit and run' incident at the intersection of Harrison and NW 26th Street in Corvallis Sept. 26. Since the start of the school year, Corvallis has seen an increase in collisions.

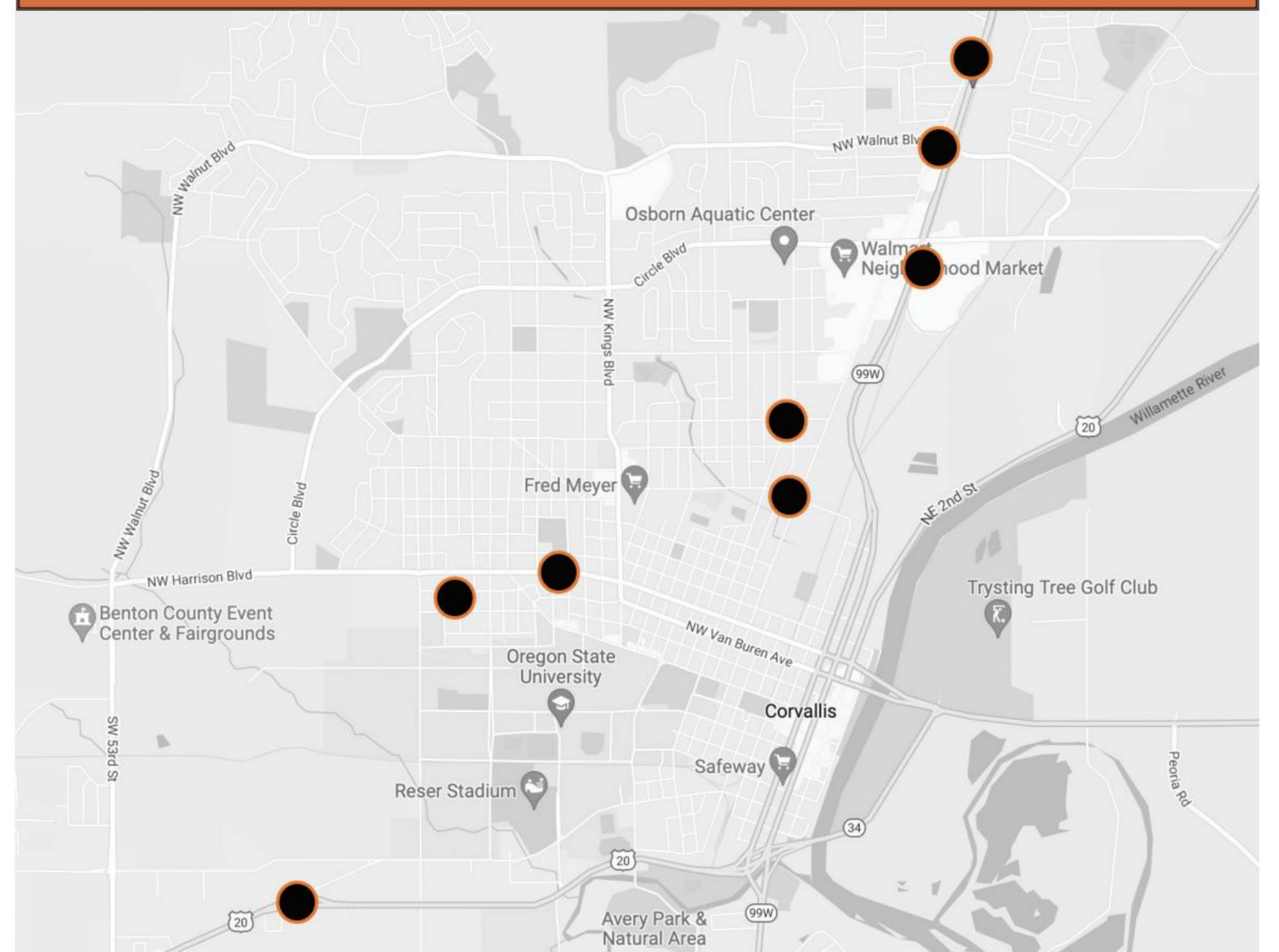
Car Incidents Since September Involving Pedestrians*

Hit and Runs: 2

Miscellaneous: 3

Injury Crashes: 3

*Some incidents may not be listed due to certain details limiting ability to label



Harlan: Quarterbacks are not to blame for football losses, offense starting to peak



By RYAN HARLAN
Here's My Two Cents

We're almost over halfway through the 2022 football season and there has been some good and some bad with the Beavers so far at the quarterback position.

Quarterback Chance Nolan looked sharp to start the season in the non-conference slate of games, but with two games with multiple interception games under his belt in Pac-12 Conference play.

It hasn't been up to par with what head coach Jonathan Smith expects from his quarterback or any coach for that matter.

Ben Gulbranson in his limited starts has played well in relief of an injured Nolan but has had some growing pains so far throughout the season, which were present against Stanford and Washington State.

Smith added in the postgame press conference after USC that Nolan needs to play better and echoed that statement after the game against Utah. I agree with what Smith said, as most of Nolan's interceptions have been bad judgment calls in the execution of the offense, but also Nolan at times hasn't been put into a position to succeed either.

This leads me to a comment by Smith after the Utah game that caught my attention, that the coaches need to be better as well, that comment seemed to have been completely ignored by Beaver fans.

I get that Nolan is the starter and that the criticism he received is warranted but it's only two games and there isn't a need to call for him to be benched, but when you struggle to execute on offense doesn't that fall on the offensive coaching staff as well?

Personally, there were a couple of head-scratching calls by offensive coordinator Brian Lindgren in the early slate of the season that cost opportunities to score points in both matchups against Utah and USC with Nolan starting at quarterback.

These head-scratching calls have even progressed with Ben Gulbranson in at quarterback with Nolan injured, so this doesn't entirely fall on the quarterback as

Smith himself has pointed out post-game.

I understand that the team has sky-high expectations for this season, but when you factor in losses to both Utah and the University of Southern California are two top 25 ranked teams, the team and the fans kind of needed a reality check to where the team is at. The Beavers can compete with anyone but the offense needed to find an identity, which was sorely lacking in those games and that factored into these losses.

However, what concerns me personally is the lack of consistency and execution by the offense and that falls back on the coaches in addition to the players. I mean are we just not going to criticize the play calls by offensive coordinator Brian Lindgren going forward if these struggles continue regardless of who is starting at quarterback?

I understood from Lindgren what he was thinking with some of his calls in the games against Utah and also looking at the Stanford game. However, Lindgren has tended to overthink play calling in key situations in games and not simplify play calls out for players. What I mean by that is when Lindgren calls a play for Nolan or Gulbranson, it should be what suits their skill sets and get the ball out quickly rather than long developing plays.

The game that specifically comes to mind for me when not tailoring the game for your players' skill sets was against Utah. When Nolan exited the game in the first quarter and Gulbranson came in relief for him, Lindgren went away from running the ball in the second half unlike the first half and decided to pass the ball more especially in the red zone, when running the ball against Utah's defensive front had been effective in the first half.

I understand that being an offensive play caller you would want to keep the defense honest, but passing the ball wasn't working that well all game and especially throwing against Utah defensive back Clark Phillips III, who had three interceptions against the Beavers.

So, to be honest there wasn't a need to run away from running the ball in the second half when the game was still in reach. I think that it is easy to critique Lindgren and his play calling after the fact but you'd have to think if he doesn't improve as a play caller that there might be a potential change in play calling going forward.

I'm not saying directly replace Lindgren but the scrutiny against him in the first half of the season has been warranted so far and to his credit there have been some noticeable improvements in limiting mistakes on offense, putting players in better positions to succeed, and fewer penalties.

I think that if this doesn't happen after hitting the easiest part of the schedule then it might be time to be more critical of both Smith and Lindgren on developing quarterbacks on the roster. When you have two coaches on the roster that once played quarterback at the FBS level and they can't deliver consistent quarterback play, that's pretty concerning if you ask me.

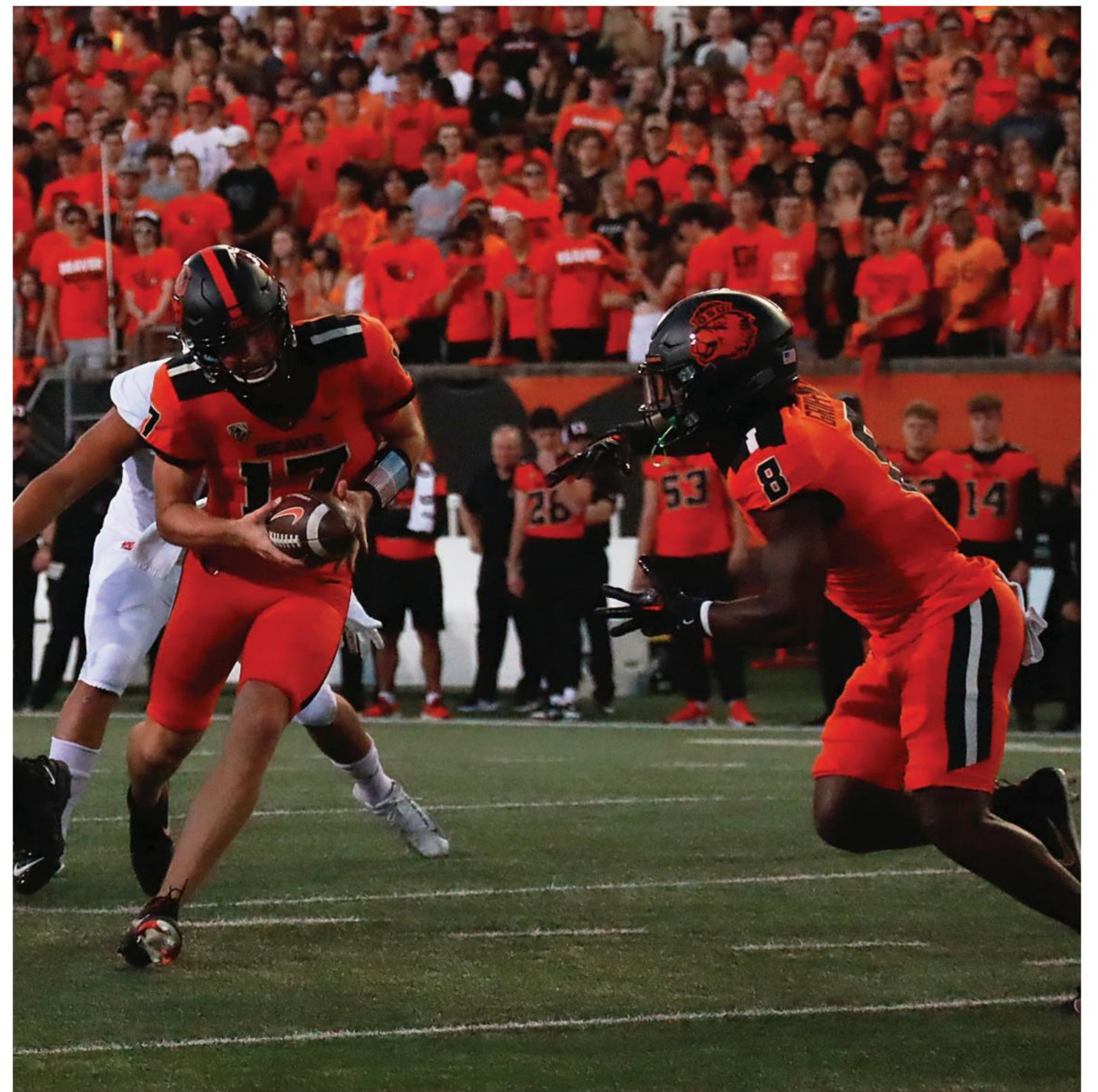
However, on the other hand, the quarterback is a tough position to figure out and we saw this season in the PAC-12 as

most of the teams in the conference looked to the transfer portal to try to find their guy at the position. I mean Smith did the same as well when he tried to land J.T. Daniels, but ultimately was unsuccessful as Daniels chose West Virginia over Oregon State.

The main takeaway going forward is that most of these offensive miscues and inconsistencies are not Nolan's fault entirely or Gulbranson's.

This falls on the entire offense to execute the plays that are called along with the coaching staff to put players in a better position to succeed.

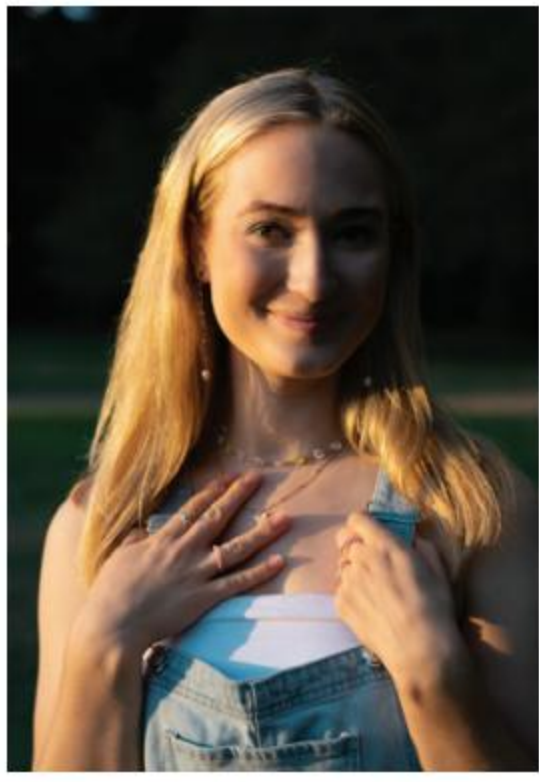
I expect them to be more cohesive with a veteran team like the Beavers to fix these mistakes and so far they have but doing consistently will be a test for the team going forward.



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Oregon State quarterback Ben Gulbranson prepares to hand the ball off to running back Jam Griffin during a Beaver win against Washington State on Oct. 15 in Reser Stadium. Gulbranson has started in three games since quarterback Chance Nolan entered concussion protocol against the Utah Utes on Oct. 1 in Salt Lake City and holds a 2-1 record in that time.

Vegan and vegetarian options lack variety and supply on OSU campus



By KATIE LIVERMORE
The Sunny Side

Following a vegan or vegetarian diet is not an easy task, especially on the Oregon State University campus.

Just over 5.5% of the OSU population follows a vegan and vegetarian diet, according to Bailey Taber, the assistant director of Dining and Nutrition and Sustainability at University Housing and Dining Services at OSU.

That percentage may seem small, but based on 2022 enrollment, that number is approximately 1,700 students.

The options for vegan and vegetarian diets need to be widespread and readily accessible throughout campus in cafes and dining halls, not limited as they are currently.

“There are a variety of vegetarian and vegan food options at each location in dining centers across campus and at the MU restaurants managed by UHDS,” Taber said.

However, this doesn’t match what two OSU students — one vegan, one vegetarian — say. Instead, the choices on campus are perpetually unhealthy and unchanging, and



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Tony Arp, the retail manager at Bites at the Memorial Union, displays one of the vegan options that the store offers on Oct. 20. Arp states that “there were a lot of students looking for options” in regards to vegan food on campus.

in some cases, there are no options at all.

Moving to the students’ experiences, many vegan and vegetarians experience barriers when they look for food in the dining halls and cafes.

“They have the ready-made salads in the deli area, but all of them have meat,” said Maya Brisan, a first-year student and vegetarian at OSU.

As far as options go, the variety of vegan and vegetarian options are not up

to scratch and lack health value, and often have added ingredients not necessary to health that prevent vegan students from purchasing them.

“A lot of things like maybe had butter on it or had bacon bits in brussel sprouts. You notice things, like it so easily could have been vegan if it was just tweaked a little bit,” said Jenna Price, a second-year student and vegan at OSU.

Price also used to buy hummus plates and vegan sandwiches, but they don’t have them at many locations anymore.

“I have friends at the University of Oregon and I’ve eaten at the UO dining hall, and they have a lot better options. I feel like overall in general, but especially for being vegan or vegetarian, they just had actual vegan and vegetarian restaurants and things like that on campus with the dining cards,” Price said.

Price said it’s frustrating to see that another university so close has vegan and vegetarian choices while many at OSU have to eat the same option every day, like tofu.

In Arnold Dining Hall, Brisan waited 30 minutes for a slice of cheese pizza because instead of keeping vegetarian options in stock, they were making pepperoni and meat specials.

“That kind of sucks just standing there waiting for my pizza. I was like ‘this is the only

thing I can really eat right now, and I can’t even have it” Brisan said.

UHDS is moving toward offering more options for vegan and vegetarian diets, however, to ensure students receive options they require for their diets, they must reach out to UHDS and leave feedback.

According to Taber, the culinary team meets often to consider new options, and student feedback they receive is a topic discussed in their meetings.

UHDS trains chefs to create recipes and receive specialized training in areas like plant-based nutrition, and they plan to continue to add more plant-based options moving forward.

From the students’ perspective, Price suggests providing nutritional variety that accommodates all diets, for example bars with rice, beans, and vegan protein to accommodate individuals whether or not they consume meat.

As a vegetarian, Brisan hopes to see more options with veggies, like paninis with something other than cheese, but tomatoes and mushrooms to create a healthier option.

The students speak out, and the answers are here. We just need to transfer the students’ experience of following a vegan or vegetarian diet to food offered in dining halls and cafes on campus.

Black Fridays will never be the same as before COVID-19



By LARA RIVERA
Here’s the Tea

When mall stores start playing Mariah Carey’s “All I want for Christmas Is You” and crowds fill the room with zestful energy to shop, you know Black Friday is here.

On Thursday, we are grateful for everything we have. Less than 10 hours after dinner, we trample each other to buy discounted items.

The name supposedly stems from stores going for an entire year in the “red”, which indicated losses in their books, and would earn a profit, or go into the “black.”

However, the tale goes that the name truly originates from Philadelphia’s traffic-weary cops in the 1960s who could not take the day off, but also had to work longer than usual shifts.

After “Black Friday” had caught on in Philadelphia, merchants unsuccessfully tried

to rename “Black Friday”, “Big Friday.”

20 years later Black Friday reached the west coast and took over as the day stores finally get to make a profit and became what we know as Black Friday today.

Sierra Glenn, who currently works at Moon Lotus Rising, has worked during Black Friday in Corvallis and is not normally the type to shop during Black Friday.

“People expect discounts or be able to find unique things that they may not be able to find the rest of the time,” Glenn said.

Until the pandemic happened, I associated Black Friday with mobs of people going into stores fighting for the same product, just like that one episode of Friends, “The One With The Cheap Wedding Dress.”

Well, stores did not open at midnight last year, REI is now closed every year during Black Friday and the mobs of people can now do all their shopping and shopping research from the comfort of their home.

While going out on Black Friday is a tradition that has lasted over four decades, it has also been a day for dystopia for those who

are outside a store right as it opens for Black Friday, and then inside the stores.

“Online [shopping] is definitely a saving grace,” Glenn said.

Glenn was working at a bookstore when the pandemic hit, and they had no online presence. “It was a scramble,” Glenn said, reminiscing when Glenn and her coworkers had to suddenly build a website and build an inventory online instead.

Agnieszka, or Angie, Navarrete is the owner of Moon Lotus Rising in downtown Corvallis. Moon Lotus Rising has been selling since 2014, and she moved it to the brick-and-mortar store in 2020.

Navarrete said last year’s Black Friday felt like any other day. This year Navarrete is hopeful that more people in the community find out about Moon Lotus Rising’s location and the shop becomes busier this Black Friday.

Navarrete is bringing a new selection of stones, crystals and minerals which will be going on sale on Black Friday.

Moon Lotus Rising is going to have a sale

starting at \$30. Anything \$30 and up is going to be five dollars off, \$50 will have \$10 off and \$100 or more will have a \$20 crystal.

Thrift Street Avenue Vintage, also known as TSA Vintage, has been in Corvallis for the past three years.

Jairus Lovell, owner of TSA Vintage, will be partaking in Black Friday in their three month old location on Monroe.

Lovell plans on doing a five-dollar Friday on Black Friday where everything in the store is going to be priced in increments of five dollars.

Look, I understand Black Friday is a the day to get ready for the holidays. However, instead of going to franchises to buy holiday presents and add to the crowds, go to the small businesses here in Corvallis.

Or walk your dog, cat, bearded dragon or another pet you feel like walking with a leftover turkey sandwich from Thanksgiving.

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- 13 One who draws the short straw
- 19 Stops
- 21 Concluding episode
- 25 Healthy aura
- 26 Golfer's warning shout
- 27 Calamine lotion target
- 30 Contented sighs
- 31 Back muscle, informally

- 33 __-and-breakfast
- 35 "Fingers crossed"
- 36 Passenger planes
- 37 Hockey surface
- 38 Agt.
- 40 Oil cartel letters
- 41 __ and void
- 42 Christmas stocking disappointment
- 47 "Hunting Season" novelist Nevada
- 48 Censoring sounds
- 50 Rainy day creation
- 51 Scraps used by nose-to-tail chefs
- 52 __ donna: opera star
- 53 Big commotions
- 54 Folding declaration at the poker table
- 55 Des Moines resident
- 56 Windy City airport
- 57 Viking language
- 62 Graduating gp.
- 63 Singer DiFranco
- 64 Checkers color

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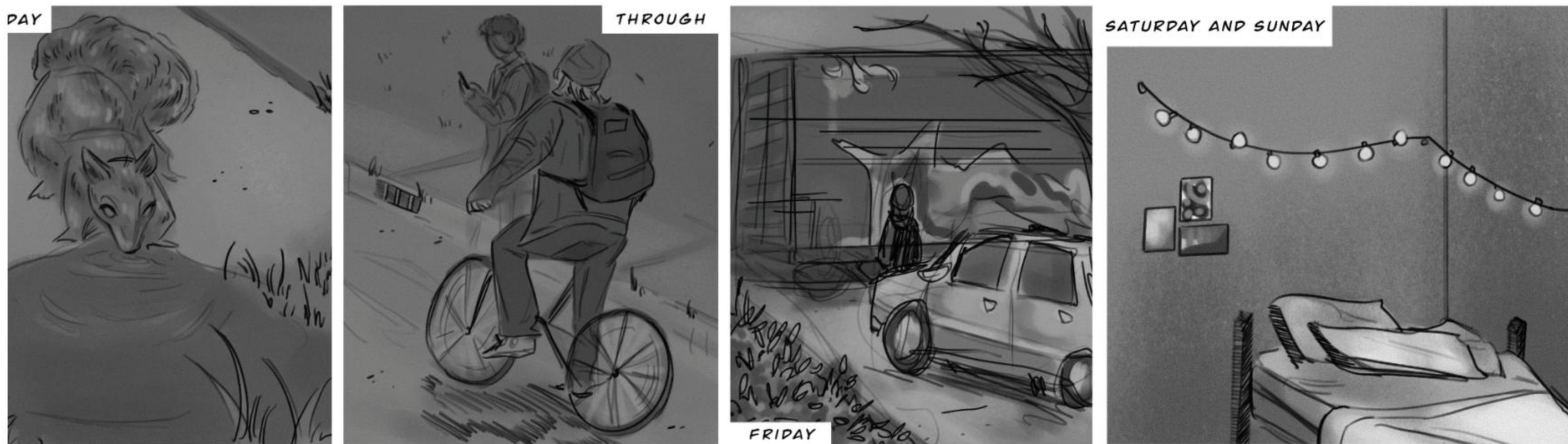
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MONDAY OCTOBER 31ST, 2022

- ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 19)**
Today is an 8 — Have fun with friends. Allow extra time for traffic or delays. Celebrate traditions and share what you're learning. Get creative with what you have.
- CANCER (JUNE 21 - JULY 22)**
Today is an 8 — Review reserves, manage financial obligations and discover hidden benefits. Maximize savings. Choose purchases carefully. Your efforts produce a transformation. Keep your production rolling.
- TAURUS (APRIL 20 - MAY 20)**
Today is an 8 — Develop professional projects. Investigate career opportunities. Your work is gaining respect. Clarify misunderstandings. Edit and polish materials before presenting. Creativity scores extra points.
- GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUNE 20)**
Today is an 8 — You're learning the backstage story. Investigate and explore. Anticipate traffic or delays. Research a fascinating subject. Educational opportunities arise in conversation. Develop interesting connections. You're growing stronger. Energize your work.
- CAPRICORN (DEC. 22 - JAN. 19)**
Today is an 8 — Your actions can get especially lucrative. Your morale gets a boost along with your accounts. Balance for positive cash flow. Celebrate with someone fun.
- AQUARIUS (JAN. 20 - FEB. 18)**
Today is a 9 — Enjoy your favorite activities. Who do you want to be? Dress for success. Get inventive to realize your vision. You're making a good impression.
- PISCES (FEB. 19 - MARCH 20)**
Today is a 7 — Savor peaceful practices. Contemplate upcoming moves. Realize creative dreams and visions. Enjoy traditions and histories. Connect with a sense of passion and purpose.
- LIBRA (SEPT. 23 - OCT. 22)**
Today is an 8 — Express your heart without using words. Creativity and playfulness develop a romantic idea from dream to reality. Abandon expectations or preconceptions. Listen and learn.
- SCORPIO (OCT. 23 - NOV. 21)**
Today is a 9 — Enjoy domestic traditions and fun at home with family. Perfect your environment. Decorate and prepare special treats. Stay patient despite delays. Clarify communications.
- SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22 - DEC. 21)**
Today is an 8 — Let your creativity have full rein. Imagination and clever repurposing can solve a puzzle. Allow extra

Cats Chronicles: Daily Life

BY CAT SMITH



Icosahedron: Pinterlude 01

BY H. BECK

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Mossy Wet Rock: Q&A "Clothing"

MAXWELL "MARS" ROMERO



Ham Creek: Colder

BY HELEN WHITE



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YAYS & NAYS



The Barometer lists OSU's favorite and least favorite things this month.

YAYS

- Yay to Taylor Swift
- Yay to hot cocoa bombs and hot coffee.
- Yay to the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Yay to falling leaves
- Yay to Thanksgiving break
- Yay to holiday leftovers
- Beavers being bowl eligible

NAYS

- Nay to approaching final exams
- Nay to Taylor Swift's private Jet
- Nay to gloomy weather.
- Nay to Foggy glasses
- Nay to squeaky wet shoes
- Nay to Christopher Columbus

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