

NESTUCCA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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Let's Get Ready to Ride!



On Monday, October 2nd, Kenny Stone from Soldiers on Singletrack came to our campus to donate helmets to our campus bike program efforts. Soldiers on Singletrack is a non-profit organization which supports veterans by creating community through mountain biking and other “2-wheel” pursuits. Within just a year of starting the non-profit, Kenny described how the organization has over 11.5K followers on Instagram, and is gaining national and even international recognition. His dream is to have chapters of Soldiers on Singletrack in each state and continue to support good causes-- like youth biking within the Nestucca community. We are

so thankful that Kenny Stone came to our K-8 campus and donated over 30 of these pro-level helmets for us to distribute to kids at NVSD--some of whom may end up joining our new NICA league competitive mountain bike team Nestucca Valley Composite, (NVC) under the support of team director/head coach (and K-8 Counselor), Sharman Ensminger. We also want to offer up additional thanks to Tillamook Off Road Trail Alliance (TORTA) for their support in helping connect kids in our community, our bike team, and this generous donation from Soldiers on Singletrack.



For those interested in learning more about our mountain bike team, for the 2024 season, please check out the team website: NVCMTB.Team for more information. Student who are currently in grades 5-11 are eligible to enroll for the fall 2024 season, once registration starts next spring. Throughout the month of Oct., Sharman is also hosting parent information meetings each Monday at the K-8 School from 6:00-7:00 pm. Any interested families of age-eligible students are welcome to attend—but you only need to attend one of the multiple Monday meetings.

The meetings are offered each week, for scheduling convenience, but attendance is not mandatory! There will be more parent information nights scheduled in January and February next year—well before the spring (May) team registration. You can also reach out with questions:

SharmanE@nestucca.k12.or.us and/or Text/Cell: 503.837.9095

Be safe out there and always ride with a properly fitting helmet, all you cool bobcats! It's a great time for

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Nestucca Thespians Perform “The Curious Savage”

“The Curious Savage”, written by John Patrick, is an entertaining comedy of an elderly widow named Mrs. Savage, whose husband has left her \$10 million dollars. She intends to give the entire fortune away to people who wish to pursue their “foolish dreams,” but her stepchildren strongly object.

To prevent her from doing away with their family’s wealth and ruining their legacy, they have her committed to a sanatorium called The Cloisters, and it is among the gentle residents there that she finds her true family. “

The Curious Savage” is a warm and humorous play that compares the kindness and loyalty of psychiatric patients with the greed and hostility of so-called “normal people.” It opened in New York on Broadway in 1950 and played 31 performances with star Lillian Gish in the titular role.

Nestucca Theater Department Presents The Curious Savage:

Ethel Savage: Neri Tate

Fairy Mae: AJ Johns

Jeffrey: Aiden Smith

Hannah: Cailyn Hargis

Florence: Makayla Webber

Mrs Paddy: Isa Flores / Emily Bressler

Miss Willie: Carly Cook

Dr Emmett: Alanna Silveira

Senator Titus Savage: Alyssa Manzonie

LilyBelle Savage: Ana Wehrley

Judge Sami: Analynn Romero

Prompter: Ivy Thompson

Lights: Elora Hargis

Sound: Naomi Hazeldine

Crew: Emilio Flores, Vinnie (last name?)

Director: Kathleen Serven

Nestucca's performance of The Curious Savage takes place on November 17 and 18 at 7pm on the Nelson-Pimentel Stage. It is directed by Kathleen Serven. Tickets will be available online by October 17 and are \$7 general admission and \$5 senior citizens and students. See our district and school website (www.nestucca.k12.or.us) for the tickets link.

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Why the Nestucca school closure for Cycle Oregon was beneficial

By: Vanessa Perez Gonzalez

Cycle Oregon hosted a large event at the Nestucca K8 campus from September 11th-13th, 2023. This decision to host has been very beneficial for the school district and many others in the community, though backlash came as a result of a 2 day school closure at both the high school and K8. So, was it worth it?

The cycling event came into our community offering many fundraising opportunities. Many students and teams came to help as volunteers to fundraise money for their groups. Those groups included Nestucca's junior class, senior safe, volleyball, track, cross country, and wrestling teams. Additionally, Cycle Oregon donated \$25,000 to the school district and to help the development of **SEE CYCLE on page 3**



Why you should skip the iPhone 15 lineup

By: Fabian Tovar Medina

The Apple iPhone 15 is set to release on the 22nd of September, 2023. If you have Apple's iPhone 13 or newer, we see no need to get the iPhone 15 or 15 pro lineup. Though the new line of iPhone comes with solid upgrades, they do not justify the cost. The iPhone 15 cost is \$799, the iPhone 15 plus is \$899, while the iPhone 15 pro costs \$999 and pro max cost is \$1199.

To be sure, there are good things about the iPhone 15 pro lineup, like ceramic coated screen for more protection, titanium edging instead of stainless steel, better cameras, usb c, and they are replacing the silent switch with an action button. The iPhone 15 has similar features, like a better camera, ceramic coating on screen, and usb c charging port. All this said, these developments do not equate to the price tag.

The iPhone 14 and 14 pro came out in September of 2022; it is only a year old. iPhones get updates for four or five years after their release date, meaning that these older models are really just as good as the 15 lineup. don't stop getting updates 4 to 5 years after their release. The benefits that came when the iPhone 14 and 14 pro are still viable in 2023. For example, the iPhone 14 pro lineup got the 48 megapixel camera, dynamic island, and the first safety features on an iPhone. The safety features when they came out were a game changer; they added crash detection and satellite calling. With crash detection, your phone will detect if you were in a crash and call emergency services if you don't slide the slider to cancel. Additionally, the iPhone 14 has the regular 12 megapixel camera.

Recently, creators have been getting their hands on the iPhone 15 pro and testing the phone's durability. AppleTrack does some drop test of the iPhone 15 and 14 pro at different heights. When dropped on their backs, the 14 pro performed better.

On the rear drop test, the corner of the iPhone 15 pro shattered on the corner. AppleTrack states, "I was wondering if the 14 pro might actually be more durable for drops." He says this because the iPhone had no cracks and only had some scratches on the stainless steel. The rear drop test was tested again, but this time with him standing on a bench, and dropping it head height. The iPhone 15 pro completely shattered, while the iPhone 14 pro had no cracks. At the end the iPhone 14 pro finally shattered after being dropped from a high area. So, if you're wondering whether you should splurge for the new iPhone release, maybe reconsider.



This is journalism

Lindsey Shriner

Welcome to the Bobcat Business, the newspaper produced in our journalism course.

In this paper, we are seeking to emphasize the range of talents in both our school and community. The Business is comprised of sophomore Gina Taylor, juniors Fabian Tovar Medina, Ellie Vu, Logan Siler, Vanessa Perez Gonzalez, Betsy Mondragon Avalos, and editor-in-chief Ryan McKillip.

We are excited to bring you relevant, exciting stories bimonthly. If you are interested in celebrating our community through reporting, interviewing, and photography, consider getting involved! Journalism is offered second trimester with Mr. Bentley.

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Oregon humane society lends a paw

Logan Siler

In August of this year, the community of Maui suffered a devastating fire that affected many people and their homes. On the 16th of September, the Associated Press reported the death rate to be 97 individuals. Amongst those displaced are the animals who also lost their homes and for many, their people. As reported by Fox 12 Oregon's Debra Gil on August 18, 2023, The Oregon Humane Society partnered together to help the community as well as try to find homes for the displaced animals. The Oregon Humane Society rescued and relocated more than 100 shelter pets from Maui to Portland.

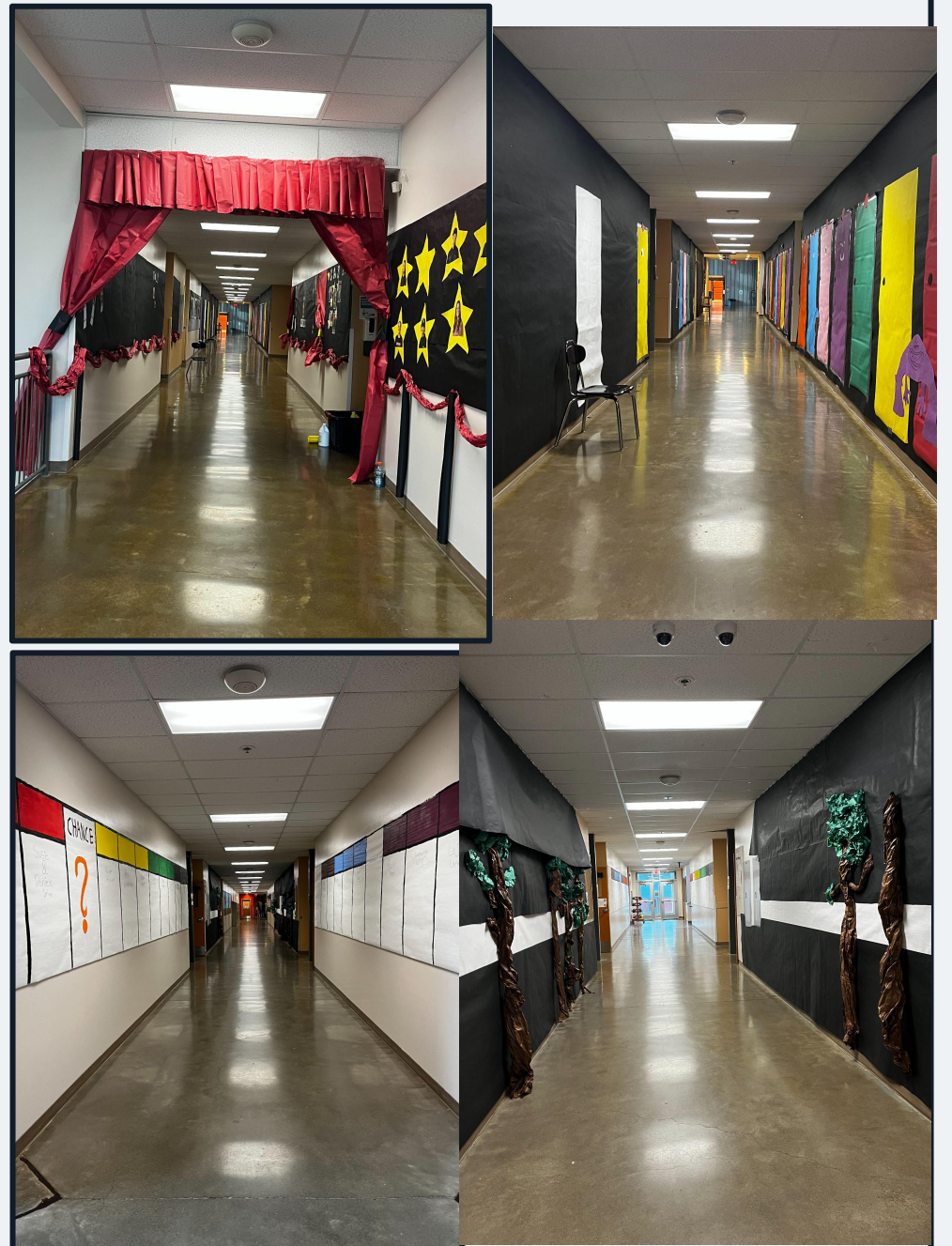
Homecoming week

Ellie Vu

With homecoming week approaching just around the corner, students are quick to finish their hallways and banners for spirit week. All of the students are given an hour everyday for one week to complete the task at hand. Each class will choose the theme they want to represent them for class points. Students earn points for the flags and banners, but also games throughout the year. Whoever earns the most points will win. The freshman, class of 2027, have chosen to do haunted forest; the sophomores, class of 2026, have decided on Monopoly; the juniors, class of 2025, have selected Hollywood; and the seniors, class of 2024, picked Monsters Inc.

Although the hallways take up the majority of time, students are dutifully creating banners as well. The banners will be showcased over the ledge of the stairs for the year. The banners will be revealed on Friday, September 29th.

Spirit week is the week of October 2nd - 6th; the themes for spirit week are the following: starting off on Monday, the theme will be 'dress as your type', followed by Tuesday's theme of 'twin rhyme', then on Wednesday, the theme will be 'western', and finally, on Thursday, the final day of spirit week, the theme will be 'soccer mom and grill/BBQ dad'. So, which class do you think will earn the most points?



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the K8 sports field complex. The event provided benefits to the greater community, as well, cyclists went into town and got the experience of our small businesses in the community bringing more revenue and exposure. Cycle Oregon is a non profit organization that helps mostly in the communities where they stop at. The Cycle Oregon website stated, "Cycle Oregon provides you with a direct connection to the towns you ride through, or stop at for a meal or stay in overnight—the towns where you meet the people who live there, because they're the ones serving your meal or providing entertainment or manning the aid station. Those are the towns that the Cycle Oregon Fund supports."

In spite of these benefits, a portion of the community was worried about the students losing school time for this event. While that is a valid concern, there is no reason to worry about losing school time because students will make up the days this year. Secondly, the school district always gives more than 5 extra days then the state asks for there to be in the school year. September 11 & 12 were the only full days off, students returned to school on September 13. There were concerns about the K8 students going to school that morning, as there was a big clean up happening outside. Again, it was school volunteers helping clean up in the morning and all the kids were inside. All the kids were safe and continued on with school.

After speaking with some students, they really liked going and volunteering their time. They mostly enjoyed the bonding time with their teams and classmates. Junior Ryan Mckillip commented "We got money for our class for doing easy work, helps us to get money for prom." Junior Mia Cervantes also said "helps me appreciate what others do to set up for our big school events."

As you see, this event has made a positive impact on the school district, students, and staff. Many people were very grateful for this opportunity brought into our community.

Why you should show caution at the beach

By: Ryan McKillip

Captain Dan Rocha states, “It is important for people to pay attention when boats come in so they don't get hit. So many times when I blow my horn they just stop and look. They are unaware of the danger, to my surprise only two people have been hit in the last twenty years or so.”



Captain Dan Rocha has been fishing for 20 years, but has been taking clients for 6 years. He says his favorite part of his job is meeting new people.

The summer tourist season in Pacific City, Oregon is a crazy place at Cape Kiwanda Beach. Safety concerns are an issue due to the large number of charter boats going in and out on the beach. This combination of boats and tourists can lead to safety issues. All pedestrians should use caution when visiting the beach to avoid problems with the captions and boats.

Imagine a captain is trying to come in at around 11am, after being out all morning and they have sick people on the boat that want to be done, but they can't take them in to the beach because as he's coming in, he's blowing his horn to alert the beach, other captains, and surfers. As he's nearing the beach, he sees pedestrians standing right in his landing path. Therefore, he can not land safely.

The people standing and watching are too in awe to move. Now, the captain has to stop and wait for them to move. That can be very bad for the captain because if he gets stuck on a sandbar, it will endanger his life and others that he is responsible for. He stops and waits because if he goes in there is too much of a risk of hitting people. As he lands, the people crowd around his boat to see what's happening. As that happens, the truck is coming to get the boat onto the trailer. The person driving the truck knows his job and it's the captain's job to clear the way so no one gets hit. If you see this process happening it's totally okay to watch, but make sure you stand away and let them work.

For some people, the captain life is the only source of income and if something were to cause problems, it could get his captain's license taken away. If pedestrians were not to take safety precautions it could end in life threatening injuries due to boats coming in at high speeds. In the last twenty years only two people have been hit by sports boats, but that doesn't mean it's not causing problems.

It could also cause an argument on the beach which would not be good. Captain Dan Rocha states, “It is important for people to pay attention when boats come in so they don't get hit. So many times when I blow my horn they just stop and look. They are unaware of the danger, to my surprise only two people have been hit in the last twenty years or so.” There should be more signs stating the danger of boats on the beach and in the parking lot. There are signs warning people, but they have been covered in vandalism. There should be more warning signs for people to educate themselves in hopes that everyone can stay safe and all enjoy the beach.

Nestucca takes on Gaston for 2023 Homecoming

Fabian Tovar Medina

Homecoming game this year will be the Nestucca Bobcats vs the Gaston Greyhounds. The game will be on October 6, 2023, and will be hosted on the Bobcat's turf. Currently both the Bobcats and the Greyhounds are 2-0 in the league, and have a 2-2 overall record. Nestucca is looking to secure a 3-0 league record.

Nestucca's football team is looking pretty solid for the year and they have a pretty good chance of securing the win against Gaston. Will Gaston be a tough team for the Nestucca Bobcats? Or will they beat Gaston with minimal effort? Running back and defensive back Brenton Schiminesky reported, "I think it's going to be a close game, a nail biter." Defensive and offensive lineman Zach Porter stated, "Nothing. We're already the best there ever was."

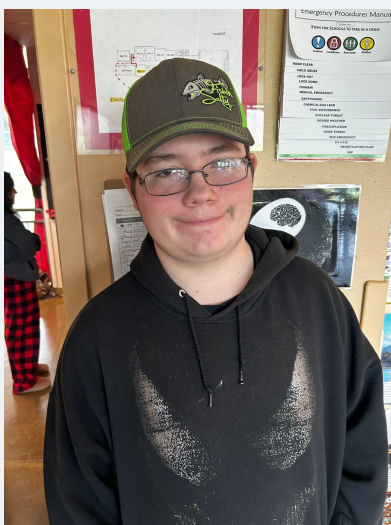
What might Nestucca need to do to get a win against Gaston? Coach Schiewe commented, "Gaston is always a tough game. I like tough homecoming games." Go get 'em, Cats!!



Left to right: Juniors Josh Knight, Nolen Hurlimann, and Gus Venti

"Video game soundtracks. The 'Halo' soundtracks are one of my favorites."

- Gage Corcoran, sophomore



"I like R&B. That's the kind of music I grew up with."

- Faith Peters, freshman



"I'm pretty eclectic. Last night I was listening to Glenn Miller. Tomorrow it could be AC/DC. If I had to define it though I'd say pop metal."

- Mr. Schiewe

What is your favorite genre of music?

"I am really into 90s R&B. Rhythm & blues. The flow of the music is really relaxing and the music energizes me."

- Nevaeh Marietta, senior



"I don't really have a specific genre of music, but an artist in particular who I listen to a lot is 21 Savage."

Austin Reno, junior



"I have eclectic, eclectic taste. Anything that isn't 'the dog died' country or harsh rap, I'm game. I like baroque though if I had to put it to one."

- Mrs. Serven



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Ellie Vu

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Photo by Stefany Moreno. Senior Kenneth Blackburn III with junior Gus Venti looking on

Friday the 13th

By Logan Siler

As you may be aware, today, Friday the 13th, is regarded as a superstitious day. According to the History Channel, “the superstition seems to relate to various things, like the story of Jesus’ last supper and crucifixion in which there were 13 individuals present in the Upper Room on the 13th of Nisan Maundy Thursday, the night before his death on Good Friday.” Also with the superstition of Friday the 13th, some of the following are believed to carry seven years of bad luck: don’t use a vending machine, Two people die a year from vending machines falling on them, Let an owl look at you, Walk alone in a dark alley.

The plot of Friday the 13th is a group of teenage camp counselors who are murdered one by one by an unknown killer while they try to re-open the camp with its past history. Crystal Lake’s history of murder doesn’t deter counselors from setting up a summer camp in the woody area. Superstitious locals warn against it, but the fresh-faced young people. Pay little heed to the old-timers. Then they find themselves stalked by a brutal killer. As they’re alive against a merciless opponent.



Homecoming 2023

By: *Ellie Vu*



*Photo by
Stefany
Moreno*

Homecoming and spirit week was the week of October 2nd- 6th, ending with the homecoming football game. The homecoming dance following the game capped off the week of fun. On Thursday, the points for the week were totaled and class winners of the hallway, banner, and dress up days were announced at the pep assembly. Spoiler alert: the juniors crushed it.

For the homecoming football game we played Gaston. They fought a tough battle but unfortunately, the Bobcats lost with a score of 26-30. The homecoming dance theme was enchanted forest and was put on by student council and Ms. Leja. During halftime, the homecoming king and queen were announced. On the court for the boys were Madden Caruso-Camberg, Kenneth Blackburn, Zac Collins, Quinn Hill, and Bryson Morgan. On the court for girls: Makayla Webber, Kyla Hurliman, Stefany Moreno, Isabel Flores, and Kerrin Higdon. Congratulations to all that were nominated. Homecoming King and Queen were... Zac Collins and Kyla Hurlaman.

During the assembly, they announced the class that earned the most points for the hallway. The class that placed first was the juniors with the theme of Hollywood, earning them 50 points; congratulations on getting first! Second place was the freshman with 40 points for their theme of haunted forest. Third place was the sophomores,

with the theme of Monopoly, scoring them 30 points. Then, in last place, the seniors with the theme of Monsters Inc. earned 20 points.

The juniors earned another 50 points for their victory in the banner competition. The freshman earned second place with 40 points. Earning 30 points and third place, the sophomores. Lastly, the seniors pulled up the rear with 20 points.

The last point scoring activity was dress up. Coming in first place were the seniors, earning 50 points; congratulations! Following in second place were the sophomores with 40 points. Third, the freshman with 30 points. Coming in last were the juniors with 20 points.

Once totaled, the juniors won with the total of 120. The freshmen were a close 2nd with 110 points. Tied for third place, with 90 points each were the the sophomores and seniors.

Nestucca mountain bike club

By: Fabian Tovar

Nestucca is starting a mountain bike club that is being coached and directed by Sharman Ensminger, who is also the counselor at the K-8. The club will be open for people in grades 6 through 12. Registrations will not be open until spring, but the club is hosting meetings every Monday from 6:00 to 7:00pm at the K-8 library. These meetings will be held until registration week. The way this sport will work is students will be put in an age bracket. They will be competing for separate points and team points. There are usually

four races and one championship finale each season. The races are held statewide in places like Prineville, Klamath Falls, Madras, Newport, Bend, Mt. Hood, Medford, and more. Nestucca Valley Composite wants you to feel needed, valued, and capable.



One foot after the other: Nestucca's cross country journey

By Betsabet Mondragon Avalos

The cross country team at Nestucca High School battles against 24 other high school teams in today's Champoeg Invitational. Coach Tyler Bentley told his runners that the course is a fast one, making it a fantastic opportunity to PR. A couple runners have already had success breaking their personal bests. At the Silver Falls Invitational, sophomore Jonah Higdon set his PR in the 5,000M with a time of 18:15.2 and senior Nicole Ziegler set her PR with a time of 28:04.1. The last regular season event is the Bigfoot Classic at Alderbrook Golf Course is the 18th of this month. Districts this year are held on the 24th of this month at Valley Catholic. Our runners are looking forward to qualifying for state to end their season.



From left to right: Jonah Higdon (10), Kerrin Higdon (12), Micah Rigg (10), Betsabet Mondragon Avalos (11), Nicole Ziegler (12), Aiden Durgan (10), and Vince Lewis (10). Coach Tyler Bentley holds it down in the back.

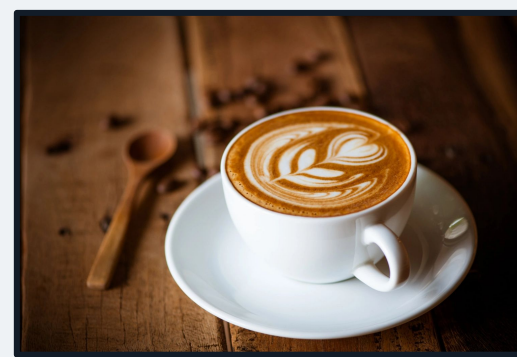
Right move in relocation of Brewed Awakening

By: *Ellie Vu*

With the Brewed Awakening's coffee cart losing its licensing, a new location might just save them. Now located inside of Nestucca High School, Brewed Awakening makes it's reopening. Although the coffee cart might have been fun to work in, there will most likely be more customers now that they are indoors. Before school, during 2nd, during every lunch and 5th period, a handful of students at Nestucca work in a coffee cart. The students take a class to be able to work in the coffee shop. The Weeklyish, in a 2022 publication, stated, "Working in a school coffee shop teaches you life skills, social skills, and essential skills."

Though the students are happy about this change, Brewed Awakening teacher and leader, Mr. Hoogendijk and the employees of Brewed Awakening are distraught. Hoogendijk stated, "We appreciate the school for having a spot for us inside while we get this all sorted out, but the spot is not ideal." Hoogendijk also said they got their permit from the county and didn't know that the state still hadn't approved the permit and are still waiting to get approved. Sophomore Mariah Aparicio said, "I hate it. I like it inside because it is warm, but I like the coffee cart more 'cause it's better."

Although there is an upside to working a coffee cart, parents and students were concerned. Ryan McKillip's grandpa Dan Rocha stated, "It's unnecessary for kids to be learning this when they could be learning other skills." An anonymous source stated, "The fact it takes up three parking spaces is crazy, I could be parked there right now." So, now that they are inside, is this a better adjustment for them? What's your take on Brewed Awakening?



Introducing the fall play!

By Fabian Tovar and Ryan McKillip

For the first theatrical production of the 2023-24 school year, the band and choir class, will be performing The Curious Savage, a play directed by the magnificent Kathleen Serven. You can catch the performances at the Nestucca High School gym on November 17th and 18th at 7 p.m.

The cast consists of: Neri Tate-Ramirez as Ethel Savage, AJ Johns as Fairy Mae. Jeffrey is played by Aiden Smith and Cailyn Hargis is playing Hanna.

Florence is played by Makayla Webber, while Isa Flores and Emily Bressler are acting as Mrs. Paddy, and Carly Cook as Miss Willie. Dr Emmett is being played by Alanna Silvera. Senator Titus Savage is being played by Alyssa Manzonie. Ana Wehrley is playing LilyBelle Savage and Judge Sami is played by Analynn Romero. As for the supporting crew, Ivy Thompson is running the prompter and lights are run by Elora Hargis. Sound is controlled by Naomi Hazeldine and Emilio Flores and Vinny Maher as part of the crew.

The Curious Savage is a play where Ethel P. Savage's husband dies, and she is left with ten million dollars. Mrs. Savage decides to hide the money from her greedy stepchildren. Her plan is to give it to the less fortunate or to fulfill people's lifelong dreams. Will she serve the needy or will her stepchildren foil her plan?

TikTok: Why teens benefit

By: Logan Siler

TikTok, the notorious social media platform, is beneficial to U.S. teens. Despite popular opinion that TikTok is negatively influencing its youth users, the benefits to using the social media platform outweigh those negatives. Amongst its advantages, teens are able to stay current with news events, keep up with buying trends and product developments, and learn useful daily information, such as recipes and workouts.

John Herrman, of the New York Times in 2019, stated, “TikTok is an app for making and sharing short videos.” Users can send and receive videos with fellow users and friends, fostering a community both online and offline. In a 2022 publication by the Pew Research Center, it was determined that 67% of U.S. teens have used TikTok. This ranks just above Instagram and Snapchat and below only YouTube.

In a time when teens feel more isolated than ever, TikTok has allowed an opportunity for community engagement within the app. When a user sees a TikTok dance, for example, they may find themselves inspired to do their own version either alone or with a friend. Not only are they connecting with that friend, but they are also engaging in the larger network of TikTok users.

Why riper bananas are where it's at

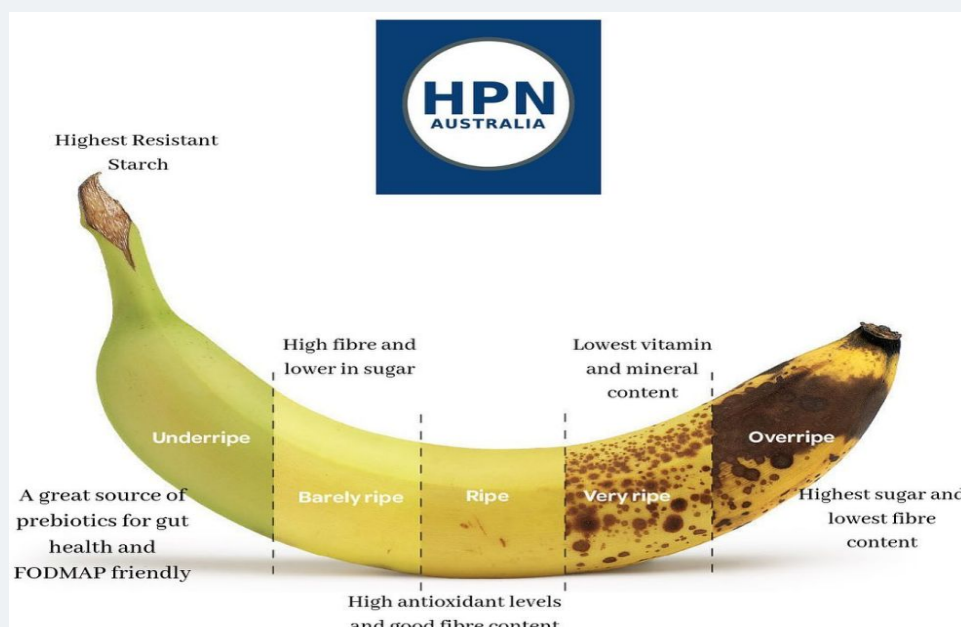
By: Betsebet Mondragon

Most people throw away brown bananas. The thought is that they're no longer good to eat and not fresh. Although they are overripe, brown and spotted bananas are still good for you and have many health benefits.

Brown bananas are very rich in minerals like potassium and magnesium, which help in controlling blood pressure. While green bananas can lead to bloating and gas, brown bananas are an ideal pick for a healthy alternative snack that will satisfy a sweet tooth. Green bananas are young and the antioxidant levels are low. An article on Spoon University says, “when a banana

is almost or fully all brown, basically all the starch has broken down into sugar, they're sweeter, and chlorophyll has taken a new form”. This breakdown of chlorophyll is the reason why antioxidant levels increase as bananas age.

The best time to eat bananas is when they are spotted because they are rich in antioxidants that have been linked to cancer prevention. In a 2017 article by Homodoctor.co.in was released and stated, “The dark spots present on ripe yellow bananas generate a substance called Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF), which destroys cancerous tumors.”



The history of superstitions

by: Logan Siler

The Oxford Academic stated that in the 4th century BCE, ‘superstition began as the Greek word deisidaimonia. At the time, it had a positive connotation. Its denotation was “scrupulous in religious matters.” However, a century later, it began to take on a negative connotation. It slowly evolved into the more modern meaning of “a belief or practice resulting from ignorance, fear of the unknown, trust in magic or chance, or false conception of causation.”

In case you’re not aware, here are some superstitions guiding us on what to avoid: don’t let an owl look at you, avoid walking down a dark alley, never break a mirror, don’t cross under a ladder, step on a crack, avoid the number 13, don’t tip a salt shaker, and lastly, do not let a black cat near your walking path. Feeling like you’re in need of a little extra good luck? Seek out these charms: a four-leaf clover, knock on wood, roll a lucky dice, keep a lucky rabbit foot, and make a wish in a wishing well.



Why Nestucca should start a FFA club

By Ryan McKillip

Nestucca should start a Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter. FFA offers a tremendous amount of opportunities and a chance to learn new skills, as well as find passions you did not know you had. In the past, our FFA group has gone to 2-3 events a year. Compared to other schools’ clubs, who attend up to three a month, Nestucca has room to grow.

FFA is a national organization. The goal of FFA isn’t just all about farmers, it’s about learning leadership skills and having experience in things you normally wouldn’t. FFA clubs have an organizational structure that includes a student president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, and reporter. As for careers beyond high school, most people who really like it and have a passion for agriculture go to college to study how to be an Ag teacher, and then share their love of Ag with their students. Aside from the structured benefits to FFA, it also opens up a network of relationships like making friends at events while traveling, meeting people within

your group and online through your common interests.

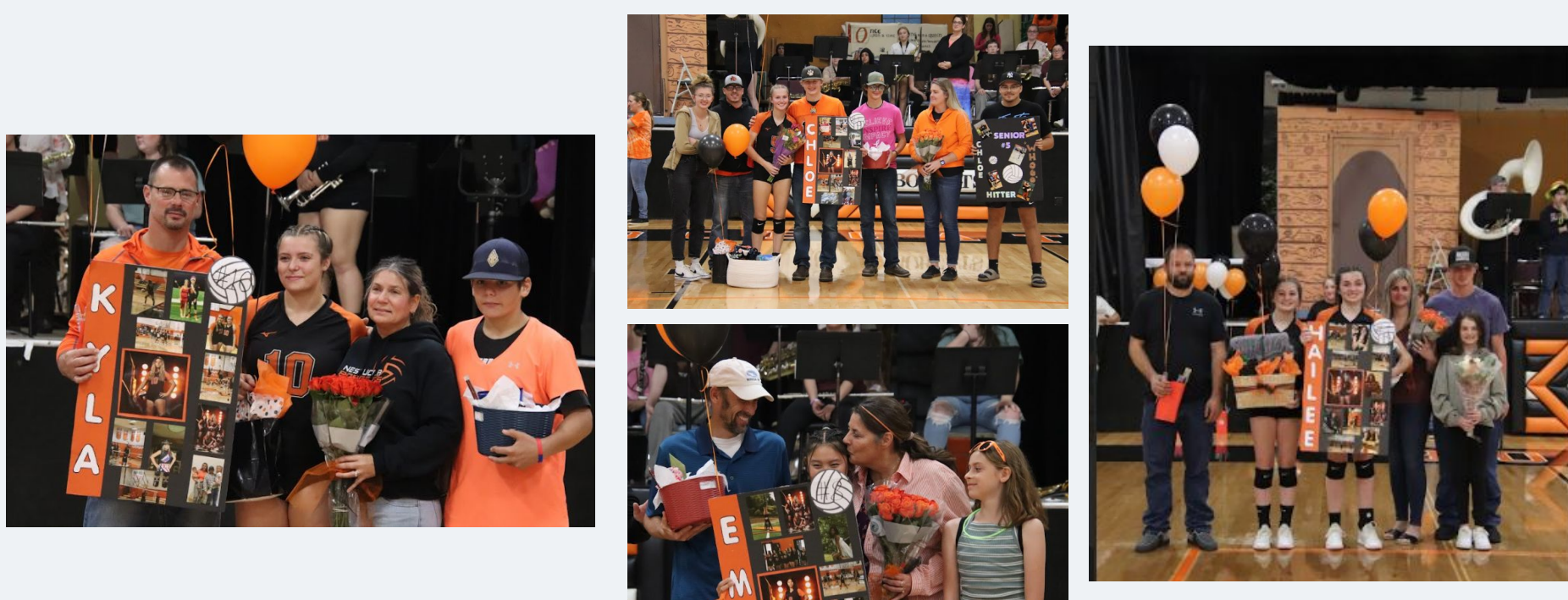
In my own FFA experience, I have shown beef, and gone to one FFA event that was a floriculture competition. FFA advisory Aaron Pearn held a meeting on Oct. 10th and is trying to get a group together. With his determination to make this happen, I believe we can make a name for ourselves and grow as a chapter. Pearn is looking to organize students and their animals to show at the county fair. Showing animals is a great way to learn responsibility and how to make a profit.

Volleyball celebrates their seniors

By: Vanessa Perez. Photos by Stefany Moreno

This year for the Nestucca High School volleyball team, their senior night fell on October 12th, 2023. The class of 2024 has four seniors on the varsity volleyball team: Hailee Knight, Chloe Love, Emma Vaughn, and Kyla Hurliman.

The Nestucca volleyball team has a league record of 8 wins and 5 losses. Overall, they have a record of 11 wins and 8 losses. On OSAA, they are currently ranked 16th in the state. The regular season still continues for the Bobcats, with a final game against Clatskanie at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 14th, 2023. The Bobcats have the opportunity to go to the league playoffs the following week. Good luck Bobcats!



Autumn recipe: Sourdough chocolate cake donut pancakes

By Lindsey Shriner

For a truly cozy fall morning, prepare these chocolate cake donut imposters that were created by Ms. Shriner.

Serving size: 2 people;
about 6 4" cakes

Dry Ingredients
40g whole wheat flour
40g all-purpose flour
12g sugar
1/4 t salt
1 t baking powder
1/2 t baking soda
4 T cocoa powder
2 t cinnamon

Wet Ingredients

120g sourdough starter
1 egg
100g milk of choice
50g melted coconut oil (refined)
1 t vanilla extract

In a medium bowl, mix the wet ingredients, avoiding overmixing. In a separate bowl, combine the dry components. Then, add the dry to the wet. Let the mixture rest for a few minutes while your pan heats.



To serve, top with butter, peanut butter, and maple syrup. Enjoy!

PHOTOS By: Stefany Moreno



Nestucca High School student section



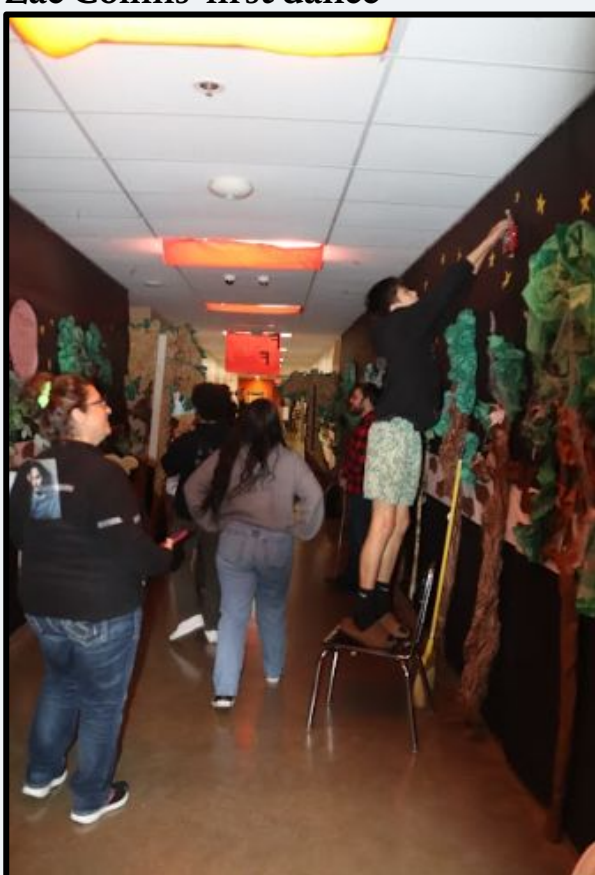
From left to right: Alyssa Manzonie (11), Peyton Olson (10), Mariah Aparicio (10), Meri Manning (9), Maddison Ehly (9), Zoe Blair (9)



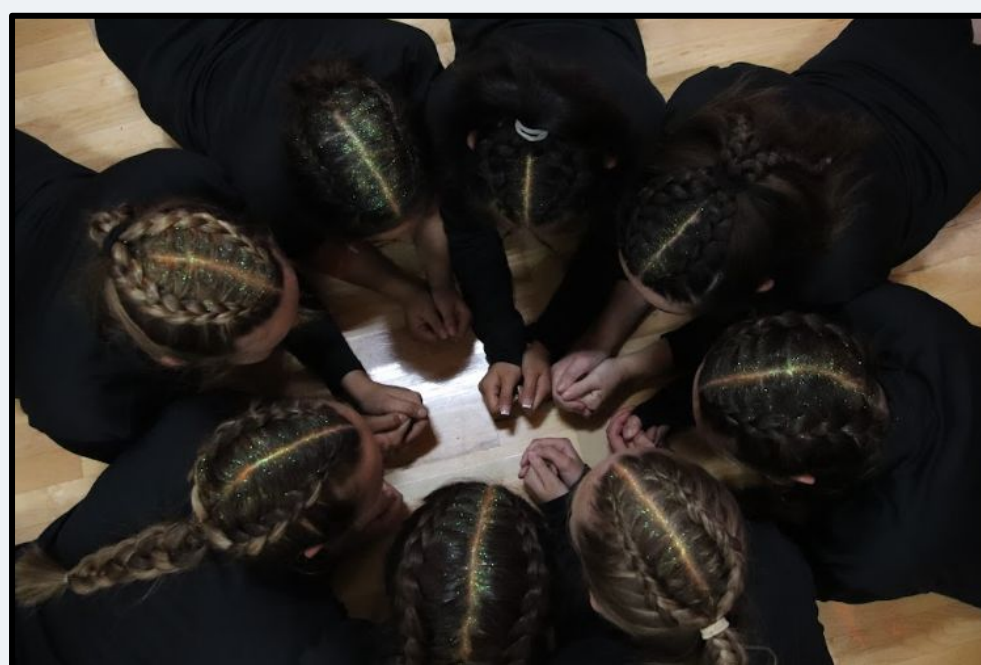
Homecoming queen and king Kyla Hurliman and Zac Collins' first dance



From left to right: Nolen Hurlimann (11), Brenton Schimensky (11), Bryson Morgan (12), Zac Collins(12).



Freshman: working on their hallway for spirit week



Volleyball: varsity girls before senior night game

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

MADDEN CARUSO- CAMBERG



Madden Caruso-Camberg

One fun experience in high school is watching sporting events because he likes being there to scream and cheer.

One favorite memory is Jonah Davis. Hopefully this brings a smile and a chuckle to anyone that recognizes that name.

His plans after high school are going to community college for two years, then finishing the other two at OSU.

The advice he would give incoming freshmen is, “Don’t be dumb, make friends, be chill, and don’t do weird stuff.”

Photo by Betsabet Mondragon Avalos

Stefany Moreno

is a senior at Nestucca High School. She is on the student council, and has been involved in volleyball, basketball, and track throughout the years.

She is often spotted with a camera and has taken pictures for the wrestling team as well as other school events. This year, she helped with the homecoming dance.

Through these four years of school, she would give incoming freshmen one piece of advice: “Stay educated, but still have fun.”

Her senior year so far has been great, she says. Her plans after school are going to college, though her major is undecided.

Photo by Sydney Leja

STEFANY MORENO



The image shows the Nestucca K-8 School building, a modern structure with white and red siding and large windows. In the foreground, there is a flagpole with the American flag and two other flags. The sky is blue with some clouds. The text 'NESTUCCA K-8 SCHOOL' is visible on the building's facade.

NESTUCCA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

OPEN POSITIONS

District Bus Driver

- \$18.89-\$22.45 D.O.E. -185 day contract
- 6 hour shift -Training provided
- Generous benefits

High School Boys Basketball

Assistant Coach

- Season dates: Nov. 13th - Feb. 28th
- \$3,750 Stipend

Classified & Licensed Substitutes

- \$16.00 - \$25.79 per hour depending on position
- Flexible schedule -Support our students

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VALLEY LIONS



Nestucca Valley Lions look forward to seeing you at

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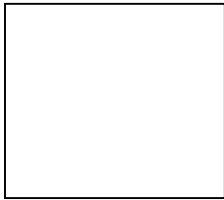
THE DORY FLEET



PARENTS: The Christmas Basket Sign-up Sheet is in this Newsletter. Please fill it out completely and return it to your child's school no later than **October 25, 2023**. You will receive a "Voucher" with the date, time and location where you can pick up your basket.



NESTUCCA VALLEY LIONS CHRISTMAS BASKETS
REQUEST FORM 2023



For Residents of the Nestucca School District only
Return this completed form to your school office.
This Form must be RECEIVED by **OCTOBER 25, 2023**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

NAME HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

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PHONE OR MESSAGE NUMBER (Required) _____

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NUMBER INDIVIDUALS IN HOUSEHOLD:

SENIORS (65+): _____ ADULTS: _____ CHILDREN (0 THROUGH 18): _____

REASON FOR NEED (Required): _____

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HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE – PLEASE INCLUDE ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

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