Astoria and Seaside baseball players earn all-league honors

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Despite rough seasons on the field, the Astoria and Seaside baseball teams still placed a combined eight players on the Cowapa League's all-league team.

League champion Banks had eight all-leaguers, including two juniors, three

SPORTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 17U Baseball — Warrenton at Tillamook (2), 4 p.m.

sophomores and a freshman, as the Braves finished their last season at the 4A level

as the No. 1-ranked team in the final Oregon School Activities Association rankings. The Braves will drop into the 3A Coastal Range League next school year.

Banks seniors ten Hesselman and Charlie White were selected as both the Cowapa's Players of the Year and Pitchers of the

Year, while Joe Baumgartner of Banks and Matt Strang of Tillamook were Coaches of

Astoria and Seaside had four players each earn allleague honors.

The 66-player 4A allstate team included Astoria junior pitcher Niko Boudreau (honorable mention).

COWAPA ALL-LEAGUE TEAM

Players of the Year: Colten Hesselman, Banks; Char-Pitchers of the Year: Colten Hesselman, Banks; Char-Coaches of the Year: Joe Baumgartner, Banks; Matt First Team

Ben Cupani, Jr., Valley Catholic Connelly Fromwiller, Jr., Astoria Junior Gonzalez, Sr., Tillamook Bryce Hamerl, Jr., Tillamook Wyatt Hesselman, So., Banks Drew Ilg, Sr., Valley Catholic Logan Kind, Jr., Banks Colten Hesselman, Sr., Banks Charlie White, Sr., Banks Trevor Leonnig, Jr., Tillamook Parker McKibbin, Jr., Tillamook Nik Radosavljevic, Sr., Valley Catholic Cade Ross, Jr., Tillamook Merrick Benesch, So., Astoria Niko Boudreau, Jr., Astoria

Justin Walters, So., Banks Honorable Mention Will Erickson, Fr., Valley Catholic Harry Gardner, Fr., Banks Karson Hawkins, Jr., Astoria **Tanner Kraushaar, Jr., Seaside** Seth Landolt, Jr., Tillamook James Pearson, So., Valley Catholic Wyatt Selleck, Jr., Banks Jake White, Fr., Seaside Jarred White, Sr., Seaside Trevor Yee, Fr., Valley Catholic

App helps link central Oregon farmers to customers

By SUZANNE ROIG The Bulletin

Ashton Crossen, So., Banks

Farming in central Oregon already is a gamble, with bad weather and a short growing season, but a Bend-based business has built an app that takes the risk out of finding customers

The online marketplace, Food4All, lets shoppers connect with farmers in their community through an app created by Bend resident Kami University. The app earned her a U.S. Department of Agriculture Small Business Innovation Research program grant of \$650,000. The grant is awarded to businesses to support high-quality research related to scientific problems and opportunities in agriculture that would lead to a public benefit.

Food4All plans to use the grant to fuel sales and marketing efforts with the app. Over the next two years, Food4All should be able to grow the number of farmers and ranchers listed on the app, Semick said. The goal would be to provide more opportunity for customers to purchase locally grown food.

Today, there are about 400 farmers on the Food-4All website — 50 in Oregon — growing and raising everything from produce to eggs to beef. Once listed, the farmer posts products for sale and prices and customers can search by ZIP Code to find what they're looking to buy.

One of the farms that joined early on was Rainshadow Organics, which grows vegetables on 25 acres in Sisters.

With so much of farming left to unpredictable forces, one way to bring in more business is through the app, said Alison Holland, Rainshadow Organics farm liaison.

"Farming is a gamble of the heart," said Holland. "We have a variety of crops because we know when farming becomes less of a gamble and more of a guarantee."



Ryan Brennecke/The Bulletin

Diane Burkeen fills a basket with produce while shopping at the Rainshadow Organics farm stand.

THE ONLINE MARKETPLACE, FOOD4ALL, LETS SHOPPERS CONNECT **WITH FARMERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY** THROUGH AN APP CREATED BY BEND RESIDENT KAMI UNIVERSITY.

Semick, a retired competitive ultramarathon runner, created the app in 2018 because she had to hunt down local farmers to buy community-supported agriculture boxes. The app works by connecting consumers to farmers in the same area and allows them to make transactions.

Consumers can buy products in a community supported agriculture subscription or buy specific items with prices, available dates and terms of pickup or delivery set by the farmer or rancher. It's truly a field and farmer to table kind of transaction.

The online marketplace enables contactless pickups from local farms, or even from a farmer's market.

The app allows farmers to upload inventory information on a smartphone from the field. It instantly updates inventory levels as orders are placed, so everyone, including large institutional buyers and local distributors, can see how much food is available in real time.

"By being able to bring their products directly to local markets, farmers can expand their business without adding to their overhead and consumers have increased access to local. climate-friendly options for fresh food," Semick said.

The software is free to farmers but charges consumers a transaction fee, which is 2.5% of their purchase, plus 95 cents, but is capped at \$9.95.

"We continue to create relationships in central Oregon with producers," Semick said. "We have found traction on the East Coast, South Carolina, Indiana and Illinois. We're growing by word of mouth. It's very organic."

The High Desert Food & Farm Alliance has a similar platform, but doesn't allow for transactions.

On its website there is a directory of local farmers, links to farm trails and opportunities for restaurants and farmers to gather.

Four years ago, the farm alliance sought out help from Oregon State University-Cascades computer students to create a prototype digital version of the farmer's directory, said Yong Joseph Bakos, a senior instructor and program coordinator at the university.

"It takes a lot to operate a successful farm and it takes a lot to develop direct to consumer software," Bakos said. "At the end of the day, the farmer will choose the farm, not the software. A platform like this can accommodate all farmers and markets, not just one farmer and one platform."

At University Organics, being listed on the platform is just another way to sell produce, like a farmer's market or a community-supported agriculture box, Holland said.

"It allows us to have the option for customers to pay for their (community supported agriculture) subscriptions monthly, rather than in a lump sum," she said. "I never see the credit card info, but I can access someone's account, see what they've ordered and their purchase

"It makes it easier for us to manage subscriptions.'

OBITUARIES

Gregg Keith Bonham Astoria

Nov. 21, 1952 — May 22, 2022

Gregg Keith Bonham passed away at his home near the gardens he loved

on May 22, 2022, at the age of 69.

He was born Anacortes, Washington, on Nov. 21, 1952, and is survived by his wife of 32 years, Cheryl; Alexansons, Bonham der (fiancée, Claire)

and

Nathaniel (wife, Megan) Lindstrom; sister, Lynn (husband, Neal) Parker; and many grandchildren; a recent great-grandchild; as well as

His father, Gordon Bonham, and mother, Shirley Bonham, preceded him in death, as well as his three brothers, Shawn Bonham, Dan Bonham and Mark Bonham.

nieces and nephews.

Gregg was a man of strong faith and loved his Lord Jesus. He spent many years fellowshipping at Bible Baptist Church and Coastline Christian Fellowship.

In 1971, he graduated from Seaside High School. In 1974, he received an associate degree in general studies at Clatsop Community College and, in 1977, a bachelor of science degree in resource management from the College of Forestry at Oregon State University. He had a wide variety

of careers, working many years as a landlord and for Clatsop County, in the tax and assessment depart-

ment. He also held other jobs with United Parcel Service, Ulbricht Accounting,

and was self-employed landscaping and tree service in his earlier years.

He served many years on the Olney-Walluski fire department board, Clatsop County parks committee and as an assistant

scoutmaster with the Boy Scouts of America.

Gregg loved his garden, and delighted in growing a multitude of fruits and vegetables, being well known for his gifts of apples each year to those in need. He was never without his beloved blueberry and raspberry plants, with the Asian pears being a particular favorite of his, and much elephant garlic.

You could also find him at our local library, checking many books out weekly, as he was an avid reader, especially of history.

Gregg was a devoted husband and father. He always had a kind word to share, and a willingness to make the world a better place. His support and gentle ways will be keenly missed by all who loved

A celebration of life service will be held on June 25 at 2 p.m. at Coastline Christian Fellowship Church, with a reception following in the fellowship hall, both located at 89386 Oregon Highway 202 in Astoria.

OBITUARY POLICY

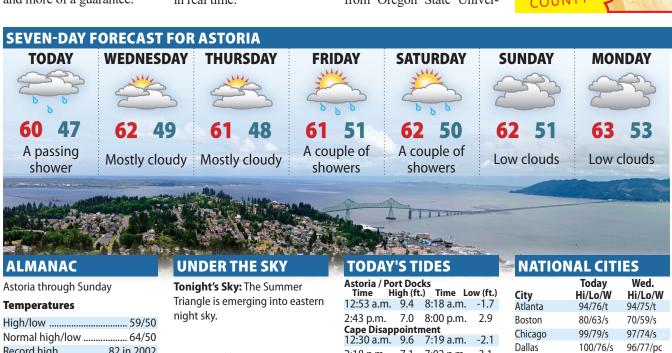
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For more information, call 503-325-3211, ext. 1257.





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