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Wingate hotel residents to be moved to on-campus housing by Spring 2026

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

By the Spring 2026 semester, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's Housing department will be ending its contract with the hotel Wingate by Wyndham.

Wingate has accommodated overflow student housing since the Fall 2024 semester.

This news was shared initially in a town hall meeting that was held on Oct. 1, 2025, where Interim President Dr. Jamie Hebert shared with University leaders, administration and staff the University's several cost-cutting plans to reduce the \$25 million deficit.

In Fall 2024, census day observed an astounding incoming class of 3,064 students.

Regarding housing for these students, the website for the Office of University Housing and Residential Life requires "all unmarried, full-time first-time freshmen students, regardless of age or emancipation status, to live in campus residential halls as long as space is available."

It was quickly realized that there was not enough space available to accommodate all the students.

Some criteria for exemptions exist, such as students residing in a property within a 50-mile radius of campus, students with certain disabilities or students who are married by the first day of their fall classes.

Nonetheless, the lengthy waitlist for housing was a concern as students from outside of the state, or even outside of the country, have to live on campus in order to attend their classes.

Two hotels were booked out by the

University as satellite locations for housing: Wingate by Wyndham and the WoodSpring Suites.

Wingate still, at the time of writing this story, houses 112 students, all of whom are first-time freshmen.

The WoodSpring Suites contract has already ended; residents were moved to on-campus housing in Spring 2025. Wingate is expected to follow suit for Spring 2026.

Dawn Miller, the director of Property Management for the University, explained where these students will be placed.

"I'm very confident that we will be able to place them in the residence halls... we have Bonin, Coronna, Baker, Agnes... those are the majority [freshman dormitories]."

Each dormitory houses around 450 students.

There is no work or renovations that need to be done to these rooms, and all rooms in these dormitories are being put to use, according to Miller.

These freshmen will be relocated into dormitories only; no spots in campus apartments are being used to house the Wingate students.

This process has been in the works, as Miller added that it was always the intention to bring these students back onto campus.

"...there's so much programming, there's so much engagement that happens within the residence halls and we truly feel that your first-time freshman need that engagement."

There are many benefits to living on campus as a student.

Being directly at the University eliminates commute time and can allow a student to utilize more University resources and attend more campus



Photo by Nicholas Cloyd

Sideview of the Wingate hotel, a satellite housing location for UL Lafayette

events, which is an alluring offer for a freshman experiencing college life for the first time.

According to Miller, the average student at the University lives on campus for one to two years, a sizable chunk of the time it takes to get a four-year degree.

Students at the Wingate hotel will get priority for moving in Spring 2026. The number of housing spots that open up varies from semester to semester.

Usually, less spots open up going into the spring since less students graduate in the fall.

However, there are also less incoming freshmen in the spring.

"If there's space available after we get those students on campus, then we will open up to new people wanting to come live on campus. But our freshmen

are our priority."

Miller assured that there should be enough room to move all 112 students at Wingate back to campus.

Now, the main reason behind the decision to end the Wingate housing contract with the University is financial. Booking out an entire hotel, or two hotels from when the WoodSpring Suites was still being used as housing, is expensive.

Also, parking is limited at these hotel lots; not every student even has a car to drive to and from Wingate and the University. So, there is a shuttle system entirely dedicated to driving back and forth from the Student Union to the Wingate hotel.

Between ending the contract with Wingate and the shuttle system to it, the University will save \$900,000.

Hazing prevention course required by law for students across campus

Jenna Kimball

NEWS WRITER

The Louisiana State Legislature passed a bill that requires all students who are involved in campus organizations to complete a two-hour hazing prevention course online.

Anyone who does not complete the training will be relieved of their position in their chosen organization.

When taking the course, students watch presentations explaining what hazing is and the negative consequences of it.

The goal is to teach students more about hazing so they can help to prevent it. According to hazingpreventionnetwork.org, hazing is defined as "any action taken or any

situation created intentionally that causes embarrassment, harassment or ridicule and risks emotional and/or physical harm to members of a group or team, whether new or not, regardless of the person's willingness to participate."

The Hazing Prevention 101 course described bullying as repeated actions or threats of action directed toward a person by one or more people who have (or are perceived to have) more power or status than their target in order to cause fear, distress or harm.

This is different from hazing, as bullying aims to exclude a person while hazing is a way to "earn" inclusion.

Upon beginning the first presentation, students were given various situations and had to classify it as always acceptable, sometimes acceptable or

never acceptable. Next, eight questions were provided for students to consider in order to determine whether or not something is hazing.

Some of the things to consider include comfortability in participating if parents were present, whether students would get in trouble if a school administrator saw or if a video was posted online, being asked to keep activities secret, participating in illegal activities, violating values of students and/or the organization itself, whether or not activities are causing emotional or physical harm and whether or not anyone is being humiliated.

The most common types of hazing are alcohol consumption, isolation, humiliation, sleep deprivation and sexual assault.

Hazing is not only harmful, it is also illegal and can lead to consequences up to and including complete expulsion from college.

According to Louisiana law, "The penalty for Criminal Hazing in Louisiana is a fine of up to one thousand dollars and/or imprisonment for up to six months. This is a misdemeanor offense."

"If the hazing results in the serious bodily injury or death of the victim, or the hazing involves forced or coerced alcohol consumption that results in the victim having a blood alcohol concentration of at least 0.30 percent by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood, any person who commits an act of hazing shall be fined up to ten thousand dollars and imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for up to five years. This is a felony offense."

Harrison Kowiak was a sophomore at Lenoir-Rhyne University who was killed in 2008 due to a head injury that occurred while being hazed.

Kowiak's fraternity brothers repeatedly tackled him in the dark as part of his "initiation."

According to The Gordie Center, "Harrison suffered a head injury during a tackle, and instead of calling for help, the fraternity members eventually drove Harrison to a hospital near the campus. Harrison was airlifted to a trauma center, and died the next day from a severe brain hemorrhage."

Timothy Piazza was a student at Penn State who died after being served a dangerous amount of alcohol at a frat party and falling down a flight of stairs.

According to USA today, "...Tim Piazza, was served 18 drinks in roughly an hour and a half during a pledge initiation called 'The Gauntlet.' Tim Piazza, 19, fell several times, including down a flight of stairs, which caused him numerous traumatic injuries. Members didn't get him medical attention until the next morning. He died on Feb. 4, 2017."

These are only two of many deaths that have resulted from the hazing that is so often called harmless initiation.

Hazing does not only affect the victim, it also affects families, friends, witnesses, other members of the organization and more.

Students should immediately report any hazing that they experience or witness to a staff member at the university.

Hazing is an issue that everyone should be aware of and know how to recognize.

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Screen capture of home page for Hazing Prevention 101 Course through Prevent Zone Louisiana at Lafayette

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The Office of Sustainability and Community Engagement closes

Kayla Woods-Crane
MANAGING EDITOR

In an email to faculty, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette announced that the Office of Sustainability and Community Engagement was closed. Three people were terminated from the office. Student workers, both undergraduate and graduate, were reassigned to other departments. The sustainability office website was down as of this story's creation. Currently, the site states, "Sustainability efforts and community partnerships will continue through other campus units and initiatives."

Lola Lancaster, an undergraduate student worker for the office, recalled the moment she found out the office was closed. While walking past the sustainability office towards her car, with the intention of leaving campus for an event, Lancaster noticed faculty from her

work study loading boxes into cars.

Lancaster said she hoped at that moment they didn't need her help for anything because she was already running late for her event. Unbeknownst to her, the office where she had worked for three years was closed, and her coworkers were clearing out their office.

"I don't know. It just felt very... it was really ugly," Lancaster said after describing the moment.

Lancaster was then beckoned over by her coworkers and learned about the office's closure. She said it was a tearful and emotional goodbye as everyone continued to pack their things. On the topic of her time at the office, Lancaster said the staff were some of the best people she'd ever worked with, making the Office of Sustainability and Community Engagement her favorite job she'd ever worked.

"I've never seen anyone care about the

University more than those three people specifically," Lancaster added, referring to Gretchen Vanicor, the director, Blair Begnaud, the assistant director and Johnathan Brown, the coordinator for the office.

In 2013, former President Dr. Joseph Savoie created the office and named Vanicor as the University's first director of the office in January, 2014. The office worked on making the UL Lafayette campus more environmentally friendly and offering community service opportunities to students through various partnerships across campus.

Most notably, the office held Fête de la Terre week, with several events celebrating Earth Day, during the month of April. Last year's events included a tour of Louisiana's Recycling Facility, a pollinator habitat planting, a night market for students and local vendors to sell and buy their products and group bike rides to events Downtown and at Moncus Park, among more. For 2025, the week-long celebration was expanded to a month.

Another important event by the office was Krewe de Coulee, a community opportunity service for students to pick up trash after Mardi Gras events. The office also worked in conjunction with the event's executive board to organize The Big Event, UL Lafayette's largest community service event of the year. Thousands of students, faculty and staff come together for one day of community service for the local community.

During football games, the office had recycling bins out for attendees to recycle their trash. The office also worked on pedestrian and bicycle safety on campus. Other duties of the office included

maintaining the flood-preventative rain gardens around Wharton Hall and Justice Rickels Hall and taking out the recycling bags around various campus departments.

Lancaster's job for the office included managing flower beds, running errands, communicating with other departments and, later in her time at the office, programming and planning events. Though she was assigned to the office, she said she "learned a passion for sustainability" through her work there.

Even though the University said it will reassign the office's plans and initiatives to other departments, Lancaster is worried many of the operations of the office will begin to be neglected. "It's like, there's so many things that are just going to kind of start falling apart or they'll get reassigned," she said.

Most of the work by the office, other than large events, were likely to go unnoticed by students and faculty, but in 2021, the sustainability efforts by the office were recognized by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education. Lancaster also explained that the University was a leader in sustainability among other universities in the state as a part of the University Sustainability Coalition. The coalition is a part of Keep Louisiana Beautiful, an organization for sustainability in the state.

"And to go from, in my opinion, the best in the state to completely nothing at all, it was really shocking not only to our own campus community, but across the state. I think there are going to be repercussions for that."

The University's communication office was unable to comment on this story.



Photo by Alyus Dick
Volunteer picking up trash for The Big Event, an event the Office of Sustainability assisted in

Police Reports

Compiled by Caitlyn Comeaux

Oct. 18

- At 8:42 p.m., officers were dispatched to the Legacy Park Apartments in reference to a battery of a dating partner. An arrest was made.
- At 6:13 p.m., officers reported the battery of a police officer at Cajun Field. An arrest was made.
- At 4:50 p.m., officers dispatched to the LITE Center in reference to a parking lot crash between a 2019 black Ford F-250 and a 2017 black Honda Civic. No injuries were reported.

Oct. 16

- At 8:47 p.m., two UL Lafayette tire immobilization boots on a 2014 black Dodge Ram were tampered with in an attempt at removal. The subject was arrested and issued a misdemeanor summons.
- At 1:59 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the Hilliard Art Museum in reference to littering.

Oct. 14

- At 6:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to the Taft Parking Garage for a minor crash between a 2016 white Fiat 500 and a 2019 gray Hyundai Elantra. No arrests were made.
- At 4:31 p.m., officers received a report that a subject attempted to steal the reporter's electric scooter.
- At 10:57 a.m., officers were dispatched to the Maxim Doucet parking lot in reference to a crash between a 2017 white Toyota Tacoma and a 2017 white GMC Acadia.








Oct. 13

- At 2:10 p.m., officers received a walk-in report for the theft of a black, red and gray electric scooter from the Ragin' Cajun Food Court.
- At 1:58 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of McKinley St. Inside of the 2024 blue Chevrolet Malibu, two plastic baggies containing seven grams of marijuana were found. An arrest was made.

Oct. 12

- At 3:40 p.m., an officer was flagged down in the Girard Park Circle Parking Garage in reference to a parking lot crash between a 2025 gray Subaru Impreza and a 2024 gold Volvo XC9. No injuries were reported and no arrests were made.

Weather

Thursday 10/23	Friday 10/24	Saturday 10/25	Sunday 10/26	Monday 10/27	Tuesday 10/28	Wednesday 10/29
						
High: 82 F Low: 57 F	High: 83 F Low: 65 F	High: 79 F Low: 65 F	High: 80 F Low: 66 F	High: 83 F Low: 67 F	High: 80 F Low: 57 F	High: 75 F Low: 51 F

Isabelle Brumley
BEAUCOUP EDITOR

- The National Hurricane Center is monitoring an area in the Atlantic Ocean that is likely to develop into our next tropical system, "Melissa," by mid-week in the Caribbean.

- On Sunday, severe storms hit the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast, causing damaging winds and large hail.
- Typhoon Halong devastates Alaska, leaving thousands to evacuate.

WHERE'S ALLAN?



Walking near the quad,
I found a copycat.
This bronze gentleman
also wears a hat.
Where am I?

Last Issue's Answer:
**Laundry Room
in Agnes Edwards**

Win a free sandwich from Roly Poly

The first UL student to recognize where The Vermilion's mascot, Allan the Alligator, was photographed on campus will win a free sandwich from Roly Poly on Coolidge Street in Lafayette.

The first UL student to email the correct location of Allan to TheVermilion@louisiana.edu will receive the prize. The Vermilion will continue this contest each week until the end of the semester. Participants cannot win more than once a semester, and must be attentive to their emails.



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Politics

Government shutdown leaves federal operations in disarray

Andrew Courville

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Millions of Americans could temporarily lose life-saving funding from the federal government before the year ends. Government shutdowns have happened numerous times throughout American history as Congress fails to pass a spending bill before the term for the previous one ends.

The federal government entered its current shutdown on Sept. 30 at midnight, leaving numerous federal programs unfunded or unstaffed. It occurred as a result of a lack of bipartisan support because the issue is more complex than that.

Since the 1990s, Congress has used Continuing Resolutions (CR), which are temporary funding bills, to keep the government operating, as opposed to larger spending bills that fund large portions of the government. The last CR expired on Sept. 30. To end the shutdown, Congress will likely have to pass the CR currently being debated. It has remained nearly identical since 2023.

The current bill includes appropriations to extend the government lifeline until Nov. 21, which would provide a small but ample window to adopt a new spending bill that will last well into 2026.

CRs are typically barebones legislation. They keep the lights on in most federal buildings, maintaining only essential staff (who work without pay until the next CR is passed) and furlough all nonessential employees. This one also funds services essential to national security and veterans' aid.

CRs require a simple majority in the

House of Representatives (majority of voting members present) and a three-fifths majority in the Senate (60 out of the 100 senators). However, Republicans only have 53 Senate seats, meaning at least seven Democrats must vote in the bill's favor.

The government is prohibited from spending money that has not been allocated yet through Congressional funding. So, agencies have to make tough decisions in coordination with the Office of Management and Budget to determine what stays open or is halted and who is fired or furloughed.

Although Congress passes individual funding acts for every cabinet on an annual basis at a different time, most core functions of the federal government and some federal programs are funded from the fiscal year starting every Oct. 1 and ending on Sept. 30 of the next year.

Democrats drew their line in the sand this time around over the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Premium tax credits from the ACA (which make up about 6% of the entire healthcare budget), which passed in 2010 during the Obama administration, are set to expire at the end of December. This would raise healthcare costs for, primarily, millions of middle and low-income Americans.

Democrats are fighting to renew the subsidies out of concern that Republicans will push the issue to the side when the shutdown ends. Republican leaders, including Speaker of the House Mike Johnson and Vice President JD Vance, have claimed that Democrats want to provide healthcare for illegal immigrants.

House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries rebuked that claim, responding

that "Federal law prohibits the use of taxpayer dollars to provide medical coverage to undocumented individuals. That's the law. And there is nothing in anything that we have proposed that is trying to change that law."

Despite a common interest in reopening the government as soon as possible, there has been little bipartisan negotiation.

While the politicians feud, the impacts of the shutdown reach across the country, including Louisiana. While active military members continue carrying out normal operations, they do so without pay.

National Parks and Forests usually go unstaffed because park rangers won't get paid, putting parks at risk of vandalism and trash accumulation.

State and local programs don't feel the impacts immediately because federal money is usually sent in block grants, so any federal dollars allocated before Sept. 30 won't be affected. Healthcare

and food subsidy programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, benefits and Social Security are considered essential and will continue running, but service will become more delayed as the shutdown continues.

Louisiana Senator Bill Cassidy addressed the Senate floor on Sept. 30 about the effects on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). He said, "It means that the National Flood Insurance Program cannot renew policies. That's 500,000 people in Louisiana, millions across the country left uninsured in the middle of hurricane season."

An AP-NORC poll from Oct. 9-13 shows that neither political party has gained any popularity by waiting in gridlock. It should be expected, however, that whichever party caves will lose favorability and the other will gain. As of Oct. 19, the Senate is still debating the bill.



Graphic by Ellie Schmidt

Health

CDC changes vaccine guidelines

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CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Monday, Oct. 6, the Centers for Disease Control signed off a new set of guidelines for the COVID-19, measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (smallpox) (MMRV) vaccines.

The COVID-19 vaccine is a therapy meant to enhance an individual's resistance to COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus SARS-CoV-2, which propagated the pandemic in the year 2020.

The MMRV vaccine is used to build a child's immunity to measles, mumps, rubella and varicella.

During and since the pandemic, the COVID-19 vaccine was distributed to the public as an over-the-counter drug without any kind of requirement besides insurance approval. Some of the types of COVID-19 vaccine required annual boosters to maintain vaccine efficacy.

Different types of the COVID-19 vaccine have been developed, including Messenger RNA (mRNA), vector and protein subunit.

Messenger RNA vaccines use RNA made from the virus that the individual makes protein out of. Vector vaccines take a part of the COVID-19 virus and put it into a less dangerous virus so it will not be as severe to the individual taking the vaccine. Protein subunit vaccines consist of a pure protein produced by COVID-19 that the immune system can recognize.

After the firing of the CDC's vaccine panel, the new panel, appointed by Secretary of Health Robert. F. Kennedy Jr., decided to reverse the previous guidelines by implementing individual-based decision-making, which means that anyone interested in receiving a COVID-19 vaccine is required to consult with a health care professional to hear the benefits and potential side effects.

Kennedy and the newly appointed panel have all expressed skepticism towards vaccines and their administration to patients.

This, however, was not the first change to the COVID-19 vaccine. Kennedy recently cut \$500 million in funding toward mRNA vaccine research, which could greatly increase potential risks of future vaccines and how they are administered.

Jim O'Neill, acting director of the CDC, claimed that "CDC's 2022 blanket recommendation for perpetual COVID-19 boosters deterred health care providers from talking about the risks and benefits of vaccination for the individual patient or parent," stating that after the pandemic, health care providers did not routinely go over the consequences of taking the vaccine.

In response, Dr. Tina Tan, president of the Infectious Diseases Society of America, said, "The claim that the past recommendations deterred health care professionals from talking to patients about risks is completely untrue and is another example of the misinformation and made up information that this administration continues to release to the public and further creates confusion and distrust in healthcare providers and vaccines."

The MMRV vaccine is typically given to children 12 months old. The CDC now plans to split the vaccine into two parts, one for MMR and the other for varicella.

They also plan to have the combined MMRV vaccine as a booster for children four to six years old.

Since the pandemic, COVID-19 has become a mainstay seasonal disease, similar to influenza (flu) and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), both of which cause the common cold.

These changes to the guidelines cause confusion for people wanting to be immunized for COVID-19 and for parents who want their children to gain immunity to measles, mumps, rubella and varicella.

These vaccines have been shown to save numerous lives from these diseases and have had extensive research and testing put into them for the safety of their use.

Arts and Culture

New Common Book series pilots

Leilani Chester

NEWS WRITER

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette's College of Liberal Arts has launched a new Common Book series for the 2025-26 academic year, designed to encourage shared reading and discussion across the campus community.

The inaugural selection is Ernest J. Gaines' "A Lesson Before Dying," a critically acclaimed novel recognized for its cultural and moral depth. The book was chosen for its strong regional ties and for its exploration of themes central to the University's values, including justice, education and community.

Throughout the year, the college will host a series of events, including book clubs and community discussions, open to all members of the UL Lafayette community. The first conversation, held on Oct. 15 in Griffin Hall 315, featured Dr. David Khey, head of the Department of Criminal Justice, who discussed the novel's portrayal of the criminal justice system. A second conversation, scheduled for Nov. 5 in the same location, will feature Dr. Shelley Ingram, Dr. Doris Meriwether/BORSF Professor of Folklore, who will explore cultural foodways.

Dr. Ani Kokobobo, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and professor of modern languages, said the Common Book program reflects the college's commitment to building a vibrant intellectual community on campus.

"We're envisioning this as an opportunity for us to read together and to think together as an intellectual community and engage together. I think for students, this is another way to engage with a really interesting, important text outside of a classroom setting and talk with each other, perhaps meet people."

"A Lesson Before Dying" was Gaines' eighth novel, written when he was 60 years old after a long and successful career as a writer. The book earned national acclaim for its portrayal of

life in rural Louisiana, was selected for Oprah's Book Club in 1997, and won multiple literary awards, including the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction. The Ernest J. Gaines Center, located on the UL Lafayette campus, preserves his manuscripts, correspondence and personal archives while supporting teaching, research and community engagement. The center was established to honor Gaines and continues to serve as a hub for studying Southern and African American literature.

Gaines was born in 1933 on a plantation in Pointe Coupee Parish near New Roads, Louisiana. He drew inspiration from his upbringing to create stories that explored human dignity, social justice and the struggles of African Americans in the rural South. Gaines died in 2019 at his home in Oscar, Louisiana, at age 86. President Barack Obama awarded Gaines the 2012 National Medal of Arts and National Humanities Medal during a ceremony at the White House, recognizing his extraordinary contribution to American literature. In addition to his writing, Gaines was a longtime member of the UL Lafayette faculty and served as Writer-in-Residence Emeritus.

"A Lesson Before Dying" centers on Jefferson, a young Black man wrongly convicted of murder in 1940s Louisiana, and Grant Wiggins, a teacher struggling to find meaning in his work and community. Together, their story reflects the power of education and empathy to challenge oppression and inspire change.

By focusing on his work the 2025-26 Common Book series celebrates Ernest J. Gaines' literary legacy, but also reflects the College of Liberal Arts' commitment to fostering intellectual engagement and exploring important themes such as justice, education and community. The initiative also opens the door for future Common Book selections, offering opportunities to explore other important works of literature, inspire and bring the campus community together for impactful and enriching conversations.

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Cajun Crossword

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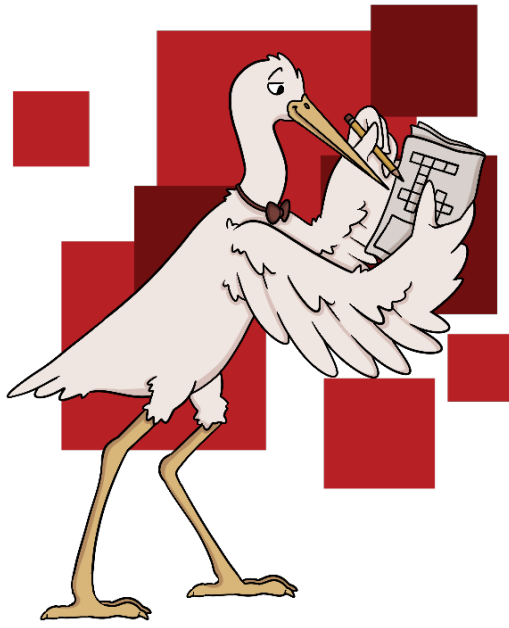
- 3. What Southern Miss player had a 98-yard touchdown (last name)?
- 5. Where did Jane Goodall earn her Ph.D.?
- 6. The performances in "When They See Us" were described as _____ and authentic by Allons Writer Quintus Francis.
- 8. What kind of gardens did the Office of Sustainability maintain?

DOWN

- 1. Who does hazing affect?
- 2. Ending the off-campus housing contract with the Wingate hotel will save the University ___ hundred thousand dollars.
- 4. What was the first name of the manager at Fishbox Sushi?
- 7. Who did Lunch Winfield and Lutchter High School defeat in the 2022 state championship (last word)?

Scan the QR code for last week's answers





Cajun Candids NPHC Step Show

Photos by Alyus Dick



Sports

Winfield reflects on his journey

Jake Allelo
SPORTS WRITER

Patience is a virtue, and in the name, image and likeness (NIL) era of college football, where any athlete can transfer schools at their whim, quarterback Lunch Winfield may be the most virtuous man alive. As for the past two years, Winfield has been quietly working and waiting for his opportunity.

In 2023, his freshman year, he worked his way up the Cajuns' depth chart, and was able to appear in the final regular season game against the University of Louisiana at Monroe on Nov. 25.

The 2024 season was his redshirt freshman year because in training camp Winfield sustained an injury that sidelined him for the entirety of the regular season. His only appearance was in the postseason during the Isleta New Mexico Bowl on Dec. 28.

The 2025 season is when the true opportunity would present itself. In the season-opener against Rice University, starting quarterback and University of Mississippi transfer, Walker Howard, sustained a serious oblique injury.

Through the next three games, the Cajuns went 1-2 under the leadership of Daniel Beale, but in his fourth game against Marshall, back-to-back interceptions opened the door for Winfield. In a statement debut, Winfield led the Cajuns to a double overtime win against Marshall University, 54-51.

In the face of the impending opportunity to start, Winfield did not shy away. After two years and four weeks, there was no way he would let nerves rob him of a victory. Patience paired with steel nerves gave Winfield the perfect mentality for this situation.

"It's just God's timing, and everything happens for a reason, with a purpose. So you just work while you wait, and everything's just going to be right there when you need it."

Winfield reflected on his mentality,

saying, "Just be ready, you never know when opportunities come, so you just always got to be ready for your time."

Early into the 2025 season, many Cajuns fans voiced their excitement and support over the prospect of Winfield taking the reins, showing love to an athlete who they were not able to view in any meaningful capacity up to that point, and that love has not been lost on Winfield.

"Belief is a crazy thing, and when people believe in you, believe in a situation that they never even like to prove or have seen before, that's real special."

The Marshall game, however, was not the first time Winfield has been put in a situation of demanding leadership. In 2022, the Lutchler-native led the Lutchler High School Bulldogs to their ninth state championship, beating North DeSoto High School 28-25.

Head football coach of Lutchler High School, Dwain Jenkins, reflected on his time directing Winfield, saying, "Lunch's performance in the 2022 season was legendary. For a school that only celebrates state championships, his senior season and playoff run is arguably the greatest individual season in the history of the school."

To Lutchler, Winfield is much more than just their former state championship quarterback, as Jenkins explains, Winfield provided the perfect outline for leadership in his time there, along with an indelible mark on his hometown.

"Lunch's impact on our program far outweighed his efforts on the field. His ability to elevate his teammates to be better in the locker room, classroom and weight room was what made him special."

After hearing this statement from his former coach, Winfield chuckled and reflected on that same "indelible mark."

"Coach Jenkins is always a preacher, man. It's good to be good. But yeah, you

want to be better than good, you want to be legendary. I always wanted to be remembered where I was from. Like, that's the biggest thing for me, leave your mark whenever you step your foot at."

Winfield now plays only 98 miles away from his hometown, his entire athletic career, and life up to this point has been encompassed in the same 100-mile radius. In that space, he has everything important to him readily available.

"Being in Louisiana is pretty important, my family is near, and Louisiana's culture is just the best. It was big for my family, getting to come to my games right up the road...if I ever needed to go home, I was not that far away. It was very convenient, and this [Lafayette] was always a home from home, even though it was so close to home. This is a great place to be."

Walking around campus, Winfield may be somewhat unrecognizable. There's a glimpse of familiarity in the 6-foot-1-inch, 220-pound frame, but

there is no way that's the same guy putting his body on the line every Saturday.

When it's time to play, however, there is no doubt that the man out there is ready to do whatever it takes to bring the Cajuns a win.

The difference between mild-mannered student and field general is not lost on Winfield, and that work ethic is derived from his biggest supporter.

"My mom was the biggest influence to my life, how hard she worked, no complaining, the hours she worked, what she did for us...was a big motivation. I think about her every day. So I just go and just do the work, but after the first hit in the game, it's on."

Winfield's goals stretch far beyond just wins for the Cajuns, as all of his hard work has been put into two simple goals and life missions: peace and collective betterment. Winfield remarked that his goal is to live the life he always dreamed of and be, "just at ease with life."



Photo by Alyus Dick

Lunch Winfield (2) celebrates after a touchdown against the Southern Miss Golden Eagles Oct. 18

Ragin' Cajuns struggle to score in 22-10 loss against Southern Miss

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SPORTS EDITOR

It was Homecoming once again in Lafayette as the Louisiana Ragin' Cajuns hosted the Southern Miss Golden Eagles. The Cajuns offense, once again, stalled in a 22-10 loss, meaning that Louisiana now holds a 2-5 win-loss record. It now seems increasingly likely that the Cajuns will fail to make a bowl game for the first time since 2017.

The game did not seem like it would be such a bad match for Louisiana- in fact, it started out in one of the best possible ways.

Southern Miss got the ball to start the game, and were forced to punt following a nine play drive that went 38 yards. The punt would force the Cajuns to start in a slightly unfavorable position, making them start their first drive from their own 15-yard line.

From the 15-yard line, Louisiana marched downfield led by a great rushing attack. Lunch Winfield, Zylan Perry and Bill Davis would take turns toting the rock as they moved 85 yards down the field in eight minutes.

The drive ended with a three-yard punch-in by Winfield, opening up the scoring in Louisiana's favor as they took a 7-0 lead. In the 16 plays during that opening drive, only four were pass plays-Lunch going 3/4 on those passes for 31 yards.

After an excellent drive, one could not fault fans for thinking that the offensive woes against JMU were simply due to their elite defense. Yet, it would become clear over the course of the game that the struggles were not related to playing a good defense.

The rest of the half saw both the Cajuns and the Golden Eagles struggle to get things going. Both teams would

punt on their next drives. Southern Miss fumbled on the last play of the first quarter, Louisiana's Cameron Whitfield scooping it up to set the Cajuns up at Southern Miss' 43-yard line.

The defense set the offense up for a chance to go up by multiple possessions at the start of the second.

The Cajuns moved 16 yards toward the endzone before head coach Michael Desormeaux decided to go for it on fourth-and-4 on the Southern Miss 31-yard line. The conversion failed after Winfield and Charles Robertson failed to connect, turning it over on downs.

With the ball back the Golden Eagles moved into field goal range, being forced to kick after the Cajun defense got them to a fourth down.

The field goal went wide right, keeping the score 7-0 and once again giving the Cajuns offense the chance to extend their lead.

On the very first play of the drive, Winfield uncorked a deep pass. The only problem was that there was not a single receiver in the area he threw to, making it an easy interception for the Southern Miss secondary.

Southern Miss returned the interception to the Louisiana 37-yard line, great field position for the Golden Eagles. Unlike the Cajuns, the Golden Eagles used this turnover to their advantage, quickly scoring a touchdown to tie the game 7-7.

The Cajuns offense went three and out, giving the ball right back to the Golden Eagles. Yet once again the defense made plays, with a Tyree Skipper interception off of Braylon Braxton setting Louisiana up at the Southern Miss 18-yard line, the best field position the Cajuns got all game.

The offense once again failed to answer the great play by the defense, stalling and forced to go for a field goal. Tony Sterner came out to attempt a 36-yard field goal and bring the Cajuns

back into the lead. The field goal was no good, leaving both teams at a stalemate heading toward the half.

Southern Miss moved 66 yards in 10 plays, setting their kicker up for another field goal. This time he did not miss, and the stalemate finally broke as Southern Miss took the lead 10-3.

Louisiana had the chance to end the half with a score before getting the ball back at the start of the third quarter. Yet in a move that shocked many, Walker Howard came out to lead the offense.

This was Howard's first action since getting injured against Rice University in the first game of the season.

It was thought he would be out for the year following an oblique surgery, yet after practicing for the week leading up for the game Desormeaux decided to let the former four-star player come in for such an important moment in the game.

Suffice to say, it was not the right move by the head coach. Howard went 2/6 on the drive and it ended with a Southern Miss interception.

This set the Golden Eagles up in perfect position to kick a field goal before half to go up 13-7.

Louisiana got the ball at the start of the second half. Just like the first drive of the first half, the offense marched downfield, going 77 yards in 10 plays. Yet unlike their first half drive this one only ended in three points.

Both teams punted following the Cajuns opening drive, and it seemed that the Golden Eagles were forced to punt again as they were facing third down on their own two yard line. Broken coverage on receiver Micah Davis left him open enough for Braxton to hit him for a 98-yard touchdown.

That pretty much ended the game for the Cajuns as the offense failed to score for the rest of the night. The game ended 22-10 after Southern Miss forced a safety on Louisiana's final drive of the game.




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Bill Davis (7) carries the football against the Southern Miss Golden Eagles Oct. 18

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Allons

The long legacy of Jane Goodall

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ALLONS WRITER

Before she was a Templeton Prize winner, National Geographic Scholar and Ph.D. holder, Jane Goodall was a little girl with a love for the natural world. This love was unlocked when her mother gave her a toy chimpanzee from the London Zoo. Goodall was born in 1934 in Bournemouth, England, to middle-class parents who fostered her passion for animals.

It was clear from a very young age that Goodall would lead an extraordinary life, but perhaps the extent of the extraordinary was not known just yet. When she was 18, she enrolled in a secretarial school and took other jobs, but her desire for nature was still present.

She soon received an invitation to visit a friend's farm in Kenya and gladly took it. After her arrival, she was directed toward Dr. Louis Leakey, who worked at the National Museum of Natural History in Kenya. He saw the spark of her passion for animals and hired her as assistant secretary. Through her work at the museum her love for the natural world deepened as she learned more and more.

She was fortunate enough to accompany Dr. Leakey on his annual trip to the Serengeti plains for a paleontology expedition, which she describes as being an awe inspiring experience. It was there Leakey informed Goodall about a troop of chimpanzees on the Lake Tanganyika shore. Leakey described the one attempt that had been made to study them as inconclusive because the observation was not long enough.

After describing the tenacity and perseverance the job would require of the scientist that took the job (a two-year stay in the harsh jungle and rugged living conditions), he asked Goodall if she might be up to the challenge. Goodall was shocked, as she had no science degree from a university or real experience in the field and felt unprepared for this nearly unprecedented expedition. Nevertheless, she agreed eagerly.

After the technicalities of her trip

were situated, Goodall made her way to Kigoma ready and excited to begin her work. However, due to local issues with fishermen on the lake she would be staying on, she was told her work could not start right away. Arrangements were made for Goodall to travel to Nairobi to conduct a short study on the vervet monkeys of Louis Island, an experience that ultimately taught her invaluable lessons about observing wild primates.

After about three weeks she was allowed to travel to the Gombe Reserve in Kigoma. The first weeks of Goodall's research were monotonous and yielded no real discovery. After nearly three months and a severe illness under her belt, Goodall had her first substantial sighting of the creatures.

Over her two-year stay in the Gombe Reserve, Goodall grew incredibly close to these creatures through her patience and diligence.

She was eventually welcomed into the chimps' community, which, as she came to learn, is layered with social complexity, much like our own. Through the development of her relationships with these animals they came to trust her and

allowed her to observe them incredibly closely.

Goodall took meticulous notes on the movements, behaviors and even personal differences in the chimpanzees' lives and noticed they performed incredible human tasks such as creating and operating tools. These discoveries were groundbreaking at their time and filled in many gaps of the theory of evolution, not to mention the immense amount of respect Goodall gained with the scientific community and, eventually, the whole world.

The story of a woman who took on a task full of road blocks and unknown dangers helped inspire an entire generation of women to take their place in scientific discovery, and I am proud to say I was one of them.

Jane Goodall first came into my life in the summer of 2020. One day I watched a documentary on her time in Gombe and was fascinated with her work. I grew up in a rural town surrounded by many animals and I, too, shared a love for them and the world around me.

I learned everything I possibly could about her life and what she did after her

two-year expedition. After her time spent in Gombe she pursued a doctoral degree at Cambridge University without having earned an undergraduate, according to National Geographic.

At this level of higher education, she defended her unconventional researching methods against traditional scientists and always aimed her published works to the common public instead of high ranking academics. After successfully earning her Ph.D. in 1966, Goodall spent the next 20 years in Gombe.

As time passed, Goodall shifted her work from research to conservation of the chimpanzees' natural habitats. Conservation work is so important, especially here in south Louisiana where our coast line is receding rapidly. Jane Goodall's work is in part what inspired me to pursue a career path of writing and advocating for our natural wetlands here in Louisiana.

The life of Jane Goodall was incredible and her impact is impossible to capture in words. I believe that her legacy is carried on exactly where she wanted it to, in others with her spirit and in the nature she loved so dearly.



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Do I count too?: Loving Jesus as a Catholic

Ja'lyn Braud

ALLONS WRITER

Every Sunday at 10 a.m., I find myself in the same spot: sitting in the presence of the Lord, as incense burns around me, lost in prayer, feeling peace.

Catholicism isn't just a denomination, but a way of life: to walk out one's days in a way that reflects Jesus Christ.

I was born and raised in the Catholic faith, being baptized as a baby, receiving my first communion and then eventually getting confirmed into the faith.

Culturally, you will see kids going through the processes just because their parents made them but never actually having a devotion for the faith.

In truth, at one point, this was me. It wasn't until the year of my confirmation, junior year of high school, that I realized if I was going to walk with the Lord and live out my life serving Him, then I needed to find a denomination that would embrace that and not steer me in the wrong direction.

I started looking everywhere except more into the Catholic faith, mainly

because I never thought I would find a reason to stay in it. I had visited Baptist churches, nondenominational youth groups and listened to multiple protestant church services, which were all great. Yet, no matter how much I enjoyed them, none could quite convince me to leave Catholicism.

For some reason, I had a tug on my heart not to give up on it. I couldn't tell if it was the familiarity of it, the fear of going into something new or God Himself moving in my heart to stay.

Finally, hitting my junior year, I knew a decision needed to be made. I couldn't confirm in a faith that I wasn't committed to, so I waited patiently until it hit me—it wasn't until that year that I finally discerned that it was the Eucharist calling to me, Christ Himself.

For those who don't know, Catholics believe in the concept of transubstantiation, which is where communion, the bread, or the Eucharist and wine, becomes the actual body and blood of Jesus Christ.

It can be a difficult notion to wrap your head around, but once you've studied it,

there's no way you can turn your back on it.

This is what kept me in the faith—the profound knowledge of the holy presence of God—confirming one of the best decisions I could have ever made in partaking in Catholicism.

Or at least that's what I assumed.

Once confirming into Catholicism, things actually got more difficult, spiritually. I was faced with more doubt than ever before, not from my own mind but the minds of others. Specifically, other believers.

Christianity as a whole can be split into numerous branches. I personally find it silly to have so many denominations, all because certain ones don't meet our standards to our liking.

For simplicity, I'm going to split Christianity between Catholics and Protestants, Protestants being members who separated from the Roman Catholic Church, such as Baptists, Presbyterians, Lutherans and Nondenominational.

I feel that, by not being part of a protestant denomination, I've offended others. I know, it sounds crazy. Yet, once I

claimed the Catholic faith, heads seemed to turn and eyes shifted.

I could meet people who'd know my love for Jesus and support me and my beliefs fully, until they hear what denomination I'm in. Which, frankly, is heart-crushing.

It feels as if I'm being rejected by my own community. To feel at one moment that you're so loved by like-minded people, just for them to turn away from you all due to you not being the same religion as them.

This experience has molded me over the past few years. The idea that I can never openly discuss my faith, even around fellow believers, unless they're Catholic, formed inside of me, always feeling forced to take such a defensive position when questioned.

Quite often, I find myself trying to actively prove my faith to others due to another feeling of "not being a true Christian" when surrounded by protestants.

Now I feel I must clarify that this isn't all protestants. I have so many people in my life who love Jesus and aren't Catholic that I hold dear to my heart and love endlessly. And I know they love me too. However, I can't say it's the majority.

To further clarify, I speak for Catholics when I say we do the same thing. Truthfully, as Christians in general, we have to stop arguing and fighting one another. Through Christ's death, we're born again and adopted into the kingdom of God. So, brothers and sisters, may we please find the unity that Christ so desperately wanted from us: "Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace," Ephesians 4:3.

I know I won't fit in with every Christian group and what I've had to learn is that it doesn't have anything to do with the denominations but the hearts of the people in them. I am aware that all the denominations love and follow Jesus and admittedly, that's all I care about, whether or not I'm liked in the setting.

So though tension may seem inevitable, I challenge all of us, no matter our beliefs, to allow room at the table. Keeping ourselves rooted in our faiths and shifting our hearts into a mindset that's open and values the thoughts and opinions of others.



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Beaucoup

Cajun Country

This Beaucoup section attended the Homecoming football game, below are their thoughts.



Photos by Alyus Dick

Jenna Kimball

NEWS WRITER

The Homecoming football game was an interesting experience. I went alone, but I found some friends to hang out with when I got there.

It was fun, but there were so many people that it was a bit overwhelming at times.

Before the game started, I attended the student tailgate. Trying to walk from one place to another was definitely a

challenge, but once I found a relatively open spot to settle in, it was a lot of fun. That was probably my favorite part, getting to see all the students socializing and having fun while supporting their school.

During the game, I sat on a hill overlooking the field and it was amazing to see all the spirit and all the people who were there to cheer on the football team. I don't know much about how football works, but I genuinely enjoyed getting to be a part of the event.

Jarrett Roberts

GRADUATE ASSISTANT

For this Homecoming game I was taking photographs on the sidelines. My fellow photographer and I arrived around 2 p.m. to get ready for the pre-game events.

I tried my best to get good pictures of the pre-game performances of the band and the football team running on the field. Following these pre-game performances I would find my spots behind the endzones for the first half.

I was hopeful for the game at half as we were only down by a field goal. For halftime we would get photos of the Homecoming court and the performances done by the band, cheerleaders and dance team. After halftime I would again find my spots behind the endzones.

In terms of football games, I found this one boring to take pictures for. Besides the unexpected entry of our injured first string quarterback, the game was not very interesting, but I still enjoyed getting to take pictures of everything.

Kay Padilla

OFFICE OPERATIONS MANAGER

This was my first game where I stayed the entire time. I am not much for large crowds with drunk people and loud noises, but I decided to give it one last try.

My friends have been hyping me up to attend the Homecoming game and tailgate with them since the semester started. I, miraculously, mustered up the energy to tailgate and attend the game.

I am not a football fan, so I don't know what actually happened in the game, however my friends managed to keep me in the loop. My friend Ava was Homecoming Queen, I have friends in Pride of Acadiana and my coworkers were on the field photographing the game.

I enjoyed laughing with my friends in the stands and watching my friends work and perform on the field the most. Sometimes I need some friendly peer pressure to get out of my shell.

Charles Martin

SPORTS EDITOR

I have a very different Homecoming experience than most students at Louisiana do. I am a member of the Pride of Acadiana, so Homecoming for me is a full-day experience.

I got to Bourgeois Hall at 10:30 a.m. to unload my instrument and get dressed in uniform for the parade.

We marched around Our Lady of Lodes, ending just as the rain began to fall. After taking a bit of a break in

Bourgeois we got ready for our pregame show at the Tigre.

My favorite part of the game is always pregame, and going down the tunnel is always fun as the band chants "U-U-U-UL" over and over.

After the tunnel run and pregame we get set up in the stands.

The entire band was extremely glad that it did not rain because, while our uniform rain jackets are good at their job, they can get very hot.

Playing down cheers and stand tunes ensured that I was busy the entire game.

Food Review

Fish Box Sushi: Lafayette's brand new self-serve concept sushi restaurant

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Located on 530 Settlers Trace Blvd., Suite A, Fishbox Sushi is a unique sushi restaurant that features over 15 different sushi rolls (cooked and raw), tofu pockets and other classic small appetizers. Despite being brand-new, this establishment has had no problems fitting into the Lafayette food scene.

The sushi bar offers a wide variety of dishes, including rolls, nigiri and more. Among the selections are classic rolls like the Cucumber Wrap, Snow Crab Roll and Caterpillar Roll, as well as unique offerings such as the Crunchy Lafayette, Ragin' Cajun Roll and Sunset Roll.

Some of their other meal offerings are Baked Salmon Bites, Coconut Shrimp Inaru (tofu pocket), Crawfish Inaru, Unagi Nigiri, Tuna Nigiri, Squid Salad, Seaweed Salad and Edamame.

Opening in September 2025, owners Timmy Nguyen and Tory Tanh have created this establishment with the intention of bringing a new perspective on the sushi dining experience. Their passion to get a quick-serving sushi experience with their motto "fresh, fast and simple" has quickly resonated with the local community.

Nguyen has explained that "you



Photo by Ellie Schmidt

Exterior sign of Fish Box Sushi

make your own price by picking how much you want. It's basically a fast-food spot for sushi." This statement is self-explanatory when you enter the restaurant. You pick your box, grab however much you want and then weigh for the price. I can say that this is a new concept to the Lafayette area since I have never seen anything like this here.

The atmosphere of the restaurant is modern, to say the least. The entryway walls are covered in windows, while the other walls are plain white. There was a nice neon sign with their logo on it and the bar area had a light colored wood cover. The theme of the restaurant was black and white.

My colleague and I had the pleasure of visiting this restaurant on Thursday, Oct. 16. As we walked in, we were greeted by the employee behind the counter.

We then walked up to the counter to grab a box of our choice and start choosing our food. There were so many varieties of rolls that it was hard just to pick one. Luckily, you do not have to choose just one; you can fill your box with a variety of rolls.

I ended up opting for eight pieces of sushi, with a dumpling and a sushi eggroll, while my colleague got more than 10 pieces of sushi, along with nigiri, tofu pockets and a dumpling. Our food ended up being less than \$40, and with the amount of food we got plus a drink, I was surprised that it was that low.

We sat at a table near the window and began digging into our meal. Some of the rolls that I decided to get included the Kajitsu Roll, Snow Crab Roll, Ragin' Cajun Roll, Baked Salmon Roll and Crunchy Lafayette Roll. All of the rolls that I chose included the snow crab mix and several other ingredients such as shrimp tempura, cucumber and avocado.

I could not tell you what my colleague got, but she got at least one of every single roll. Our meal was nothing less

than phenomenal. The sushi tasted fresh and was indeed delicious and flavorful. I have no complaints about this fast-food themed restaurant, to my surprise.

The experience at Fishbox Sushi exceeded my expectations in every way. Not only was the sushi fresh and flavorful, but the concept of crafting your own meal was both fun and creative. It felt nice to have the freedom to mix and match the rolls without being confined to a menu.

After we finished our meals, I decided to interview Matthew Tanh, a senior majoring in visual arts and manager at the restaurant. "I've been working here since we opened. It's been awesome. Like it's probably the busiest I've been in a long time, but it's a good busy... I am just constantly moving, constantly working, so I never get bored."

When asked about his favorite aspect of working here, he responded with "I like that it's new... we got people coming in... they have never seen something like this before... so I just enjoy the whole new aspect of introducing people to this new concept."

The culture of this place was evident throughout my entire stay here. The sushi was delicious and the staff was terrific. If you would like to visit this restaurant, they are open everyday of the week from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.



Photo by Ellie Schmidt

Assortment of food to choose from at Fish Box sushi

SOUNDING OFF

"What is your favorite bathroom on campus?"



Warren Walker
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING FRESHMAN

"The upstairs Student Union bathroom because, it's like, nobody be in there, so it's just me in there."



A'Myria Porche
CIVIL ENGINEERING FRESHMAN

"... the one that's by the staircase on the first floor of the Student Union. It's the cleanest."



Natalie Mejia
NURSING FRESHMAN

"I like the bathroom that's kind of by, like, the auditorium.... No one's ever there."



Aubree Graves
PSYCHOLOGY SOPHOMORE

"... I think the nicer ones, I feel like Hamilton has really nice bathrooms."



Lawrence Petry
ACCOUNTING SOPHOMORE

"I would say probably the ones in the Union. I feel like they're the cleanest."



Carson Weber
CIVIL ENGINEERING SOPHOMORE

"Favorite bathroom is second floor communications building. It's empty. There's nobody there."

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