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**Above, center:** A young entomologist uses a magnifying glass to look at monarch butterfly wings with incredible detail. **Below, right:** A student holds a butterfly during Saturday's Monarch Festival.

## Trick or treat

### Oregon, Brooklyn set official Halloween hours

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Staff Reporter

The Villages of Oregon and Brooklyn discussed and set aside official time for 2022 Halloween celebrations at their respective Village Board meetings on Monday, Sept. 12. Oregon approved Trick-or-Treating hours from 5-8 p.m. and Brooklyn approved hours from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31.

Board members at both meetings noted that the pandemic caused an

inconsistency in what their communities could expect from Halloween. Both Villages decided to draft resolutions that would aim to promote a more uniform celebration schedule in years to come.

"I'd be in favor of putting something in writing so this doesn't keep coming forward every year," Trustee Derek Below said. "Historically, it's been on Halloween, from five to eight, since I was a kid... If we could put that in writing, that would be alright with me."

In Brooklyn, trustees asked similar questions.

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Photo by Eddie Brognano

Trick-or-Treaters gather outside a home during Halloween in 2021.

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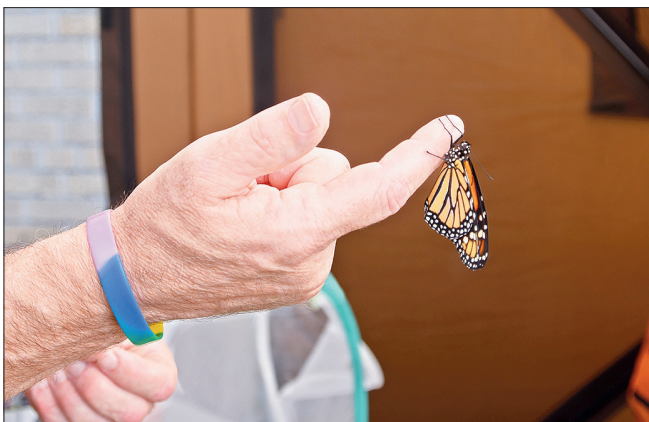
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Additional art with Monarch Butterflies

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**Left:** Monarch butterflies need approximately 3 hours after emerging from their chrysalis in order to feed and build the strength needed to fly. During this time, they are happy to just hang out on flowers, shrubs and even fingers. **Right:** A young butterfly prepares to take flight for the first time during Saturday's Monarch Festival.



### Town of Oregon

## Tensions rise over the future of TORC

### Town considers ending garbage collection at recycling center

Accusations of misinformation and aggression flew at the Town of Oregon Board Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 6 during discussion of the Town of Oregon Recycling Center's (TORC) future. Tensions over the potentially shutting-down of its garbage collection services continued to rise despite no formal decision yet being made.

In previous board and

committee meetings, Oregon officials have debated over whether to continue using TORC or to switch to curbside garbage pick-up services provided by Pellitteri in an effort to address budget shortfalls. Fred Clark Jr.—a member of the newly formed Solid Waste and Recycling Committee—explained in their June 30 meeting that TORC has lost the town \$13,000 since the beginning of the year.

Additionally, committee members were able to estimate cost information based on presentations from

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