Verbatim

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: being in or following the exact words **:** WORD-FOR-WORD
// a *verbatim* report of life at Cardigan

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What is GSA and what do you want to achieve as a group?

Reporter | Damian Zhu

GSA stands for Gender Sexuality Alliance and is a place where Cardigan students can learn and discuss topics of the LGBTQIA+ community in a brave space. We want people to learn to be okay with LGBTQIA+ students and/or faculty and learn how to be an ally.

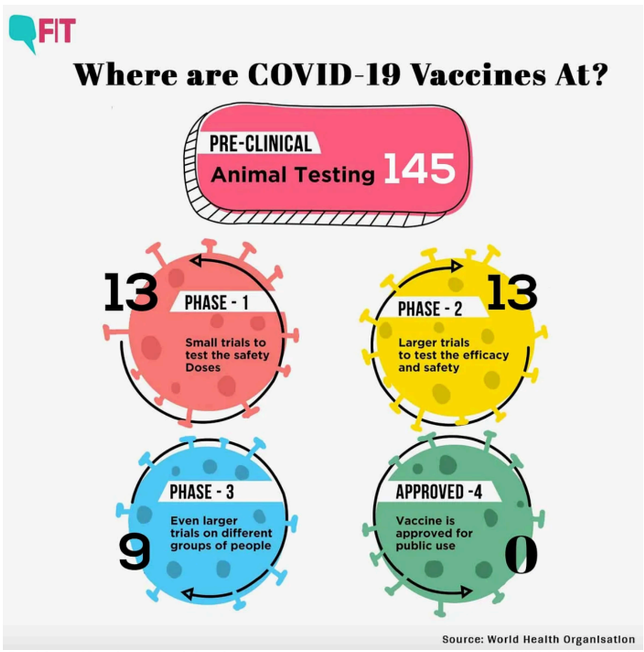
What is different about the group this year compared to last year?

With our group growing and being larger than last year we have been able to have a lot more activism compared to last year where many of us were new to the GSA and just learning the ropes and learning more about what GSA is. Another difference this year is the election. The election has a huge effect on the record number of elected officials that are a part of the LGBTQIA+ community.

What action has the group taken to create a better community?

Some of the actions we have taken here in GSA is to inform the Cardigan Community about the LGBTQIA+ community and how it is being affected by the world we live in. Recently we have discussed themes such as the Covid-19 pandemic, the Pope announcing his support of same sex civil union, and the recent Elections. One of the things we have also done in GSA is to teach the Cardigan community how to help and respect the LGBTQIA+community.

LGBTQIA+ Community in Action — Washtenaw Community College



Covid-19 Vaccines Explained — WHO, The Quint

"A Great Day for Science and Humanity"

Editor-in-Chief | Harrison Huang

With every second, an American contracts Covid-19. At this present moment, the world has just hit 50 million confirmed Covid-19 cases with over 1 million deaths. Last Monday, pharmaceutical giant and Fortune 500 corporation Pfizer Inc. and German biotechnology company BioNTech SE released data that demonstrated a Covid-19 vaccine is on the path of transforming this world. Their clinical trial enrolled 43,538 participants and investigated 94 infections so far, suggesting the shots may be 90% effective at preventing Covid-19. Dr. Albert Bourla, Pfizer Inc.'s CEO, called the results "a great day for science and humanity".

Apart from its contemporary equivalents, the Covid-19 vaccine not only requires two consecutive shots, but brings the new technique of regulating messenger RNA and stopping the propagation of viruses. Unlike cells, viruses infect a cell's ribosomes—the cellular machinery for protein production—rather than going through mitosis or meiosis. Covid-19 is no different in this viral replication process. A special feature of mRNA, its complete lack of viruses reassured scientists to make possible an immune response protecting the host without giving way to virus propagation.

Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, suggested that the effectiveness is extraordinary and beyond expectations, and is likely to "have a major impact on everything one does with respect to Covid-19". The developers have estimated that 50 million doses of the vaccine could be available, covering over 25 million people around the world by the end of 2020.

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Culture

Yeah. This is where we live!

Evening Glow of the Point on Last Thursday of Fall Term

Photo by Mr. John Burritt

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