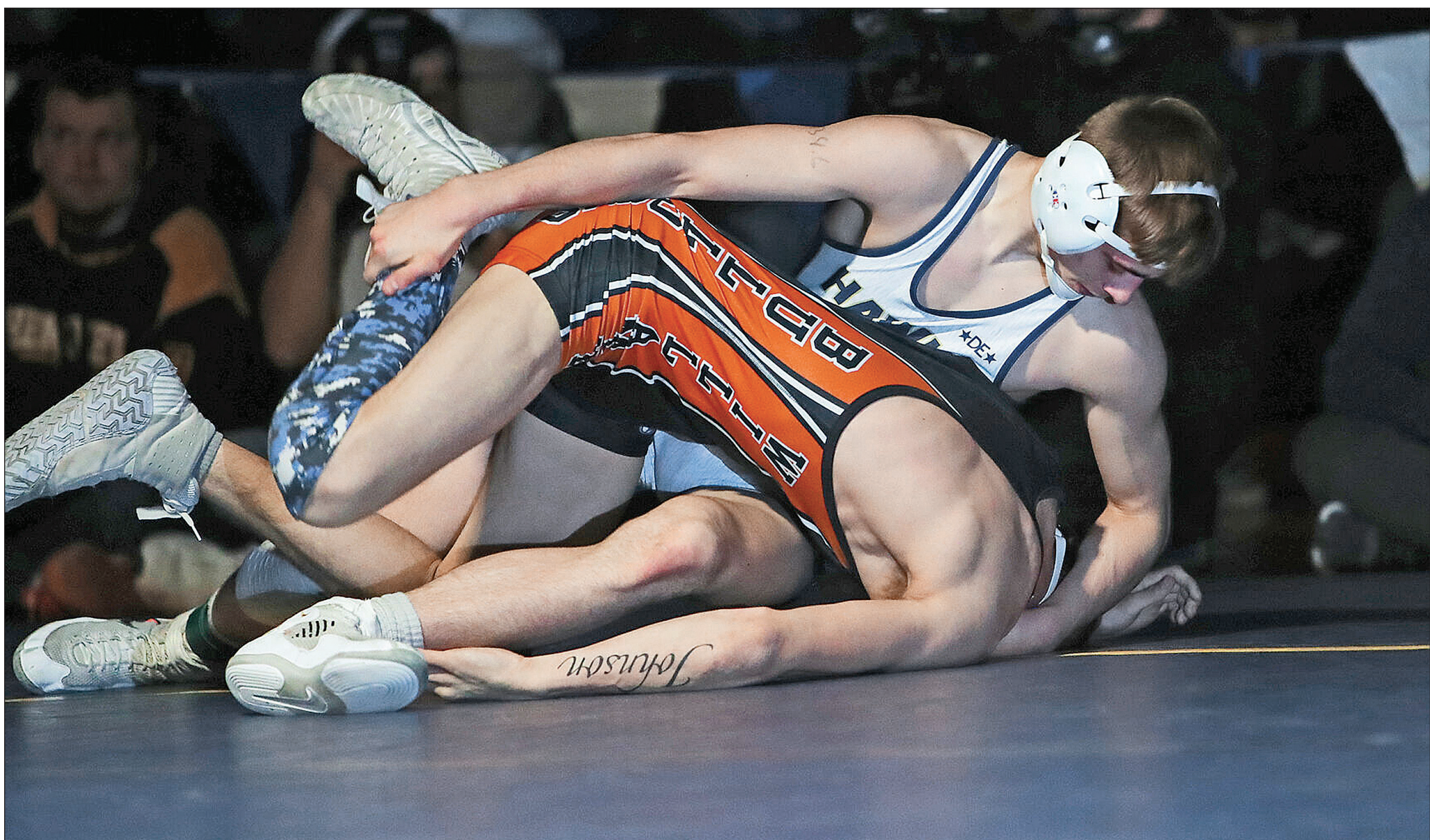


PREP WRESTLING

OSAA floats return of multiple state tournaments



Ryan Brennecke/The Bulletin

La Pine's Dylan Mann grapples with Austin Johnson during the 138-pound championship match of the OSAA 3A wrestling state championships in La Pine in February.

BY BRIAN RATHBONE

For the Spokesman

Winning the Class 3A 132-pound state wrestling title this year was memorable in more ways than one for La Pine senior Dylan Mann.

How could it not? He won his second individual title and helped the Hawks capture their third state title in the program. Also playing a factor, Mann got to close out his high school wrestling career in his home gym in front of a crowd that rarely sees him compete.

"Being in front of friends and kids who don't get to see me wrestle often — the feeling is just incredible," said Mann.

After all, he was wrestling in the gym of La Pine High, a gym that due to the nature of high school wrestling — a lot of weekends spent at wrestling tournaments around the state with minimal home competitions — rarely sees home meets let alone with the significance of state meets.

Since 1997, the state wrestling meet has been held at the Memorial Coliseum in Portland in all but four years. From 2005 to 2007, it was held at the the State Fairgrounds Pavilion in Salem, and this past winter state meets were held in six different locations.

For the 2022-26 time block of high school sports, wrestling state tournaments could again be held in different locations. The Oregon School Activities Association State Championship Committee is mulling it over after hearing testimonies for what the upcoming four years could like like.

"Individual sites worked as well as we thought they would," Culver wrestling coach JD Alley told the committee at the meeting last Monday in Wilsonville. "Feedback has been good on individual sites as well."

Central Oregon was at the heart of the state's championship weekend in late February. Four of the six different tournaments were held locally. Ridgeview held the Class 5A meet in Redmond, La Pine hosted the 3A meet and Culver held both the girls and the 2A/1A meet. The 6A (Sandy High) and 4A (Cascade High) meets were held on the west side of the mountains.

Having the meets separate, each classification got to be the main event in a more intimate setting than competing in a venue the size of Memorial Coliseum.

DEATH NOTICES

Kathryn (Gibson) Slinky

November 3, 1944 - March 13, 2022

She will be remembered fondly for her love of reading the bible and watching the news. Survived by her five daughters Peggy, Amber, Diana, Patricia & Kathleen, 15 adored grandchildren & 18 great-grandchildren, Siblings: Linda, Shirly & Charles, numerous nephews, nieces and friends. The family will hold a private memorial.

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At La Pine during the championship bouts, each wrestler came running out of tunnels and onto the mat where they would be wrestling under a single light. Had it been held at the Coliseum, all of the title matches for each classification would be going at the same time.

Plus, competing in small gyms allowed for viewers to be

closer to the action, with families of wrestlers competing in La Pine getting mat-side seats.

"We set up everything just the way we wanted," said Mann. "With the run-outs, the light show. It was so unique. You aren't up 20 feet in the bleachers, it feels more like a dual meet."

Hosting the state tournaments, there was a sense of pride for the events that the

programs were able to put on with relatively short notice.

The committee presented a plan to once again have the state championships in different venues, however with two separate locations — one for 6A and 5A, and another for 4A, 3A, 2A/1A. The girls meet would also split its state tournament at the same location as the related classifications — in-

stead of six.

The State Championship Committee is narrowing what the state championship picture will look like across all high school sports for the next four years. The committee will give its recommendation to the OSAA's executive board on Monday, April 18.

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OBITUARY



DANIEL LEE SMITH

July 4, 1946 - March 20, 2022

Daniel Lee Smith passed away at his home in John Day on March 20, 2022 at 75 years old. Daniel was born July 4, 1946 to Lenora and Garland Smith in Portland. He had three siblings.

Daniel married Vaughn Ford in 1979, and they raised three daughters together in the Portland area until moving to Central Oregon in 1991.

Daniel did many things in his career, but the bulk of it was driving for United Grocers (Unified) for over 30 years until he retired. During his retirement, he and his wife Vaughn spent time traveling to Alaska and enjoying fishing. They kept their home in Central Oregon as a home base to be close to their kids and grandkids. In the last few years, they spent their winters in Quartzsite, Arizona exploring the area with friends. Daniel enjoyed hunting in the Strawberry Mountains, fishing, exploring on the side by side ATV, and spending time with family and friends. He loved classic cars and old western movies. Over his lifetime he loved to share his knowledge and skills with others. Daniel had a great big heart and loved many nieces and nephews as his own.

Daniel is preceded in death by his father, mother and sister.

He is survived by his wife, Vaughn Smith; daughters Candy Sutton, Rebecca Smith and Julianne Shafer; brother, grandsons and many nieces and nephews.

As per Daniel's wishes, there is no service planned. A celebration of life will be held at a later date in Redmond

OBITUARY



Gregory Peterson

June 13, 1963 - March 18, 2022

Gregory Peterson, 58, of Redmond passed away Friday. He was born in The Dalles to Marvin Lavern and Margaret Risteen (Eseke) Peterson.

He was one of four children. The family relocated to Redmond while he was young. Greg was an active, outgoing, and faithful husband, father, and friend. He grew up in Redmond where he enjoyed playing baseball during his youth, a passion he passed down to each of his children. Greg met his wife, LeAnn, in 1990 where they worked at Tektronix together. They married in 1996 with their friends and family present for the celebration. He spent 20+ years working for Deschutes County Juvenile Justice Detention Center, where he used his influence to motivate adolescents to set goals and achieve them. He worked to bring out the best in each person, had strong shoulders to support those around him, and loved without expectation.

Greg could be found with his friends and family camping during the summer, grilling, fishing, and hunting during his free time. Together with his wife, multiple family vacations were successfully put together where there was never a shortage of laughter and happiness amongst all. He had a gravitational pull that brought people together and left each person rich with joy. Our world will forever be impacted by the man he was and the memories we hold dear.

He is survived by his wife LeAnn Peterson; children: Matt AnDyke and fiancé Kim, Jennifer Mohler and husband Robert, Brittany Benson and husband Brandon; brothers: Jeff Peterson, Tim Peterson; grandchildren: Ethan and Elliot; and multiple nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and brother Mark Peterson.

Sweet Home Funeral Chapel is handling arrangements. www.sweethomefuneral.com

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