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which was one of the reasons Handley scheduled the match.

The Warriors had won a game the previous night with more than 50 points, but defensive efforts on the part of the Celtics bottled up Kamehameha shooters, particularly late in the game.

Kamehameha started the game with a 5-0 lead, but a bucket by senior Madi Hingston and two by Sydney Hunter put the Keizer team back in control. McNary held onto the lead until midway through the second quarter when the Warriors knotted the score 15-15 with 4:53 to go in the half.

"The good thing was that Handley knew their coach and we knew they would be a high-intensity team going into it," said Celt Kailey Doult.

A three-pointer by Kamehameha put it in the lead briefly, but a pair of shots by Celt Kaelie Flores put McNary ahead again.

In the third frame, a pair of shots from the foul line by Hingston gave McNary a four-point lead, but scrappy play by the Warriors allowed them to tie the game again, this time at 25-25. McNary regained the lead on a two-point shot by Celt Jaylene Montano with a minute to go in the quarter.

In the fourth quarter, McNary shot its last five points of the night from the foul line. The Warriors got off a three-pointer four seconds from the final buzzer for the



McNary's Reina Strand puts up a shot during the game with the Kamehameha Warriors Saturday, Dec. 5.

final score.

"I think it was a great first game because they were a really tough team," said Montano. "It set us up for the season ahead to know where we can be this in the league and in the state playoffs."

The one hiccup in the Celtics' gameplan for the night was ball security. While McNary limited turnovers to six in the first half, some individual players had six turnovers on their own in the sec-

ond half, Handley said.

"We have been preaching being aggressive to the basket all season and that's what the girls were doing. Now we have to pull back a little bit. It was a problem, but a fixable problem, and I'd rather be in this position than having to amp them up," Handley said.

After focusing on defense in practices running up to the first game, Doult said she was happy to see the payoff against the Warriors.

"Our defense was very good and it was defensive game. We also had good help defense and that's something we've been working on," Doult said.

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"I let him get me in a position I shouldn't have," Phelps said. "For the most part, I took quick shots and stayed aggressive."

Ebbs said Keifer Smith, Kyle Bonn and freshman Ricky Vincent all performed well even if they didn't end up with more wins.

"Ricky went 1-2 and came real close in his Roseburg match. He competed overall and didn't back down," Ebbs said.

Phelps said the top of the list for improvements was defensive strategies.



Celt Noah Grunberg tries to free himself from the grip of a Dallas High School opponent.

"Our offense is pretty decent, but our defense is what killed us. We kept making

mistakes and the opponents were able to capitalize on it all day long," he said.

BOYS: 'We're out to prove something.'

(Continued from Page A12) Goff also made huge contributions in the second half of the second game," Kirch said.

The Celtics faced Tualatin High School Tuesday, Dec. 8, at home and travel to meet West Albany High School in the first GVC contest of the season Friday, Dec. 11.

While Kirch and the players were happy with the outcomes of the first games, they knew their was still room to grow.

"We have to do a better job of getting to the rim. We set ourselves up for outside shots a little too often when we had other options," Kirch said.

Van Cleave said it was nice to pick up where the last season left off, but the team was just getting started.

"This year we're out to prove something to those people who are still doubting us. We're the real deal and we want to go far in the playoffs," he said.

Shop with a Cop Saturday

Law Enforcement for Youth's Shop with a Cop program is again striving to serve 400 children during the Christmas season. The program partners children in need with a law enforcement officer to shop together for a holiday gift.

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