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During a typical summer, member schools will hold athletic events, such as summer league baseball or passing league football. These are not considered OSAA sanctioned events as they are organized by individual coaches and schools.

However, Weber noted that, due to the circumstances, that the OSAA could be more involved with summer sports this year. “Typically, we won’t have a ton of involvement. But we will be discussing increasing our involvement and taking the lead on what schools should do and what is safe. We want to keep everyone on a level playing field,” Weber

“We empathize with students, and school communities, especially our graduating seniors...”

— Peter Weber
Executive Director OSAA

said. More information will be communicated via www.osaa.org as it becomes available.

Weber encourages people not to be distraught about the loss of the spring season, but to instead be thankful for the many tools that prep sports have provided to all student-athletes across the state.

“Everyone is disappointed. Sports are a big part of people’s lives. People cried when they got the news. But all the skills and traits that kids learned over the course of their high school careers will last forever as they move forward with their lives. We need to always remember that,” Weber said. “Now more than ever we need to apply the lessons learned through participation in education-based activities — teamwork, sacrifice, resilience — and play our role in adhering to the public health guidelines. We all look forward to the day when we play again.”

Meithof, Douth earn all-region honors



Meithof

McNary junior basketball players Nate Meithof and Leah Douth were named to the All-Region team by the *Statesman Journal*.

Meithof was named the



Douth

MVC co-player of the year for the Celtics boys team after averaging over 23 points and 9 rebounds per game — both of which were the fourth best marks in the

state. He was also named the all-region player of the year. Douth, on the other hand, averaged 13.3 points per game and led the McNary girls squad in three-point

turnover ratio. She also was the Celtics assist leader, averaging over four a game — she was the only player on the team with a positive assist-to-

Rios receives multiple football offers

In a span of three days, McNary junior linebacker Dyani Rios received three scholarship offers to play Division I football.

Rios announced on his Twitter page that the University of Idaho, Georgetown University and Dartmouth University have all offered him scholarships to continue his education and athletic career.

Rios is entering into his

senior year with a 4.18 GPA. On the field, Rios led McNary with 97 tackles and was named second-team all-league linebacker for the second straight season.

Rios also was a first-team all-league performer at tight end and helped the Celtics win back-to-back Mountain Valley Conference championships. He is currently undecided on where he wants to attend.



Rios

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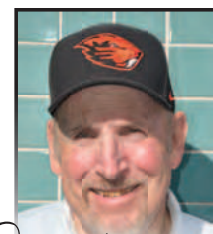
Stuff is good

As I sit here in my recliner watching the news, I realize I feel like I’m in a sci-fi movie and we’re all actors in this surrealistic event. I would be easy to slide in a ‘poor me’ syndrome, but I have so many things to be thankful for, so I try to stay positive.

I can’t go fishing because my wife, Darlene, has essentially grounded me—only because she loves me. I can work, which is fortunate. Many people are

not so lucky. Mowing my customers’ lawns without any social contact is a safe endeavor and it’s good exercise.

I have been able to clean and (halfway) organize the garage. I was able to find enough stuff we didn’t use to make a trip to the dump. It is painful because guys need stuff. Women don’t understand the importance of stuff. Guys know that these things will



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 by JIM TAYLOR

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be needed sometime in the future. No matter that it hasn’t been needed for a decade, you never know when a project might require that obscure item you saved. Oh well, I took it all to the dump.

My vice has gotten a workout as I spend time tying some fishing flies I hope to use in a month or two. Our annual trip to our favorite lake in June is still a maybe. All boat ramps are now closed and we can only hope that all is behind us so we can go. If the flies I’m tying can’t be used this spring, I’ll have fewer to tie for the next year.

My son, Jeff, who lives in the Redmond area, had a couple of great hours on the middle Deschutes River one day last week. A prolific hatch of March Brown mayflies had a big brown trout feeding like crazy. He landed 30 browns up to 15 inches before the hatch subsided. He called me as soon as he got back to his truck. At least I can fish through him if I can’t be there myself. I can find satisfaction in knowing that I taught him well.

As I wait for the credits to roll on this sci-fi movie were making, I remember we’re all in this together. It’s a war against an unseen enemy and we all share the same foxhole. We all share the anxieties and fear of the unknown.

As Americans always have, we’re rising to the challenge. We are once again working together for the whole. If we continue to do the things individually to stop this pandemic we will prevail. The coverage of our first responders, doctors, nurses, store clerks and truck drivers show us how great the people of our country are. We must sacrifice some of ourselves to ease their sacrifice. We can all be our better selves.

This will all pass in time. The credits will roll, we’ll climb out of our foxhole and life as we know it will return. I’ll get ungrounded and once again grab my flared and head to the water. Until then I’m going to just chill and start collecting more stuff. I am sure I will need it again. Someday.