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Astoria, 47-24

The Daily Astorian

In the third-place girls' game of the Vince Dulcich Memorial Tournament, Rainier built a 26-16 halftime lead and pulled away in the third quarter on its way to a 47-25 win over Astoria Thursday.

Desirae Hansen and Haley Schimmel scored nine points apiece for the Columbians, the eighth-ranked team at the 3A level. Jadyn Crape and Aspen Norman combined for 16 more for Rainier, 9-2 overall.

Alexis Wallace led Astoria with eight points, while Sam Hemsley and Julia Norris added six apiece for the Lady Fishermen.

Eagles soar  
past Blue Jays

The Daily Astorian

EDDYVILLE — A short-handed Jewell team struggled to score Thursday, in a nonleague game at Eddyville, where the Eagles posted a 51-24 win over the Blue Jays.

Sophomore Trent Kinion scored 14 points to lead nine players in the scoring column for Eddyville, which led 13-2 after one quarter.

Jewell played without Ben Stahly and a few others, and had just six players in uniform. Nathan Kane had 11 points and 10 rebounds for the Jays.

Alsea rallies past  
Jewell, 46-40

The Daily Astorian

EDDYVILLE — Alsea overcame a 34-28 deficit going into the fourth quarter Thursday, as the Wolverines rallied for a 46-40 win over Jewell in a nonleague girls basketball game played at Eddyville.

Alsea sophomore Abbie Lowther scored 26 points to lead the way, with the Wolverines outscoring the Lady Jays 18-6 in the fourth quarter.

Heidi Hollenbach led Jewell with 14 points and 11 rebounds, while Emma Guillen had nine points and Gabi Morales added nine rebounds for the Jays.

## SCOREBOARD

## PREP SCHEDULE

## TODAY

Girls Basketball: Warrenton at Knappa, 6:15 p.m.

Boys Basketball: Warrenton at Knappa, 8 p.m.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

**Hockinson 45, Astoria 41**  
HOC (45): Micah Paulsen 13, Gospe 10, S.Racanelli 7, Brammer 6, Panfiglio 5, Venema 4.

**AST (41):** Ole Englund 16, Gohl 9, Wallace 7, Palek 5, Arnsdorf 2, Olson 2, O'Brien, Burchfield, Johnson.

**Hockinson 6 13 12 14—45**  
**Astoria 14 8 6 13—41**

## Eddyville 51, Jewell 24

**JWL (24):** Nathan Kane 11, Hinson 8, Littlepage 1, Culp, Lilley, Meehan.

**EDD (51):** Trent Kinion 14, Spikes 9, Russell 7, Cottle 4, Collier 3, Rariden 2, Rorie 2, Weber 2, Davis 2.

**Jewell 2 8 4 10—24**  
**Eddyville 13 13 15 10—51**

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Rainier 47, Astoria 25

**RAI (47):** Desirae Hansen 9, Haley Schimmel 9, Crape 8, As.Norman 8, Gray 4, Harkleroad 4, Taylor 4, Sanchez 1.

**AST (25):** Alexis Wallace 8, Hemsley 6, Norris 6, Hankwitz 3, Cummings 1, O'Brien 1, DeMander, Rogers, Gimre, Nash.

**Rainier 16 10 12 9—47**  
**Astoria 7 9 2 7—25**

## Alsea 46, Jewell 40

**JWL (40):** Heidi Hollenbach 14, Guillen 9, Littlepage 7, Norman 7, G.Morales 2, Kaczanski 1, N.Morales, Olvera, Murray.

**ALS (46):** Abbie Lowther 26, Reed 4, Frederick 4, Oteman 4, Chilcote 3, Harper 2, Bishop 2, Begley 1.

**Jewell 8 13 13 6—40**  
**Alsea 9 13 6 18—46**

## Hawks win low-scoring battle at Brick House

By GARY HENLEY

The Daily Astorian

The Hockinson Hawks could not buy a basket over the first 10 minutes of Thursday's game at the Brick House.

The Astoria Fishermen couldn't buy one in the third quarter and a good part of the fourth.

In the end, the north end basket set a Brick House record for most blocked shots in a single game, which resulted in a low-scoring, 45-41 win for Hockinson, in the final game of Astoria's 2016 Vince Dulcich Memorial Tournament.

The Hawks' won the final boys'

game of the tourney, shortly after North Marion defeated Hockinson 48-40 in the girls' final.

Freshman Micah Paulsen scored 13 points off the bench to lead the Hockinson boys, who began the night by making just two of their first 15 shots from the field, and trailed 16-6 early in the second quarter.

But in a game of big momentum swings, Paulsen was responsible for the first one, as he hit three straight 3-pointers to help turn the 10-point deficit into a 17-16 lead.

Meanwhile, the Fishermen were controlling the boards early on, with numerous offensive rebounds resulting

in second-chance shots.

Josh Olson answered Paulsen's 3-pointer with an offensive rebound basket, and Olaf Englund scored twice late in the second quarter for a 22-19 Astoria lead at halftime.

Englund opened the second half with a three-point play for a 25-19 advantage, but the game took a turn for the worse for the Fishermen.

Englund's basket was the only shot Astoria made from the field in the third period, as the Fishermen were just 1-of-7 in the quarter.

The Hawks took advantage, with Sawyer Racanelli and Matt Gospe combining for 11 points over the next

eight minutes to put Hockinson in front, 33-28 early in the fourth.

And the Hawks would maintain their lead the rest of the game, taking advantage of numerous offensive rebounds and free throws to lock up the win.

Paulsen was 4-for-4 at the line in the final minute, and Mason Panfiglio added two more for a 45-39 lead with five seconds left.

One night after scoring 28, Englund led the Fishermen with 16 points, with nine from Jasyr Gohl.

Astoria will take an eight-day break before hosting Corbett Jan. 6.

Seahawks seek bye, while  
49ers head into offseason

By JOSH DUBOW

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — The Seattle Seahawks are stumbling into the playoffs instead of peaking as usual at this time of year.

With three losses in the past five games, the Seahawks (9-5-1) head into Sunday's season finale at San Francisco (2-13) needing a win and some help in order to secure a first-round bye.

Coach Pete Carroll's teams usually are at their best down the stretch, winning five straight to end 2012, nine of 11 in 2013, six in a row in 2014 and six of seven last year to surge into the postseason.

"When you lose, you can't look at what people are writing, you just have to believe in your teammates and believe in the organization and the coaches," defensive lineman Michael Bennett said. "I think everyone in this organization believes that we can win a Super Bowl and believes that we can win the playoff games. That's all that really matters. It doesn't really matter about everything else."

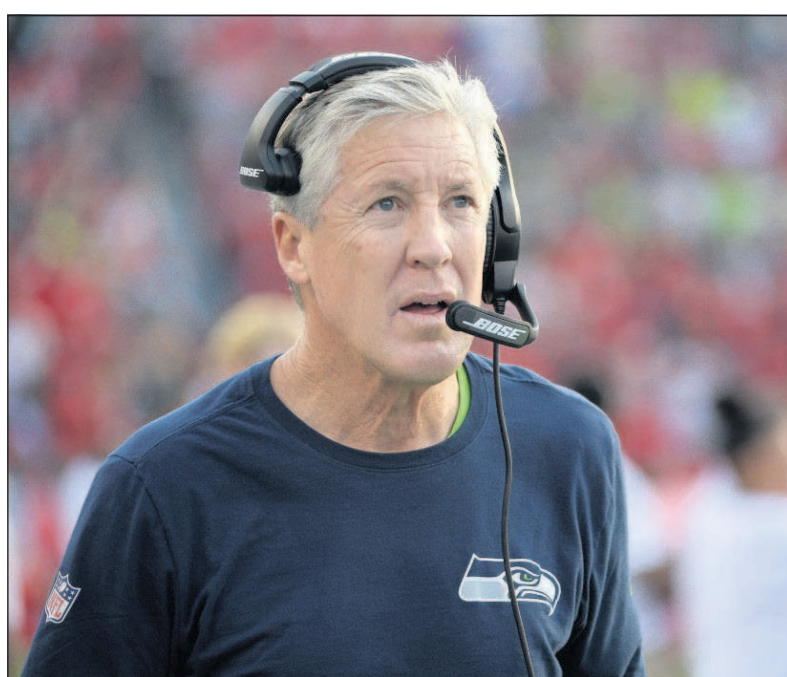
The 49ers can only wish to have problems like the Seahawks. San Francisco snapped a franchise-record 13-game losing streak by winning 22-21 last week in Los Angeles, and need another win Sunday to avoid tying the franchise record for losses in a season reached in 1978, '79 and 2004.

Instead of gearing up for the playoffs, the 49ers are headed into another offseason of uncertainty with questions about the job security of general manager Trent Baalke and coach Chip Kelly, and a roster overhaul expected as the Niners look to rebound.

"You know there's going to be some kind of change," Niners left tackle Joe Staley said. "That's how it is. All you can concern yourself with is doing your job and holding up your end of the bargain."

## UP NEXT: SEAHAWKS

• Seattle Seahawks (9-5-1)  
at San Francisco 49ers (2-13)  
• Sunday, 1:25 p.m. TV: FOX



AP Photo/Phelan M. Ebenhack

Seattle Seahawks head coach Pete Carroll walks the sideline prior to the start of an NFL football game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Tampa, Fla., in November. With three losses in the past five games, the Seahawks (9-5-1) head into the Jan. 1 season finale at San Francisco (2-13) needing a win and some help in order to secure a first-round bye.



AP Photo/Bill Wippert

San Francisco 49ers head coach Chip Kelly talks to his players during the first half of an NFL football game against the Buffalo Bills, in Orchard Park, N.Y., in October. San Francisco snapped a franchise-record 13-game losing streak by winning 22-21 last week in Los Angeles and need another win on Jan. 1 to avoid tying the franchise record for losses in a season reached in 1978, '79 and 2004.

## Seattle will use handful of options to replace Lockett

By TIM BOOTH

Associated Press

RENTON, Wash. — Replacing Tyler Lockett isn't simple.

The second-year wide receiver for the Seattle Seahawks is more than just a pass catcher. He's the primary kick-off and punt returner for the Seahawks as well, which was the primary reason Seattle took him in the third round of the 2015 draft. Lockett's become so versatile he even owns the Seahawks longest touchdown run of the season on a 75-yarder a few weeks ago against Carolina.

So when Lockett went down with a gruesome broken right leg last week against Arizona there was more than just Seattle's No. 2 wide receiver that was lost. And it's why the Seahawks will be counting on a handful of options to try and make up for Lockett's absence.

"We definitely lose his versatility in terms of speed and quickness," teammate Doug Baldwin said. "Hopefully Paul (Richardson) can kind of fill that role, fill those shoes, because he is extremely explosive as well. But Tyler was also extremely elusive when he got the ball in his hands. There are very few people in the NFL who can move like he does when he gets the ball in his hands. We'll definitely miss that."



Seattle Seahawks' Tyler Lockett, right, catches the ball as Arizona Cardinals' Brandon Williams moves in for the tackle in the first half of an NFL football game, Saturday in Seattle.

AP Photo Ted S. Warren

When Lockett went down in the second quarter last week, Seattle lost its most versatile offensive player and one that was seeing more opportunity as he finally got healthy after an early-season knee injury. Two games ago, Lockett had a career-high 130 yards receiving and a touchdown in a victory over Los Angeles.

Part of that growth was opportunity. Lockett had taken over as Seattle's No. 2 wide receiver after Jermaine Kearse was demoted as part of a disappointing season. Kearse will likely move back into that role opposite Baldwin. Rookie Tanner McEvoy and Kasen Williams — promoted from the practice squad this week — will also get chances in Seattle's wide receiver rotation.

But the player Seattle needs to show up most is Richardson, just as he did last week with four receptions for 42 yards and a touchdown after Lockett was hurt.

"He really jumped at the opportunities, which is so often our case that we see our guys do that," Seattle coach Pete Carroll said. "When you give them a shot they come through and they do something, and I thought Paul really responded beautifully for us."

What Richardson lacks in experience, despite being in his third season, he can make up for in pure speed. Even more than Lockett, Richardson may be Seattle's fastest wide receiver and the one best equipped for stretching the field in the same way Seattle has tried to do with Lockett.

OSU  
ushers in  
Barnes as  
athletic  
director

Associated Press

CORVALLIS — Scott Barnes was already detailing his plan for the future of the Beavers as he was introduced at Oregon State's athletic director.

Barnes, hired as Oregon State's vice president and director of intercollegiate athletics last week, said among his areas of focus are the academic success of student-athletes, the competitive success of the Beavers' teams and developing new revenue streams.

"It's really about a bigger vision," Barnes said Thursday. "We are building for stability and sustainability in our programs."

Oregon State President Ed Ray praised Barnes as a "proven performer."

"We need someone at this point in time to help us move this program to the next level," Ray said. "I honestly believe he can do this."

Barnes comes to Oregon State from Pittsburgh, where he served as athletic director for just over 18 months. He said he will remain in the position at Pitt until Feb. 12.

Barnes replaces Todd Stansbury, who was with the Beavers for a little more than a year before leaving in September to become the AD at Georgia Tech, his alma mater.

Barnes said he will not make wholesale changes at Oregon State at first, instead embarking on a "methodical assessment" before any changes are made.

Barnes, who replaced Steve Pederson at Pitt in April 2015, came to the Panthers after working in the same position at Utah State. During his tenure at Utah State, Barnes hired Gary Andersen as the Aggies' football coach in 2009. Andersen is now the head coach at Oregon State.

On Thursday Barnes said he and Andersen are close friends. Just before Barnes was hired, Oregon State signed Andersen to a contract extension through the 2021 season.

Barnes has spent the majority of his life in the western part of the United States. He played basketball at Fresno State and has worked in various capacities at Humboldt State in California, Eastern Washington, Washington and Utah State.

The Spokane, Washington, native said the locale contributed to his decision, as well as personal reasons, including a family illness. He also joked that the family has a dog named Benny — same as Oregon State's Beaver mascot.

"To be back out in the Pacific Northwest is an absolute no-brainer," Barnes said.

Oregon State features 18 sports with 535 athletes and an operating budget of \$84 million, a slightly larger operation than Pittsburgh, which has 19 sports, 475 student-athletes and a \$75 million budget.

"Our ability to be successful in the Pac-12 is something that creates a sense of urgency — and I'm excited about that," Barnes said. "It's a big time conference and Oregon States a big-time institution."