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Gulls will team up, one more time

The Daily Astorian

The Seaside Gulls will be well-represented this weekend in the annual Oregon Athletic Coaches Association's All-Star basketball series in Eugene and Wilsonville.

Seaside's Bill Westerholm will serve as one of three coaches for the North All-Stars, and he will have three of his former players on the roster, when the North goes up against All-Star teams from other areas of the state.

The 45th annual All-Star series features the top small-school (2A/3A/4A) seniors from Oregon.

And the North roster will include three recent graduates

from the 4A state champion Gulls. Class 4A state Player of the Year Jackson Januik tops the list, and he will be joined by teammates Attikin Babb and Hunter Thompson.

The North team will also include Valley Catholic seniors Colin Hagerty and Daniel Hardy, while Dayton's Ron Hop and Vernonia's David Weller will join Westerholm on the North coaching staff.

The North All-Stars open play Friday against the East All-Stars, 8:15 p.m. at Northwest Christian College in Eugene. The winner will play at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at Wilsonville High School against either the West or South All-Stars. The loser of Friday's



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From left to right, Seaside High graduates Hunter Thompson, Attikin Babb and Jackson Januik will team up one last time for the North All-Stars this weekend.

game will play at 3 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for students, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for middle

school students.

NORTH All-Stars
 Attikin Babb, Seaside

Zach Bernards, Dayton
 Levi Dalzell, Columbia Christian
 Colin Hagerty, Valley Catholic
 Daniel Hardy, Valley Catholic
 Jackson Januik, Seaside
 Devin McShane, Amity
 Hunter Thompson, Seaside
Coaches
 Ron Hop, Dayton
 David Weller, Vernonia
 Bill Westerholm, Seaside

EAST All-Stars
 Sam Blankenship, Estacada
 Shaw Broncheau, Weston-McEwen
 Hayden Brooks, Estacada
 Scott Davies, Burns
 Logan Grieb, Heppner
 Zack Jacobs, La Grande
 Doug Kirchofer, Estacada
 Brandon McGilvray, Imbler
 Trayse Riggie, Imbler
Coaches
 Kelly Norman, Estacada
 Brian Pickard, Weston-McEwen

WEST All-Stars
 Julian Downey, Santiam
 Austin Gerding, Philomath
 Keegan Greaney, Sisters
 Alonzo Ranch, Harrisburg
 Tanner Scanlan, North Marion
 Blake Sentman, Cottage Grove
 Cal Stueve, Philomath
 Logan Wallaert, Colton
 Marshal Warmouth, Sutherlin
Coaches
 Blake Ecker, Philomath
 J.D. Hill, Santiam

SOUTH All-Stars
 Chris Case, Klamath Union
 Carson Cochran, Cascade Chr.
 Derrick Dunn, Lakeview
 Cody Gray, South Umpqua
 Austin Moore, Bandon
 Zane Olive, Bandon
 Kyle Otis, Toledo
 Joel Snyder, Oakridge
Coaches
 Ken Nice, Bandon
 Eddie Townsend, Toledo

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Game on: Tragedy won't stop annual baseball game

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The game will go on.

The annual Congressional Baseball Game, which dates to 1909 and is a summertime tradition on Capitol Hill, will be played today despite Wednesday's shooting at the GOP squad's practice in Alexandria, Virginia that left several wounded.

It's an annual tradition in which aging former Little Leaguers don their spikes and dust off their gloves in a game played for bragging rights and to benefit several charities. It's also a somewhat rare example of bipartisanship in an increasingly polarized Washington.

House Speaker Paul Ryan assured lawmakers assembled at a members' briefing that the game will be played as scheduled, prompting a standing ovation.

Sherman says there was no request for trade from Seahawks

Associated Press

RENTON, Wash. — Richard Sherman said Wednesday he never asked for a trade from the Seattle Seahawks, but understood why the only team he's ever played for was listening to offers for his services.

"It's just a conversation they have every year. I guess this year, more people knew about it," Sherman said. "It's a conversation they have every year — everybody's open, everybody's available. They just made sure I knew, and you guys found out. Pretty open about it. It was never a situation where anybody asked for it. It was just a conversation."

In his first news conference since the end of last season, Sherman addressed a variety of issues, from the trade rumors that hung over Seattle's offseason to a report that indicated he was at the center of locker room discontent stemming from the Super Bowl loss to New England, to his conduct during parts of a tumultuous 2016 season.



AP Photo/Ted S. Warren
Seattle Seahawks cornerback Richard Sherman (25) talks with offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell, right, and defensive coordinator Kris Richard, left, during NFL football practice Tuesday in Renton, Wash.

Mariners hold off Twins rally

BY SAM EKSTROM
 Associated Press



AP Photo/Jim Mone

Seattle Mariners' Mitch Haniger jogs the base path on a two-run home run off Minnesota Twins pitcher Ervin Santana during the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday in Minneapolis. The Mariners held off a late threat to beat the Twins, 6-4.

MINNEAPOLIS — Mike Zunino may wish he could face the Minnesota Twins every game.

The Seattle catcher hit a three-run homer in the third inning, his fourth home run against the Twins since June 7, and the Mariners' bullpen held off a late threat to win 6-4 Wednesday night.

Zunino's home run off the facing of the upper deck gave the Mariners a 5-0 lead and continued the tear the 26-year-old has been on since being recalled from the minors in late May.

Since May 29, Zunino is hitting .396 with five home runs, including a walk-off against the Twins at Safeco Field a week ago and Wednesday night's third-inning blast.

"Zunino hit that ball about as hard as he could hit it," Seattle manager Scott Servais said.

After toying with his swing in the minor leagues, Zunino has returned with a new approach and has reestablished himself as the everyday catcher.

"This is something that I only started about a month and a half ago," Zunino said, "so I'm still trying to fine tune everything — keep everything ironed out."

Mitch Haniger hit a two-run homer in the first inning off Ervin Santana, who gave up a season-high nine hits just one game removed from a complete-game shutout in San Francisco. Santana (8-4) lasted five innings, his second-shortest start of the year. It was the fourth time this season the Twins ace has allowed five or more runs.

"I think Ervin will tell you that he had to battle tonight," Twins manager Paul Molitor said. "He probably didn't have as good a feel for his slider as he did his last game out."

The Twins chipped away at the early 5-0 deficit, however, and knocked Mariners starter Sam Gaviglio out of the game with three home runs in a two-inning stretch. Eduardo Escobar and Byron Buxton hit solo homers in the fifth inning, then Miguel Sano added a two-run homer in the sixth after the Mariners scored an unearned run in the top of the inning. Sano's 16th home run knocked out Gaviglio (3-1) after 5 1/3 innings and gave way to a bullpen that had given up 11 runs the night before.

It was a different story on Wednesday as four Seattle relievers combined for 3 2/3 scoreless innings, ending with a four-out save from Eddie Diaz, who forced a flyout from Brian Dozier with two outs and two men on in the bottom of the ninth.

"Big for us," Diaz said.

Oregon State pitcher Heimlich goes undrafted

Associated Press

Oregon State pitcher Luke Heimlich, who as a teenager pleaded guilty to molesting a 6-year-old girl, was not taken in Major League Baseball's draft.

Heimlich was the top pitcher during the regular season for the No. 1-ranked Beavers, who have lost just four games and are headed to the College World Series starting this weekend in Omaha.

On Wednesday before practice, coach Pat Casey would not say whether Heimlich would pitch during the World Series.

"All I can say about Luke Heimlich is that I'm praying for him, his family, anybody that was involved in that matter, especially the little girl," he told reporters. "It's just sad that

they're going through the suffering again as a family."

Heimlich has compiled an 11-1 record with a 0.76 ERA. The left-hander from Puyallup, Washington, had been projected to be an early round pick in the draft, which ended Wednesday without him being selected.

Details about his criminal history were revealed last week in a story published by The Oregonian. In an editorial accompanying the article, the newspaper said it learned about Heimlich's 2012 conviction in Washington state after running a background check that it routinely does for in-depth profiles.

Prosecutors initially charged Heimlich with two counts of molestation for abuse that began when the girl was 4, The Oregonian said. He

ultimately pleaded guilty to one count of molestation between February 2011 and December 2011, a period during which he was 15. Prosecutors dismissed the other charge as part of a plea bargain.

He entered a diversion program, received two years of probation and was ordered to attend sex offender treatment for two years, according to court records. He was sentenced to 40 weeks of detention at Washington's Juvenile Rehabilitation authority. But that sentence was suspended and he served no time, according to court records, because he successfully completed probation.

Heimlich was classified in Washington state as the lowest-level sex offender with little risk of repeating the behavior. He finished his probation and court-ordered classes in fall

2014, around the time he moved to Corvallis to attend Oregon State.

"As a 16-year-old I was placed on juvenile court probation and ordered to participate in an individual counseling program. I'm grateful for the counseling I received and since then I realized the only way forward was to work each day on becoming the best person, community member and student I can possibly be," Heimlich said in a statement released by his Corvallis attorney last week.

The Beavers are the top seed in the NCAA Tournament. Heimlich pitched in the opening round for the Beavers, before the story broke. He asked that he be removed from the rotation in the super regional round.

Oregon State has not commented in detail on the matter, citing privacy rules.