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## Athletes of the Week



• ELIZA BANNISTER  
 • MAKENZIE KAECH  
 Ilwaco

Damian Mulinix



LUKE GOOZEE  
 Knappa

Cindy Owings/For The Daily Astorian

The biggest 2B school in Washington is also the big favorite to win the Class 2B state title, but the Ilwaco girls basketball team needed two game-winning shots in the final seconds to squeak out a pair of victories in last week's district tournament. On Feb. 14 against one of the smallest 2B schools, Wahkiakum, Ilwaco senior Makenzie Kaech banked in a jump shot with six seconds left to beat the Mules, 45-44. Three days later, Ilwaco senior Eliza Bannister made a 3-pointer with 6.8 seconds remaining to beat Napavine, 49-48.

Competing in last week's OSAA state tournament at Memorial Coliseum in Portland, Goozee was the No. 3-seeded wrestler at 132 pounds in the Class 2A/1A portion of the meet. He opened with a 48-second pin over Lowell's Kent McIntosh in the quarterfinals. Trailing 10-4 in points in a semifinal match vs. Culver's Cooper Becker, Goozee gained the upper hand and scored a fall at the 3:45 mark to advance to the finals. In the championship match, No. 1 seed Kasey Erwin of Lowell scored a close 11-7 decision over Goozee, who took home the second-place medal.

## WINTER GAMES 2018

### MEDAL TRACKER

As of Thursday morning, Feb. 22

#### TOP 10 MEDAL WINNERS

	G	S	B	T
1. Norway	13	12	10	35
2. Germany	13	7	5	25
3. Canada	9	7	8	24
4. United States	8	7	6	21
5. Netherlands	7	6	4	17
6. Sweden	5	5	0	10
7. France	5	4	6	15
8. Austria	5	2	6	13
9. South Korea	4	4	3	11
10. Switzerland	3	6	2	11

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## OLYMPICS IN BRIEF

### US curlers to play for Olympic gold after upset

Associated Press

GANGNEUNG, South Korea — John Shuster and his U.S. team will play for a gold medal against Sweden after a 5-3 semifinal upset over Canada, a country that has struggled at the Pyeongchang Olympics despite dominating the world of curling for years.

The U.S. victory Thursday was a remarkable comeback story for team which had never beaten Canada at the Olympics and hadn't made the podium since the 2006 Turin Games, when they won a bronze medal.

Just as remarkable was the loss for Canada, which has won the gold in men's curling at the last three Winter Olympics. The Canadian women's team, meanwhile, didn't even make the semifinals, despite being the defending world champions.

## Lady Fishermen hold off Seaside in league playoff

By GARY HENLEY  
 The Daily Astorian

There wasn't too much at stake for the Astoria girls basketball team Wednesday night at the Brick House.

Win or lose, the Lady Fishermen were moving on to the regional play-in round, and win or lose, their ranking wasn't going to change. Much.

But when it's a Clatsop Clash, there's the "personal pride" thing. And that was enough to get Astoria fired up for the Cowapa League playoff with Seaside.

Astoria's Brooklynn Hankwitz scored 16 points, and the Lady Fishermen topped the Gulls for the third time this season, 46-36.

Astoria (15-9 overall) dropped a spot in the rankings and will play at Molalla in the regional play-in round, day and time to be announced. The season comes to an end for the Gulls, 8-17 overall.

Astoria also managed to overcome the dreaded "third meeting" jinx in Wednesday's game. Even though Seaside lost both regular season meetings, the advantage usually belongs to the losing team the third time around.

"I hate playing the same team three times in a season," said Astoria coach Mike Jacobson. "It doesn't matter who it is or how you've played against them, it's tough to beat a team three times."

"And Seaside played well tonight," he said. "They wanted to win."

At the same time, it's tough to beat Jacobson in Clatsop Clash league playoff games.

In three postseason meetings between Astoria and Seaside, Jacobson is a combined 3-0 as coach (2-0 as Seaside's coach, now 1-0 with Astoria).

Wednesday's final score might have favored Seaside, if the Gulls had not missed 16 free throws and 32 shots from the field. Seaside also had



Colin Murphey/The Daily Astorian

Seaside and Astoria players try to rebound a loose ball.

25 turnovers.

As it was, neither team was shy about shooting the ball, as the Gulls and Fishermen combined to take 104 shots from the field, missing 78.

And with a combined 26 fouls in the second half, it was tough for either team to get into a rhythm. Astoria would threaten to pull away several times, and Seaside would respond with a run of its own.

For Astoria, "I think it was nerves," Jacobson said. "We weren't in the gym (Tuesday), so we got out of our routine, and the early start today didn't help. But some of the kids stepped up today and played good. We need everybody, and I think that showed tonight."

Three-pointers by Hailey O'Brien and Julia Norris helped the Lady Fishermen build a quick 11-0 lead.

Seaside closed to within 11-6, and Astoria answered with a 9-2 run for a 20-6 lead.

Annaka Garhofer and Jetta Ideue knocked down 3-pointers to bring the Gulls back to within 20-14 at halftime. Seaside's 6-2 run to start the second half had the Gulls within

22-20, and Jacobson called a timeout. And his team responded.

Following the timeout, freshman Halle Helmersen drained a pair of 3-pointers off the bench, and Hankwitz added two scores underneath for a 32-22 lead.

"We kind of backed off with the intensity level a little, and we had to get 'em back on the right path," Jacobson said of his players. "And we made a 10-0 run after they got within two. Brooklynn stayed out of foul trouble and did a great job, and Halle came off the bench and had a great game."

The Gulls still managed to stay within 10 points, but a stretch of eight straight missed free throws in the second half cost Seaside.

Ideue eventually fouled out, while Astoria's Kajsa Jackson, O'Brien, Kelsey Fausett and Hankwitz combined to make 6-of-8 free throws in the final minutes to secure the win.

"We were going to get another game no matter what, but we told the girls that they had to come out and play hard," Jacobson said. "That's the maturity of a good team."

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

### Jewell's season ends with loss to Wildcats

The Daily Astorian

JEWELL — Of the eight first-round state playoff games in the Class 1A girls basketball tournament, the home team won six.

The Jewell Lady Jays were one of the unlucky home teams that came up short.

Southwest Christian paid a visit to the Jays' gym Wednesday, and left with a 34-29 win.

The loss ends an otherwise successful year for Jewell, 14-9 overall. Southwest Christian (18-8) advances to play at Powder Valley in the Sweet 16.

"It was a close game — we just made a couple mistakes at a couple key times," said Jewell coach Mark Fick. "And they took advantage. We played 'em tough. They were just a little taller and made more shots."

"The girls had a great season," Fick said of his team. "It was a fun group to work with, probably because they over-achieved so much."

Jewell led 9-4 after one quarter, before the Wildcats went on a 19-10 run in the second period.

Haley Norman led Jewell with 10 points and seven rebounds, followed by Gabi Morales (nine points, nine boards) and Emma Guillen (six points, five rebounds, five steals). Freshman Kayla Morgan scored 15 for the Wildcats.

## SCOREBOARD

### PREP SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY

Girls basketball — Warrenton at Coquille, 7 p.m.  
 Boys basketball — Reedsport at Knappa, 6 p.m.

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Astoria 46, Seaside 36  
 Seaside 5 9 12 10—36  
 Astoria 11 9 12 14—46  
 SEA (36): Annaka Garhofer 11, Hoekstre 8, Ideue 6, Babbitt 5, Smart 4, Kiser 2, Davis, Angulo-Joli, Zagata.  
 AST (46): Brooklynn Hankwitz 16, O'Brien 8, Helmersen 6, Jackson 6, Rogers 4, Norris 3, Fausett 3, Cummings, Long, Burnett.

SW Christian 34, Jewell 29  
 SW Christian 4 19 7 4—34  
 Jewell 9 10 4 6—29  
 SC (34): Kayla Morgan 15, R.Haas 10, M.Haas 4, Lang 2, Holady 2, Turner 1.  
 JWLL (29): Haley Norman 10, G.Morales 9, Guillen 6, N.Morales 2, Kaczanski 2, R.Wammack, Olvera, Meier, DeWees, Shaw, Haddock.

## US women beat Canada in Olympic hockey; Wise wins gold



AP Photo/Jae C. Hong

Canada's Meghan Agosta (2) skates away as the United States players celebrate after winning the women's gold medal hockey game.

By DENNIS WASZAK JR.  
 Associated Press

PYEONGCHANG, South Korea — A tense shootout, a dazzling deke and the end of an impressive streak.

The United States' women's hockey team beat Canada 3-2 on Thursday in a gold-medal game that claimed a spot among the Olympics' most thrilling moments in recent memory.

"They should make a movie on it," U.S. forward Hilary Knight said. "We had all the drama and everything. It's sort of a storybook ending to an incredible series of accomplishments."

It's the first time the Americans won it all since 1998, when they beat the Canadians 3-1 in the first women's hockey tournament at the Olympics. Canada had won the last four Olympic golds,

including four years ago in Sochi when it rallied from a two-goal deficit to shock the Americans.

This time, the U.S. bounced back from a 2-1 deficit in the third period to win in a shootout, capped by a jaw-dropping triple-deke by Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson for the go-ahead goal.

"I've butchered it a thousand times, just ran into tires, tripped over tires just working on my hands," Lamoureux-Davidson said. "Just glad it worked out this time."

David Wise delivered another gold for the U.S., winning the men's halfpipe in freestyle skiing.

It was the second straight Olympic gold for Wise, who put down the most difficult, technically precise run ever seen in the sport of halfpipe skiing. He edged out his Olympic roommate, Alex Ferreira.