

Grant Topples No. 1 Seed

Michael Moser had 20 points and 13 rebounds as No. 8 Grant toppled No. 1 Oregon City 63-56 late Saturday night to claim the OSAA Class 6A boys basketball title at McArthur Court.

Michael James added 17 points and Paul McCoy had 13 for the Generals, who staved off the Pioneers' late rally.

Brad Tinsley scored a game-high 30 points and Sammy Schafer added 21 for

Oregon City, which snapped an 18-game winning streak.

The Pioneers (28-2), appearing in their first title game since 1945, were ranked No. 1 all season. The Generals (22-6) didn't trail after the first quarter and led by as many as nine points midway through the fourth.

Oregon City stormed back behind their two star players, Tinsley and Schafer, who brought the Pioneers within one at 57-56

with 1:02 left.

But McCoy shut down Tinsley and Grant hit all four of its free throws in the final minute. James grabbed a long defensive rebound and sprinted all alone to the other end, capping the game with an emphatic dunk.

Grant students mobbed the court in celebration of the school's first state championship since 1988.



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Jefferson guard Henry Williams, an essential player in driving his team to victory, celebrates a fantastic season.

Demos Earn 5A Title

Win follows girls

Kalonji Paschal scored 14, Jordan Black added 12 and No. 2 Jefferson beat No. 3 Corvallis, 55-52 in the OSAA Class 5A boys basketball championship Saturday in McArthur Court.

The win followed by one week a state championship by the Jefferson girls, also in Class 5A.

At the boys final in Eugene Saturday, Terrance Jones added 11 points for the Democrats (24-1), which lost the lead in the fourth quarter before holding on in the final minutes.

The Democrats were playing in their first championship game since winning the 4A

title in 2000. It was their fourth state title overall and second under coach Marshall Haskins.

Last season Jefferson was knocked out of the tournament in the quarterfinals by Corvallis.

Nadav Heyman, the two-time Mid-Willamette Conference player of the year for Corvallis, was held scoreless in the first half. The senior guard missed on his only three attempts.

Back-to-back baskets by Nick Eason got the Spartans to within 36-30 midway through the third, but Terrance Ross answered for the Democrats with a pair of jumpers and Jefferson took a 43-26 advantage into the fourth quarter.

Duo State Championships

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a state championship in 2000. He was baffled at how many times the boys almost won again.

Kelly also helps oversee weekly progress reports that the players need to pass in each class to stay on the team and credits chem-

istry for this year's team to accomplish success "by any means necessary."

Jefferson Principal Cynthia Harris credited the string of championships with "a total lift in the environment." She says, "It shows we can succeed in all things, so if we can excel in sports, we can do it in academics as well."



Pictured bottom row from left: Panthers Team Manager Shakyla Mosley, Donzell Slater, DeAndre McDonald, Alize Gaston, Abasi Myrick, Ethan Whitlow, Cameron Marshall, Jahmali Spencer. Top row from right: Assistant Coach Patrick Curry, Willie Cohens, Anthony Allen, Sha' Kor Holiday, Head Coach - David Miller, Greg Spencer, Christopher Jankans and Assistant Coach DeShawn Montgomery. Players pictures not shown: Avery Pope, Leonard Latin Jr., Dalantae Davis, and Reginald Smith.

Youth Team Scores Perfect Season

Congratulations to the 8th Grade championship "Panthers" of Portland Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball League who just completed a

perfect 10-0 season.

The local team coached by David Miller was sponsored by Black Citizen's Coalition of Portland Neigh-

borhoods, a local organization under the direction of Executive Director Willie Brown and Office Manager Ms. Shelli Curry.

Portland State Draws NCAA Berth, Faces Kansas

(AP) - Portland State drew top-seeded Kansas in the opening round of the NCAA tournament.

The Big Sky Conference champions were seeded 16th in the Midwest Re-

gion and will meet the fifth-ranked Jayhawks on Thursday in Omaha, Neb. A No. 1 seed has never lost to a 16th seed.

Led by coach Ken Bone, the Vikings

(23-9) earned the school's first-ever berth to the tournament with a 67-51 victory over Northern Arizona in the championship game of the conference tournament.

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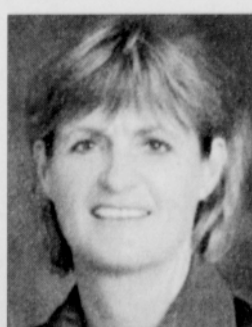
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