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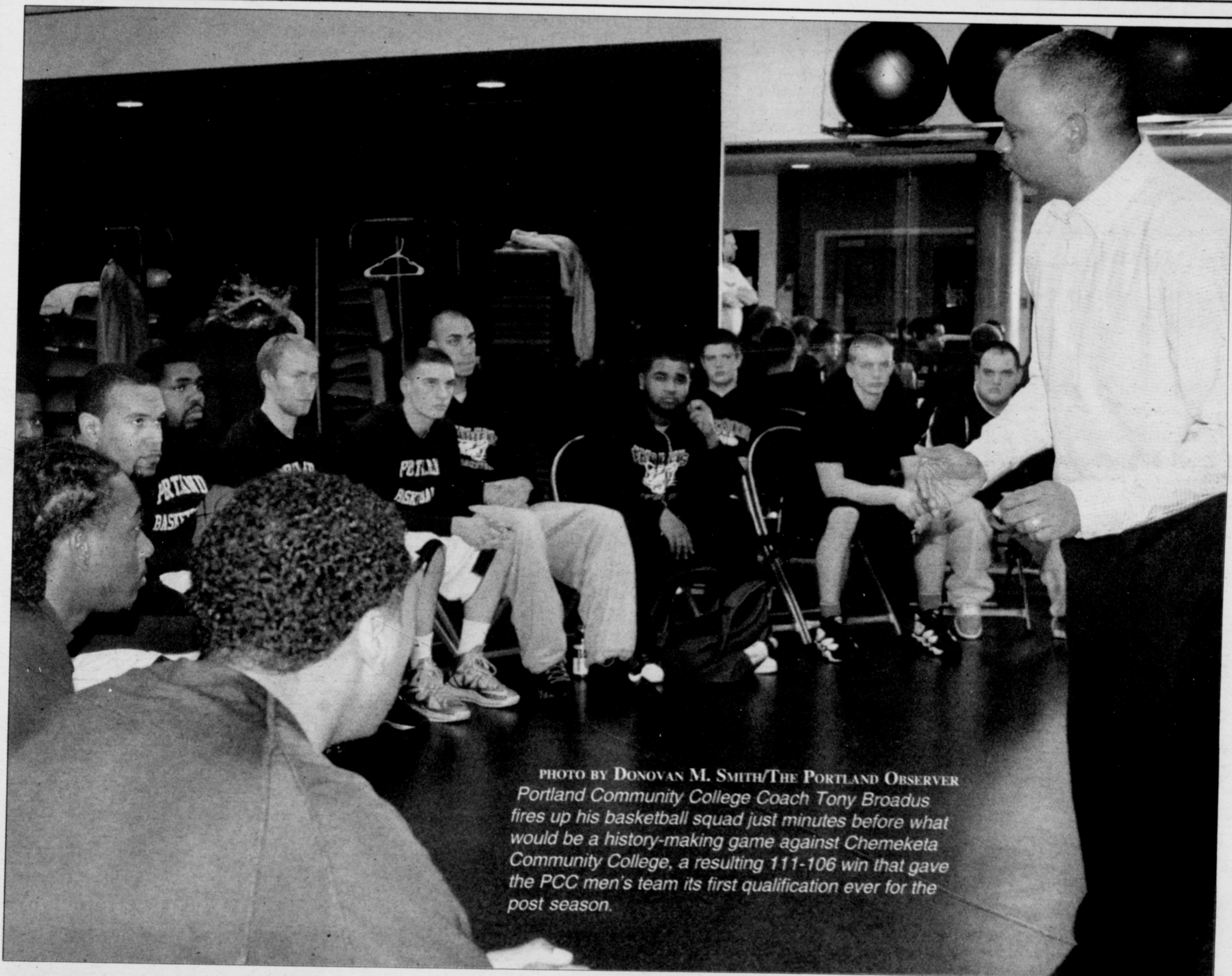


PHOTO BY DONOVAN M. SMITH/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER
Portland Community College Coach Tony Broadus
fires up his basketball squad just minutes before what
would be a history-making game against Chemeketa
Community College, a resulting 111-106 win that gave
the PCC men's team its first qualification ever for the
post season.

Panthers Rebound

Coach shatters losing ways with team's first ever post season

BY DONOVAN M. SMITH
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It is safe to say there wasn't much celebration coming from the men's basketball program at Portland Community College in years past. After capping the 2012 season with a winless 0-24 record, it was clear the program was

in need of either a miracle or some drastic changes.

Fast forward to this year, and the PCC Panthers have not only just secured their first playoff spot in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges post season, they are the No. 1 seed. The Panthers qualified for the March 1-4 tournament with a 111-106

win Feb. 19 at home on the PCC Cascade Campus against Chemeketa Community College.

The season turnaround comes in the second year for Coach Tony Broadus who was recruited from his 20 years of coaching experience at Grant High School.

As a native of the area, Broadus says he saw the

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