

Alumni Roundup

Byrd debuts at Oregon State

East Oregonian

CORVALLIS — **McKenzie Byrd** (Hermiston HS) made her collegiate indoor track and field debut at the Washington Preview on Jan. 17.

The freshman competed in shot put for Oregon State and finished in 21st place with the Beavers' second-best mark.

Byrd threw the 4kg shot 37 feet, 9.5 inches while teammate and OSU record holder Rachel Picknell led the Beavers with a mark of 41-1.5 that was seventh best in school history.

Picknell's OSU record is 42-10.5, and Byrd's personal best at Hermiston was 41-10.75.

The Beavers' next meet is the UW Invitational on Jan. 30.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Louisville women's basketball team remained at No. 4 this week in both major polls after wins over NC State and Virginia last week.

The Cardinals defeated NC State 65-58 with Mission product **Jude Schimmel** adding nine points, three assists and two steals to the winning effort. Schimmel was 3 of 8 on field goals and 1 of 4 on three-pointers.

Louisville (17-1, 5-0 ACC) then pushed its winning streak to nine games with a 67-55 win over Virginia that put them into first place in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Schimmel led the team with 37 minutes played in that win and finished with five points, four rebounds and three assists.

Louisville will play at Florida State (17-2) on Thursday and host Miami (14-4) on Sunday. Both teams are 4-1 in ACC play and tied with Notre Dame and Duke in second place.

NAMPA, Idaho — **Ellie Logan** (Wheeler HS) came off the bench for a team-high 15 points but it wasn't enough as Northwest Nazarene lost its fifth straight game 84-62 at MSU Billings on Jan. 17.

It was Logan's third-highest scoring game in her freshman season and she's averaging 9.8 points and 18.1 minutes a game.

Logan had five points in NNU's 81-65 loss at Seattle Pacific on Jan. 15. The Crusaders (4-13) host Central Washington on Saturday.

LA GRANDE — The Eastern Oregon women's basketball team faces Southern Oregon on Saturday in

what could be a battle for first place in the Cascade Collegiate Conference.

The two teams head into Friday's games with matching 7-2 league records after EOU split last weekend and SOU won its only game of the week.

Maloree Moss (Hermiston HS) had two of her best rebounding games of the season for EOU (15-5). The guard contributed seven each in a 70-57 loss at Northwest Christian and a 76-66 win over Corban. She totaled 15 points in the two games and had five assists against Corban.

CORVALLIS — The Oregon State wrestling team remained undefeated in duals with a 32-5 win over CSU Bakersfield on Jan. 17.

Redshirt freshman **Abraham Rodriguez** (Hermiston HS) did his part toward the effort with a 6-5 win over Coleman Hammond in the 149-pound weight class.

He improved his record to 16-7 on the season and the Beavers improved to 4-0. **Joey Delgado** (Hermiston HS) did not wrestle for OSU and his season record remained at 10-4.

The Beavers have duals at Northern Colorado and South Dakota State this weekend.

KNIGHTS: Lead stayed below five points entire second half

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"It's a lose-lose game for us," he said. "Right before you open league, you go play someone on their home court that doesn't lose."

"If we win we're supposed to because we're 5A, and if we lose it's 'What are you doing? It's a 2A.' It's a game we shouldn't be playing. Unfortunately we had holes in our schedule and were trying to fill it and they wanted to play. Not that it's bad for us from a team standpoint."

This thought process was not shared by Irrigon, who despite two consecutive trips to the Class 2A state championship game, promoted the significance amongst each other of playing a highly-ranked school with 616 more students.

"We were talking about them all week that this was the best team you'll play in your high school career," Thompson said. "We thought so on paper. We thought so on film. I talked to Chris Roche at Wilsonville (who beat Pendleton 45-44 earlier this season). He told me don't get beat by 25 at home."

"You definitely rise to the occasion," Romero said. "Usually it's tougher (playing a big school) and it was today. They were good, but we just stuck together."

In between the pair of fourth quarter Pendleton turnovers, the Bucks Sonny Green scored a driving layup to give Pendleton a 59-57 lead.

But Romero responded with a layup of his own and then the game-winner to earn the team the win.

"Adrian Romero was made for these types of moments. He works so hard in the summers. He didn't doubt himself one minute and we didn't doubt him," Thompson said.

Irrigon played with the chip on his shoulder early, bounding out to a 29-19 lead with 5:15 left with



Staff photo by E.J. Harris
Irrigon's Ryan Reynolds contests a shot from Pendleton's James Bradt in the Knights 61-59 win against the Bucks on Tuesday in Irrigon.

hot perimeter shooting and aggressive defense. But behind Smith and Green's play, the Bucks cut the lead to 33-32 at the half.

"We weren't ready to go. We got down big and then had to fight an uphill battle until the end," Broaddus said.

The sides traded blows in the second half — neither led by more than five. It was in the tight situations like Tuesday's second half that Broaddus credited the opponent's big game experience and execution.

"This team has been in these types of situations," he said. "They go to state and are in those types of situations and expect to win. We're not quite there yet. Last year and the year before, we haven't been super successful. We haven't been playoffs and states

and that kind of atmosphere. I think nerves got us a little bit."

Fredy Vera and Landeros added 14 and 13 points respectively for Irrigon.

Smith had 22 points for Pendleton to go with seven rebounds. The 6-foot-6 Persinger was a load in the paint, scoring 12 and grabbing 14 boards. Green had 11.

Each side turns to league play Friday. Irrigon turns to Pilot Rock, while Pendleton plays its Columbia River Conference opener against Hood River Valley.

IRRIGON 61, PENDLETON 59
PHS (9-5) 15 17 13 14 — 59
IHS (13-1) 20 13 15 13 — 61
PENDLETON — S. Green 11, O. Cockburn 4, K. Quinn 2, T. Hancock 0, W. Persinger 12, Caden Smith 22, J. Bradt 5, L. Winterton 0.
IRRIGON — Adrian Romero 24, A. Timpy 6, N. Verley 0, A. Landeros 13, F. Vera 14, Z. Rice 2, H. White 0.
3-point field goals — PHS 4, IHS 9.
Free throws — PHS 13-14, IHS 12-14.
Fouls — PHS, IHS 15.

GRIZZLIES: Stevens remains one of state's all-time top scorers

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champions. Also honored with the Hall of Fame Class of 2015 will be 1958 Griswold graduate John Stevens.

The 1982 team captured the first championship in program history and went into the district tournament with a 15-5 record. The Grizzlies earned their trip to the state bracket in Baker City with a 49-35 win over Dufur in Umatilla.

The Grizzlies opened the then four-team bracket with a narrow defeat of Eddyville, 44-39, in which Dely Mathews and Annie Flerchinger sank free throws in the closing moments to preserve the win. That set up a meeting with Burnt River in the state final.

The Grizzlies opened fast with outside shots raining in from Tara Temple and Kristi Brown while Mathews and Flerchinger controlled the paint. Helix took a 30-10 lead into halftime and cruised to a 51-32 final. Temple and Mathews were first-team all-tournament and Flerchinger was second team.

Seven players, as well as coach Bill Molendyke, returned to the court for the Grizzlies in 1983 to defend that title.

Helix went into the district tournament that season at 16-4, and met rival Echo in the championship round. Echo had defeated Helix twice already, but in the district finals it was Helix that came out with a 48-27 win as Flerchinger outscored the Cougars by herself with 28 points.

Both teams reached Baker City that season as the tournament expanded to eight



EO file photo

Helix's Stephanie Andrus (31) sails out of bounds in an attempt to save the ball for the Grizzlies in the 1983 Class B girls basketball state championship game against Days Creek. Helix won 53-47.

teams, and Helix led for most of its first two wins against Alsea, 49-37, and Burnt River, 56-42.

Days Creek advanced to the state championship from the other side of the bracket, setting up a final for the record books.

The two teams needed four overtime periods to decide a winner. An 8-0 run by the Grizzlies tied the game in the fourth quarter, and the teams then traded baskets throughout the first three overtimes. A pair of free throws from Mathews with 32 seconds left in the eighth frame were the final points in Helix's 53-47 win. Flerchinger and Stephanie Andrus were named all-tournament first team and Mathews made the second team.

Joining those two outstanding Grizzly teams in

enshrinement is a player that still occupies a top-10 spot on Oregon's all-time scoring list.

Stevens appeared in 89 games as a Grizzly, and the 6-foot-7 shooter finished his career with 2,178 points, which ranks No. 9 all time across all classifications.

He went on to earn degrees from Pacific Lutheran and University of Chicago School of Medicine before serving the United States as a member of the US Army Medical Corps, Army Reserves and Oregon National Guard from 1968 until his retirement in 2011. He also ran his own private orthopedic surgery practice in Salem from 1976-2011.

Following the Hall of Fame ceremonies the Helix boys will play Echo in a non-league game.

PREPS: Defense keys Helix win over Joseph

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6. Free throws — SHS 15-28, UHS 17-24.
Fouls — SHS 16, UHS 22.

coached by former Hermiston High star Mark Carroll.

17, UHS 13. Fouled out — C. Dohman (UHS).

LA GRANDE 63, MAC-HI 41 — At Milton-Freewater, the Pioneers (2-11, 0-1 GOL) picked up their defensive efforts after halftime, but by then the damage was too great and the Tigers (11-4, 1-0) were able to hold on in both teams' Greater Oregon League opener on Tuesday.

La Grande led 44-26 at halftime, but Mac-Hi was able to get within 10 points in the second half before the Tigers went on another run.

"What I liked about our team is the guys kept fighting, they never gave up," said Mac-Hi coach ???. "I thought they responded well in the second half."

Hunter Yensen and Carlos Angel each had 10 points to lead Mac-Hi, which was 15 for 18 on free throws.

Derek Yohannan made four three-pointers and scored a game-high 18 points for La Grande, which is

LA GRANDE 63, MAC-HI 41
LGHS (11-4) 22 22 10 9 — 63
MUHS (2-11) 16 10 5 — 41
LA GRANDE — Derek Yohannan 18, B. Dall 16, I. Cranford 6, A. Peasley 4, K. Boyd 4, J. Powell 4, D. Hively 3, Z. Jacobs 3, E. Siltanen 2, B. Kruz 2, A. Kevan 1.
MAC-HI — Carlos Angel 10, Hunter Yensen 10, A. Zaragoza 8, B. DeBord 7, A. Ng 2, S. Zitterkopf 2, M. Perez 2.
3-point field goals — LGHS 7, MUHS 4.
Free throws — LGHS 4-10, MUHS 15-18.
Fouls — LGHS 15, MUHS 12. Fouled out — Peasley (LGHS).

Also played on Tuesday: Sherman 56, Riverside 30; Joseph 57, Helix 26.

Girls Basketball

UMATILLA 77, STANFIELD 21 — At Umatilla, Aleesha Watson scored 20 points and Kasandra Galbraith added 14 for the Vikings in a non-league win on Tuesday.

UMATILLA 77, STANFIELD 21
SHS 7 4 9 7 — 21
UHS 27 17 20 13 — 77
STANFIELD — C. Curial 2, M. Griffin 0, A. O'Neill 2, W. Banderas 0, B. Watson 1, G. Chavez 5, Y. Chavez 3, B. Braithewaite 0, S. Connell 2, C. Hopper 0, M. Escuival 4.
UMATILLA — B. Chavez 4, M. Paz 7, K. Barajas 12, I. Campos 4, B. Campos 3, S. Webb 10, K. Galbraith 14, C. Dohman 3, A. Watson 20.
3-point field goals — SHS 2, UHS 7. Free throws — SHS 5-12, UHS 6-20. Fouls — SHS

HELIX 44, JOSEPH 41

— At Joseph, the Grizzlies (6-8, 2-3 OOL) decided they'd had enough after the Eagles scored 22 points in the opening quarter of their Old Oregon League game.

Helix only allowed 19 points the rest of the game, and Paden Flerchinger and Sadie Wilson each finished with a game-high 13 points.

Flerchinger added 15 rebounds and her two free throws in the closing seconds gave Helix its three-point edge. Wilson added nine rebounds.

HELIX 44, JOSEPH 41

GHS (6-8) 12 9 11 12 — 44
JHS (4-9) 22 8 1 10 — 41
HELIX — Paden Flerchinger 13, Sadie Wilson 13, M. Tullis 5, B. Iles 5, M. Mize 4, E. Fehrenbacher 2, L. Ashby 2, B. Newton, T. Jackson.
JOSEPH — Alexis Sykora 12, Satori Albee 12, L. Kemp 10, N. Williams 3, M. Parker 2, A. Cooney 2.
3-point field goals — GHS 2, JHS 0.
Free throws — GHS 10-21, JHS 1-7.

Also played on Tuesday:

La Grande 73, Mac-Hi 22; Riverside 30, Sherman 25.

SCOREBOARD

Local Slate

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday
Nyssa at Riverside, 6:30 p.m.
Friday
Stanfield at Culver, 4:30 p.m.
Mac-Hi at Ontario, 6:30 p.m.
Nyssa at Joseph, 6:30 p.m.
Hermiston at The Dalles, 7 p.m.
Hood River at Pendleton, 7:30 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Irrigon, 7:30 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at Heppner, 7:30 p.m.
Helix at Pine Eagle, 7:30 p.m.
Helix at Horizon Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Condon/Wheeler at Sherman, 7:30 p.m.
Arlington at Dufur, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday
Heppner at Culver, 2:30 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at Pilot Rock, 5:30 p.m.
Nyssa at Umatilla, 5:30 p.m.
Irrigon at Stanfield, 5:30 p.m.
Mitchell/Spray at Arlington, 5:30 p.m.
Echo at Helix, 5:30 p.m.
Wallowa at Nixyaawii, 5:30 p.m.
Vale at Riverside, 6 p.m.
Condon/Wheeler at lone, 6:30 p.m.

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday
Nyssa at Riverside, 5 p.m.
Friday
Stanfield at Culver, 4:30 p.m.
Mac-Hi at Ontario, 5 p.m.
Nyssa at Joseph, 5 p.m.
Helix at Pine Eagle, 6 p.m.
Pilot Rock at Irrigon, 6 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at Heppner, 6 p.m.
Condon/Wheeler at Sherman, 6 p.m.
lone at Horizon Christian, 6 p.m.
Arlington at Dufur, 6 p.m.
Pendleton at Hood River Valley, 7 p.m.
The Dalles at Hermiston, 7 p.m.
Saturday
Heppner at Culver, 2:30 p.m.
Weston-McEwen at Pilot Rock, 4 p.m.
Irrigon at Stanfield, 4 p.m.
Vale at Riverside, 4 p.m.
Nyssa at Umatilla, 4 p.m.
Mitchell/Spray at Arlington, 4 p.m.
Echo at Helix, 4 p.m.

Wallowa at Nixyaawii, 4 p.m.
Condon/Wheeler at lone, 5 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING
Thursday
Baker at Mac-Hi, 5 p.m.
The Dalles at Hermiston, 7 p.m.
Friday
Hermiston, Pendleton at Reser's Tournament of Champions (Liberty HS), 9 a.m.
Riverside at Gervais Tournament, 3 p.m.
Heppner at Grant Union Tournament, 3 p.m.
Saturday
Hermiston, Pendleton at Reser's Tournament of Champions (Liberty HS), 9 a.m.
Riverside at Gervais Tournament, 10 a.m.

PREP SWIMMING
Saturday
Pendleton, Hermiston at Hood River, 11 a.m.

COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL
Friday
Oregon Tech at Eastern Oregon, 7:30 p.m.
Yakima Valley at Blue Mountain, 8 p.m.
Saturday
Wenatchee Valley at Blue Mountain, 4 p.m.
Southern Oregon at Eastern Oregon, 7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Friday
Oregon Tech at Eastern Oregon, 5:30 p.m.
Yakima Valley at Blue Mountain, 6 p.m.
Saturday
Wenatchee Valley at Blue Mountain, 2 p.m.
Southern Oregon at Eastern Oregon, 5:30 p.m.

Football

NFL
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 25
At Glendale, Ariz.
Team Irvin vs. Team Carter, 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 1

At Glendale, Ariz.
New England vs. Seattle, 3:30 p.m. (NBC)

Basketball

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Toronto	27	14	659	—
Brooklyn	17	24	415	10
Boston	13	26	333	13
Philadelphia	8	33	195	19
New York	6	36	143	21½

Southeast Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	34	8	810	—
Washington	29	13	690	5
Miami	18	23	439	15½
Charlotte	17	25	405	17
Orlando	15	29	341	20

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	27	16	628	—
Cleveland	22	20	524	4½
Milwaukee	21	20	512	5
Detroit	16	26	381	10½
Indiana	15	28	349	12

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Memphis	29	12	707	—
Dallas	29	13	690	½
Houston	29	13	690	½
San Antonio	27	16	628	3
New Orleans	20	21	488	9

Northwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Portland	31	11	738	—
Oklahoma City	21	20	512	9½
Denver	18	24	429	13
Utah	14	27	341	16½
Minnesota	7	33	175	23

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Golden State	33	6	846	—
L.A. Clippers	28	14	667	6½
Phoenix	25	18	581	10
Sacramento	16	25	390	19
L.A. Lakers	12	30	286	22½

Tuesday's Games
Oklahoma City 94, Miami 86
San Antonio 109, Denver 99

Today's Games
New York at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
Utah at Cleveland, 4 p.m.
Indiana at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Toronto at Memphis, 5 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Washington, 5 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
Brooklyn at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.

NCAA

Men Top 25
Tuesday's Games
No. 1 Kentucky 65, Vanderbilt 57
No. 6 Wisconsin 82, No. 25 Iowa 50
No. 9 Iowa State 77, Kansas State 71
Davidson 77, No. 22 Dayton 60

Today's Games
No. 12 Utah vs. Washington State, 6 p.m.
No. 14 Wichita State at Missouri State, 5:05 p.m.
No. 15 North Carolina at Wake Forest, 4 p.m.
No. 20 Northern Iowa vs. Indiana State, 5 p.m.
No. 21 Baylor vs. Huston-Tillotson, 5 p.m.

Hockey

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Tampa Bay	48 <td>30<td>14<td>4</td><td>64</td><td>156</td><td>127</td></td></td>	30 <td>14<td>4</td><td>64</td><td>156</td><td>127</td></td>	14 <td>4</td> <td>64</td> <td>156</td> <td>127</td>	4	64	156	127
Detroit	47	27	11	9	63	139	119
Montreal	45	29	13	3	61	123	106
Boston	47	25	16	6	56	124	118
Florida	44	20	14	10	50	107	122
Toronto	47	22	22	3	47	139	146
Ottawa	45	18	18	9	45	122	125
Buffalo	47	14	30	3	31	89	167

Metropolitan Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
N.Y. Islanders	46	31	14	1	63	151	129

Pittsburgh 45 26 12 7 59 136 114
N.Y. Rangers 44 27 13 4 58 134 106
Washington 46 24 13 9 57 137 120
Philadelphia 48 19 22 7 45 130 146
Columbus 44 20 21 3 43 113 138
New Jersey 47 17 22 8 42 107 134
Carolina 46 16 25 5 37 98 120

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Nashville	45	30	10	6	65	137	104
St. Louis	46	29	13	4	62	148	111
Chicago	46	29	15	2	60	145	106
Winnipeg	47	25	14	8	58	131	117
Dallas	46	21	18	7	49	144	151
Colorado	47	19	18	10	42	122	135
Minnesota	46	20	20	6	46	128	137

Pacific Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Anaheim	46	30	10	6	66	133	121
Vancouver	45	26	16	3	55	124	114
San Jose	47	24	17				