

# OSAA names next executive director

East Oregonian

WILSONVILLE — The Oregon School Activities Association didn't have to look far to find its next executive director after Tom Welter announced this week he would retire in July.

Welter's assistant executive director of the last nine years Peter Weber will be taking his place, the OSAA announced Friday.

Weber previously he was the association's public relations director, and has been on staff since 1999.

"I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to serve the entire Association as the Executive Director," Weber said. "I look forward to working closely with the Executive Board, current staff and our member schools as we continue our efforts to provide positive experiences for students throughout Oregon."

One of Weber's most visible contributions to the OSAA was overseeing the development a rankings formula to draw playoff brackets.

Weber, 42, also oversaw advancements in the OSAA website and has worked extensively with rule inter-

pretations and coordinated several state championships.

"We deeply appreciate the work Tom Welter has done during his tenure for high school activities in Oregon, but we are also extremely pleased Peter Weber will be the OSAA's next executive director," said Andy Gardner, president of the OSAA Executive Board.

"Peter's work with the many school and stakeholder groups has left a strong impression of a highly professional and ethical person, one who will advance the ideals of the Association."

"The unanimous vote of support by the OSAA Executive Board to elect Peter Weber to the Executive Director position will provide the organization and member schools a seamless transition," added board vice president Don Grotting. "Peter is truly a great advocate for all student activities, while also understanding the differences and needs of our diverse member schools."

Weber attended Central Catholic High School in Portland and graduated from St. Mary's College in Moraga with a B.A. in communications in 1995.



Weber

## Women's Basketball



AP Photo/Timothy J. Gonzales  
Colorado's Haley Smith, right, grabs a rebound away from Oregon State's Deven Hunter during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game in Corvallis, Ore., on Friday, Feb. 12, 2016. Oregon State won 73-50.

# Wiese leads Beavers to 11th straight win

Associated Press & East Oregonian

CORVALLIS — Sydney Wiese had 15 points and eight assists as No. 8 Oregon State rolled to its 11th straight victory, 73-50 over Colorado on Friday night.

Jamie Weisner added 16 points and three steals and Deven Hunter had 11 points and seven rebounds for the Beavers (21-3, 12-1 Pac-12).

Kennedy Leonard had 11 points, Haley Smith added 10 points and eight rebounds, and Jamee Swan also scored 10 for the Buffaloes (6-18, 1-12).

Oregon State shot 45 percent, compared to 33 percent for Colorado, and the Buffaloes made only 27 percent of their attempts in the second half. The Beavers also outrebounded the Buffaloes 46-37.

Oregon State led 20-16 at the end of the first quarter. Colorado kept the game tight until an 8-0 Beavers run, capped by Wiese layup, that put them ahead 33-23 with 3:10 left in the half. The Buffaloes were held scoreless for nearly four minutes during that stretch.

Oregon State led 37-28 at the break.

Six straight points by Wiese — on a three-point play and a 3-pointer on the next possession — put Oregon State up 47-34 with 7:03 remaining in the third quarter. The Beavers entered the fourth quarter leading 56-42.

They pushed the lead to 27 in the fourth quarter.

**OREGON 69, UTAH 58** — At Eugene, Jillian Alleyne had 27 points, 13 rebounds, four steals and two blocks to lead Oregon over Utah on Friday night.

Alleyne recorded her school record 89th career

double-double, moving past Bev Smith. She is now one short of tying Cheryl Taylor (Tennessee Tech, 1984-87) for second on the NCAA list.

Lexi Bando added 13 points for Oregon (18-6, 7-6 Pac-12), which lost its first five conference games.

Emily Potter made 10 of 13 shots and scored 23 points for the Utes (14-10, 6-7). Paige Crozon had 10 points and 12 rebounds.

Utah led 18-15 at the end of the first quarter but the Ducks had a 20-6 scoring advantage in the second. Both teams shot 50 percent in the first quarter, a pace the Ducks matched in the second while the Utes were 3 of 13.

**SPOKANE 75, BLUE MOUNTAIN 54** — At Spokane, Wash., the Sasquatch received 21 points off the bench and 32 points off turnovers to put away the Timberwolves in the second half on Friday.

Four Spokane (18-6, 7-2 East) players scored in double digits led by Bri King's 22, and Kaatlyn Summers added a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Savannah Heugly paced Blue Mountain (9-14, 3-6), collecting her 15th double-double of the season with 20 points and 12 boards. She also added seven assists.

Kylie Collins added 15 points for the T-Wolves, which shot 25 of 56 (45 percent) from the field.

Spokane shot 48 percent (29 of 60) from the field and led 39-26 at halftime.

**BMCC (9-14, 3-6) 10 16 14 14 - 54**  
**CCS (18-6, 7-2) 20 19 18 18 - 75**  
BLUE MOUNTAIN — S. Heugly 20, K. Collins 15, B. Haring 5, S. McHone 5, E. Ramsey 4, B. Gregory 2, W. Fredrickson 2, L. Cagle 1, K. Reyna. (25-56)  
SPOKANE — B. King 22, C. Moscrop 13, K. Summers 12, J. Heine 11, K. Russell 7, M. Johnson 5, I. Guillory 5, J. Boyer, H. Adams, G. Gruber, J. Gonzales. (29-60)  
3-pointers — BMCC 2-12, CCS 9-22. Free throws — BMCC 2-5, CCS 9-13. Fouls — BMCC 16, CCS 13.

## Prep Wrestling

# Pirates get six into semifinals

## Riverside wrestling sitting in fourth after first day at districts

East Oregonian

HERMISTON — The Riverside Pirates advanced six wrestlers to the semifinals after the first day of action at the Class 3A District 1 championships on Friday at Armande Larive Middle School.

Due to sparse brackets, two of those will be wrestling their first

match of the tournament in today's semis after receiving byes through the first two rounds.

The other three all won by pinfall in matches that didn't get past the first round.

At 126 pounds, No. 1 Aristotle Rockwell pinned Clatskanie's Jakob Harris in 25 seconds, narrowly edging 220-pound teammate Anthony Kernal for quickest Pirate win on the day.

Kernal pinned Echo/Stanford's Ian Faulkner in 27 seconds in their quarterfinal match.

Also for the Pirates, No. 2 seed Ulises Calvillo (145) moved on with a pin over Echo's Case Hom

in 1:09, and Andrew Barker (113) beat Echo's Kyle Ranger 13-7 in the quarterfinals.

Riverside's other semifinalists were Sylvestre Vazquez (113) and Ricardo Mendoza (220).

The only Echo wrestler to reach the semifinals was Jason Fitzpatrick, who entered with a No. 2 seed and received byes in the first two rounds.

Nyssa was running away with the team points with 149 while Vale was second with 102. Clatskanie (48), Riverside (43) and Rainier (42) rounded out the top five. Echo was eighth with 14.

Action resumes today at 10 a.m.

# GIRLS HOOPS: Hermiston makes 11 threes

Continued from 1B

Two minutes later, she hit another, starting a two-minute stretch where she would hit three 3s in total. They came in the midst of a 19-1 run that took a competitive game and immediately turned it into a blowout.

Overall, Hermiston shot 6 of 7 from 3-point range in the second quarter, 9 for 12 in the first half, and 11 of 17 for the game. From there, Hermiston coach Steve Hoffert just sat back and watched his team play.

"I've had the luxury of doing that these past few games," he said. "They're just feeling so good and confident with how they're playing and they believe in each other. I mean, Kiana Hehn comes off the bench and, like she has in games past, she shoots the ball like she's supposed to. And now what are you going to do with us?"

The answer? Not much. With Hehn, Edmiston, Ramirez and Raleigh Andreason each viable threats from the 3-point line, defenses have to choose between collapsing on Juul or Kynzee Padilla inside, or running out on the sweet-shooting guards. Pendleton seemed content with letting Hermiston shoot, and the Bulldogs made them pay.

"It's nice that (Hehn) has that confidence and tonight was a huge boost for her," Hoffert said. "... I personally think it's tough to defend our team because



Staff photo by E.J. Harris  
Hermiston's Maddy Juul shoots the ball guarded by Pendleton's Kalan McGlothlin in the Bulldogs' 76-32 win against the Bucks on Friday in Pendleton.

we have the ability to put the ball on the floor and we have the shooters to shoot anywhere on the floor."

It wasn't just the offense, it was Hermiston's havoc-creating defense that helped, especially in the first quarter when the Bulldogs shot 6-15.

The Bulldogs started the game in a full-court press,

and had forced six turnovers by the 4:00 mark in the opening stanza. The Bulldogs started to rack up fouls, however — four in the first four minutes — and backed off, but only slightly. They still pressured the ball, but not as intensely and without jumping the passing lanes as hard.

Pendleton didn't have

# BOYS HOOPS: Bulldogs stay aggressive on offense

Continued from 1B

The game also brought controversy, however. Both Bulldogs and Buckaroos coaches, players, and fans were unhappy with the way the game was officiated, especially the Buckaroos.

Hermiston finished the game with 15 team fouls, while Pendleton (12-7, 5-1) had a whopping 29 — with 15 in the first half and 14 in the second half. It drew much ire from Pendleton coach Kyle Tedder, as he felt his team wasn't getting fair calls and voiced his displeasure with the referees many times throughout the game.

His frustration escalated throughout the second half, and it finally bottomed out when Buckaroos junior Caden Smith picked up his fifth foul and then a technical foul — resulting in a technical foul for himself — with seven minutes remaining in the game.

The situation resulted in six free throw attempts for Hermiston, and Austin Naillon and Andrew James teamed up to sink all six to put the Bulldogs on top by 10 at 57-47.

Pendleton senior Mekhi Foreman said it was tough for the Buckaroos to find a rhythm and stay in it with the way the game played out.

"It's definitely tough, there's a lot of emotions flowing, the crowd's yelling and stuff," he said. "The calls are going to go either way and we just had to play through it."

Flores said it was equally tough for the Bulldogs to keep their rhythm going.

"It was both ways," he said. "You'll have nights like that, and Coach (Ego) just told us to just grit our teeth and keep playing through it."

When all was said and done, Hermiston attempted 38 free throws from those 29



Staff photo by Kathy Aney  
Chance Flores (1), of Hermiston, fights for a rebound with Pendleton's James Bratt (24) and Devon Roe (22) Friday at Warberg Court.

Pendleton fouls, and made 29 of them for a 76 percent success rate. The free throw shooting was especially huge in the first half, as Hermiston was able to claw back from a 10-point deficit in the second quarter to tie the game with less than one minute remaining in the half. The Bulldogs eventually faced a two-point deficit at halftime.

Ego said it was Hermiston's plan to attack Pendleton's defense as much as it

could and try to get to the free throw line.

"We wanted to put them on their heels and make them defend us one-on-one," he said. "We did it for most of the game, which got us to the free throw line and enabled us to get some easy shots inside."

In that second quarter, Pendleton put a 10-2 run together to start the quarter and gain some momentum with a 22-12 lead, forcing

a Hermiston timeout. But the Bulldogs, with the help of their free throw shooting, were able to flip the momentum and put their own run together to close the deficit before halftime.

Hermiston did not lead until Flores nailed a short jumper to put the Bulldogs up 34-33 with 6:40 left in the third quarter. The two teams traded the lead back twice more before Hermiston grabbed the lead back at 39-38 with 3:30 left in the third and led the rest of the way.

As a team, Hermiston shot 35 percent (6-17) from the floor in the first half, and 50 percent (11-22) in the second half.

Pendleton shot 50 percent (12-24) from the floor in the first half and 37 percent (12-32) in the second half, but was hurt by its performance from the 3-point line where it hit just 2-21. Smith led Pendleton with 13 points, while Kai Quinn and Foreman each had 10 points.

Tedder — who finished the game by getting into a shouting match with Ego following the handshake line — was not available for comment after the game.

Hermiston will next host The Dalles on Tuesday at 7 p.m. while Pendleton will travel to Hood River for a 7 p.m. match-up.

**HHS (10-11, 3-3) 10 19 11 20 - 69**  
**PHS (12-7, 5-1) 13 18 11 18 - 60**  
HERMISTON — C. Flores 19, A. Naillon 19, D. Neal 15, A. James 11, P. Pederson 3, H. Walls 2, T. McCullough.  
PENDLETON — C. Smith 13, K. Quinn 10, M. Foreman 10, W. Morris 9, D. Adams 8, J. Bratt 6, D. Roe 2, J. Stuvland 2, J. Peterson.  
3-pointers — HHS 4, PHS 2. Foul shots — HHS 29-38, PHS 10-14. Fouls — HHS 15, PHS 29. Technicals — C. Smith (PHS), Coach (PHS). Fouled out — C. Smith (PHS), D. Roe (PHS).

Contact Eric Singer at [esinger@eastoregonian.com](mailto:esinger@eastoregonian.com), (541) 966-0839, or follow on Twitter @ByEricSinger.