

2A State Tournament

# TigerScots run out of answers against Rams

Regis bounces back to reach trophy round

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PENDLETON — After watching its hopes for a state title slip away in the final two minutes of a narrow quarterfinals loss, No. 9 Regis bounced back to close out the No. 13 Weston-McEwen TigerScots in the fourth quarter of Friday's consolation semifinals.

Regis took its final jump shot with 5:26 left in the game, and held off Weston-McEwen at the free throw line for the 52-40 win.

Led by its lone remaining captain, senior Sarah Finifrock, Weston-McEwen (17-10) put forth an admirable effort to keep the game close through three quarters, but the TigerScots missed their first eight shots of the fourth quarter as Regis (16-12) went into clock-control mode.

"In the second half of the game, the game got much more physical ... and when it goes that way it makes it harder to shoot a finesse shot," said interim coach Jeff Griggs. "We struggled to get some quality shots up. We kind of hung around though."

"We've struggled with shooting percentage for quite a bit of the season, and we just try to take more shots than the other team," Finifrock said. "Our primary goal was our defensive stops and then try to transition that into offense."

Finifrock finished with 14 points, 10 rebounds and a pair of blocks in her final game as a TigerScot, and sophomore guard Katie Vescio scored 13 points with a pair of assists before fouling out with :46 seconds left. With senior Sara Von Borstel chipping in seven and senior Bailey Hillmick adding five, it was almost enough for the TigerScots to overcome the latest hurdle thrown in their path.

They were playing without junior guard Chelsea Quampts, whose season ended with a turned ankle late in their quarterfinal loss to Imbler. It was the second time this season they'd lost a captain to injury after senior Ashley Hill went out earlier in the year. They'd also been dealt a coaching change right before their district tournament when Eric Jensen resigned due to health concerns and Griggs, who coached the team to a state title in 2005, stepped in on an interim basis.



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

**Weston-McEwen's Bailey Hillmick shoots the ball guarded by Regis' Madilyn Lopez (1) and Alicen Ditter in the TigerScots' 52-40 loss to the Rams on Friday in Pendleton.**

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"We had already lost a different key player earlier in the season and had to adjust to that, so at least we had kind of known how that works," Finifrock said. "It sucks, but at least we weren't entirely discouraged by the fact that she was out. ... We are such a close-knit group of girls that we were able to just push through it and keep going."

"I have nothing but admiration for the girls," Griggs said. "They had two of their starters on the bench (injured) and a new coach as of two weeks ago, and they're so positive. ... They bought in 100 percent to everything we were doing."

But Weston-McEwen again struggled from the field shooting 14-for-56 (25 percent) for the game, including 2-for-9 on three-pointers that came mostly at the end of the fourth quarter.

The TigerScots focused their defense on Regis guard Kirsten Koehnke, who was coming off an 18-point night in the quarterfinals. The Rams turned in a balanced score sheet in response, led by Paige Rickman with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Abigail Frith added 12 points, eight rebounds and five assists, Koehnke

chipped in 11 points, and Victoria Clute grabbed 11 boards.

Regis was 17-for-45 (37.8 percent) from the field that included 1-for-10 from distance. The Rams went 17-for-28 at the free throw line, and that ended up being the difference as Regis' final 12 points were on freebies.

After Regis extended its lead to 44-34 on a Koehnke free throw with 2:47 to play, Vescio scored Weston-McEwen's next six points before fouling out to make it 46-40 with 1:09 to go.

Regis was missing just enough free throws to give the TigerScots hope, but Clute and Frith both grabbed critical offensive rebounds that would lead to additional trips to the line.

The closest Weston-McEwen came in the second half was after Finifrock grabbed one of her eight offensive rebounds and put it back up to cut the lead to 27-24 with 6:27 left in the third.

Back-to-back inside buckets by Rickman had the lead back to seven within 40 seconds, but that was as large as the lead would get until the fourth.

The score was tied seven times in the first half and



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

**Weston-McEwen's Alyssa Finifrock drives around Regis' Madilyn Lopez in the TigerScots' 52-40 loss to the Rams on Friday in Pendleton.**

**Girls Hoops**

 <b>#9 Regis</b>	 <b>#13 Weston-McEwen</b>
<b>52</b>	<b>40</b>

there were six lead changes in the first quarter.

A three-pointer by Vescio gave the TigerScots a 10-8 lead five minutes in, but Moll tied it up at the line and Koehnke came up with a steal and found Rickman on the fast break to give the game its final lead change at 12-10 with 1:56 left in the first.

With the win Regis moves into the 4th/6th place game where it will play East Linn Christian on Saturday at 9 a.m. at Pendleton Convention Center.

The loss ended the season for the TigerScots, and although their stay in Pendleton was short, they said it was made more special by the large showing in the stands.

"It felt like a home-gym sort of effect," Griggs said. "(Rob) McIntyre has got the (school) band here, and his band they're second to none in the area. Our fight song and the music that they bring really helped us. ... This was just a good experience, not only for our girls but for the community."

"Sure you'd like to get another win, but what you don't want to do is leave feeling like you didn't compete or you didn't give it your best. And our girls don't have to worry about that."

<b>WM</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>RHS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>52</b>

WESTON-MCEWEN — S. Finifrock 14, K. Vescio 13, S. Von Borstel 7, B. Hillmick 5, A. Finifrock 1, A. Schroeder, M. Mullenburg, A. Coffman.  
REGIS — P. Rickman 14, A. Frith 12, K. Kiehnke 11, H. Moll 8, V. Clute 4, M. Lopez 3, G. Frith, L. Persons, A. Ditter.  
3-pointers — WM 2; RHS 1. Free throws — WM 10-15; RHS 17-28. Fouls — WM 23; RHS 13. Fouled out — K. Vescio (WM).



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**Stanfield Thyer Monkus drives on Life Christian's Tim Vasilyev in the Tigers' 56-41 win against the Lions on Friday in Pendleton.**

# STANFIELD: Finished 21-for-58 from the field

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for Stanfield. Ryan Bailey added 10 points, and Garcia and Tony Flores made key contributions in the fourth quarter to help the Tigers gain control.

Garcia got the quarter started with a shot in the lane to take a 32-30 lead, but Quinlan scored on a putback to tie it back up. He finished with a team-high 15 points and 14 rebounds for the Lions, and Bo Quinlan added 11 points.

Stanfield was slapped with its eighth foul of the half with 6:31 to play, and Bo Quinlan hit both of his bonus shots for a 34-32 lead, but it was short-lived as Monkus found Flores with a cross-court pass for a wide open three-pointer in front of the Stanfield bench for a 35-34 edge.

Zac Ross answered with a reverse layup at the other end, but then Grogan hit a jumper in the wing for the game's final lead change at 37-36 with 5:33 left.

After a missed bonus free throw by the Lions, the Tigers again made the extra pass to find the open shooter and Grogan knocked down the triple from the corner for a 40-36 lead.

"We saw them play yesterday, we saw the open spots," Grogan said of the Lions' 3-2 zone. "Our coaches spent hours working on the game plan

and we knew exactly what we were going to do before the game."

It was back to the line for the Lions on their next possession, and Zeke Quinlan was 1-of-2, which Grogan answered with another three.

Then Monkus stole the ball for a fast-break layup to give them their largest lead to that point at 47-39 with 3:12 to play.

The teams traded missed jumpers, and then Garcia forced the charge with 2:18 left. After two misses and two offensive boards, Bailey drove to the hoop for two to make it 49-39.

Bo Quinlan hit two at the line to make it 49-41 with 1:30 left, but the Lions missed their next three shots as Woods, Bailey and Grogan hit free throws to close out the win.

Stanfield finished 21-for-58 (36.2 percent) from the field and Life Christian was 15-for-45 (33.3 percent).

Stanfield plays No. 4 Santiam (Mill City) in the championship game on Saturday at 8:30 p.m. at the convention center.

<b>LC</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>SHS</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>56</b>

LIFE CHRISTIAN — Z. Quinlan 15, B. Quinlan 11, Z. Ross 6, J. Wooten 5, T. Vasilyev 4, J. Woods, B. Lambert, Y. Zhou.  
STANFIELD — D. Grogan 20, B. Woods 13, T. Flores 5, T. Monkus 4, J. Garcia 4, E. Angel, J. Galarza, D. Allen, E. Esquivel, A. Isaac Gomez, N. Sanchez.  
3-pointers — LC 1; SHS 4. Free throws — LC 10-14; SHS 10-18. Fouls — LC 19; SHS 15. Fouled out — Z. Ross (LC).

## SCOREBOARD

### Local Slate

#### PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

**Saturday**  
2A Tourney: Vernonia vs. Columbia  
Christian (4th/6th place game at Pendleton Convention Center), 10:45 a.m.  
2A Tourney: Western Menonite vs. Life Christian (3rd/5th place game, at Pendleton Convention Center), 3:15 p.m.  
2A Tourney: Stanfield vs. Santiam (Championship game, at Pendleton Convention Center), 8:30 p.m.

#### PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL

**Saturday**  
2A Tourney: Regis vs. East Linn (4th/6th place game, at Pendleton Convention Center), 9 a.m.  
2A Tourney: Imbler vs. Kennedy (3rd/5th place game at Pendleton Convention Center), 1:30 p.m.  
2A Tourney: Monroe vs. Western Menonite (Championship game, at Pendleton Convention Center), 6:30 p.m.  
Nixyavvii vs. Country Christian (1A Championship game, at Baker HS), 7 p.m.  
Arlington vs. Adrian (3rd/5th place game, at Baker HS), 11:30 a.m.

#### COLLEGE BASEBALL

**Today**  
Blue Mountain at Walla Walla (DH), 1/4 p.m.  
**Sunday**  
Mt. Hood at Blue Mountain (DH), 11 a.m./2 p.m.

#### COLLEGE SOFTBALL

**Saturday**  
Clackamas at Blue Mountain (DH), 2/4 p.m.

### Prep Scores

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

**Friday**  
**6A Tournament**  
NORTH MEDFORD 73, McNary 67  
BEAVERTON 68, Southridge 37  
WESTVIEW 49, Tigard 46  
WESLEY CATHOLIC 65, Lincoln 65  
Grant 74, SPRAGUE 72  
WEST SALEM 73, Central Catholic 48  
JEFFERSON-PORTLAND 98, Jesuit 86  
CLACKAMAS 78, David Douglas 63  
**5A Tournament**  
CRESCENT VALLEY 76, Sandy 57  
PENDLETON 68, Corvallis 67 (2OT)  
CHURCHILL 62, Silverton 52  
Parkrose 64, SPRINGFIELD 57  
SUMMIT 53, Central 47  
SOUTH ALBANY 50, Putnam 46  
LA SALLE PREP 72, Mountain View 46  
WILSONVILLE 55, Thurston 40  
**4A Tournament**  
Tillamook 68, LA Grande 64  
HENLEY 70, North Marion 63  
PHILOMATH 56, Mazama 44  
GLADSTONE 26, Sisters 25  
Banks 39, COTTAGE GROVE 35  
NORTH BEND 60, Sutherlin 42  
VALLEY CATHOLIC 64, Newport 37  
SEASIDE 68, Cascade 49  
**3A Tournament**  
SALEM ACAD. 49, Horizon Christian-Tualatin 42  
AMITY 59, Blanchet Catholic 57  
DAYTON 72, Cascade Christian 62  
De La Salle North Catholic 44, HARRISBURG 40

#### 2A Tournament

Vernonia 47, IMBLER 36  
COLUMBIA CHRISTIAN 65, Oakridge 45  
Santiam 53, WESTERN MENNONITE 33  
STANFIELD 56, Life Christian 41

#### 1A Tournament

SHERMAN 59, Perrydale 35  
Powder Valley 54, JORDAN VALLEY 52

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

**Friday**  
**5A Tournament**  
Putnam 53, PENDLETON 38  
BEND 46, Hermiston 45  
**3A Tournament**  
PORTLAND ADVENTIST ACAD. 50, Lakeview 43  
Nyssa 37, RAINIER 28  
Blanchet Catholic 51, SALEM ACAD. 39  
DAYTON 55, Coquille 45

**2A Tournament**  
REGIS 52, Weston-McEwen 40  
EAST LINN CHRISTIAN ACAD. 45, Grant Union 29  
MONROE 41, Imbler 28  
WESTERN MENNONITE 52, Kennedy 37

**1A Tournament**  
Powder Valley 52, DAMASCUS CHRISTIAN 43  
Crane 52, NORTH DOUGLAS 51  
NIXYAAVVII 51, Arlington 27  
COUNTRY CHRISTIAN 55, Adrian 54

### Basketball

#### NBA

##### EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Boston	40	22	64.5	—
Toronto	37	25	59.7	3
New York	25	37	40.3	15
Philadelphia	23	38	37.7	16½
Brooklyn	10	50	16.7	29

##### Southwest Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Washington	36	24	60.0	—
Atlanta	34	27	55.7	2½
Miami	28	34	45.2	9
Charlotte	26	35	42.6	10½
Orlando	23	39	37.1	14

##### Central Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Cleveland	42	18	70.0	—
Chicago	31	30	50.8	11
Indiana	31	30	50.8	11
Detroit	29	32	47.5	13½
Milwaukee	27	33	45.0	15

##### Western Conference Northwest Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
San Antonio	47	13	78.3	—
Houston	43	19	69.4	5
Memphis	36	26	58.1	12
Dallas	25	36	41.0	22½
New Orleans	24	38	38.7	24

##### Northwest Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
Utah	38	24	61.3	—
Oklahoma City	35	27	56.5	3
Denver	28	33	45.9	9½
Portland	25	35	41.7	12
Minnesota	25	36	41.0	12½

##### Pacific Division

	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>
x-Golden State	50	11	82.0	—
L.A. Clippers	36	25	59.0	14
Sacramento	25	36	41.0	25
Phoenix	20	42	32.3	30½
L.A. Lakers	19	43	30.6	31½

x-lined playoff spot

#### Friday's Games

Cleveland 135, Atlanta 130  
Orlando 110, Miami 99  
Philadelphia 105, New York 102  
Toronto 114, Washington 106  
Milwaukee 112, L.A. Clippers 101  
Dallas 104, Memphis 100  
Phoenix 118, Oklahoma City 111  
Utah 112, Brooklyn 97  
San Antonio 101, New Orleans 98, OT  
Boston 115, L.A. Lakers 95

#### Saturday's Games

Detroit at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.  
Cleveland at Miami, 5 p.m.  
Toronto at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.  
L.A. Clippers at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.  
Charlotte at Denver, 6 p.m.  
Memphis at Houston, 6 p.m.  
Minnesota at San Antonio, 6 p.m.  
Brooklyn at Portland, 7 p.m.

#### NCAA

##### Men's Top 25

	<b>Record</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>Pvs</b>
1. Kansas (23)	26-3	790	3
2. UCLA (3)	26-3	730	5
2. Villanova (5)	27-3	730	2
4. Gonzaga (1)	29-1	686	1
5. North Carolina	25-5	663	8
6. Oregon	26-4	653	7
7. Louisville	23-6	600	6
8. Arizona	26-4	585	4
9. Kentucky	24-5	578	10
10. West Virginia	23-6	478	13
11. Baylor	23-6	461	9
12. Florida	23-6	382	12
13. Notre Dame	22-7	334	17
14. Duke	22-7	315	11
15. Butler	23-6	314	22
16. Purdue	23-6	299	14
17. Florida State	23-6	290	20
18. Saint Mary's	26-3	273	18
19. SMU	25-4	269	21
20. Cincinnati	25-4	210	16
21. Wisconsin	22-7	185	15
22. Wichita State	27-4	140	25
23. Virginia	19-9	138	19
24. Iowa State	19-9	57	—
25. Miami	20-8	48	—

Others receiving votes: Creighton 44; South Carolina 25; Southern Cal 21; Middle Tennessee 20; Oklahoma State 16; Dayton 15; Minnesota 10; Maryland 9; Northwest-ern 8; Xavier 8; Michigan State 7; California 4; Arkansas 2; Michigan 2; VCU 1.

#### Today's Games

No. 10 West Virginia 87, No. 24 Iowa State 76  
No. 21 Wichita State 82, Bradley 56

#### Saturday's Games

No. 6 Oregon at Oregon State, 3 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at No. 23 Virginia, 9 a.m.  
No. 9 Kentucky at Texas A&M, 9 a.m.  
No. 2 Villanova at Georgetown, 9 a.m.  
No. 12 Florida at Vanderbilt, 11 a.m.  
No. 19 Notre Dame at No. 8 Louisville, 11 a.m.  
Denton Hall at No. 13 Butler, 11:30 a.m.  
Memphis at No. 14 SMU, 1 p.m.  
Pacific at No. 5 North Carolina, 1 p.m.  
No. 11 Baylor at Texas, 1 p.m.  
No. 7 Arizona at Arizona State, 1 p.m.  
Missouri State at No. 21 Wichita State, 3 p.m.  
No. 1 Kansas at Oklahoma State, 3 p.m.  
No. 17 Duke at No. 5 North Carolina, 5:15 p.m.

Washington State at No. 3 UCLA, 7:15 p.m.

#### Portland at No. 20 Saint Mary's, 9 p.m.

#### Women's Top 25

	<b>Record</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>Prv</b>
1. UConn (33)	28-0	825	1
2. Baylor	27-2	784	4
3. Notre Dame	27-3	755	5
4. Maryland	27-2		