

# NCAA DIVISION II WEST REGIONAL



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**Left: Western Oregon senior Andy Avgi attempts to shoot over a defender during the NCAA Division II West Regional.**  
**Top: Fans cheer the Wolves on during WOU's 60-55 win over the University of California, San Diego on Monday evening.**  
**Right: Western Oregon sophomore Alex Roth attempts to save a ball against Azusa Pacific on Saturday evening.**



## WESTERN OREGON ROUNDUP

### Ribich named All-American

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**  
 PITTSBURG, Kan. — Western Oregon distance runner David Ribich left the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field Championships as a double All-American on Friday and Saturday.



Ribich

Ribich placed fourth in the men's mile with a time of 4 minutes, 14.22 seconds and was part of the distance medley relay with Sam Nafziger, Aaron Whitaker and Josh Dempsey. The team set a new school and conference record with a time of

9:50.07 in the finals. On the women's side, Emmi Collier placed 15th in the shot put with a throw of 13.72 meters. WOU will continue its outdoor season at the Willamette Invitational on March 26.

**BASEBALL SPLITS DH:** Western Oregon's baseball team split a doubleheader against Saint Martin's on Saturday, earning a 9-0 win in the first game before falling 5-4 in the second. The game was moved to Portland because of weather conditions. Pitcher Brady Miller earned the win in the first contest, throwing



Miller

three strikeouts, while allowing two hits in seven innings of work. Cody Sullivan led WOU with three hits at the plate. The Wolves led 4-1 in the second game before the Saints scored four runs over the final two innings to earn the win. Sunday's doubleheader was postponed because of rain. Western Oregon will host Northwest Nazarene for a pair of doubleheaders on Friday and Saturday. First pitch is 1 p.m. Friday and noon Saturday.

**SOFTBALL GAMES POSTPONED:** Western Oregon's softball team's games against Montana State Billings on Friday and Saturday were postponed because of weather conditions. No makeup date has been announced. WOU will play a pair of doubleheaders at Simon Fraser on Saturday and at Western Washington on Sunday.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

### Eight players earn all-league

Minahan named first team all-Mid-Willamette Conference

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**  
 POLK COUNTY — Eight Dallas and Central boys basketball players received all-Mid-Willamette Conference recognition.

Dallas senior guard Everett Minahan was named first team all-conference. Dallas senior Mitchell Laizure and junior Aaron White received honorable mentions.

Central seniors Kevin



Minahan

Casey was named league MVP.



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placed fourth in the conference.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

### Seven named all-league

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**  
 POLK COUNTY — Seven Dallas and Central girls basketball players earned all-Mid-Willamette Conference honors.

Central senior Kylie Nash was named first team all-MWC. Dallas sophomore Tristin Savage received second team all-conference recognition. Dallas juniors Sarah Zwicker and Olivia Nelson, freshman Emma Classen, Central sopho-



Nash

more Krista Omlid and freshman Elizabeth Chavez all earned honorable mentions.

Corvallis junior Alexandria Vallancey-Martinson and Silvertown senior Alia Parsons were named Co-Players of the Year.

Central (14-11 overall, 8-6 MWC) and Dallas (14-12 overall, 8-6 MWC) both advanced to the first round of the state playoffs. The Panthers played third in the MWC, while the Dragons finished fourth.



Zwicker

## School board considers remodels to restrooms

By Jolene Guzman  
 The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — Dallas School District is tapping the brakes on the multipurpose and new kitchen remodels at Lyle and Oakdale elementary schools.

That's because the district may add restroom remodels to the project after the state and a superintendent's committee issued guidance about restroom and locker room access for the transgender students and student privacy.

The Dallas School Board also had questions about the cost of moving the kitchens versus remodeling the current facilities.

Superintendent Michelle Johnstone said the Oregon Department of Education should be releasing its guidelines within a couple weeks. Incorporating that

and the recommendation of the committee formed to look into the issue would delay final planning until at least late April.

Facilities Manager Kevin Montague said that would mean rushing to get the project ready for bid for work this summer, something he recommends against. Additionally, the architect on the project is now recommending putting the projects out to bid in December with construction in summer 2017.

"It just all came down to, we're better off backing up and making sure that we do this right rather than pushing just so we can say we started in 2016."

Montague said based on rough estimates, the cost of moving the kitchens wouldn't be significantly more expensive than remodeling

the current kitchens, which satisfied the board.

"It makes sense because I've witnessed at Oakdale through the years how that all functions and the lack of efficiency," said board member Mike Bollman.

In other business, the district:

- Is expected to hear if it will receive a \$1.492 million grant from the state of Oregon for a seismic upgrade at Whitworth Elementary School in the second week of April. The grant doesn't require a financial "match" from the district.
- "We're still hoping our application for work to be done at Whitworth is selected," Montague said. "I believe based on criteria, we have a strong application."
- If the grant is awarded, the work should take place in the summer of 2017.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 FEMA 4258-DR-OR

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice to the public of its intent to reimburse eligible applicants for eligible costs to repair and/or replace facilities, damaged by Severe Winter Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides occurring from December 6-23, 2015. This notice applies to the Public Assistance (PA) and Hazard Mitigation Grant (HMGP) programs implemented under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5206.

Under a major disaster declaration (FEMA-4258-DR-OR) signed by the President on February 17, 2016, the following counties have been designated adversely affected by the disaster and eligible for PA:

Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, and Yamhill Counties. Additional counties in the State of Oregon may be designated at a later date. HMGP is available statewide.

This public notice concerns activities that may affect historic properties; activities that may affect, or be affected by, the floodplain or wetlands; and critical actions within the 500-year floodplain. Such activities may adversely affect the historic property, floodplain or wetland, or may result in continuing vulnerability to flood damage.

Presidential Executive Orders 11988 and 11990 require that all federal actions in or affecting the floodplain or wetlands be reviewed for opportunities to relocate, and be evaluated for social, economic, historical, environmental, legal and safety considerations. Where there is no opportunity to relocate, FEMA is required to undertake a detailed review to determine what measures can be taken to minimize future damages. The public is invited to participate in the process of identifying alternatives and analyzing their impacts.

FEMA has determined that for certain types of facilities

there are normally no alternatives to restoration in the floodplain/wetland. These are facilities that meet all of the following criteria: 1) FEMA's estimate of the cost of repairs is less than 50 percent of the cost to replace the entire facility, and is less than \$100,000; 2) the facility is not located in a floodway; 3) the facility has not sustained major structural damage in a previous Presidential declared flooding disaster or emergency; and 4) the facility is not critical (e.g., the facility is not a hospital, generating plant, emergency operations center, or a facility that contains dangerous materials). FEMA intends to provide assistance for the restoration of these facilities to their pre-disaster condition, except that certain measures to mitigate the effects of future flooding or other hazards may be included in the work. For example, a bridge or culvert restoration may include a larger waterway opening to decrease the risk of future washouts.

For routine activities, this will be the only public notice provided. Other activities and those involving facilities that do not meet the four criteria are required to undergo more detailed review, including study of alternate locations. Subsequent public notices regarding such projects will be published if necessary, as more specific information becomes available.

In many cases, an applicant may have started facility restoration before federal involvement. Even if the facility must undergo detailed review and analysis of alternate locations, FEMA will fund eligible restoration at the original location if the facility is functionally dependent on its location in the floodplain (e.g., bridges and flood control facilities), or the project facilitates an open space use, or the facility is an integral part of a larger network that is impractical or uneconomical to relocate, such as a road. In such cases, FEMA must also examine the possible effects of not restoring the facility, minimize floodplain/wetland impacts, and determine both that an overriding public need for the facility clearly outweighs the Executive Order requirements

to avoid the floodplain/wetland, and that the site is the only practicable alternative. The State of Oregon and local officials will confirm to FEMA that proposed actions comply with all applicable State and local floodplain management and wetland protection requirements.

FEMA also intends to provide HMGP funding to the State of Oregon to mitigate future disaster damages. These projects may include construction of new facilities, modification of existing, undamaged facilities, relocation of facilities out of floodplains, demolition of structures, or other types of projects to mitigate future disaster damages. In the course of developing project proposals, subsequent public notices will be published if necessary, as more specific information becomes available.

The National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties. Those actions or activities affecting buildings, structures, districts or objects 50 years or older or that affect archeological sites or undisturbed ground will require further review to determine if the property is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). If the property is determined to be listed, or eligible for listing in the NRHP, and FEMA's undertaking will adversely affect it, FEMA will provide additional public notices. For historic properties not adversely affected by FEMA's undertaking, this will be the only public notice.

As noted, this may be the only public notice regarding the above-described actions under the PA and HMGP programs. Interested persons may obtain information about these actions or a specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Joint Field Office, 610 Hawthorne Ave SE, Salem, OR 97301, or by calling (503) 576-3400. Comments should be sent in writing to Dolph A. Diemont, Federal Coordinating Officer, at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

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