

Sports

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Brewers claim consolation title

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The Barley Brown's Brewers, Baker's American Legion baseball team, came home with the consolation trophy Sunday from the Ashlee Hodgen Memorial Tournament at Pendleton.

The Brewers defeated Pendleton 11-7 in the consolation title game. Sam McCauley led Baker, going 3-for-4. Connor

Lay was the winning pitcher.

The Brewers opened tournament play Friday with a 3-2 loss to Meridian. McCauley was the losing pitcher. Hayden Younger was 3-for-4 at the plate.

Baker then defeated Pasco 10-2. Zander Arriaga led the offense going 3-for-4. Andrew Zellars was the winning pitcher.

Baker then defeated Showtime of Vancouver 8-6. McCauley and Mason Van Arsdall each was 3-for-4 at the plate. Arriaga was the winning pitcher.

In the semifinals, Baker lost 5-1 to La Grande. Losing pitcher Warner Robertson was 2-for-2 at the plate.

The Brewers travel to Yakima for a three-day tourney Friday through Sunday.

Encarnación hits 400th homer, Mariners dominate Angels, 9-3

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ANAHEIM, Calif. — Edwin Encarnación paused at the plate and watched while his 400th homer flew toward the Mariners' bullpen beyond left field. He pumped his fists as he circled the bases while his teammates went wild for the milestone.

Although Seattle's season has been mostly dismal, Encarnación has done his best to provide something to cheer. His latest power barrage even propelled the Mariners to a rare series win.

Encarnación hit two homers to become the third active player with 400 homers,

and Tom Murphy added two more homers in the Mariners' 9-3 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Sunday.

Encarnación and Daniel Vogelbach hit back-to-back homers in the sixth, and Encarnación added a solo shot in the seventh for his 35th career multihomer game and his second against the Angels this month.

Kyle Seager connected in the ninth for the Mariners' sixth homer, their most in a game since May 12, 2015. Seattle took two of three from Los Angeles for its first series win since mid-May and its first road series victory since mid-April.

But the Mariners were

focused on celebrating Encarnación, who also got his 1,200th career RBI in the process.

"I feel really good that I accomplished this," Encarnación said. "I've been waiting for it for a long time."

While becoming the 56th player in baseball history to hit 400 homers, Encarnación pushed into the AL lead with his 20th homer of the season. Even at 36 years old, Encarnación shows few signs of slowing: His 282 homers since 2012 are the most in the majors.

"What can you say (except) unbelievable," Seattle manager Scott Servais said of the milestone. "There's

what, 19,000 guys that have played? Little disappointed nothing showed up on the (scoreboard) here, to be honest. But everybody in our dugout knew what was going on, how important it was to him. He's been a true professional since we got him. Nothing but happy for him."

Although his name frequently comes up in trade rumors around the struggling Mariners, he's not planning beyond the next game and his next statistical goal, which might be 500 homers.

"We'll see," Encarnación said with a smile. "I'm ready for it, but I don't think about that. I just try to keep winning."

Michigan upsets No. 1 UCLA, on to College World Series

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michigan is headed to the College World Series for the first time in 35 years after eliminating the nation's top program.

Ako Thomas drove in two runs with a single and Tommy Henry pitched seven solid innings to propel the Wolverines to a 4-2 victory over UCLA on Sunday night in the deciding game of the Los Angeles super

regional.

It will be the 46-20 Wolverines' eighth CWS appearance but their first since 1984. It is also the first time since Indiana in 2013 that the Big 10 has had a team advance to Omaha.

"You could see the last couple of weeks after we started to play loose, you could see what our potential could be," Michigan coach Erik Bakich said.

GOL ALL-LEAGUE SELECTIONS

Bulldogs place 13 on GOL teams

Baker placed 13 players on the Greater Oregon League baseball and softball all-league teams recently.

Named to the baseball first team were catcher Mason Van Arsdall, second baseman Spencer Smith, first baseman Spencer Shirtcliff and utility player Dawson Linscott.

Named to the second team were pitchers Sam McCauley and Connor Lay, outfielder Justin Miller and outfielder Jack Rohner.

Van Arsdall was named

second team Class 4A all-state. Smith, Linscott and Shirtcliff received all-state honorable mention, Linscott was picked to play in the 4A all-star series June 15-16 at North Marion.

Five Baker softball players were named to the GOL second team.

Catcher Natalie Nelson, infielder Rose Gwillim, outfielders Alayna Calaway and Hailey Sanders, and utility player Kaitlyn Nelson were named to the second team.

Brooks named Coach of Year

DURHAM, N.C. — Once again, Duke University women's golf head coach Dan Brooks is the Women's Golf Coaches Association (WGCA) National Coach of the Year, after leading the Blue Devils to their seventh NCAA Championship last week at Blessings Golf Club in Fayetteville, Ark. The announcement was made Friday morning live on the Golf Channel.

Brooks, a Baker High School graduate, receives his sixth Division I Golf Pride Grips WGCA National Coach of the Year honor with the other selections coming in 2014, 2007, 2005, 2001 and 1999.

Recently completing his 35th campaign with the Blue Devils, Brooks has led Duke to seven NCAA Championships over the last 21 years. Duke placed second in the stroke play portion of the event in Arkansas and then knocked

off Stanford (3-2), Arizona (3-2) and Wake Forest (3-2) in match play. Brooks has guided Duke to NCAA titles in 1999, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2014 and 2019. He became the first men's or women's head coach to lead a squad to a NCAA title in stroke and match play.

The Blue Devils placed sixth or higher in every tournament they played in, including wins at the Ruth's Chris Tar Heel Invitational and Landfall Tradition. In the former, Duke posted a 17-under-par score of 271 in the first round, which was the second-lowest round in Tar Heel Invite history. The program boasted four WGCA All-Americans, and featured five golfers in the inaugural Augusta National Women's Amateur, which was tied for the most from any school.

His seven NCAA Championships are the most by a women's golf head coach.



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