

ON THE AIR

WEDNESDAY

BASEBALL	Time	TV
MLB preseason, Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh	10 a.m.	MLB
MLB preseason, L.A. Dodgers at Chicago White Sox	1 p.m.	MLB
MLB preseason, San Diego at Chicago Cubs	6 p.m.	MLB
BASKETBALL		
NBA, Milwaukee at Philadelphia	4 p.m.	ESPN
NIT, Toledo vs. Richmond	4 p.m.	ESPN2
NIT, Western Kentucky vs. Saint Mary's	6 p.m.	ESPN2
NBA, L.A. Clippers at Dallas	6:35 p.m.	ESPN
SOFTBALL		
College, North Dakota at Florida	4 p.m.	SEC
HOCKEY		
NHL, Philadelphia at N.Y. Rangers	4:30 p.m.	NBCSN
NHL, Edmonton at Calgary	7 p.m.	NBCSN
SOCCER		
Copa do Brazil, Salgueiro AC vs. SC Corinthians	5:20 p.m.	FS2
FOOTBALL		
AFL Premiership, Richmond vs. Carlton	12:30 a.m. (Thu)	FS2
GOLF		
European Tour, Kenya Open	3 a.m. (Thu)	Golf

THURSDAY

WRESTLING		
College, NCAA Division I Championships	8 a.m.	ESPNU
College, NCAA Division I Championships	11 a.m.	ESPNU
College, NCAA Division I Championships	3 p.m.	ESPN2
College, NCAA Division I Championship	6 p.m.	ESPN2
BASEBALL		
MLB preseason, Washington at N.Y. Mets	10 a.m.	MLB
MLB preseason, Chicago Cubs at Cleveland	1 p.m.	MLB
College, Texas A&M at Florida	4 p.m.	SEC
GOLF		
PGA Tour, Honda Classic	11 a.m.	Golf
European Tour, Kenya Open	3 a.m. (Fri)	Golf
SOCCER		
Women's college, Nebraska at Illinois	12:30 p.m.	Big Ten
Women's college, Minnesota at Penn St.	2:30 p.m.	Big Ten
CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying Championship, United States vs. Costa Rica	2:30 p.m.	FS1
CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying Championship, Mexico vs. Dominican Republic	5 p.m.	FS1
Women's college, USC at UCLA	7 p.m.	Pac-12
BASKETBALL		
NCAA First Four, Drake vs. Wichita St.	3:25 p.m.	TBS
NIT, NC State vs. Davidson	4 p.m.	ESPN
NIT, SMU vs. Boise St.	6 p.m.	ESPN
NCAA First Four, UCLA vs. Michigan St.	6:50 p.m.	TBS
NBA, New Orleans at Portland	7 p.m.	NBCSNW
HOCKEY		
Women's college, NCAA semifinal, teams TBD	4 p.m.	ESPNU
NHL, Pittsburgh at New Jersey	4 p.m.	NBCSN
BOXING		
Ring City USA	6 p.m.	NBCSN
SAILING		
America's Cup	8 p.m.	NBCSN
FOOTBALL		
AFL Premiership, Collingwood vs. Western Bulldogs	1 a.m. (Fri)	FS2

Listings are the most accurate available. The Bulletin is not responsible for late changes made by TV or radio stations.

SPORTS BRIEFING

SOFTBALL

Oregon softball moves up to season-high in polls ahead of Pac-12 play — Oregon softball moved up in the polls ahead of Pac-12 play. The Ducks (16-1) are No. 4 with 691 points in the NFCA coaches poll and No. 4 with 431 points in the USA Softball poll after beating Sacramento State twice and Oregon State once last weekend. That's up from No. 5 with 658 points and No. 6 with 386 points, respectively, last week. Oregon opens Pac-12 play with a four-game series against Utah starting Friday.

BASEBALL

Little League World Series eyes possible return — A year after the pandemic forced the Little League World Series to be canceled, organizers are hopeful the late-summer Classic will return this August. "We are planning as if we are going to have a tournament season," said Steve Keener, the president and CEO of Little League International. A plan that must include figuring out a way to safely bring together players from all over the globe. Little League has established a Pandemic Response Commission dedicated to figuring out how to pull off the two-week spectacle in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

BASKETBALL

Study: NCAA Tourney teams still have racial graduation gap — A diversity report released Tuesday found that a significant graduation gap continues to exist between white and Black basketball players for the teams competing in this year's NCAA Tournament, particularly on the men's side. The Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport (TIDES) at Central Florida examined the Graduation Success Rate (GSR) for the teams competing in the upcoming NCAA Tournament and found that white male student-athletes graduated at a rate 13.5 percentage points higher than Black male student-athletes. The gap was 6.1% on the women's side.

OLYMPICS

Tokyo torch relay: Masks, quiet cheering and caution — Organizers plan to exercise extreme caution when the Olympic torch relay starts next week, knowing any stumble could imperil the opening of the Tokyo Games in just over four months. The relay will crisscross Japan for the next four months with 10,000 runners carrying the torch. It's also a symbolic curtain raiser for the postponed Olympics, and there is no room for error. The relay links all 47 Japanese prefectures and presents a real risk of spreading the virus, particularly with much of the organizational staff coming from Tokyo, where the COVID-19 outbreak has been most severe in Japan.

— Bulletin wire reports



Oregon Lottery results

MEGA MILLIONS

The numbers drawn Tuesday night are:

10 41 46 52 69 8 2

The estimated jackpot is now \$93 million.

As listed at www.oregonlottery.org and individual lottery websites

SCOREBOARD

ON DECK

Prep sports

Wednesday, March 17
Volleyball: Ridgeview at Redmond, 6:30 p.m.; Madras at North Marion, 6 p.m.; Sweet Home at Sisters, 6:30 p.m.
Boys soccer: Summit at Mountain View, 4 p.m.; Crook County at Hood River Valley, 4:30 p.m.; Madras at North Marion, 4 p.m.
Girls soccer: Bend at Summit, 6 p.m.; North Marion at Madras, 4 p.m.
Cross-country: Redmond at Crook County, TBD; Ridgeview at Hood River Valley, TBD.
Thursday, March 18
Football: Culver at Gervais, 5 p.m.
Volleyball: Bend at Summit, 6:30 p.m.; Sisters at Woodburn, 6 p.m.; La Pine at North Lake/Paisley, 6 p.m.; Central Christian at Chiloquin, 2 p.m.; Hosanna-Triad at Central Christian, 4 p.m.
Boys soccer: Redmond at Pendleton, 4 p.m.; Hood River Valley at Ridgeview, 4:30 p.m.; Molalla at Estacada, 6 p.m.; Sisters at Stayton, 7 p.m.
Girls soccer: Pendleton at Redmond, 4:30 p.m.; Ridgeview at Hood River Valley, 6:30 p.m.; Stayton at Sisters, 6 p.m.
Cross-country: Clash in the Cascades at Sisters, TBD.

PREPS

Volleyball

Tuesday's Games
 Crook County vs. The Dalles, late
 North Marion vs. Madras, late
 Creswell 3, La Pine 0 (25-20, 25-18, 25-18)
 Culver vs. Sheridan, late
 North Lake/Paisley vs. Gilchrist, late
 Central Christian 3, Trinity Lutheran 0 (25-17, 26-24, 25-19)

Boys soccer

Monday's Late Game
 Ridgeview 4, Mountain View 0
Tuesday's Games
 Redmond vs. Summit (JV), late
 La Pine 8, Bend (JV) 1

Girls soccer

Monday's Late Game
 North Marion 8, Madras 0
Tuesday's Games
 Crook County vs. Summit (JV), late
 Summit vs. Sisters, late
 Redmond vs. Ridgeview, late
 Molalla vs. Estacada, late

BASKETBALL

Men's college

NCAA TOURNAMENT FIRST FOUR
Thursday's Games
In Bloomington, Ind.
 Mount St. Mary's (12-10) vs. Texas Southern (16-8), 2:10 p.m.
 Norfolk St. (16-7) vs. Appalachian St. (17-11), 5:40 p.m.
In West Lafayette, Ind.
 Wichita St. (16-5) vs. Drake (25-4), 3:27 p.m.
 Michigan St. (15-12) vs. UCLA (17-9), 6:57 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				GB
W	L	Pct		
Phila.	28	12	.700	—
Brooklyn	27	13	.675	1
Milwaukee	25	14	.641	2½
Miami	22	18	.550	6
Charlotte	20	18	.526	7
Boston	20	19	.513	7½
Atlanta	20	20	.500	8
New York	20	21	.488	8½
Chicago	18	20	.474	9
Indiana	17	21	.447	10
Toronto	17	22	.436	10½
Washington	14	24	.368	13
Cleveland	14	25	.359	13½
Orlando	13	26	.333	14½
Detroit	10	29	.256	17½

WESTERN CONFERENCE				GB
W	L	Pct		
Utah	29	10	.744	—
Phoenix	26	12	.684	2½
L.A. Lakers	26	13	.667	3
L.A. Clippers	26	15	.634	4
Denver	23	16	.590	6
Portland	22	16	.579	6½
San Antonio	20	16	.556	7½
Dallas	20	18	.526	8½
Golden State	20	20	.500	9½
Memphis	17	19	.472	10½
New Orleans	17	22	.436	12
Oklahoma City	17	23	.425	12½
Sacramento	15	24	.385	14
Houston	11	27	.289	17½
Minnesota	9	30	.231	20

Monday's Late Games
 Milwaukee 133, Washington 122
 Charlotte 122, Sacramento 116
 San Antonio 109, Detroit 99
 Brooklyn 117, New York 112
 L.A. Clippers 109, Dallas 99
 Phoenix 122, Memphis 99
 Denver 121, Indiana 106
 L.A. Lakers 128, Golden State 97

Tuesday's Games
 Utah 117, Boston 109
 Atlanta 119, Houston 107
 Chicago 123, Oklahoma City 102
 Miami 113, Cleveland 98
 Phila. 99, New York 96
 New Orleans at Portland, late
 Minnesota at L.A. Lakers, late

Wednesday's Games
 Brooklyn at Indiana, 4 p.m.
 Milwaukee at Phila., 4 p.m.
 Sacramento at Washington, 4 p.m.
 Toronto at Detroit, 4 p.m.
 Boston at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
 Golden State at Houston, 5 p.m.
 San Antonio at Chicago, 5 p.m.
 Charlotte at Denver, 6 p.m.
 Miami at Memphis, 6 p.m.
 L.A. Clippers at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL						
East	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF GA
Washington	29	19	6	4	42	103 88
N.Y. Islanders	30	19	7	4	42	87 67
Pittsburgh	29	18	10	1	37	94 82
Boston	27	15	8	4	34	73 65
Philadelphia	26	14	9	3	31	88 87
N.Y. Rangers	27	11	12	4	26	76 76
New Jersey	26	9	13	4	22	65 84
Buffalo	28	6	18	4	16	60 97

Central						
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	28	20	6	2	42	102 67
Florida	28	19	5	4	42	99 81
Colorado	28	20	7	1	41	97 72
Chicago	30	14	11	5	33	92 98
Columbus	30	11	12	7	29	80 99
Dallas	25	9	9	7	25	72 68
Nashville	29	12	16	1	25	71 97
Detroit	30	9	17	4	22	68 99
West	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF GA
Vegas	26	19	6	1	39	85 57
Minnesota	27	18	8	1	37	86 64
Colorado	26	16	8	2	34	78 60
St. Louis	28	14	9	5	33	88 92
Los Angeles	27	11	10	6	28	79 78
Arizona	29	12	13	4	28	70 88
San Jose	26	11	12	3	25	76 91
Anaheim	29	8	15	6	22	63 95

North
 Toronto 30, 19, 9, 2, 40, 102, 79
 Winnipeg 28, 17, 9, 2, 36, 93, 82
 Edmonton 31, 18, 13, 0, 36, 103, 91
 Montreal 28, 13, 8, 7, 33, 90, 76
 Calgary 29, 14, 12, 3, 31, 80, 85
 Vancouver 32, 14, 16, 2, 30, 89, 102
 Ottawa 32, 10, 20, 2, 22, 85, 127

Monday's Late Games
 Calgary 4, Edmonton 3
 Vegas 2, San Jose 1
Tuesday's Games
 Washington 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
 New Jersey 3, Buffalo 2
 Boston 2, Pittsburgh 1
 Detroit 4, Carolina 2
 Minnesota 3, Arizona 0
 Tampa Bay 4, Dallas 3, SO
 Anaheim at Colorado, late

Wednesday's Games
 Vancouver at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
 Philadelphia at N.Y. Rangers, 4:30 p.m.
 Montreal at Winnipeg, 6 p.m.
 Edmonton at Calgary, 7 p.m.
 San Jose at Vegas, 7 p.m.
 St. Louis at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.

DEALS

Transactions

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball American League
 BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to terms with INF Maikel Franco on a one-year contract. Optioned INFs Ryan Brannon and Tyler Nevin, OFs Yusniel Diaz and Ryan McKenna and RHP Ashton Goudeau to Norfolk (Triple-A Southeast). Reassigned C Taylor Davis to Twin Lakes camp. Placed RHP Hunter Harvey on 60-day IR.
 BOSTON RED SOX — Optioned RHPs Eduard Bazarado and John Schreiber and C/INF Connor Wong to alternate training site.
 DETROIT TIGERS — Optioned RHPs Matt Manning, Franklin Perez and Alex Lange, INF Zack Short and OF Christin Stewart to Toledo (Triple-A Midwest). Reassigned INF Kody Clemens to the mini-camp.
 KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Optioned C Sebastian Rivero and P Tyler Zuber to Omaha (Triple-A East).
 SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned RHP Sam Delaplane to Tacoma (Triple-A West) and RHP Juan Then to Everett (High-A West). Re-assigned RHP Moises Gomez and LHP Ian McKinney to the minor league camp.
 TAMPA BAY RAYS — Optioned INF/OF Vidal Brujan,

OF Josh Lowe, INFs Kevin Padlo and Taylor Walls, RHPs Drew Stotman, Brent Honeywell and Luis Patino, LHPs Shane McCannan and Brendan McKay to Durham (Triple-A Southeast).

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Optioned RHP J.B. Bukauskas, OF Stuart Fairchild and INF Geraldo Perdomo to Reno (Triple-A West).
 COLORADO ROCKIES — Optioned LHP Yoan Aybar, INF/OF Bret Boswell and RHPs Ryan Castellani, Justin Lawrence and Jose Mujica to Albuquerque (Triple-A West). Re-assigned RHP Jesus Tinoco, C Willie MacIver to the minor league camp.
 MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Agreed to terms with INF Travis Shaw. Placed INF/OF Mark Mathias on 60-day IR. Optioned RHP Phil Bickford to Nashville (Triple-A Southeast). Reassigned OF Dylan Cozens, INF Zach Green, C Payton Henry, INF/OF Pablo Reyes, LHP Aaron Ashby and RHP Zack Brown to minor league camp.
 NEW YORK METS — Optioned RHP Sam McWilliams and OF Khalil Lee to Syracuse (Triple-A East).
 PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned INFs Rodolfo Castro, Llover Peguero and Oneil Cruz, RHPs Roansy Contreras, Max Kracknic and Nick Marks. Reassigned RHPs Cody Bolton, Quinn Priester and Jandel Gustave, C Jason Delay, OFs Cal Mitchell, Travis Swaggerty and Canaan Smith-Njigba, INF Nick Gonzalez and INF/OF Mason Martin.
 SAN DIEGO PADRES — Optioned RHP Reggie Lawson to San Antonio (Double-A South).

FOOTBALL

National Football League
 ARIZONA CARDINALS — Re-signed OT Kelvin Beachum to a two-year contract.
 BALTIMORE RAVENS — Re-signed LB Chris Board to a one-year contract.
 BUFFALO BILLS — Agreed to terms with LB Tyler Matakevich on a one-year contract extension.
 CHICAGO BEARS — Agreed to terms with DE Mario Edwards Jr. on a three-year contract extension.
 CINCINNATI BENGALS — Re-signed S Brandon Wilson to a two-year contract extension.
 HOUSTON TEXANS — Waived LB Curtis Bolton, DT Andrew Brown and WRs J'Mon Moore and Darnion Ratley.
 MIAMI DOLPHINS — Re-signed LB Vince Biegel.
 MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Released DT Shamar Stephen.
 TENNESSEE TITANS — Released CB Adoree Jackson and RT Dennis Kelly.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
 BUFFALO SABRES — Waived LB Curtis Bolton, DT Andrew Brown and WRs J'Mon Moore and Darnion Ratley. Assigned F Rasmus Slunnd and D Jacob Bryson to the minor league taxi squad.
 CAROLINA HURRICANES — Recalled D Joey Keane and G Beck Warn from the minor league taxi squad.
 CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Signed LW Josiah Slavin to a two-year entry-level contract.
 COLUMBIUS BLUE JACKETS — Waived LW Mikhail Grigorenko.
 MONTREAL CANADIENS — Waived RW Paul Byron.
 SAN JOSE SHARKS — Assigned G Kris Oldham, D Chaz Reddick and F Kyle Topping, Krystof Hrabik and Joseph Garreffa to San Jose (AHL).
 TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Waived RW Jimmy Vesey.
 VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS — Signed D Danil Mironov as free agent to a one-year, entry level contract.
 WINNIPEG JETS — Waived G Anton Forsberg.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
 FORT LAUDERDALE CF — Named Darren Powell as head coach.

Summit

Continued from A5

This year would have been a new challenge for the Storm. Since moving up and joining the Class 6A ranks in 2018, the perennial 5A state title contender found itself in a similar position in the state's highest classification — in the state tournament where the state's best teams and players meet. "You get there and the girls there are 5 inches taller than the girls you have played all season," said senior Harper Justema. "We are typically the only team not from Portland, so there are about 300 kids from Portland teams who band together and cheer against you, and you have the sheer magnitude of 600 people cheering against you." Although the Storm have advanced to the final weekend of the season in previous years, they have yet to break through in 6A. In six tournament games the past two seasons, the Storm have only won two matches and have yet to reach the championship match, as they have six times under Waskom, hoisting the 5A state championship trophy in 2011 and 2015. It was not long after walking off the courts at Liberty High School at the 6A state tour-



Ryan Brennecke/The Bulletin

Summit volleyball coach Jill Waskom talks about how to defend the net with her players during practice last week at Summit High School.

nament in 2019 that Summit aimed its focus at taking down the Portland-area schools and claiming a state championship. Then COVID-19 came to the United States, and high school sports seasons were postponed and postponed again. Practices were sporadic, sometimes months apart from one another. And once they started back up, the decision was made not to host state championships — a blow to a team with title aspirations.

For seniors Justema and Sauer, this year's season is not one they envisioned — rowdy fans in the stands for the biggest games and working toward

the end goal of a title. The new high school reality was no more apparent than when Summit faced off against cross-town rival Bend High last week. Normally a full gym for when the Lava Bears and Storm face off, this time it was an empty gym.

"We have one of the bigger student sections that you will see at a volleyball game, but it is just a totally different picture," Justema said. Normally a crowd helps deliver energy to the players, but not this year with the limited crowd capacity. Yet the five-set match — which Bend High nearly stole after falling be-

hind 2-0 — was as intense as they have been in the past with packed gyms. Summit won the fifth-and-decisive game to claim the match 3-2.

"It is super different, we have to create our own energy," said junior Kate Doorn. "One of our goals is to stay super loud because there isn't a student section to be loud for us. In a way it makes it more intense because we have to focus on volleyball when there are no fans." Justema, Sauer, Kendall and Doorn all said that what made this team a championship contender was not just the team's physical traits or past success, but the chemistry it has been able to foster, especially over the last year.

The Storm's goal has shifted from a state title to simply enjoying the time with one another. If there is one thing they have learned the last year, it's that time together is not always guaranteed.

"I love this team and everyone loves each other so much," Kendall said. "It makes it special because we all play for each other because we don't know when it is going to continue or if it is going to stop. So we push each other every moment and enjoy every moment of it."

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