



Warrenton athletes excel despite cancellations

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The season of COVID-19 conflicts with the spring sports season, devastating many high school athletes. And their parents.

Students with other extracurricular activities feel the pain too, as all high school debates, band concerts and theater presentations have been cancelled along with sporting events.

Students had been scheduled to return to school April 29. But on Wednesday, Gov. Kate Brown ordered schools to remain closed for the rest of the school year.

There has been some good news for Warrenton High School's athletes.

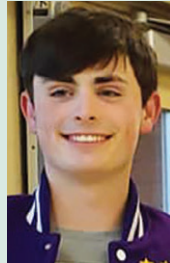
Thomas Atwood, a member of the wrestling team, received the Presidential Scholarship at Oregon State University.

Four local athletes have signed letters of intent with state schools:

Austin Little and **Jacob Morrow** for baseball



Thomas Atwood



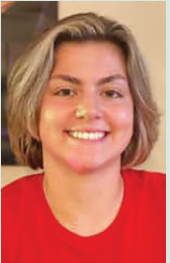
Austin Little



Jacob Morrow



Devin Jackson



Kenzie Ramsey



Sam Irwin



Hordie Bodden



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Melia Kapua

at Linn-Benton Community College.

Devin Jackson for baseball at Clackamas Community College.

Kenzie Ramsey for basketball at Lower Columbia College.

Other area high schools with signed athletes include Astoria's Dylan Rush for Linn-Benton baseball, Brooklyn Hankwitz for

Linn-Benton's basketball, Julia Norris for Clackamas softball, and Knappa's Eli Takalo for baseball at Mount Hood Community College.

Wrestler **Sam Irwin**, a WHS junior, was named

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Street-facing windows in a South Main Avenue house.

Conveying hope at Easter

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Easter can mean many things to Americans and Christians around the world.

For some, it is a day celebrating spring's arrival, life's renewal and the arrival of beloved decorations and traditions, such as Easter baskets and egg hunts.

For Christians, it is the most sacred of holidays, a grateful celebration of Jesus' resurrection after dying for this sinful world.

The Columbia Press asked local ministers to tell us a bit about themselves and offer some Easter hope for those suffering during COVID-related isolation.

PASTOR TONY COULOMBE

Christian Church of Warrenton

Favorite Bible verse: John, Chapter 21. I can't pick just a verse. This chapter is important to me because you have the restoration of Peter after he denied Jesus.

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