



Halftime entertainment at Northern Valley's basketball game on Monday night in Alma were members of the dance team, Jessica Wenzl, Kristen Hardy and Mandi Redeker. The crowds have enjoyed the various dance routines they have performed throughout the season. (Right) Jesse Hilburn, Northern Valley junior, drives inside to pass the ball to Thomas Ostmeyer, junior, who put the ball in for two points in the win over the Eastern Heights Mustangs on Monday in Alma.

— Telegram photos by Susie Marble



# Huskies' boys defeat Alma, lose to Herndon, Arapahoe

The Northern Valley Huskies beat Alma 57-42 on Feb. 7, but were defeated 82-45 by Herndon on Feb. 13 and 67-38 by Arapahoe on Feb. 14.

## Alma

"This was a big effort on the part of the kids," said Coach Jason Dibble. "It was a big win for us." Joey Copper led scoring for the Huskies with 5 two-pointers and 13 free throws for 23 points. He was followed by Jesse Hilburn, 10 points; Avery Thalheim, 8; Garth Gebhard and Thomas Ostmeyer, 5 apiece; Cole Kinderknecht, 4; and Clarke Nelson, 2.

Rebounding honors went to Ostmeyer with 12 and Copper with 7.

Steals were made by Hilburn, Thalheim and Copper, 3 each; Ostmeyer, 2; and Nelson, 1.

Copper led assists, finding 3 teammates open for baskets, while Hilburn found 2 open, and Gebhard, Thalheim and Ostmeyer each found 1 open.

Copper and Ostmeyer both made 1 of the team's 2 blocks.

## Herndon

"Not having a junior varsity game allowed us to use a rotation of about eight players for the first time in a long time," said Coach Dibble. "Other than the six who normally play, Clarke and Henry came off the bench and gave us some good minutes when we needed a rest or a change of pace."

"Our year long problem of not being able to shoot the ball showed up against a very good shooting team and a very good team overall in Herndon. We did a good job with their press, only turning the ball over 13 times, but just could not finish once we broke it."

"We got off to a slow start, but the kids played hard the whole game and had a lot of structure on offense. I really felt we played pretty good man defense, which keeps improving from game to game and did a good job of keeping them off the offensive glass."

# Jennings gets by Triplains 55-51

The Jennings Coyotes added another win to their season record (12-7) when they defeated Triplains 55-51 on Feb. 17.

Adam Miller led scoring for Jennings with 8 two-pointers and 2 free throws for 18 points. He was followed by Grant Bailey, 13 points; Nick Wahlmeier, 8; Adam Wahlmeier, 6; Marcus McKenna and Kyle Kinser, 4 apiece; and Brett McKenna, 2.

Rebounding honors went to Miller with 10, followed by B. McKenna with 6, A. Wahlmeier and Kinser with 4 apiece, N. Wahlmeier and M. McKenna with 3 each, Andy Coiner with 2, and Grant Bailey with 1.

Miller took the only charge.

Kinser led steals with 4 thefts, followed by Bailey with 3, Miller with 2, and M. McKenna, N. Wahlmeier, Coiner and A. Wahlmeier with 1 apiece.

Leading assists was Bailey, who

Copper led scoring with 15 points, followed by Hilburn with 9, Gebhard and Thalheim with 7, Ostmeyer with 3, and Kinderknecht and Griffiths with 2 apiece.

Rebounding leaders were Copper with 6, Gebhard with 5, and Ostmeyer with 4.

Steals were made by Copper with 5, Thalheim with 3 and Gebhard with 2.

Hilburn led assists with 4, followed by Thalheim, 2; and Nelson, Kinderknecht and Ostmeyer, 1 each.

Ostmeyer made 2 blocks, while Copper and Hilburn both made 1.

## Arapahoe

"Going into this game, we knew it would be a very physical style game and that, if we could handle their pressure, we might be able to stay with them," said Coach Dibble. "Even though the game played out like we thought—very physical—the kids really responded and picked up their tempo and level of play."

"One particular individual who has gained some confidence was Thomas Ostmeyer. He got a little mad during the game and channeled that energy into 12 points, 8 boards, 3 blocked shots, 3 steals and one 3 point field goal. If we could get all of our players to play at this level every night, we would definitely have a lot better chance at success leading into regionals."

Ostmeyer led scoring with 4 two-pointers, 1 three-point and 1 free throw for 12 points. He was followed by Gebhard, 10 points, Thalheim, 8; Hilburn and Kinderknecht, 3 apiece; and Griffiths, 2.

Rebounding honors went to Ostmeyer with 8, followed by Kinderknecht with 4, Hilburn with 3, and Gebhard, Nelson and Thalheim with 1 each.

Steals were made by Ostmeyer, 3; Hilburn, Gebhard and Kinderknecht, 2 apiece; and Nelson and Thalheim, 1 each.

found 6 teammates open for a basket. Other players who made assists were Miller, 3; B. McKenna and M. McKenna, 2 each; and Coiner and A. Wahlmeier, 1 apiece.

The Coyotes will travel to Weskan tonight for their final regular season game.

## Jennings 55, Triplains 51

Score by quarters:  
Jennings 9 23 10 13—55  
Triplains 15 8 15 13—51

## Jennings (55)

Adam Miller 8 0 4-2 18, Grant Bailey 4 1 3-2 13, Nick Wahlmeier 2 0 6-4 8, Adam Wahlmeier 3 0 0-0 6, Marcus McKenna 2 0 0-0 4, Kyle Kinser 1 0 2-2 4, Brett McKenna 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 21 1 15-10 55.

## Triplains (51)

Jordan Barrett 10-2-222, Nathan Plummer 4 0 3-19, Jake Harper 3 1 0-0 9, Mason Mackley 3 0 0-0 6, Rene Rodriguez 1 1 0-0 5.

Thalheim made 3 assists and Ostmeyer made 1.

The junior varsity lost 49-25.

Scott Shearer and Griffiths led scoring with 6 points apiece, followed by Kinderknecht with 5, Nelson and Andrew Sheley with 3 apiece, and Chance Miller with 2.

## Northern Valley 57, Alma 42

Score by quarters:

N. Valley 9 18 13 7—57

Alma 4 19 9 10—42

## Northern Valley (57)

Copper 5 0 15-13 23, Hilburn 2 0 8-6 10, Thalheim 0 1 6-5 8, Gebhard 0 1 4-2 5, Ostmeyer 1 0 9-3 5, Kinderknecht 2 0 0-0 4,

Nelson 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 11 2 42-29 57.

## Alma (42)

Jake Ring 2 1 4-4 11, Jacob Kindler 1 2 3-2 10, Travis Babcock 3 0 2-1 7, Ben Doviet 2 0 2-1 5, Alan Ruskamp 2 0 2-1 5, Jordan Becker 1 0 3-0 2, Charlie Shaffer 0 0 2-1 1, Jake Waggoner 0 0 2-1 1. Totals 11 3 21-11 42.

## Herndon 82, Northern Valley 45

Score by quarters:

Herndon 21 19 22 20—82

N. Valley 7 13 13 12—45

## Northern Valley (45)

Copper 6 1 2-0 15, Hilburn 2 0 6-5 9, Gebhard 3 0 2-17, Thalheim

2 1 0-0 7, Ostmeyer 1 0 2-1 3, Kinderknecht 1 0 0-0 2, Griffiths 1 0 0-0 2, Nelson 0 0 2-0 0. Totals 16 2 14-7 45

## Herndon (82)

B. Chambers 4 2 5-5 19, Brown 7 0 4-3 17, J. Reiner 4 0 5-5 13, D. Chambers 2 0 6-6 10, Basgall 2 1 5-3 10, Marintzer 4 0 0-0 8, Grafel 1 0 2-1 3, Sapel 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 25 3 27-23 82.

## Arapahoe 67, Northern Valley 38

Score by quarters:

Arapahoe 19 16 11 21—67

N. Valley 4 12 9 13—38

## Northern Valley (38)

Ostmeyer 4 1 1-1 12, Gebhard

2 2 0-0 10, Thalheim 0 2 2-2 8, Hilburn 0 1 1-0 3, Kinderknecht 0 1 1-0 3, Griffiths 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 7 7 5-3 38.

## Arapahoe (67)

Totals 21 4 22-13 67.

## Regional action

The Northern Valley boys will play in the first round of regional play on Monday against Victoria at 7 p.m. in Victoria. The Northern Valley girls will play on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Natoma.

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