



Seventh grader Lindsey Tacha, No. 12, scrambles for a loose ball in Norton Junior High basketball action against Phillipsburg. Also shown for Norton is Meaghan Peterson, No. 32. — Telegram photo by Charlotte Stephenson

Eighth-grade girls fight hard against Phillipsburg for win

The eighth-grade Junior Lady Jays basketball team beat Phillipsburg at home on Nov. 15. "The junior high Lady Jays played the first of three in a week against a tough Phillipsburg team and came away with a hard fought 41-35 victory," said Coach Chuck Zimmerman.

"The smaller Panther team out hustled the Jays as they out-rebounded us by three. This is something this group must correct if they are going to reach the goal of taking home the 'candy bar' at the end of the season.

"We showed well both from the line and field and, most importantly, we cut down on our turnovers from the last game. So, there is improvement, but we can not take any steps backward as the junior high basketball season is not long enough. We must improve and keep improving.

"Deflect leader was Amanda Ray with three, while four players each had one. Our steals leaders were Ray with three, followed by Alyssa Thomson and Ashlie Stewart with two each.

"Rebounding honors went to Kaitlyn Wolf, who grabbed six, while Lacy Keilig took four off the boards. Stewart and Thomson each had two.

"Assists were handed out by Stewart, Shelby Jones and Beth Winkel with two each."

Ray led scoring with 11, followed by Keilig, 7; Stewart, 6; Jones, 5; Hannah Waggoner and Wolf, 4 each; and Kendra Engelbert and Beth Roy, 2 each.

The junior varsity also won their game.

"The junior varsity came out on top, winning 27-6 as we played Phillipsburg," said Coach Lynnette Archer. "The shooting percentages were not as high as our last game. We made five of 22 shots (22.7 percent) in the first half. The second half we were seven of 34 on shooting (21.5 percent). We took a number of shots right under the basket that didn't result in points. We need to make sure that we square up and use the scoreboard.

"Rebounding offensively was right at 50 percent. We had 44

chances to rebound and we were able to pull down 22 rebounds. The ladies did a good job boxing out but will challenge themselves this next game to improve.

"Our numbers of turnovers needs to be cut in half. Making good, catchable passes is a must for any team and it is something we will be working on. Making bad passes cost us a number of turnovers. We had 13 turnovers for the game, five of which were due to bad passes.

"The aggressiveness of our defense was good. We had 26 steals — Raven Brown, 10; Brandi Graham, six; Steph Eagleburger, five; Kelsey Griffith, three; Rebekah Streck and Emily Juenemann, one each. We really hustled on defense and fought hard for the ball."

Brown led scoring with 15, followed by Austine Dole and Kelsey Nuzum, 3 each; and Graham, Eagleburger and Juenemann, 2 each.

The Junior Lady Jays will play in Hill City Thursday, Dec. 1, at 5:30 p.m.

Norton's eighth-grade girls win basketball game at Plainville

The Norton eighth-grade girls basketball team beat Plainville 52-29 on Nov. 10.

"Our second game of the season had us traveling to Plainville to take on the Cardinals," said Coach Chuck Zimmerman.

"The Cardinals sneaked a player by us on their first possession for a score for their only lead. The Blue Jays adjusted and played a much better game in this second game than in their first.

"Our defense led the way, as it tends to do in our junior high games, as we created numerous turnovers which the team turned into points. We had ourselves under better control, which gave us more opportunities to score and, as a result, finished with a 52-29 victory.

"Our defense was 'swarming' on this evening as the team had 28 deflects, an amazing number that truly indicates that they were all over the floor pecking at the Cardinals every step of the way down the floor.

"Our deflect leaders were Kaitlyn Wolf with five and Hannah Waggoner, Beth Roy and Lacy Keilig with three each.

"Steals were taken by Ashlie Stewart with seven, while Keilig swiped four and Raven Brown, three. The team totaled 22, another very high number.

"The boards were ours. The team grabbed 22 offensive rebounds to their four. Our leaders were Amanda Ray with eight,

Austine Dole and Keilig with four each, while Stewart and Alyssa Thomson each raked in three.

"Assists were high also as we found 15 open teammates for scores. Ray found four, while Stewart, Shelby Jones, Waggoner and Thomson each found two.

"It was a much better outing, which has the team feeling better about itself as we now hit the tough stretch of our schedule. In a week's time, we play three games against three very tough teams (Phillipsburg, Osborne and WaKeeney). Thank goodness they are all at home."

Ray led scoring with 15 points, followed by Stewart, 14; Keilig, 6; Roy, Wolf and Thomson, 4 each; Dole, 3; and Kendra Engelbert, 2.

The junior varsity team won 28-18.

"The junior varsity team started their season off with a win," said Coach Lynnette Archer. "The Jays defeated the Plainville ladies with a 28-18 victory. The ladies were led by captain Emily Juenemann and Raven Brown. Emily scored 8 points and had six rebounds. Raven added 10 points, six rebounds and two steals.

"The ladies started off very aggressive and took it to the boards right from the whistle. The team communicated well and moved the ball quickly. Rebounds were the key to this game. We shot 52 percent the first half, but only 31 percent in the second half. We

didn't take as many shots the second half, but the team moved the ball around well and gave the offense a chance to work. Our turnovers were higher in the second half, but as the team conditions throughout the season I have high hopes that we will see fewer mistakes.

"I am very proud of the teamwork that our team has. We are playing seventh and eighth graders on the junior varsity and everyone is working together to be successful. We will continue to work on making fewer mistakes and being aggressive from the time the whistle blows until the buzzer sounds."

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Norton graduate inducted into Wrestling Hall of Fame

By DICK BOYD

Gary Ulmer, 1966 graduate of Norton Community High School and 32 year teacher and wrestling coach at Olathe North High School, was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame during a banquet on Nov. 6 in Topeka. The Hall of Fame, which has been around for almost 30 years, recognizes past heroes, inspires future stars and documents the history of wrestling.

Ulmer was a wrestler for the Blue Jays under Coach Jake Durham, who is also a member of the Hall of Fame. He was a member of Norton's 1965 state championship team and placed second at 112 pounds. His senior year, he placed fourth in the state tournament.

A four-year letterman as a wrestler at Fort Hays State, Ulmer was captain of the team his senior year.

After graduating from Fort Hays in 1971, he began teaching and coaching at Olathe High School when it was the only high school in town. It is now Olathe North High School and one of five. His teams dominated the East Kansas League for 15 years and

since then have competed in the Sunflower League, which has larger schools.

His teams were highly competitive; their highest placing was third in the state in Class 6A, just one and one-half points out of first.

He coached eight state champions, five All-Americans in the Junior Nationals, two Wrestlers of the Year and nine men, who would become wrestling coaches and three head coaches.

His other honors include: Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association Coach of the Year and Kansas Wrestling Officials Coach of the Year.

He was president of the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association for two years and president of the Kansas Wrestling Officials Association.

He taught business and was head of the business department when he retired.

The school has no junior high wrestling program but he helped start a Kids Wrestling program in the Olathe Recreation Association.

Ulmer married high school sweetheart Pam Thomas, who has her own accounting business.

They have a son T.J. and daughter Shelli. T.J. was assistant coach for his father for five years and has taken his father's place as head wrestling coach at Olathe. T.J. was also an assistant coach at Emporia High School for two years and assistant coach at Olathe South for three years. Daughter-in-law Kelly is a school teacher and son-in-law Tom Wong is a teacher at the University of Kansas.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Ulmer, live in Hays.

Jake Durham and son, James, attended the Hall of Fame Banquet to help honor Ulmer. Ron Tacha, Manhattan, and his wife, Carol, were also present. Tacha is a former Norton Community High School wrestler.

"Gary was a wrestler with above average ability who developed into a championship wrestler through hard work and dedication," said Jake Durham.

"He was an outstanding team member.

"As a high school coach, he was a father figure who stressed individual values over winning. He was a great asset to the sport of wrestling."

BOWLING

TUESDAY HOUSEWIFE
Results Oct. 18 — High Game Scratch: Sharron Smith, 173, 169; Georgia Mosier, 157; High Series Scratch: Sharron Smith, 484; Kathleen Berlier, 427; Jackie Wright, 408; High Handicap Game: Sharron Smith, 202, 198; Georgia Mosier, 197; Lois Wentz, 195; High Handicap Series: Sharron Smith, 571; Kathleen Berlier, 562; Lois Wentz, 537

STARDUST LEAGUE
Standings Nov. 14 — FSBT, 38-14; First State Bank, 34-18; LuJon's, 23-29; Sheriff's Angels, 9-43; High Line: Cindy Linner, 206; Peggy Sevier, 184; Janet Manning, 176; High Line Handicap: Cindy Linner, 232; Peggy Sevier, 214; Janet Manning, 209; High Series: Cindy Linner, 514; Janet Manning, 468;

Peggy Sevier, 462; High Series Handicap: Cindy Linner, 592; Janet Manning, 567; Jane Engelhardt, 553

Results Nov. 7 — High Line: Cindy Linner, 186; Bev Miller, 183; Becky Williams, 178; High Line Handicap: Sara Kindall, 235; Brandi Keith, 231; Bev Miller, 219; High Series: Cindy Linner, 515; Jane Engelhardt, 454; Bev Miller, 453; High Series Handicap: Sara Kindall, 616; Brandi Keith, 609; Cindy Linner, 596

Results Oct. 31 — High Line: Peggy Sevier, 198; Bev Miller, 181; Janice Russell, 164; High Line Handicap: Peggy Sevier, 228; Bev Miller, 219; Barb Goeken, 201; High Series: Bev Miller, 484; Janice Russell, 475; Peggy Sevier, 469; High Series Handicap: Bev Miller, 598; Janice Russell, 583; Peggy Sevier, 559

Results Oct. 24 — High Line: Cindy Linner, 211; Becky Williams, 180; Peggy Sevier, 177; Janice Russell, 177; High Line Handicap: Cindy Linner, 236; Barb Goeken, 225; Janice Russell, 215; High Series: Cindy Linner, 80; Becky Williams, 172; High Line Handicap: Janet Manning, 223; Cindy Linner, 206; Becky Williams, 203; High Series: Janet Manning, 505; Cindy Linner, 488; Becky Williams, 479; High Series Handicap: Janet Manning, 610; Becky Williams, 572; Cindy Linner, 566

ries: Dennis Balderston, 521; Mary Upson, 475; Karol Evans, 473; LeRoy Burks, 434; High Handicap Game: Dennis Balderston, 272; Mary Upson, 240; Karol Evans, 240; Merle Hawks, 228; High Handicap Series: Dennis Balderston, 668; Mary Upson, 634; Mark Saintz, 607; Sherry Franklin, 595

Results Nov. 3 — High Scratch Game: Dana Knapp, 182; LeRoy Burks, 174; Mark Saintz, 173; Rusty Miller, 171; Jane Engelhardt, 171; High Scratch Series: Dana Knapp, 514; Mark Saintz, 481; Mark Bailey, 461; LeRoy Burks, 447; High Handicap Game: Mark Saintz, 254; Mark Bailey, 233; Dana Knapp, 231; Ray Mizell, 224; High Handicap Series: Mark Saintz, 724; Dana Knapp, 661; Mark Bailey, 653; Ray Mizell, 627

Results Oct. 27 — High Scratch Game: Bill LaSalle, 228; Dale Henry, 189; Dennis Balderston, 182; Mark Bailey, 179; High Scratch Series: Bill LaSalle, 521; Dale Henry, 480; Rusty Miller, 477; LeRoy Burks, 475; High Handicap Game: Bill LaSalle, 257; Mark Bailey, 245; Dennis Balderston, 231; Dale Henry, 223; High Handicap Series: Troy Wentz, 633; Mark Bailey, 629; Dennis Balderston, 620; Bill LaSalle, 608

Results Oct. 20 — High Scratch Game: Karol Evans, 222; Dale Carson, 187; LeRoy Burks, 175; Rusty Miller, 173; High Scratch Series: Karol Evans, 545; Rusty Miller, 484; Dale Carson, 471; Bill LaSalle, 466; High Handicap Game: Karol Evans, 262; Dale Carson, 241; Troy Wentz, 229; Brian Dicks, 223; High Handicap Series: Karol Evans, 665; Dale Carson, 633; Troy Wentz, 606; Dennis Corbin, 593; Paul Nauer, 593

8-Man games to be shown on television

Smoky Hills Public Television will present a taped, delayed broadcast of the Kansas State High School Activities Association's 8-Man Football Division I and Division II State Championships on Thanksgiving.

The Division I Championship game between Hope High School and South Barber from Kiowa should air at 6 p.m. with the Division II Championship contest between Waverly High and Palco on tap for 8:30 p.m.

Both games were played Saturday, Nov. 19, at Russell High School Stadium.

Videotapes of the station's broadcast are available by contacting Les Kinderknecht at (785) 483-6990 or lkinderknecht@shptv.org.

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