

Blue Jay wrestlers second at Clay Center

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Coach Bill Johnson's Norton Community High School wrestlers placed second in the annual Clay Center Invitational Round Robin Tournament for the second straight year on Saturday.

Host team Clay Center won the tournament championship with 179 points, followed by Norton, 170.5; Beloit, 125.5; Andale, 99; Junction City, 69.5; Topeka Seaman, 33.5; Wamego, 31.5.

Salina Central, Salina South and Ellsworth were scheduled to compete but did not because of inclement weather.

Norton had three champions. Zach Bainter, 135; Todd Bolt, 140 and Alex Thomas, 285.

Runner-up finishers were Billy Broeckelman, 112; Brock Lauer, 189 and Robert Derauf, 215.

Placing third for the Blue Jays in their weight classes were: Troy Bainter, 103 and Zane Perez, 130.

Earning fourth place finishes were: Landon Keiswetter, 119; Connor Pfannenstiel, 125; Aaron Husted, 145; Matt Stanley, 160 and Jordan Bebb, 171.

Jeff Soderlund wrestled for Norton at 152 pounds and compiled a 1-1 record before being disqualified.

Coach Johnson named Todd Bolt "Wrestler of the Week" for his 3-0 performance, which included beating No. 1 state ranked Cas Spangler, Beloit, 14-13 for the championship. Spangler placed third in the state tournament last season.

Norton had a 38-20 won-loss record and 23-10 pin ratio.

"The Clay Center tournament is now a round robin tournament," said coach Johnson.

"Most of the weight classes had six wrestlers or less and those weights had only one pool so our wrestlers could get up to five matches. Four of the weight classes had seven wrestlers or more and these were split into two pools, with the champions of the pools going for first place and the runner-up in each pool wrestling for third place.

"This type of tournament is very hard for the fans to follow because there is no championship or consolation side of the bracket. The advantages are for the wrestlers. For example, in a normal bracket that only has five wrestlers, one side of the bracket will only have two wrestlers and the other will

have three. So, the two wrestlers in the five man bracket will only get two matches during the entire day. In the round robin bracket, all five wrestlers will get to wrestle all four opponents during the day. So, each wrestler gets four matches.

"I feel this is a benefit for the wrestlers in the early season. It allows them to get more time on the mat and get more experience. Our team wrestled a total of 58 matches at Clay Center compared to 36 at Hoxie. I also like this because there is no place to hide on the bracket. You are going to wrestle everyone in your pool. Wrestlers who are not ready to compete against all comers tend to have a mental let-down in these type of tournaments and do not perform as well.

"I think that we took our 'lumps' at times on Saturday but I also think we came back from those losses and wrestled well in the next match. We definitely got humbled at times and that will help us in the long run.

"I feel that this tournament is exactly what we needed. The competition was very tough and gave us some adversity but we were still able to finish a respectable second place. We never seem to win the Clay Center tournament."

Norton also placed second last year after finishing third the previous year.

"I really think this was Todd Bolt's coming out party," said Johnson. "I have felt for years that Todd possesses the ability to be a very good wrestler but has been waiting his turn in the 'stable'. Todd was one of our few wrestlers who received only three matches in the tournament but went on to an undefeated record and exciting win over Spangler. These two wrestlers will have several more battles throughout the season so keep posted.

"Zach Bainter is an animal this season. In the finals, he totally destroyed a wrestler who beat him at Clay Center last season. Zach is on a mission. He pinned Class 4A state medalist Bowser of Clay Center in only 65 seconds of the first period to win the title going away.

"Alex Thomas also dominated all opponents with five pins. It is nice for a heavyweight to get five matches in a tournament.

"Although Bolt, Bainter and Thomas were our only three champions, Billy Broeckelman, Brock Lauer and Robert Derauf wrestled

well and placed second. I guess the one of these who has shown a great deal of improvement from last year is Derauf. Robert is only a sophomore and is wrestling at 215 pounds. Last year, he lacked the physical strength to compete with the upper classmen. This season, he is stepping up and competing well. He has developed some good technique that he is having success with."

Individual matches
*103 -- Troy Bainter lost a 4-2 decision to Isaac Ruiz, Junction City; pinned Jake Roberts, Clay Center, in 1:19 and lost an 11-3 major decision to Darin Stroot, Andale; to place third.

*112 -- Billy Broeckelman pinned Caleb Nelson, Wamego, in 40 seconds; decisioned Colton Eck, Andale, 6-2; won a 19-3 technical fall over Jordan Ristau, Junction City and lost by a fall in 43 seconds to Logan Singular, Clay Center, to place second.

*119 -- Landon Keiswetter was pinned in 57 seconds by Lance Maldonado, Junction City; pinned Ben Thomas, Andale, in 3:31 and lost a 16-1 technical fall to Tyler Anderson, Clay Center, to place fourth.

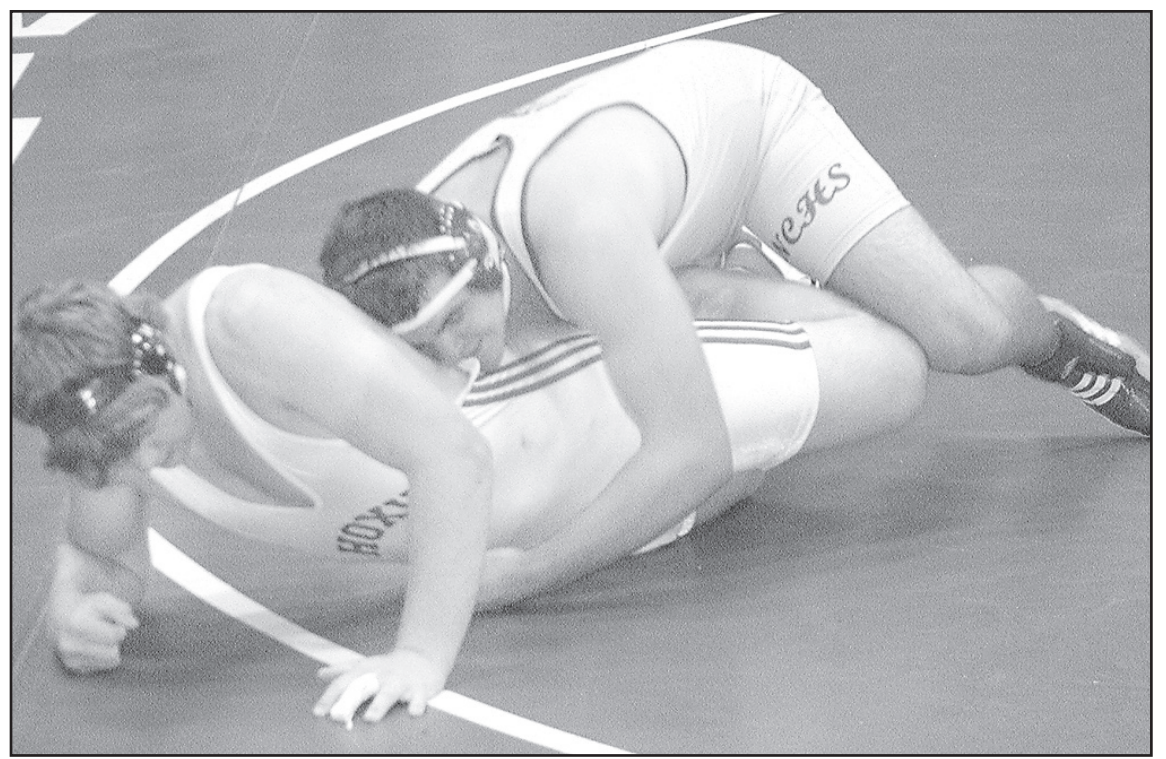
*125 -- Connor Pfannenstiel was pinned in 1:17 by Gage Huffman, Clay Center; lost a 6-1 decision to Brad Augustine, Beloit; was pinned in 43 seconds by Trent Cox, Andale; won a 5-4 decision over Cameron Kidwell, Seaman and won a 10-2 major decision over Jack Dieslekamp, Junction City to place fourth.

*130 -- Zane Perez lost a 3-0 decision to Cade Hewitt, Beloit; decisioned Jade Kolterman, Clay Center, 7-3; won a 10-2 major decision over Scott Carlat, Seaman; decisioned Austin Atwood, Wamego, 6-5 and lost a 4-3 decision to J.T. Kozlowski, Junction City, to place third.

*135 -- Zach Bainter pinned Marc Rolph, Wamego, in 1:44; won a 14-5 major decision over Jeancarlos Jimenez, Junction City; pinned Jordan Doll, Andale, in 1:10; pinned Weston Fletchall, Beloit, in 1:39 and pinned Chris Bowser, Clay Center, in 1:05 to win first place.

*140 -- Todd Bolt won an 8-2 decision over Austin Blanchel, Andale; pinned Chance Davis, Clay Center, in 30 seconds and decisioned Cas Spangler, Beloit, 14-13 to win first place.

*145 -- Aaron Husted was pinned in 5:03 by Benny Arm-



Norton sophomore Robert Derauf earned two points for a takedown during his 4-2 decision over Cody Pope, Hoxie, to place third at 215 pounds in the Hoxie Invitational on Dec. 1. Derauf also placed second in the Clay Center Invitational Saturday. -- Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

strong, Andale; lost an 11-6 decision to Dillon Charland, Junction City; pinned Braden Mayes, Beloit, in 1:08; was pinned in 4:40 by Kyler Wallage, Clay Center and pinned Tyler Douglass, Wamego, to place fourth.

*160 -- Matt Stanley won a 3-1 decision over Jeff Childs, Junction City; pinned Tyler Lough, Wamego, in 3:50; lost a 5-4 decision to Ben Davis, Clay Center and lost a 7-1 decision to Hanel, Beloit, to place fourth.

*171 -- Jordan Bebb pinned Scott Lester, Andale, in 3:50; pinned John White, Wamego, in 40 seconds; was pinned in 4:48 by Colin Loomis, Beloit and was pinned by Steven Cooksley, Seaman, to place fourth.

*189 -- Brock Lauer won a 10-9 decision over Braden Hager, Beloit; was pinned in 1:07 by Joel Marrs, Clay Center; pinned Matt Cooksley, Seaman, in 4:51; won a

5-3 decision over Shane Hancock, Junction City and won by forfeit over Hal Rivard, Wamego, to place second.

*215 -- Robert Derauf pinned Tyler McMillin, Seaman, in 1:23; was pinned in 5:30 by Michael Patenaude, Clay Center; won a 13-2 major decision over Charlie Snyder, Wamego; pinned Curtis Concannon, Beloit, in 5:26 and pinned Dexter Chase, Junction City, to place second.

*285 -- Alex Thomas pinned Jeremy Jensen, Clay Center, in 1:48; pinned Bryce Seljestad in 1:21; pinned Dwayne Lee, Seaman, in 1:46; pinned Mike Treat, Junction City, in 1:30 and pinned Tyler Jamis, Beloit, in 56 seconds to win first place.

Next action

The Norton Blue Jays will begin Mid-Continent League dual action versus Phillipsburg and Stockton on Friday in Wilmeth Kirk Memo-

rial Gym in Norton, beginning at 6 p.m. It will be "Senior Night" for Norton.

Order of matches will be Norton vs. Stockton, Phillipsburg vs. Stockton and Norton vs. Phillipsburg.

On Saturday, Norton will compete in the Holiday Classic in Goodland, beginning at 9 a.m.

Other teams wrestling will be Goodland, Pratt, Buhler, Quinter, Scott City, Dodge City, Wichita County, Garden City, Ulysses, Hoxie and Hugoton.

The 12 teams have been separated into three pools for round robin team dual competition. Wrestlers will compete on mats in the Max Jones Fieldhouse and Junior High Gym, which adjoins the fieldhouse.

Norton will be in a pool with Scott City, Dodge City and Wichita County and will wrestle in the fieldhouse.

Jayvee wrestlers finish in eighth

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Nine Norton Community High School junior varsity wrestlers competed in the annual varsity Southern Valley Invitational Tournament on Friday in Oxford.

Norton scored 72 points to finish in eighth place and five Blue Jays placed in the top four of their weight classes.

Franklin won the championship with 123 points, followed by Elwood, 118; Red Cloud/Blue Hill, 114; Southern Valley, 107; Axtell, 92; Loomis/Bertrand, 79; Arapahoe, 77; Norton JV, 72; Alma, 70; South Central Unified, 45; Wilcox-Hildreth, 1.

"The Southern Valley Invitational is a good tournament for our second team to compete in," said Norton assistant coach Shane Miller.

"This was our first competition of the year since the Alma Tournament was rescheduled due to inclement weather. We wrestled very well in a competitive varsity tournament.

"Brett Terrell, Spencer Shirk, Kaid McKenna, Casey Robison and Tyler Cook all made it to the semi-final round with Spencer advancing to the finals."

Spencer Shirk competed at 135 pounds and lost a 6-2 decision to Brett Rupprecht, Red Cloud, in the championship finals.

"Spencer lost a battle on his feet to a very strong Brett Rupprecht, a 2007 Nebraska State qualifier from Red Cloud," said coach Miller.

Brett Terrell at 119 pounds placed third by pinning David Smith, Axtell, in 1:14. "Brett lost an exciting 6-5 decision to eventual champion No. 1 seed and 2007 Nebraska State qualifier Brock Hansen of Red Cloud earlier in the tournament," said coach Miller.

At 140 pounds, Kaid McKenna placed third by pinning Brett Roberts, Axtell, in 1:48.

"Kaid lost a close 7-5 decision earlier in the tournament and displayed a lot of toughness after being down 4-0 early in the match," said coach Miller. "Kaid did a nice job of finishing the tournament by pinning his next two opponents to

finish third."

Colby Poage finished fourth at 103 pounds after being pinned by Trevor Poppo, Axtell, and Tyler Cook placed third at 189 by winning an 8-5 decision over Kyle Freeland, Loomis/Bertrand.

Others competing for Norton and their records were: Austin Brown, 1-2, 145; Ryan Blecha, 1-2, 152; Brad Nuzum, 0-2, 160 and Casey Robison, 1-2, 171.

"Tyler Cook and Casey Robison continue to improve and wrestled well on the consolation side of the bracket," said coach Miller. "Tyler battled back for his third place finish."

The Norton junior varsity's next competition will be Monday in the annual Alma Invitational.

Wrestling will begin at 3:30 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOVEMBER NORTON COUNTY BILLS

Published in The Norton Telegram on Tuesday, December 11, 2007

Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Norton County Courthouse November 30, 2007 to allow the following bills: K.S.A. 19-337. An itemized copy of this report is available for inspection in the County Clerk's Office.

(*Juvenile Service Accounts)

County General	63,115.02
Road & Bridge	35,058.24
Special Bridge	7,284.63
Ambulance	18,836.54
Appraiser's Cost	7,516.16
County Health	21,526.57
Economic Development	3,810.00
Election	1,537.50
4-H Maintenance	200.00
Noxious Weed	4,936.40
Solid Waste	6,964.38
*Court Trustee - State	10,075.34
*Case Management	6,522.58
*Juvenile Director	602.16
*JAIBG/Case Mgmt Intake	520.00
*JISP	6,418.57
*Diversion	7,244.83
*Juvenile Intake	4,905.08
Account Recovery Spec, Inc	455.77
Advance Insurance Co	346.95
Ag Valley Co-op	5,845.84
Aldridge, Karen S.	984.80
All American Glass	300.00
Allied Oil & Supply, Inc.	482.08
Altel	399.27
Almena Senior Citizen	761.25
American Family Insurance	112.95
American Family Life	2,111.75
Amsterdam Printing &	83.95
Andbe Home Board	1,500.00
Archibald, Curt	639.83
APAC-KANSAS, INC.	711.33
*AT&T	602.72
Jay Electric	70.09
Baumgartner Law Office	593.12
Beam, Daryl DDS	78.00
Becker, Diane	817.76
Beckman, Reginald	85.00
Behavioral Interventions	39.90
Bennett, Kenneth D. Estat	5.07
Bird, Angela	42.68
Blue Sky Ink	11,457.00
Brannan, Thomas	66.75
*Braun, Sandy	31.91
*BC/BS of Kansas/Cs Mgmt	3,076.02
BC/BS of KS Inc/Bill Add	46,282.72
BG Consultants Inc	32,314.62
Car Quest Auto Parts	209.50
Carlyle, Judith	174.00
Center Education & Emp Law	124.95
Channing Bete	263.47
Chief State Boiler Inspc	90.00
City of Norton	3,263.58
Coca Cola Enterprises Inc	39.75
Colonial Supplement Ins	137.50
*Commerce Bank	2,143.42
Commercial Construction	130,815.00
Computer Information	4,105.00
Conseco Health Insurance	26.16
Corporate Express	558.68
Culligan Water Condition	46.00
D&M Service	322.88
*Decatur Co Clerk	356.42
*Decatur County Dist Court	104.10
Developmental Services	4,000.00
Dollar General	21.75
Don's Floor Covering	33.00
Eakes Office Products	3,475.54
*Edgerton Auto Repair	59.74
Elliott, Jill	1,545.35
Emergency Medical	2,556.36
Endzone Sports & Office	876.03
Engel, Darla	321.94
Engel's Sales & Service	687.57
Engelbert, Bryce	125.00

Engelbert, Susan	64.02
Enserv Midwest LLC	156.27
Evercom	210.00
Farm & Ranch Realty, Inc.	21.74
Farm Implement & Sup Inc	647.63
Felton's Ace Building	4.28
File Safe, Inc.	1,215.00
Five Star Amoco	38.51
Fleet Fueling	264.39
Frack, Gina	150.00
Frack, Rhonda	315.37
*Frontier Ag, Inc.	120.18
Gall Motor Company, Inc.	219.92
Gall's Inc.	382.09
Garden Gate Florals	77.00
Garrett Plumbing	536.80
Garrett's Plumbing	625.09
Garrison, Vera	31.04
Glennemeier, Lisa	171.08
Graham Co Health Dept	180.00
Graham County Clerk	240.04
Great Plains Radiology	64.04
*Griffiths, Karen	182.38
Grysch, Verla	17.90
Harting, Melinda	327.03
Jays Daily News	151.00
Hays Mack Sale & Serv Inc.	166.51
Hays Medical Center	48.00
*Hi-Plains Co-op Assoc.	261.96
Highplains Mental Health	4,000.00
Holiday Inn Topeka	283.02
Homestore	410.06
Infinitic	75.00
Interstate Battery System	257.85
Intrust Card Center	1,510.18
ING Aetna	2,430.00
Jay's Woodwork Shop	96.36
Jessup, Kim	26.25
Jones, Jenda	152.01
*Juvenile Justice Authority	84.61
Kane, Marcy	25.00
Kansas Assoc of Counties	1,274.00
Kansas Board of EMS	250.00
Kansas Downtown Dev Assoc.	35.00
Kansas Payment Center	269.00
Kansas Public Health	100.00
Kansas Secretary of State	25.00
Kansas Withholding Tax	6,322.74
Kansasland Tire Company	1,027.80
Keith, Brandi	110.48
Kellie's	14.50
Klein Mark Dr.	147.00
Kowpoke Supply LLC	183.90
Krizek Craig Dr	1,810.00
KACSO	120.00
KPERS Wire Transfer	17,614.70
KQNK Radio	70.00
*KS Dept of Administ. DISC	439.00
Lampton Welding Supply	79.77
Lang, Leroy	14.55
Law Office of Paula	1,548.30
Lawns By Lacy	15.00
Lenora Senior Citizen	761.25
Lewis Toyota Ford of Hays	80.00
Linwood	396.72
Lockwood Company Inc	3,920.54
Mapes & Miller CPA	205.00
Martin Tractor	179.24
Med-Tech Resources, Inc.	608.37
Medico Insurance Co	75.30
Midwest Energy Inc	794.80
Miller, John	318.16
Moffet Drug	135.37
Morel, Janelle	362.37
Mortensen Computer Service	1,956.01
*Motel 6	90.74
Murphy Tractor & Equip Co.	342.58
Nebraska Tire	1,670.00
New Age Indust Corp Inc.	303.40
Newman Traffic Signs	483.84
Nex-Tech	12,004.28
Nex-Tech-Wireless-LLC	757.61
North Central Air	28.67
Northwest Diesel Repair	214.50
Northwest Fire Extinguish	27.50

Norton Car Wash	50.00
Norton Chamber of Commerce	125.00
Norton Cleaners	10.47
Norton Co. Hospital Board	9,200.00
Norton County Clerk	105.08
Norton County Extension	6,500.00
Norton County Health	94.27
Norton County Historical	400.00
Norton County Hospital	1,020.28
Norton County Senior	2,827.50
Norton County Treasurer	148.64
Norton Glass Company Inc	229.00
Norton Shop & Save	577.24
Norton Telegram	100.95
NADA Appraisal Guide	9.00
Oberlin Herald	14.90
*Office Works, Inc.	59.98
Otter, Penny	160.02
Overlease Construction &	413.65
Ozark Life Insurance	142.78
Pamida Inc	463.14
Payroll Fed/fica Wire	47,826.11
Pfannenstiel, Herman J	648.29
Pfannenstiel, Leslie	185.13
Phillips 66-Conoco-76	213.42
*Platt, Brenda M	49.15
Postmaster	41.00
Prairie Land Electric	238.50
Pre-Paid Legal Serv Inc	188.40
Premier Blue	85.51
Professional Fire	231.00
*Quill Corporation	297.88
Rachow, Kathryn	11.57
*Redwood Toxicology lab In	197.00
Region 1 EMS Council	200.00
Resource Management Co.	508.77
Robson Oil Co., Inc.	22,445.93
Rocky Mountain Emerg Veh	64.58
Rogers Disposal Service	287.00
Rooks Co. Health Dept	12.75
Roy's Sales & Service Inc	380.84
*S&T Communications LLC	85.49
S&W Supply Company	56.00
Schemper, Kathleen L	102.82
Schilling, Ruth	106.70
Sebelius & Griffiths LLP	1,056.86
*Sebelius Building LLC	375.00
*Security Transport Serv	78.00
Shirk Lamont Dr.	136.00
Sisk, Daniel	82.39
Skrilant, Christen	82.08
Software House Internatio	500.00
Sorter, Ed	184.79
Southwest Public Safety	65.16
Suchsland, Ivan R	61.75
SSL Americas, Inc.	147.12
Taylor, Natalie C	25.19
Technology Two Llc	75.00
Thompson, Kenneth S.	38.10
Thompson, Richard	425.27
Townsdin, Francis G	1,048.80
*Trego County	145.00
Tri-Central Office Supply	97.20
*Triplet Inc./Fuel Plus	628.75
United States Postal	895.00
UAP-Distribution, Inc.	9,604.00
Van Diest Supply Company	37,990.04
Vegetation Management	12,178.80
Vincent, Wanda	25.19
Waddell & Reed	780.00
*Wal-Mart Community	61.42
Weso Feed Transport Inc	70.00
Western Kansas World	\$337.73
Western Pest Control	45.00
Wetter, Clarence	97.27
Whitney Law Office	1,882.78
Williams, Kimberlee	21.74
Windschaffel, Tammy	126.10
Witt, Ed	50.00
Wyatt, Jane	49.47
Wyatt, Judith J	60.00
Wyeth Pharmaceuticals	1,568.80
Xerox Corporation	323.35
Yocum, Joni	67.90
Zee Mical Service Co	112.25

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Hearing on Amending the 2007 Budget
The governing body of
City of Lenora
will meet on the 21st day of December, 2007 at 7:30 A.M. at City Hall
for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed
amended use of funds.
Detailed budget information is available at