

Durham wrestling tourney is Saturday

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The annual J.R. Durham Wrestling Tournament will be held on Saturday in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium in Norton.

Teams from Atwood, Beloit, Hoxie, Leoti, Oakley, Quinter, Scott City, Shawnee-Mill Valley, Smith Center and Cozad, Neb. will compete in addition to host team Norton varsity and Norton second team.

The first session will begin at 9:30 a.m. on three mats.

The second session will begin at approximately 4:30 p.m. with the third and fourth place matches on two mats, followed by honoring of former state medal winners around 5 p.m.

Honored will be state medal winners from 1948, 1958, 1968, 1978, 1988 and 1998.

The pep band will play the national anthem and the cheerleaders and dance team will perform.

The championship finals will follow on one mat around 5:30 p.m.

All times are estimated and may vary according to the progress of the tournament.

It will be the 43rd annual wrestling tournament held in Norton and the 11th annual Durham tournament. It was renamed 10 years ago in honor of J.R. "Jake" Durham of Norton, the former long-time wrestling coach in Norton.

Jake's many honors include membership in the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Kansas High School Wrestling Hall of Fame. Jake and his wife, Ruth, still reside in Norton.

Plaques will be awarded to the top three teams and medals to the top four wrestlers in each weight class.

An "Outstanding Wrestler" will be chosen by vote of the coaches.

"We are looking for a very competitive tournament," said Norton head wrestling coach Bill Johnson.

"Smith Center and Beloit are the defending state co-champions and both are loaded again this year.

"Scott City has a strong wrestling tradition and their wrestlers always compete well. Then you throw in Cozad who traditionally is very competitive and Class 5A Mill Valley who is getting better every year and has some individuals who battle hard.

"Oakley is new to the tournament this year and they have some outstanding individual wrestlers who placed high in the state tournament last year.

"We are entering a Norton second team this year to make a 12th team and help fill out the brackets. It will also give our second team wrestlers good varsity experi-

ence. "We have had a long layoff since our last matches but have been practicing hard over the Christmas break to get ready for the tournament.

"We haven't been in school so have had practices at different times and haven't settled into our normal routine. Missing the Goodland dual tournament caused us to have a longer layoff than most teams. We did get back into a normal practice routine this week."

Norton is the defending tournament champion. The Blue Jays have won the tournament the past four years, which broke a seven-year winning streak by Hoxie. Last year's win was a close one, however, as the Blue Jays edged eventual state co-champion Beloit for the championship by a slim four-and-one-half points margin.

Norton lineup

The tentative Norton varsity wrestling lineup for Saturday and records is as follows: 103 -- Troy Bainter, freshman, 4-2; 112 -- Billy Broeckelman, freshman, 6-1; 119 -- Landon Keiswetter, freshman, 4-4; 125 -- Kaenon Keiswetter, sophomore, 3-0; 130 -- Zane Perez, sophomore, 4-4; 135 -- Zach Bainter, junior, 8-1; 140 -- Todd Bolt, senior, 6-0; 145 -- Travis Ray, senior, 0-0; 152 -- Aaron Husted, senior, 4-4; 160 -- Matt Stanley, junior, 5-3; 171 -- Jordan Bebb, junior, 5-4; 189 -- Brock Lauer, junior, 3-2; 215 -- Robert Derauf, sophomore, 6-3; 285 -- Alex Thomas, senior, 8-0.

Tentative lineup for the Norton second team is: 103 -- freshman Colby Poage; 112 -- freshman Brett Terrell; 125 -- sophomore Connor Pfannenstiel; 130 -- freshman Spencer Shirk; 140 -- freshman Kaid McKenna; 145 -- junior Logan Kelly; 152 -- senior Austin Brown; 160 -- junior Brad Nuzum; 171 -- sophomore Casey Robison; 189 -- sophomore Tyler Cook.

Former wrestler honorees

Norton Community High School has a long and rich wrestling tradition. Since beginning wrestling in 1931, NCHS has crowned nine state championship teams, 84 individual champions and a total of 249 individual state medalists.

Being honored from the 1948 team which placed third in the state tournament will be Bill Lathrop, first, 95, Lawrence; Darrel Wauffle, second, 103, Manhattan; Don Strevey, second, 165, Omaha; James Mulder, fourth, 112, Fremont, Neb.; Kenneth Sanderson, fourth, 145, deceased; Dwight Johnson, fourth, 154, Littleton, Colo.

Their coach, Paul Casper, is deceased.

Four members of the 1958 team

will be honored. They are: Jim Kent, second, 123; Alvin Bird, third, 141, Winfield; Neil Severns, third, 157, Norton; Larry Taylor, fourth, 98, Perryton, Tex.

The 1968 team, which was coached by J.R. Durham, won the state championship. To be honored from this team will be: Roger Fisher, first, 95, Jamestown, N.D.; Tom Ankenman, first, 103, Hutchinson; Stan Ward, first, 112, Edmond, Ok.; Quentin Horning, first, 138, Peck; Paul Riemann, second, 120, Valley Center; Garrett Gwaltney, third, 180; Wayne Thiele, third, 133, West Hills, Calif.

Two members of the 1978 team will be honored. They are: Kyle Hahn, second, 105, Ness City and Mike Jimenez, third, 155, Fresno, Calif.

Honored from the 1988 team will be Kendall Hahn, second, 126, Omaha.

The 1998 Norton team was the state tournament runner-up. Team members to be honored are: Brent Brandyberry, first, 103, Chicago, Ill.; Kyle Wright, second, 152, Norton; Curtis Brown, first, 171, Tulsa, Okla.; Shaun Smiley, second, 215, Kansas City, Mo.; Rusty Miller, first, 275, Norcatour.

Kale Mann, who was honored last year as a former Norton state medalist, is still an assistant coach for Mill Valley.

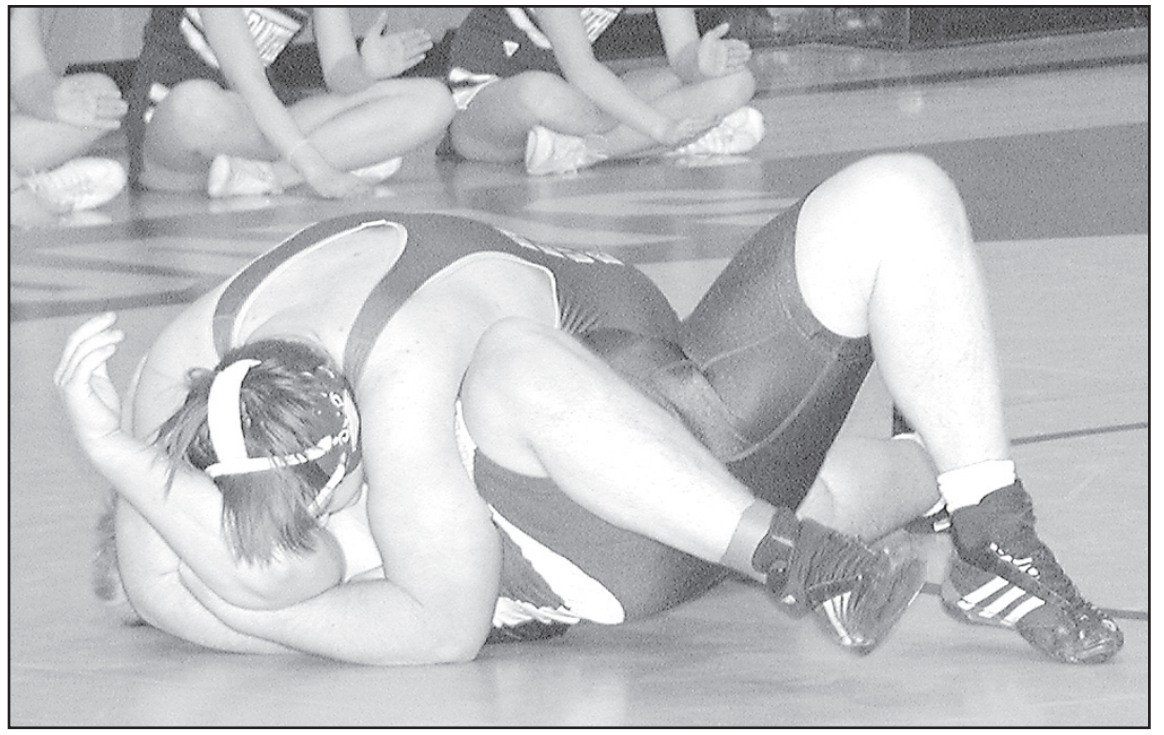
Norton's honored state medal winners and families will first meet at 4 p.m. in Room 143 at Norton Community High School for fellowship and light refreshments.

Around 5 p.m., the former state medalists from Norton will be introduced to the crowd at the tournament. Each will receive a certificate of wrestling excellence from J.R. "Jake" Durham in honor of the anniversary of their state medal.

A reception will be held after the finals in the school cafeteria. The public is encouraged to attend and meet the former wrestlers and their families.

Admission to the entire tournament is \$6 for adults and \$5 for students.

Admission to Session No.2 only is \$3 for kindergarten through adults. Pre-school children are admitted free.



Norton senior 285-lb. wrestler Alex Thomas extended his perfect early season record to 8-0 by pinning Jared Rice of Phillipsburg in 1:49 of their match during the Blue Jays' 46-24 win over the Panthers in Norton on Dec. 14. Thomas has pinned every opponent so far this season.

—Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Flurry of activity for the Blue Jays

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The Norton Community High School girls and boys basketball teams will open the new year by playing three games in four days, beginning this evening in Norton.

The regularly scheduled Mid-Continent League contests with Osborne will begin at 4 p.m. today with the C-team girls game in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium.

Action will continue at 5 p.m. with the junior varsity boys game in Wilmeth Kirk Memorial Gym.

Contests will continue in the Stull Gym following the C-team girls game with the junior varsity girls, varsity girls and varsity boys contests.

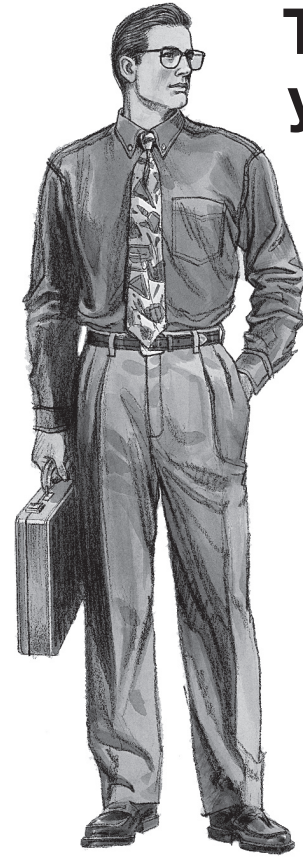
On Saturday, Mid-Continent League games versus Stockton, which were postponed from December 15 due to inclement weather, will be played in the Wilmeth Kirk Memorial Gym, beginning at 11 a.m. with the junior varsity boys contest.

Immediately following will be the varsity girls game around

12:30 with the varsity boys contest to follow. There will be no junior varsity girls game.

On Monday, Norton will travel to Oberlin to take on the Red

Devils from the Northwest Kansas League. Varsity and junior varsity games will be played, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the girls varsity and boys junior varsity contests.



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SUNSHINE LEARNING CENTER

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTON AREA CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION (Sunshine Learning Center) to be held

MONDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2008

You are hereby notified that the annual meeting of the members of the Norton Area Child Care Association will

be held January 21st, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sunshine Learning Center, 110 N. State, Norton, KS for the purpose of election of a Board of Directors and officers of the Association and for such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Dated at Norton, KS this 4th day of January, 2008.

Leslie Pfannenstiel, secretary

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON ADOPTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN BEFORE THE CITY OF NORTON, NORTON RURAL FIRE, NORTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM, SOLOMON TOWNSHIP, CENTER TOWNSHIP, GETTIS CEMETERY, AND ORONOQUE CEMETERY.

You are hereby advised, pursuant to the provisions of KSA 12-17, 117, a public hearing will be held in the basement of Norton City Hall located

at 301 E. Washington, Norton on the 17th day of January, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. to consider whether the above mentioned taxing districts should adopt a "Neighborhood Revitalization Plan" for all of the area and territory lying within the corporate limits of their district. The Norton County Commission enacted the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for Norton County, Kansas on November 13, 2007.

The proposed Neighborhood Revitalization Plan is available for public review and consideration at the office of the Norton County Clerk in the Norton County Courthouse during regular business hours or online at <http://www.discovernorton.com>.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON ADOPTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN BEFORE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #211, NORTON

You are hereby advised, pursuant to the provisions of KSA 12-17, 117, a public hearing will be held in the USD #211 Unified Office located at 105 E. Waverly, Norton on the 14th day of January, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. to consider

whether the USD #211 should adopt a "Neighborhood Revitalization Plan" for all of the area and territory lying within the corporate limits of their district. The Norton County Commission enacted the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for Norton County, Kansas on November 13, 2007.

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COLBY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ENROLLMENT TUESDAY, JANUARY 8 — 6:30-8:00 P.M.

Enrollment will be held in the Norton Junior High School Cafeteria
Call Education Coordinator: Angela Melvin, 785-877-3518 (Home)
Classes not listed may be offered if sufficient interest exists

NO.	COURSE	CR.	INSTRUCTOR	PLACE	START	END	START TIME	END TIME
EN176	English Composition*	3	J. Vatopka	NJHS	Mon. 1/28	5/17	6:00p	9:00p
EN177	English Composition II	3	J. Vatopka	NJHS	Mon. 1/28	5/17	6:00p	9:00p
CO176	Intro. to Computer Concepts and Application	3	L. Melvin	NCHS	Wed. 1/23	5/17	6:00p	9:00p
PH103	Earth Science with Lab	5	G. Rossi	NJHS	Wed. 1/30	5/17	6:00p	10:00p
PH103L	Earth Science Lab (\$40 Lab Fee)	0	G. Rossi	NJHS	Wed. 1/30	5/17	6:00p	10:00p
HI177	American History 1865 to Present (\$40 Telecourse Fee)	3	R. Walz	NJHS	Thur. 1/24	5/14	6:00p	9:00p
PS112	Anger/Stress (\$5 ITV Fee)	1	S. Calliham	Hospital	Fri. 5/2	Sat. 5/3	5/2 5:30p	5/2 11:00p
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							4/4 5:30p	4/4 11:00p
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PS111	Cults (\$5 ITV Fee)	1	S. Herron	Hospital	Fri. 4/4	Sat. 4/5	7:00p	10:00p
							6:00p	10:00p
HE101	Basic Nutrition (\$15 ITV Fee)	3	M. Kane	Hospital	Mon. 1/21	5/16	6:00p	10:00p
AL104	Nurse Aide	5	J. Rima	Andbe	Mon. 2/4	TBA	7:00p	10:00p
AL110	Medication Aide	4	J. Rima	Andbe	Tues. 2/5	TBA	6:00p	10:00p
AL123	Med. Aide Update	1	J. Rima	Andbe	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
AR105	Art-Painting	3	V. Robison	NCHS	Wed. 1/23	5/17	6:00p	9:00p
AR103	Art-Drawing	3	V. Robison	NCHS	Wed. 1/23	5/17	6:00p	9:00p