# Two volleyball players selected

By DICK BOYD

nortontelegram@nwkansas.com School seniors Hayli Bozarth Mid-Continent League post-seacoaches.

The 5-feet-9-inch Bozarth was named to the first team and the 5'7" Roy received honorable

Bozarth was a second team selection last year and received

were: Lindsay Dusin, 5'9" senior, and Katharine Roy have received Phillipsburg; Makenzie Weinman, 5'9" junior, Phillipsburg; Taylor son honors by vote of the league Arnold, 5'10" junior, Smith Center; Catie Riedel, 5'10" junior, Trego Community and Lexi Hardiek, 5'7" sophomore, Hill City.

> Second team selections were: Ariel Robinson, 6' senior, Smith Center; Bethany Polifka, 5'8" junior, Ellis; Kaitlyn Davis, 5'9"

honorable mention her sophomore junior, Hill City; Alex Orr, 5'5" year. Named to the All-League senior, Phillipsburg; Emily Gi-Norton Community High first team, along with Bozarth, rard, 5'9" junior, Osborne; Kylee Pywell, 5'10" sophomore, Pla-

Receiving honorable mention along with Roy were: Morgan Darden, 5'11" junior, Smith Center; Elizabeth Schoenberger, 5'8" senior, Trego Community; Terra Rempe, 5'6" junior, Smith Center; Hayley Strutt, 5'10" junior, Stockton and Kelsie Nickelson, 5'7" senior, Hill City.

### Husky junior high girls go 1-1

The Northern Valley junior Patience Coffman 2. high basketball A-team girls beat Brewster 13-7 in the Brewster Pre-Season Tournament on Nov. 8.

2; McKinsey Evans 2; Haley Graham 1.

Wheatland 23-19 in double overtime. Scoring for Northern Valley were Stillion 9; Evans 2; Chandler McKinney: "The Brewster tour-2; Regan Simpson 2; Graham 2; nament is good experience for the season."

The Northern Valley B-team girls lost to Golden Plains 25-13.

Scoring for Northern Valley Scoring for the Huskies were were DaKota Hilburn 4; Khris-Sheila Stillion 8; Erika Chandler sanna VanPatten 3; Crysta Stanton 2; Kortney Cunningham 2.

The girls lost to Grinnell/Wheat-Northern Valley lost to Grinnell/ land 22-2. Northern Valley's lone scorer was Hilburn.

Comments from coach Amy

girls. It provided plenty of playing time and an opportunity for improvement. The girls worked hard and made great gains as the day progressed. Even though the B-team could not conquer a victory, we were pleased with their effort. The A-team's second game was very exciting with the double overtime even though it did not end like we would hope. We are looking forward to the upcoming

# Former Blue Jay wrestler ranked #2 in country

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James Annon, Norton, a senior member of the Fort Hays State University wrestling team, was an 8-4 winner over a teammate at 141 pounds in the annual Black and Gold Scrimmage at Gross Memorial Coliseum in Hays on Friday, Nov. 7.

Eight matches were contested in weight classes ranging from 125 to 184 pounds against wrestlers who see each other every day in the wrestling room.

Annon was 24-11 as a junior finisher at the national tourna-

The returning All-American is ranked second in the country in his weight class and is one of the Tiger wrestlers considered to be a national championship contender.

Annon had a 14-12 record his

nior high basketball boys went 2-0

in the recent Brewster Pre-Season

Tournament, beating Brewster

42-28 and Grinnell/Wheatland

Scoring vs. Brewster were Phil-

lip Compton 20; Ian Vincent 8;

Jordan Baird 6; Hunter Chandler

Against Grinnell/Wheatland,

Compton 16; Callaway 8; Chan-

The Huskies' B-team also

picked up two wins, over Golden

Plains 28-11 and Grinnell/Wheat-

Scoring in the game against

Golden Plains were: Matt Stut-

sman 10; Clint Cole 6; Brant Cox

6; Dallas Stillion 4; and Phillip

dler 7; Baird 7; and Vincent 2.

Tharman 2.

land 32-27.

scoring were:

Junior high Husky boys

2-0 in Brewster tourney

Regional/RMAC Championships his sophomore season.

Annon was a two-time state wrestling champion for Norton 11. Community High School where his career record was 128-23.

He is the son of Lydia and Robert Annon Jr. of Norton.

Also wrestling were two of the other three returning national qualifiers, 157 pound junior Danny Grater and 184 pound junior Tyler Gonzales, both of whom are last season and was a fifth place No.7 nationally ranked entering the season and won their matches Blake Malloy, who also qualified for nationals last year, did not

> At 174, Oakley native and junior Shawn Kuhlman also won his match.

Junior Levi Younkin, a three-

freshman year. He compiled a time Class 3-2-1 A state champion 16-11 record and placed second from Oakley, is a transfer to the in the NCAA Division II West Tiger program this season and also

won an impressive victory. The Gold team, which featured Annon, defeated the Black 16-

The Tigers' first year head coach Chas Thompson took over for former coach Cody Bickley during the summer. Thompson is a former Fort Hays wrestler and assistant coach. He finished his collegiate career in 2002 before he was a Tiger assistant, then later a head coach at Pratt Community College.

"Almost all the matches went on Friday. Senior 165 pounder exactly how I expected," said coach Thompson. "We're where we need to be. I didn't see anybody gassed out there. We don't need to be in peak condition now."

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## Tennis season ends at regional

By DICK BOYD

nortontelegram@nwkansas.com Coach Marianne Wicker's Norton Community High School girls tennis team completed their 2008 season with an impressive showing in the Class 3A Regional Tournament on Thursday, Oct. 9 in Phillipsburg.

"We thought going into the Regional Tournament that we had a really good chance of being able to move on to substate," said coach Wicker. "Although all our girls stayed positive and played awesome, the competition proved tough."

Competing teams, in addition to Norton and Phillipsburg, were Osborne, Belleville and Beloit. Junior Emily Juenemann played Treymeka Dyke, Belleville, in No.1 singles and lost 6-1, 6-1.

"Emily has been one of our girls careers but they are both going out proud."

most challenging competitors," said coach Wicker.

Senior Hannah Fulton and junior Allie Corbin played No.1 doubles for the Lady Jays. They played Ashley Wiles and Jamie Boeckman, Beloit. They lost the first set 7-5, won the second in a tie-breaker 6-2 and lost the third 7-6. "Allie and Hannah played outstanding together," said coach Wicker. "It's unfortunate that they were eliminated so quickly because I know they have so much potential.'

Playing No.2 singles for Norton was senior Stephanie Shepard. Her opponent was Shelbi Wiles, Beloit. Stephanie lost 6-0, 6-1.

"Stephanie and Hannah both ended their high school tennis

role models to our younger girls all season," said coach Wicker.

Norton's No.2 doubles team members were junior Kelsey Nuzum and sophomore Meaghan Peterson. They played against Lacey Evert and Jennifer Olsen, Belleville, in their first match. They won with set victories of 6-1, 6-4. In their second match they opposed Jessica Gregory and Terah Stroup, Osborne. They lost their first set 6-4, won the second 6-4 and lost the third 6-2.

"Meaghan and Kelsey won their

doubles team and, although they

The Northern Valley A-team ju- sman 16; Cole 10; and Stillion 6. The C-team lost to Cheylin 40-9 and to Brewster 21-18.

Scoring in the game vs. Cheylin were: Stewart Whitney 5; Kobie Unterseher 2; and Ame Baird 2.

Against Brewster the scorers were: Unterseher 8; Whitney 6; Baird 2; and Aron Pinzenscham 4; Tyson Callaway 2; and Alex

Coach Jim Cole's comments: "The Northern Valley Junior High Basketball teams began their season on Nov. 8, competing in the Brewster pre-season tournament. The A-team boys and B-team boys both won both of their games on the day. The C-team boys lost both games, but were in a close one in their second game. I thought all the boys played hard and everyone improved as the day went along. We have 24 boys out for basketball this season and it was a fun day in Scoring in the game against Brewster and an excellent way to begin our season. '



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who always has a smile and stays winners with positive attitudes. As focused, even while up against her co-team captains, they were great

first round with ease," said coach Wicker. "Their second round, they were up against Osborne's No.1 were defeated, they were able to win one set, of which they can be

Grinnell/Wheatland were: Stut-

#### Seventh grade boys beat Redmen Norton's 7th grade basketball sive man-to-man defense the times, which is excellent, but we

boys toppled Smith Center 37-26 whole game. on the road on Nov. 11.

Norton popped in 12 points in the performance. final frame while limiting Smith Center to just 6.

#### **Norton statistics:**

Scoring —Travis Cressler 9; Austin Hager 8; Koltan Harting 3; Drew Schrum 7; Toby Nickell 2; Tanner Furbush 8

Rebounds — Cressler 9; Hager 7; Harting 4; Furbush 1; Trever Lewis 1.

Kody Mohlzahn was top scorer for Smith Center with 8 points.

Norton was 13 of 43 shooting from the field for 30 percent vs. Smith center's 12 of 42 for 29 percent.

From the line, Norton was 11 of 25 for 44 percent vs. Smith Center's 2 of 7 for 28 percent.

Coach Myers had these comments: "I thought our kids played hard. We tried to play an aggres-

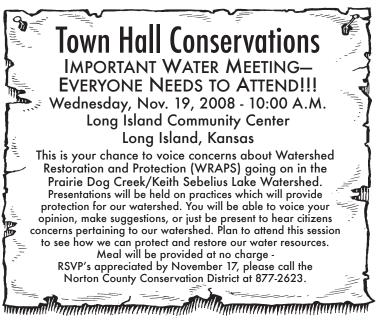
"We have to rebound better age. We will work on that." Norton took a first-quarter 7-2 and we need to take advantage of The junior varsity won their lead, was in front at the half 15-7, the other team's mistakes better. and 25-20 at the end of three. But overall it was a pretty good

"We got to the free throw line 25

need to hit a little better percent-

game 31-27.

The 8th grade played the first half of the junior varsity game.





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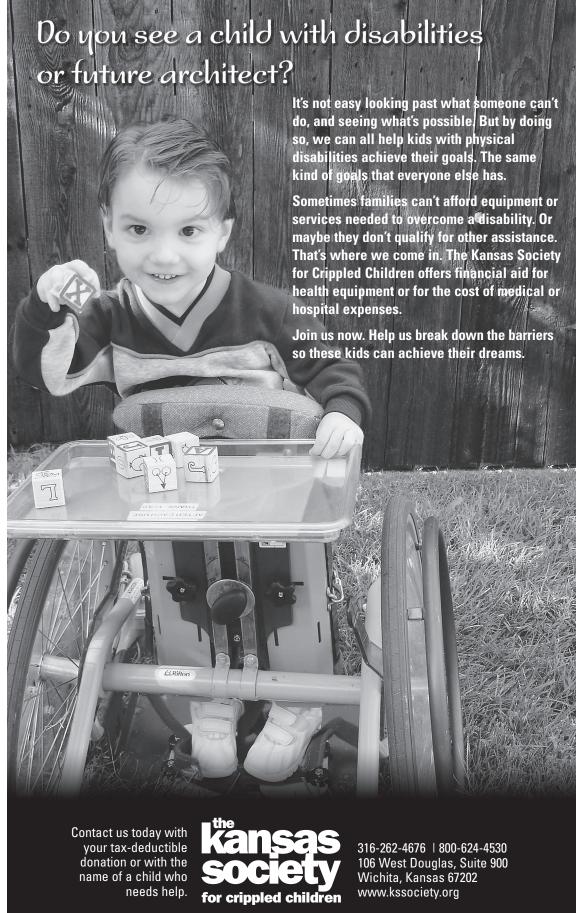
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