

# Area high school basketball teams win state titles

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Quite a few area high school basketball teams qualified for and competed in state tournaments this past week with two earning state championships and six finishing second!

State champions were the unbeaten Hoxie girls and the once-beaten St. John's of Beloit boys.

Finishing runner-up were the Scott City boys, Lyons girls, Beloit boys, Plainville boys, Hoxie boys and Golden Plains girls.

The Lyons girls were the state representative in Hutchinson from the Class 3A sub-state tournament in Hoisington where Norton teams played. Lyons came in as the No.8 seed with a 15-8 record.

In the first round on Thursday, they proved the seedings wrong by upsetting No.1 seed Riley County 57-49 to end their season. Riley County brought a 22-1 record into the state tournament.

The Lyons girls demonstrated that their opening win was no fluke when they knocked off No.5 seed Nemaha Valley 48-39 in Friday's semi-finals. Nemaha Valley brought a 19-4 record into the tournament.

Lyons had their work cut out for them in Saturday's championship finals versus No.2 seed Hesston, who brought a 22-1 record into the tournament. Lyons lost to Hesston by a 46-36 score.

The Class 2A girls first round in the state tournament in Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan was on Wednesday. The Ellis girls were competing as the No.6 seed with a 19-4 record but lost by a score of 64-44 to Washington County, the No.3 seed with a 20-2 record entering the tournament.

Jefferson North, the No.2 seed, kept their perfect record unblemished in Friday's semi-finals when they outscored Washington County 59-42. In Saturday's finals, Central Plains won the battle of two unbeaten teams when they outscored Jefferson North 47-45! In the third place match, Washington County edged Meade 61-58.

In girls Class 1A-I, the two-time time defending state champion Hoxie girls team maintained their unbeaten record on Thursday in Emporia as the No.1 seed with a 60-39 win over No.8 seed Spearville, who came into the tournament 13-9. In Saturday's championship finals, the Lady Indians had no trouble capturing their third straight title with a 71-51 win over Valley Heights, who suffered just their second loss of the season!

Also on Thursday in Emporia, No.5 seed Osborne, who came in 19-3, defeated No.4 Centre, who was 20-3, by a score of 50-41. That set up a semi-final game between Hoxie and Osborne on Friday and Hoxie won 67-43 to move into Saturday's finals and sent Osborne to the third place contest. The Lady Bulldogs put together a great

fourth quarter rally on Saturday to defeat No.3 seed St. Paul 48-40 and earn third place in the state.

Victoria's girls also qualified for the state tournament in Emporia. They brought a 14-9 record into the tournament and were seeded No.7. In Thursday's first round, they lost to No.2 seed Valley Heights by a 57-48 score to end their season. Valley Heights came into the tournament with a 22-1 record.

In girls play in Class 1A-II in Hays on Thursday, St. John's of Beloit was seeded No.7 with a 17-7 record and played No.2 seed Bucklin with a 20-3 record. They lost 56-49 to Bucklin in overtime!

Also in first round action in Hays on Thursday, No.3 seed Golden Plains, who came in 20-3, defeated No.6 seed Wilson 57-37 to end their season with a 17-7 record. In Friday's semi-finals, Golden Plains outscored Bucklin 52-49 to move into Saturday's championship finals versus No.1 seed Baileyville, who brought a 21-3 record into the tournament.

On Saturday, Golden Plains lost to No.1 seed Baileyville by a 59-40 score to finish runner-up in the state.

In boys Class 3A state tournament play in Hutchinson on Wednesday, No.2 seed Beloit, who won the Hoisington sub-state, brought a 22-1 record into their first round game versus No.7 seed Wellsville, who had a 20-3 record. The Trojans rallied from an early 17-point

deficit to win 52-46 and move into the semi-finals on Friday, where they edged Nemaha Valley 58-54 to move into Saturday's championship finals versus unbeaten and No.1 seeded Hesston. Beloit held a one-point lead with 1:05 left but Hesston answered and won by a score of 59-54.

In Thursday's Class 2A boys first round in Bramlage Coliseum in Manhattan, No.3 seed Plainville came in 21-2 and defeated No.6 seed Meade, who was 20-3, by a score of 46-41. In Friday's semi-finals, the Cardinals outscored No.7 seed Pittsburg Colgan 45-41 to reach Saturday's finals versus unbeaten St. John, the No.1 seed. The Cardinals trailed just 55-50 after three quarters but were outscored 16-8 in the fourth quarter and lost 71-58. St. John finished 26-0 and Plainville was 23-3 for the season.

The Hoxie boys were seeded No.2 in the 1A, I state tournament in Emporia. They brought a 22-1 record into the tournament. The Indians played No.7 seed Hartford on Wednesday and won 71-43 to end Hartford's season at 10-14. In the semi-finals on Friday, Hoxie defeated No.3 seed Valley Heights 48-43 to advance to Saturday's finals versus No.1 seed Marais des Cygnes, who had a perfect record. The Indian boys were unable to match the girls' championship as they were outshot by Marais des Cygnes in a 50-36 loss. Marais des Cygnes finished with a perfect 26-0 record

and Hoxie was an excellent 24-2 for the season.

As already reported in the Telegram, the St. John's of Beloit boys were seeded No.1 in the Class 1A-II state tournament in Hays, entering with a 22-1 record, and outscored the No.8 seed Northern Valley boys 64-39 on Wednesday. In the semi-finals on Friday, St. John's defeated No.4 seed Chetopa 67-29.

Sharon Springs entered the same tournament seeded No.2 with a 21-2 record. They defeated No.7 Central Christian 69-46 in the first round to end their season at 16-8. In Friday's semi-finals, Sharon Springs defeated No.6 seed Baileyville 69-46.

Those semi-finals set the stage for the No.1 and No.2 seeded teams to meet on Saturday for the championship. The seedings proved to be correct as

St. John's prevailed 60-58! St. John's finished 25-1 and Sharon Springs was 23-3.

In Class 4A-II, the Scott City boys were seeded No.2 in the state tournament in Park City. This was a one step higher class than 3A, where the Beavers had won the last three championships!

In the first round, they faced No.7 seed Pratt and defeated them 71-52 to extend their season record to 20-3. On Friday, things got tougher for Scott City when they played No.3 seed Concordia and slipped past the Panthers 77-75 in overtime!

In Saturday's championship finals, the Beavers faced No.4 seed Eudora, who had extended their record to 19-5. Scott City trailed by just 50-48 after three quarters but was outscored 21-10 in the fourth period in a 71-58 loss.

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Additional information may be obtained from the Norton County Noxious Weed Department or by contacting the Kansas Department of Agriculture, 901 S. Kansas, Topeka, KS 66612.

## Greiving wins Character Award

Caley Greiving of Logan was recently chosen as the recipient of the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference Champions of Character Award. The Champions of Character Award recognizes student-athletes who have demonstrated core Champions of Character values in their approach to life, the classroom, and the field of play.

Each season, coaches are asked to nominate one student-athlete from their team who best exemplifies the core values of the NAIA Champions of Character program and meets the following criteria; Identified as a full-time student in good stand-

ing, Currently participating in a varsity intercollegiate program, and Have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher.

Head coach of the Kansas Wesleyan Women's Basketball team had this to say about Caley: Caley Greiving is very deserving of this award. She represents the core values of the NAIA Champions of Character: Integrity, Respect, Responsibility, Sportsmanship, and Servant Leadership. All season long Caley has worked hard, been a good teammate, and has done the right thing. It has been a pleasure to coach Caley the past two years. I have seen such an

improvement from the day she has stepped on campus. I am excited to see her growth over the next two years; not only as a student-athlete, but also as a person.

Caley, a 6'1" starting forward at Kansas Wesleyan University, just completed her sophomore season. The Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes ended the season with a 16-15 record overall and went 10-8 in the KCAC conference.

Caley is majoring in Sports Management with an emphasis in accounting. She is a 2012 graduate of Logan High School and is the daughter of Colby and Cher Greiving, Prairie View.



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## Lawn care tips for throughout the year

We run on it. We play on it. And sometimes we lie down and dream on it. It's easy to take that grass underfoot for granted, especially when temperatures are mild and rains are plentiful. A few steps through the year, however, will help fortify the green carpet we call lawns through tough times, according to Kansas State University horticulturist Ward Upham.

Taking the monthly calendar approach to lawn care for cool-season grasses such as Kentucky bluegrass and tall fescue can help make maintaining a healthy lawn seem more manageable through the year, said Upham, who is director of K-State Research and Extension's Horticulture Rapid Response Center. He provided month-by-month reminders for homeowners regarding how to care for a cool-season lawn.

March - Spot treat broadleaf weeds if necessary. Apply the treatment on a day that is 50 degrees or warmer. Keep an eye on the weather forecast, as rain or irrigation within 24 hours of application will reduce the treatment's effectiveness.

April - Apply crabgrass preventer in April. If you have red-bud trees in your area, take note of when they're in full bloom. That's an easy reminder to apply crabgrass preventer. The preventer needs to be watered in before it will start to work. One-quarter inch of water will be enough to water in any of the products mentioned in this calendar. Remember that a good, thick lawn is the best weed prevention and may be all that is needed.

May - Fertilize with a slow-release fertilizer if you water

your lawn or if you receive enough rainfall that your turf normally doesn't go drought-dormant during the summer. If there are broadleaf weeds, spot treat with a spray or use a fertilizer that includes a weed killer. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours of application will reduce effectiveness of the weed killer, but the fertilizer needs to be watered in. If you are using a product that has both fertilizer and weed killer, wait 24 hours after application before watering in.

June through Mid-July - Apply second round of crabgrass preventer by June 15 - unless you have used Dimension (dithiopyr) or Barricade (proflaminate) for the April application. These two products normally provide season-long control with a single application. Remember to water it in. If grubs have been a problem in the past, apply a product containing imidacloprid during the first half of July. This works to prevent grub

damage. It must be watered in before it becomes active.

Late-July through August - If you see grub damage, apply a grub killer that contains Dylox. Imidacloprid is effective against young grubs and may not be effective on late instar grubs. The grub killer containing Dylox must be watered in within 24 hours or effectiveness drops.

September - Fertilize around Labor Day. This is the most important fertilization of the year. Water in the fertilizer.

November - Fertilize. This fertilizer is taken up by the roots, but is not used until the following spring. Water in the fertilizer. Spray for broadleaf weeds even if they are small. Broadleaf weeds are much easier to control in the fall than in the spring. Spray on a day that is at least 50 degrees. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours reduces the effectiveness. Use label rates for all products.

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