

# At the Game

## Sainty successful in final matches

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St. Francis high school varsity wrestlers attended the Colby Eagle Invitational Wrestling Tournament on Friday and Saturday along with 17 other teams from Kansas and Colorado.

This was a team dual tournament with three pools. Winners of each pool competed for the tournament championship with the other two pool winners placing second and third. Garden City was the eventual winner of the event with Colby placing second and Phillipsburg, third.

St. Francis was involved in pool three with Chapparel, Colo., Liberal, Oakley, Phillipsburg and Valley Center. Phillipsburg was the winner of the pool.

Pool two was composed of Garden City, Wray, Colo., Pine Creek, Colo., Hoxie, Concordia and Goodland while teams in pool one were from Hays High, Decatur Community, Colby, Eagle Crest, Colo., Hutchinson and Scott City. Garden City was the winner of pool two and Colby was the winner of pool one.

Pool play ended at noon on Saturday and in the afternoon the final placing duals were held. St. Francis placed sixth in their pool, therefore, they were paired with the sixth place teams from the other two pools, Decatur Community/Oberlin and Wray, Colo.

As St. Francis defeated both Decatur Community and Wray, the Indians placed 16th out of the 18 teams.

This tournament allows the Indians to meet teams which they would never see during the season as several of them are from larger schools.

"This was a really tough tournament," Coach Mike Frewen said. "It was a good experience for our younger wrestlers. As the weekend went on, the younger kids wrestled better and better and gained confidence. Actually everyone wrestled better toward the end of the tournament.

"We are lacking a full dual team which hurts in a dual tournament. All of our freshman had an opportunity to wrestle at some time during the tournament. Darris Keller and Casey Keller were unable to compete on Friday due to a family funeral."

St. Francis ended the weekend with 214 team points. They collected 37 wins and 28 losses. A total of 26 falls were recorded by the Indians in their seven matches.

Indian results for the upperclassmen include (wins

followed by losses, then team points): Cody Sherlock 6-1, 33 points; Freddy Pacheco 5-2, 28 points; Adam Guthmiller 5-2, 27 points; Terrence Lamb 4-3, 24 team points; Darris Keller 3-0, 18 points; Grady Brunk 3-4, 18 points. Freshmen earning team points included Foster Grant 18, Dylan Wolaver 12, Thomas Douthit 12, Zach Gienger 12, Casey Keller 6, Mikey Leibbrandt 6.

### Pool play Valley Center 63, St. Francis 15

St. Francis met Valley Center in the first match on Friday. Valley Center is ranked number one in 4A.

"They deserve their rating as they are a tough team," Coach Frewen said.

"The boy (Nitcher) that wrestled Cody (Sherlock) has placed at state his freshman through junior years, with a third place his first year, a second place his second year and last year he was a champion. Grady's (Brunk) opponent (Blair) is a two-time state champion and Valley Center has another returning state champion and four more state qualifiers on their team."

St. Francis received points from a win by a fall (Lamb), a win by a decision (Guthmiller) and a win by forfeit (Pacheco).

### Individual results

112: Leibbrandt lost by fall to Dean; 119: Pacheco won by forfeit over Myers-Tile; 135: Sherlock lost by a 2-6 decision to Nitcher; 140: Lamb won by a fall over Southards; 145: Douthit lost by a fall to McGoldrick; 160: Brunk lost by a fall to Blair; 171: Gienger lost by a fall to Hopper; 189: Guthmiller won by a 6-0 decision.

St. Francis was open at 103, 125, 130, 152, 215 and 285.

**Oakley 40, St. Francis 36**  
St. Francis won six matches in the Oakley dual, three of them by falls including wins by Wolaver at 140, Brunk at 160 and Guthmiller at 189. The other three wins were by receiving forfeits.

"We did not match up well with Oakley," Coach Frewen said. "There were forfeits by both teams."

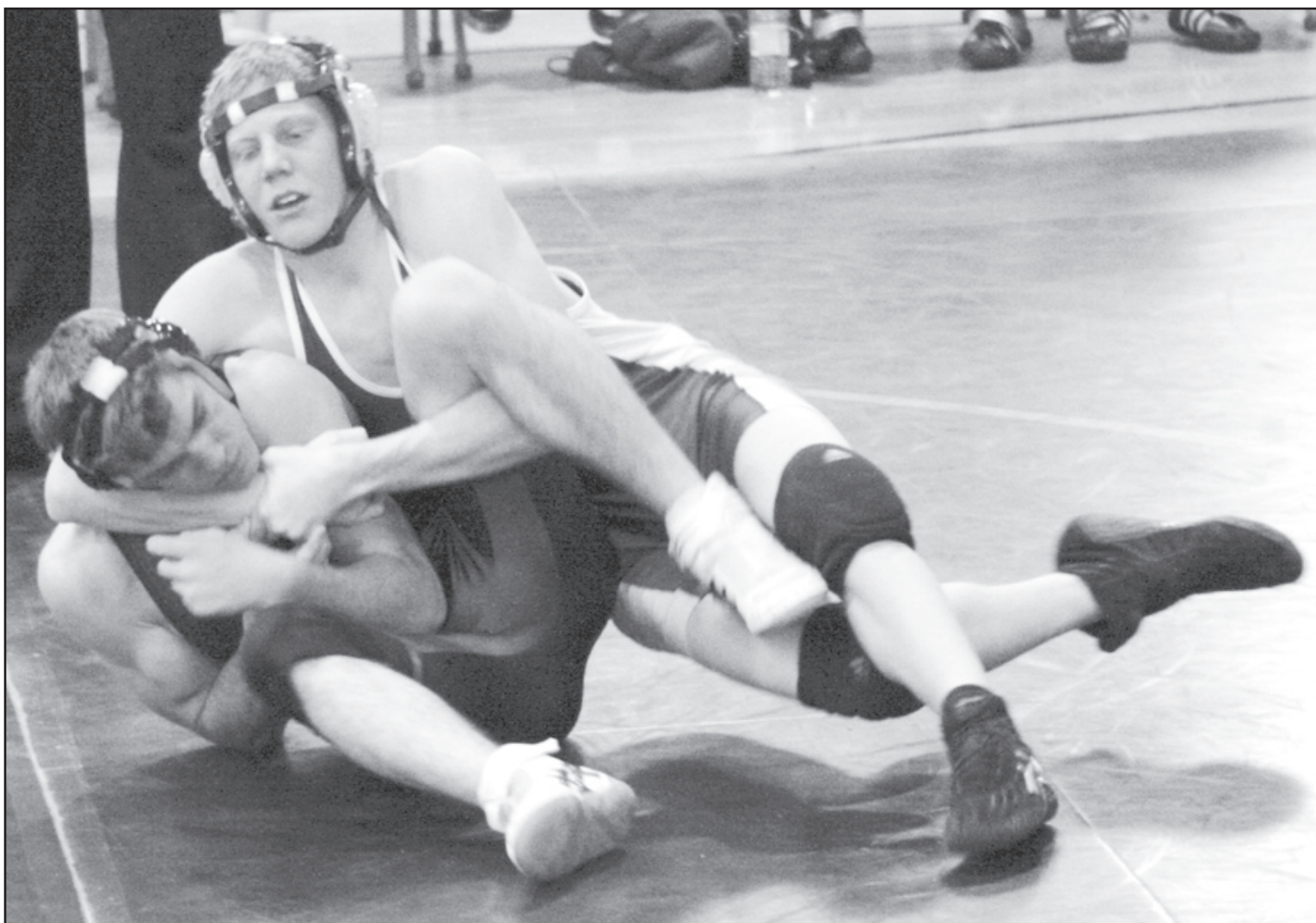
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"This was a match we could have won," Coach Frewen said. "Maybe next time. We will meet them again this week."

"It is exciting when there are freshmen against freshmen."

### Individual results

112: Foster Grant won by forfeit; 119: Pacheco won by forfeit; 135: Sherlock won by forfeit; 140: Wolaver won by a fall over Boyd; 145: Lamb lost by a 1-5 decision to Albers; 152:



SENIOR DARRIS KELLER went 3-0 on matches he wrestled on Saturday. He defeated wrestlers from Chapparel, Decatur Community and Wray.

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Douthit lost by a 6-19 decision to Zerr; 160: Brunk won by a fall over Stewart; 171: Gienger lost by a 3-0 decision to Bergren; 189: Guthmiller won by a fall over Faulkender.

**Phillipsburg 66, St. Francis 12**  
Sherlock won by a fall over Schneider in the Phillipsburg match. Lamb's match went into overtime where he lost 6-4 to Coomes.

"Phillipsburg has 11 seniors on their team so they have a lot of experience," Coach Frewen said. "They won our pool, even defeated Valley Center."

"They will be a force at state this year as they are a 3A team and will be at our state tournament. They are very solid."

### Individual results

112: Leibbrandt lost by a fall to Studley; 119: Pacheco lost by a fall to Ceman; 135: Sherlock won by a fall over Schneider; 140: Lamb lost by a 6-4 overtime decision to Coomes; 145: Wolaver lost by a fall to Brown; 160: Brunk won by forfeit; 171: Gienger lost by a 6-0 decision to Cole; 189: Guthmiller lost by a fall to Jacobs.

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**Liberal 57, St. Francis 17**  
"This was our fourth and last dual on Friday and I think everyone was a little tired," Coach Frewen said.

Three Indians had falls over their opponents, Sherlock at 135, Lamb at 140 and Douthit at 152. These were the three wins that St. Francis had over Liberal.

### Individual results

112: Grant lost by a fall to Ruthledge; 119: Pacheco lost

by a 17-0 technical fall; 135: Sherlock won by a fall over Braimah; 140: Lamb won by a fall over Gallegos; 145: Wolaver lost by a 14-3 decision to Avila; 152: Douthit won by a fall over Aguirre; 160: Brunk lost by a fall to Rodriguez; 171: Gienger lost by a fall to Andrade; 189: Guthmiller lost by a fall to McPhail.

St. Francis was open at 103, 125, 130, 215 and 285.

**Chapparel 43, St. Francis 33**  
Chapparel belongs to one of the bigger classifications in Colorado.

"This match could have gone either way," Coach Frewen said. "This was our first match on Saturday and we wrestled better as we were rested. We wrestled with energy and enthusiasm."

### Individual results

103: C. Keller lost by forfeit to Daily; 112: Leibbrandt lost by a fall to Leibbrandt; 119: Grant won by forfeit; 125: Pacheco won by a fall over Fifer; 135: Sherlock won by a 7-0 decision over Jacobs; 140: Lamb lost by a 15-2 major decision; 145: D. Keller won by a fall over Levett; 152: Douthit lost by an 8-2 decision to Marshall; 160: Brunk lost by a fall to Julian; 171: Gienger won by a fall over Raphael; 189: Guthmiller won by a fall over George.

St. Francis was open at 130, 215, and 285.

### Finals

Decatur Community/Oberlin and Wray each placed sixth in their pools so the Indians met them in the finals for 16th, 17th and 18th place.

**St. Francis 46, Wray 34**

St. Francis posted their first win on Saturday afternoon when they met Wray. This was in a first of the final placing duals.

"We knew that Wray had a full team and we would have to get a lot of pins to win," Coach Frewen said. "We got six pins out of our eight wins. The freshman had to step up and they did."

"Freddy (Pacheco) defeated the guy who defeated him at the St. Francis Invitational Dec. 5."

### Individual results

103: C. Keller lost by a fall to Titus; 112: Grant won by forfeit; 119: Pacheco won by a 14-6 major decision; 135: Sherlock won by a fall over Martinez; 140: Lamb won by a fall over Wray wrestler; 145: Wolaver won by a fall over Wray wrestler; 152: D. Keller won by a fall over Crider; 160: Brunk won by a fall over Merritt; 171: Gienger lost by a 12-3 major decision to Schwinn; 189: Guthmiller won by a fall.

St. Francis was open at 125, 130, 215 and 285.

### St. Francis 54, Decatur Community 30

"Eight out of our nine wins came by pins," Coach Frewen said. "We knew we would have to have a lot of pins as they had a full team. We had some freshmen beat freshmen."

Winning by falls were C. Keller, Pacheco; Sherlock; Lamb; D. Keller, Douthit, Gienger and Guthmiller.

### Individual results

103: C. Keller won by a fall over Helm; 112: Leibbrandt won by forfeit; 119: Pacheco won by a fall over Helm; 135: Sherlock won by a fall over Peters;

140: Lamb won by a fall over Reichert; 145: D. Keller won by a fall over Zodrow; 152: Douthit won by a fall over Glading; 160: Brunk lost by a fall to Jordan; 171: Gienger won by a fall over Overmiller; 189: Guthmiller won by a fall over Fortin.

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### Season leaders

Sherlock, most team points, 54.5; most wins, nine; most decisions, two; tied for most tech falls, one; and most three-point near falls; Lamb, most takedowns; tied for most tech falls, one; most escapes, eight; Guthmiller, most falls, six; Brunk, tied for most tech falls, one; Pacheco, most major decisions, one; most two-point near falls, five; most reversals, six; Grant, most forfeits, three.

### Next action

St. Francis will meet Oakley and Colby in dual action in Colby on Friday and participate in the Wray Invitational on Saturday. The Indians won at Wray last year. Starting time in Colby is 5:30 and at Wray, 10 a.m.

"Colby will be a tough dual on Friday," Coach Frewen said. "We will need good effort. Against Oakley we need everyone to be competitive."

"We need a good weekend, everything on an up note."

"We can't live on our last year's win at Wray. We need a good day. It's always fun to see teams that we don't see during the year."

"Many of our freshmen will be going to the junior varsity tournament in Oberlin on Saturday."

## Junior high season coming to a close

St. Francis and Grant Junior High of Goodland met in basketball action on Thursday, Dec. 10. These games were played in St. Francis.

This was the final regular season game for the young Indians as the league tournaments began on Monday with the A team playing in Colby and the B team playing Rawlins County in Atwood. Tournament results will appear in a later issue of *The Herald*.

### A team

#### Goodland 43, St. Francis 23

"In some ways, we played better against Goodland than we played in the previous game against Colby," Coach David Morrow said. "Goodland has a good team that is hard to defend at every position."

"Nonetheless, I though we played well at times, particularly when we weren't completely exhausted."

"Kyler Zweygardt and Cade Bracelin both had the best games of their young junior high careers. Kyler rebounded very well and played good defense against a pretty good post player. Cade scored 9 points. We were 5 of 17 from the free-throw line.

We will play Colby again on

the 14th in the first round of the junior high tournament. The second round will be played out in Hoxie on Thursday.

SF 5 7 4 7 23  
G 17 8 8 10 43

Scoring: Bracelin 9, Wyatt Landenberger 8; Mason Schiltz 2, Lane Hoffman 2; Jacob Butler 2.

### B team

#### Goodland 19, St. Francis 6.

"This was not our best effort of the year by far," Coach Morrow said. "Certainly, junior high basketball is a learning experience, and part of that experience is learning how to work hard from tip-off to the final buzzer."

"It didn't seem that we accomplished that. Jacob Baxter had a pretty good game all around. In fact, he scored all six of our points."

"The B-Team will be traveling to Rawlins County on Monday. I think this bunch has a good chance to make some noise in the tournament. It should be very competitive."

SF 4 0 2 0 6  
G 6 6 3 4 19

Scoring: Baxter, 6.

### St. Francis vs Colby

St. Francis entertained Colby in junior high basketball action on Monday night, Nov. 30.

The A team suffered a 61-23 loss. The B team games proved to be exciting as the score was tied 20-20 after regulation time. The overtime period saw Colby take the game 28-24.

### A Team

#### Colby 61, St. Francis 23

"This was a disappointing game because we knew that we had to play very well in order to compete," Coach David Morrow said. "We didn't play well in certain respects, however, and the game got away from us early."

"What the game did for us was show us where we need to improve in order to compete with the league's best. We actually did a good job of limiting their best players in scoring."

"Mason Schiltz played well defensively against a talented player. Wyatt Landenberger had a good night in scoring."

"There is a disparity between us and Colby in the amount of experience our players have. That explains most of our difficulty in competing with this team."

"We're preparing for the league tournament in a week and know

that we'll likely have to face the Eagles in the next game."

SF 4 6 3 10 23  
C 15 15 17 14 61

Scoring: Landenberger 9; Schiltz 7; Hoffman 4; Bracelin 3.

### B Team

#### Colby 28, St. Francis 24

"OT" "This was a very exciting overtime game," Coach Morrow said. "These kids showed just how much they have improved. In fact, several of them gave their best effort against Colby."

"Jacob Baxter had a career scoring night, contributing 11 points. Erik Hart, Derek Queen, Tyler Lee and Gaten Cooper all had great nights in one facet of the game or another."

"We had chances to put the game away before the end of the fourth quarter but lost the ball at critical times."

"In overtime, Jacob Baxter scored an early basket, but Colby hit some shots to pull away. It was very exciting to watch these guys play this game. Hopefully, we'll see them in the tournament next week."

SF 4 7 2 7 4 24  
C 4 1 7 8 28

Scoring: Baxter 11; Cooper 4; Hart 4; Butler 2; Derek Queen 2; Ian Schmid 1.

## Bowling News

### Monday Night Mixed 12-7

Team standings: ABC-Z 24-16, Neitzel Insurance 17-19, Gutter Heads 17-23, Earl's Gals 17-19.

High game (scratch): Kale Zimbelman 191, Eddie Zuege 179, Arrie Cox 159, Janice Krien 148, Amelia Zuege 142, Connie Wilger 121; (handicap): Cox 213, Wilger 206, E. Zuege 202, Krien 202, Vanessa Wieck 201, Earl Hankins 199.

High series (scratch): Zimbelman 535, E. Zuege 454, Krien 428, Cox 410, A. Zuege 391, Wilger 339; (handicap): Wilger 594, Krien 590, A. Cox 572, Wieck 569, Bill Wilger 542.

### Wednesday Night Mens 12-9

Team standings: Cheyenne Bowl 32-20, Bonny Solutions 31.5-20.5, Krien Steel 31-21, Idalia JV 29-23, Haigler One 26.5-25.5, Haigler Two 23-29, Wright

and Wrong 22-26, Bonanza Ford 9-11.

High game (scratch): Bill Carpenter 208, JD Hawkins 200, Jasper Shanks 190.

High series (scratch): Carpenter 552, Josh Morris 490, Hawkins 489.

### Ladies Nite Out 12-10

Team standings: Wray Meat Packing 31-17, Gutter Gals 29.5-18.5, Dundy Ag 29-19, Jersey Maids 28-20, Strikers 27-21, Wright Carpet 22-26, Bankwest 19.5-28.5.

High game (scratch): Renea Mathies 209, Jeanne Dunn 183, Kathy Blecha 181; (handicap): Mathies 253, Ilene O'Leary 237, Vicky Harford 230.

High series (scratch): Mathies 522, Blecha 482, Boots Peterson 450; (handicap): Mathies 654, O'Leary 636, Peterson 612.

## Winter Sports Section coming soon

