

# Season practice begins

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Gavin Smull qualified for the State wrestling tournament last year, placing sixth, and Justin Sherlock qualified his sophomore year, ending up one match away from placing. These two, along with several other returning letter winners, will form the nucleus of the Indian wrestling squad this year.

The other returning letter winners are seniors Josh Carpenter and David Guthmiller, junior Jesse Pacheco, and sophomores Darris Keller and Terrence Lamb.

The squad is composed of four seniors (Smull, J. Sherlock, D. Guthmiller and Carpenter), two juniors (J. Pacheco and Scott Ford), four sophomores (Keller, Freddy Pacheco, Lamb and Grady Brunk) and eight freshmen (Trevor Reed, Tye Gilliland, Cody Sherlock, Alex Draper, Adam Guthmiller, Thomas McCurry, Michael Adams and Robbie Herman).

As happens every year, the St. Francis Invitational, or the St. Francis Gabel/Jenkins Invitational as it was renamed last year, will be the begin-



**ST. FRANCIS WRESTLERS, Justin Sherlock and Josh Carpenter, practicing for their first invitational on Saturday.**

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ning of the new season. This takes place on Saturday at the high school. Check Page 1 for additional tournament information.

Even with a limited amount of practice sessions due to the success of the football team, the mat men will be counted on to uphold the tradition of St. Francis wrestling.

The December schedule will keep both the wrestlers and the wrestling

fans busy.

The Northwest Kansas League dual season will open on Thursday, Dec. 6, in Colby against a strong Colby Eagle team.

The team will return to Colby on Friday and Saturday, as for the second year, they will take part in the Colby Invitational. This tournament went to dual format in 1999, and wrestlers advance as teams instead of individuals.

Last year there were three pools of six teams each. Pool play lasts until about noon on Saturday and in the afternoon, the team meets teams from the other two pools. If you placed fourth in your pool, you meet the fourth place finishers in the other two pools.

After the tournament last year, Coach Mike Frewen said that it was a fun tournament and every wrestler got a number of matches.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, Sainity will have their second dual of the year when they meet the Decatur Community Red Devils in Oberlin.

One more tournament takes place in December, as Sainity will attend the Wray Invitational, which they had done for many years.

So the month of December includes two duals and three tournaments.

Coach Frewen said that instead of the junior varsity wrestlers traveling to Wray to fill in open spots they will be attending the Oberlin Junior Varsity Tournament for the first time.

"We have a good group of senior boys," Coach Frewen said. "They are hard workers and will lead by example."

"We have a lot of good kids out. "One of our concerns this year is open weights. We may have as many as three open weights, 103, 215 and heavyweight.

# Junior high teams travel to Hoxie

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The junior high boys basketball teams have played five contests in the short time their season has been in progress.

On Monday night, Nov. 19, they played Hoxie at Hoxie with both Sainity teams suffering a loss. The eighth grade was defeated 59-15 while the seventh grade fell 32-11.

The final November game was played Tuesday night with results next week.

**Eighth grade  
Hoxie 59, St. Francis 15**

"Our team hustle was unable to trump the opponents great skills," Coach Larry Flemming said.

Sainity had six players contribute to the team's final score with four, three or two points each.

Martin Hnizdil was the leading rebounder with six and Brock Zwegardt collected five steals.

The team had a total of 21 rebounds, 24 turnovers and eight steals.

The second quarter was the most productive for the eighth graders as they scored nine points.

SF	02	07	04	02	15
H	18	10	12	19	59

Scoring: Isaac Schiltz 4, B. Zwegardt 3, Jonathan Butler 2, Ty Zwegardt 2, Gavin Cooper 2, Hnizdil 2.

**Seventh grade  
Hoxie 32, St. Francis 11**

The seventh grade basketball team started slow, earning their first points in the second period.

Zach Gienger scored 10 of the 11 St. Francis points.

"Hoxie has a lot of talented players who understand and can play the game," said Kent Kechter, coach.

"They have certainly put in some time to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to play."

"This was a very frustrating evening. We did not handle Hoxie's pressure defense very well. We seemed to want to play "hot potato" with the ball rather than protect it and execute. We have been showing continual improvement each game, but we did not do that in this game."

"When we finally executed better on offense and got better shots, we did not shoot the ball very well. We will just have to go back to work to improve."

led the scoring for St. Francis with points.

SF	00	04	05	02	11
H	08	13	06	05	32

Scoring: Gienger 10, Casey Keller 1.

## St. Francis News

Kayce and Eric Harper of Benkelman, Donna and Norvin Northrup were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests at the George Harper home.

Neil and Nancy McCumber enjoyed their children home for Thanksgiving. Linda, Steve and Alan McCumber honored their parents with an open house for friends and family.

Cyndy Constable from Abilene, a niece of Nancy and Neil, also came to honor her aunt and uncle for their 50th anniversary.

Guests of Milton and Betty Lampe from Friday, Nov. 23 to Sunday, Nov. 25, were Kirk and Debbie Grizzell of Macksville, Travis Grizzell of Hays and Kyle Grizzell of Pratt. Debbie's birthday was celebrated on Friday evening.

They attended the celebration of Bluford Kellner's 100th birthday on Saturday.

Other guests of the Lampe's Saturday evening were Larry and Virginia Bouza and Andrew of Tonganoxie, Rachel Bouza of Lindsborg and Brad and Shalom LaForge and Adele of Wichita.

The Grizzell's returned home on

Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey McCormick and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Ross, Charlise Rogers, Travis Hilt of Kansas City, Lauren Ross of Salina were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Bucholtz. Joining them in the afternoon was Brooke Lucas, Kansas City and Adam Peter, Salina.

Saturday noon guests of Kurt and Margaret Bucholtz were Travis and Trey Hilt, Kansas City, Trevor and Lexi Hilt, Joey, Casey and Lezlie McCormick, Doug and Marla Ross, Lauren Ross, Salina, Derek Ross and Islam, a student from Russia, Kearny, Neb., Brett Ross and Sara Davidson, Hays.

Last Tuesday, LaVera Beringer was visited by Sylvia Queen.

On Thanksgiving Day her son, Larry Beringer, picked up LaVera and drove her to Sharon Springs. Other guests of Larry and Brenda Beringer were James and Lisa Brunk and family from LaCrosse. Brenda prepared a delicious turkey and ham dinner. After an enjoyable time with family, Larry brought his mother home later in the day.

## Student News

**Kansas State  
University  
Alecia Zimbelman**

Alecia Zimbelman of St. Francis, was among the 22 Kansas State University freshmen, who have been formally accepted in the 2007 class of Early Admission Scholars program for the College of Veterinary Medicine.

This program recruits the best and brightest undergraduate students who want to study veterinary medicine. After acceptance into the program and completion of 64 hours of preprofessional requirements, the scholars are guaranteed admission into the College of Veterinary Medicine.

"Qualifying for this program is a big deal because there are hundreds of applicants for only a limited number of positions," Ronnie Elmore, associate dean for admissions and diversity programs at the College of Veterinary Medicine, said.

Successful candidates in the Early Admission Scholars program must maintain a 3.4 grade point average during completion of the preprofessional requirements. Each student

also must take the Graduate Record Examination, by their third year of undergraduate studies, the scholars may petition for enrollment in the first year of the doctor of veterinary medicine degree program.

## Club Clips

**October**

On Oct. 17, the Ramblers Club went to Milton Lampe's shop. Milton took members on a tour to see all that he makes from wood. His wife, Betty, paints names on limestone rock for a home.

Following the tour, a meeting was held at Elaine Kehlbeck's home. Bonnie Busby and Margaret Shay were hostesses.

**November**

The Ramblers Club toured Ross Manufacturing on Nov. 14. The tour included the production of the tool used for castrating bulls. This product is shipped in the U.S. and the foreign countries.

Kristi, the manager of the travel agency gave a talk.

John, in the other shop, is busy creating electronic gas meters, steel sheds, in masses. Steel cut letters will be on the new City Hall.



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