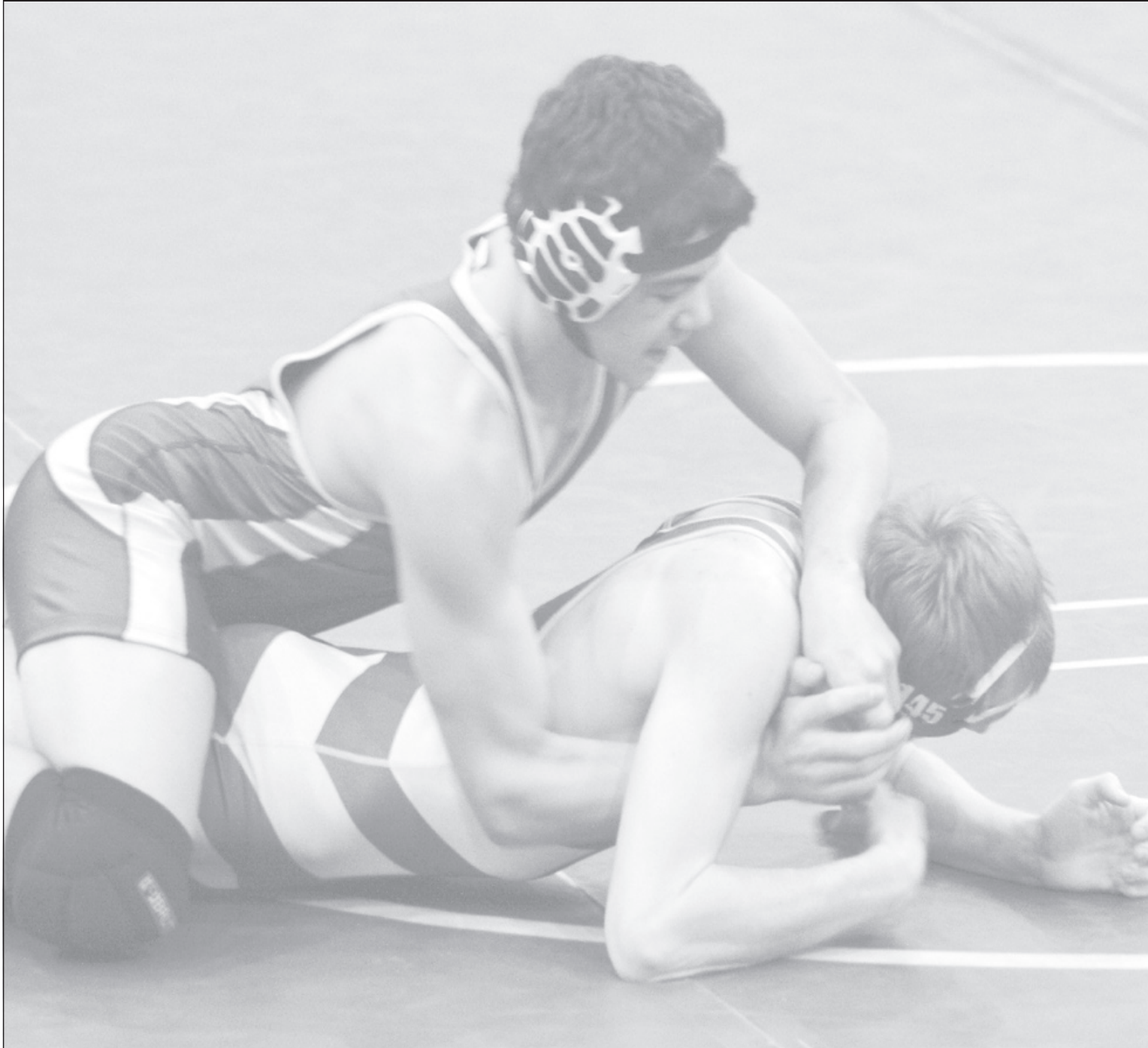


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At the Game



REGIONAL CHAMPION JESSE PACHECO will be representing St. Francis at the State Wrestling Tournament in Hays this weekend. Pacheco wrestles in the 145 pound weight class.

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Wrestlers qualify for State meet

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Jesse Pacheco, Justin Sherlock, Cody Sherlock, David Guthmiller, Gavin Smull and Darris Keller are headed to the 3-2-1A State Wrestling tournament in Hays on Friday with action continuing on into Saturday.

They earned the right to travel to State by placing in the top four in their weight class at WaKeeney last weekend.

"They all wrestled to their full potential which is what they are supposed to do this time of year," Coach Mike Frewen said. "We want to do that again this week."

Senior J. Sherlock will travel to Hays for the third time in his high school career. He also attended his freshman and sophomore years. He finished first at Regionals and will be taking a 25-3 record to State. He wrestles at 160 pounds.

Senior Gavin Smull placed third at Regionals and will be making his fourth trip to State. He finished sixth in his weight class at State his junior year. He has a 27-8 record at 135 pounds.

Senior David Guthmiller earned the right to attend State by placing third at Regional at 189 pounds. His record this year is 19-18.

Junior Jesse Pacheco earned the championship at 145 pounds at WaKeeney last weekend. He earned 27 wins compared to 11 losses this year and will be making his first trip to State.

Sophomore Darris Keller will take his 25-18 record to Hays after placing third at 119 pounds at Regionals.

Freshman Cody Sherlock,

a second place finisher at 112 pounds at Regional, will be going to Hays with a 29-12 record.

The State tournament takes place at Gross Memorial Coliseum at Fort Hays State University in Hays.

State assignments

112 pounds: C. Sherlock will meet Taylor of Silver Lake.

119 pounds: Keller will meet Weigel of Plainville.

135 pounds: Smull will meet Terry of Caney Valley.

145 pounds: Pacheco will meet Pineau of Pleasant Ridge.

160 pounds: J. Sherlock will meet Mapes of Onaga.

189 pounds: Guthmiller will meet Stilwell of Eureka.

The times of the various sessions are listed below:

Friday

Session I

- 10 a.m. first round;

- 1:45 p.m. second round, championship quarterfinals;

Session II

- 4:30 p.m. first-round consolation; championship semifinals.

Saturday

Session III

- 10 a.m. consolation cross bracketing;

- Noon, consolation quarterfinals;

- 1:30 p.m. consolation semifinals;

- 2:30 p.m. fifth place; consolation finals;

Session IV

- 6:15 p.m. Parade of Champions;

- 6:30 p.m. championship finals.

Team performs well at Regionals; men earn a fourth-place finish

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Jesse Pacheco and Justin Sherlock were named champions at the 3-2-1A Regional Wrestling tournament in WaKeeney Saturday. Pacheco wrestles at 145 and J. Sherlock at 152. Gavin Smull placed second at 135 while David Guthmiller was second at 189. Also qualifying for State were Cody Sherlock, who placed third at 112, and Darris Keller, who placed fourth at 119.

These six wrestlers will be carrying the St. Francis banner to Hays next weekend at the 3-2-1A State Tournament.

Winning at least one match which helped the Indians to a fourth place overall finish were Terrence Lamb at 125, Josh Carpenter at 130, Scott Ford at 160, Adam Guthmiller at 171 and Talon Jones at 215. Winning the team championship was Norton.

The second and third place winners were Scott City and Oakley.

"Overall we had a good tournament," Coach Mike Frewen said.

"They all wrestled to their full potential which is what they are supposed to do this time of year. We want to do that again this week. (Note article with State information.)"

"They were consistent and battled throughout the whole match every time.

"We didn't lose any matches we should have won (matches we were favored in) and we won some matches in which we weren't favored.

"We go into every match expecting to win.

"To win, wrestlers need to develop confidence in themselves and believing in themselves."

Travis Budke of Thomas More Prep-Marian, who won the 160 pound weight, was named Regional Wrestler of Year.

St. Francis coach Mike Frewen was named the Regional Coach of the Year. The honor was voted on by the coaches who attended the WaKeeney Regional.

This is the second season Coach Frewen had guided the Indian wrestlers as head coach. When he moved to St. Francis, he helped with the junior high team for a couple of years before being

named head varsity coach.

Before coming to St. Francis, Coach Frewen was the head high school and junior high school wrestling coach at Osborne. At the conclusion of the 1998 wrestling season, the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association named him 3-2-1A Coach of the Year.

Coach Frewen felt the Indians had wrestled well at WaKeeney and he had the following comments.

"Cody (Sherlock) has been consistent all year - he got caught on his back in the match with Broeckelman of Norton but he came back and wrestled well to place third.

"Darris (Keller) defeated Pentheny of Lakin 3-2 in his second match. Pentheny had defeated him 8-4 at Phillipsburg. This was a good match and a pivotal one for him to place.

"Terrence (Lamb) was in a weight with seven really good wrestlers (this included Terrence). Three guys were wrestling hard for the last spot (to attend State) and he came up one match short when he wrestled Orr of Hill City."

Josh (Carpenter) was one of six good wrestlers in his weight. He lost to Contreras of Scott City by just one point (5-4) near the end of the match. This was a big match. He had a good battle against Wolters of Rawlins County and came close to pinning him before he was defeated by a fall.

"Gavin (Smull) beat Lynch of Husted in overtime. Lynch is a really good kid. This was a big match. He lost to Bainter of Norton in the finals.

"Jesse (Pacheco) had an outstanding tournament. He beat Husted of Norton 11-4 which was an improvement over the 10-8 he defeated him at Phillipsburg. He defeated Reichert of Oberlin who was ranked fourth and who had defeated Jesse 12-2 the last time they met. When Jesse decides he can win, he does.

"Justin (Sherlock) defeated Taylor of Thomas More Prep 4-2 in overtime. He also had an overtime match against Soderlund of Norton which he ended up winning 8-7. Soderlund had pinned him at Phillipsburg. The tougher the match the tougher he wrestles.

"Scott (Ford) won a match for

us which was good. He defeated Gehring of Ellis.

"Adam (Guthmiller) won two matches. Even in the ones he lost he wrestled pretty good.

"David (Guthmiller) defeated Marcuson of Obelrin and had a close match with Binning of Rawlins County until he was pinned.

"Talon (Jones) was in both matches he lost. He lacked experience from not wrestling since junior high."

Team standings

Norton 226.5; Scott City 160; Oakley 133; St. Francis 127; Oberlin 99.5; Lakin 81; Rawlins County 78; Hoxie 70; Cimarron 61; Ellis 52.5; Hill City 49; Thomas More Prep-Marian 46; Wakeeney/Trego 38; Leoti/Wichita County 36; Holcomb 30, Sublette 14.5; Larned 2; Elkhart 1; MonteZuma/South Gray 1; Grainfield-Wheatland 0; Quinter 0.

Top Regional placers

First through fourth place - 103: Antillon, Scott City; Bainter, Norton; Gonzales, Lakin; Helm, Oberlin; 112: Broeckelman, Norton; Davis, Lakin; C. Sherlock, St. Francis; Peterson, Oakley; 119: Campbell, Oakley; George, Scott City; Keiswetter, Norton; Keller, St. Francis; 125: Keiswetter, Norton; Samuelson, Oakley; Stucky, Scott City; Orr, Hill City; 130: Perez, Norton; Litton, Cimarron; Chase, Hill City; Wolters, Rawlins County; 135: Bainter, Norton; Smull, St. Francis; Lynch, Lakin; Urban, Ellis; 140: Urban, Oberlin; Bolt, Norton, Numrich, Scott City; Meley, Trego; 145: Pacheco, St. Francis; Reichert, Oberlin; Stanton, Holcomb; Hayes, Scott City; 152: J. Sherlock, St. Francis; Soderlund, Norton; Kinderknecht, Ellis; Taylor, Thomas More Prep-Marian; 160: Budke, Thomas More Prep-Marian; Younkin, Oakley; Hoene, Scott City; Stanley, Norton; 171: Numrich, Scott City; Jirak, Oakley; Brown, Leoti; Bebb, Norton; 189: Binning, Rawlins County; Guthmiller, St. Francis; Tricks, Ellis; Lauer, Norton; 215: Racette, Oakley; Dirks, Trego; Anderson, Cimarron; Pope, Hoxie; 285: Salmans, Hoxie; Addison, Cimarron; Wright, Rawlins County; Diederich, Oberlin.

Individual stats

112: C. Sherlock won by a fall over Stucky, Scott City; won by a fall over Schartz, Larned; won by a 7-5 decision over Vrbas, Rawlins County; lost by a 9-0 major decision over Peterson, Oakley.

119: Keller won by a fall over Ghumm, Trego; won by a 3-2 decision over Pentheny, Lakin; lost by a 16-0 technical fall to Campbell, Oakley; won by a 12-8 decision over Mancillas, Leoti; lost by a fall to Keiswetter, Norton.

125: Lamb lost by a 7-4 decision to Stucky, Scott City; won by a fall over Schartz, Larned; won by a 7-5 decision over Vrbas, Rawlins County; lost by a 9-0 major decision to Orr, Hill City.

130: Carpenter lost by a 5-4 decision to Contreras, Scott City; won by a 5-4 decision over Taylor, Hoxie; won by a 7-5 decision over Halbeib, Oakley; lost by a fall to Wolters, Rawlins County.

135: Smull won by a fall over Zerr, Oakley; won by a 13-0 major decision over McDaniel, Scott City; won by a 5-3 decision over Lynch, Lakin; lost by a 4-0 decision to Bainter, Norton.

145: Pacheco won by a 10-5 decision over Stanton, Holcomb; won by an 11-4 decision over Husted, Norton; won by a 6-3 decision over Reichert, Oberlin.

152: J. Sherlock won by a fall over Manning, Oberlin; won by a fall over Williams, Sublette; won by a 4-2 decision over Taylor, Thomas More Prep-Marian; won by an 8-7 decision over Soderlund, Norton.

160: Ford won by a fall over Gehring, Ellis; lost by an 8-2 decision to Younkin, Oakley; lost by a 4-2 decision to Harman, Lakin.

171: A. Guthmiller won by a fall over Werth, Thomas More Prep-Marian; lost by a 13-5 major decision over Aumiller, Hoxie; won by a fall over Peters, Sublette; lost by a decision to Gnad, Ellis.

189: D. Guthmiller won by an 8-5 decision over Marcuson, Oberlin; lost by a fall to Binning, Rawlins County.

215: Jones lost by a fall to Newell, Holcomb; won by a fall over Larue, Oberlin; lost by a fall to Derauf, Norton.

Sainty competes with two squads

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The wrestling matches in St. Francis on Thursday concluded the regular season and provided the last opportunity for action before the wrestlers met opponents at the Northwest Kansas League meet, which was held on Tuesday. Tuesday's tournament was held in Hoxie with results published next week.

"We are getting better but with the tournament right around the corner, it's a question of whether or not we've made enough progress to make a good showing in League," Coach Steve Jenkins said.

At the Thursday meet in St. Francis, Goodland collected 27 wins compared to 12 for St. Francis but when wrestling the Oakley mat men the Indians outscored them 7-4.

Individual results

Casey Keller lost by a fall to Paxton, Goodland; won by a fall over Howard, Oakley.

Foster Grant lost by a 14-0 decision to Paxton, Goodland; won by a fall over Howard, Oakley.

Joey McCormick lost by a fall to Raby, Goodland; won by a fall over Howard, Oakley; lost by a fall to Paxton, Goodland.

Taylor O'Leary lost by a fall to Avelar, Goodland.

Logan Whitmore won by a fall over Raby, Goodland; lost by a fall to Avelar, Goodland; won by a fall over Davis, Goodland.

Mikey Leibbrandt won by a fall over Davis, Goodland; won by a 5-0 decision over Keller, Oakley.

Isaac Schiltz lost by a fall to Gray, Goodland; lost by a fall to McLemore, Goodland.

Keegan Sherlock lost by a fall to Nelson, Goodland; won by a 5-4 decision over Dautel, Goodland.

Lucas Raile lost by a 7-2 decision to McLemore, Goodland; lost by an 11-0 decision to Luther, Goodland; won by a fall over Helton, Goodland.

David Leibbrandt lost by a 4-0 decision to Dautel, Goodland; lost by a fall to Nelson, Goodland.

Ross Nicklos won by an 8-2 decision over Helton, Goodland; lost by a fall to McLemore, Goodland; won by a fall over Luther, Goodland.

Ty Zweygard won by a fall over Helton, Goodland; won by a 2-0 decision over Luther, Goodland.

Dylan Wolaver won by a fall over Hilmer, Goodland; won by a fall over Jones, Goodland; won by a fall over Berkgram, Oakley.

Thomas Douthit lost by a 7-0 decision to Berkgram, Oakley; lost by a 2-1 decision to Hilmer, Goodland; lost by an 8-5 decision to Stewart, Oakley.

Dillion Straub lost by a fall to Geist, Goodland; lost by a fall to Ruhs, Goodland; lost by a 3-2 decision to Whisnant, Goodland.

Sam Reed lost by a fall to Herl, Goodland.

Zach Gienger lost by an 8-0 decision to Cowan, Goodland; won by a fall over Jenkins, Oakley.

Martin Hnizdil lost by a fall to O'Harah, Goodland.

Lucas Carmichael won by a 3-0 decision over Flores, Goodland; lost by a fall to Fisher, Goodland.

Tony Meyer lost by a fall to Flores, Goodland; lost by a fall to Fulcher, Goodland.

Nathan Lamb won by a fall over Faulkender, Oakley; lost by a fall to Fisher, Goodland.

Dylan Peter won by a 5-3 decision over Fulcher, Goodland; lost by a fall to Faulkender, Oakley; lost by a fall to Wolfrum, Oakley.