

At the Game

Wrestlers travel to Norton for regional tourney

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St. Francis will be attending the Norton Regional wrestling tournament on Friday and Saturday.

Placing in the top four at regionals is the only opportunity for a wrestler to earn a trip to the 3-2-1 A State Tournament in Hays the following weekend.

"This is an extremely tough regional," Coach Mike Frewen said. "There will be seven teams at this regional out of the top 10-ranked teams in the state. The seven teams and their state ranking include Norton, number one; Phillipsburg, two; Hoxie, three; Goodland, four; Smith Center, six; Oakley, seven and Plainville, nine.

"Fifty out of the top 84-ranked wrestlers in the state will be at this regional. Six wrestlers in the state are ranked in each weight class.

"Some boys at this regional are going to be beat out that could have ended up fifth or sixth at state. In some of the weights in Norton, there are more than four-ranked wrestlers and only four can go on to state.

"It is too bad that some wrestlers at this regional will be staying home as they could be better than some of the 16 wrestlers in their weight class at state."

The Indian wrestlers will be headed to regionals with the following regular season records: Grady Brunk 20-15, Thomas Douthitt 6-12, Zach Gienger 10-13, Foster Grant 3-5, Adam Guthmiller 21-2; Casey Keller 13-6,

Darris Keller 14-12, Terrence Lamb 24-6, Mikey Leibbrandt 7-12, Austin Manners 7-3, Freddy Pacheco 17-13, Dylan Wolaver 11-10.

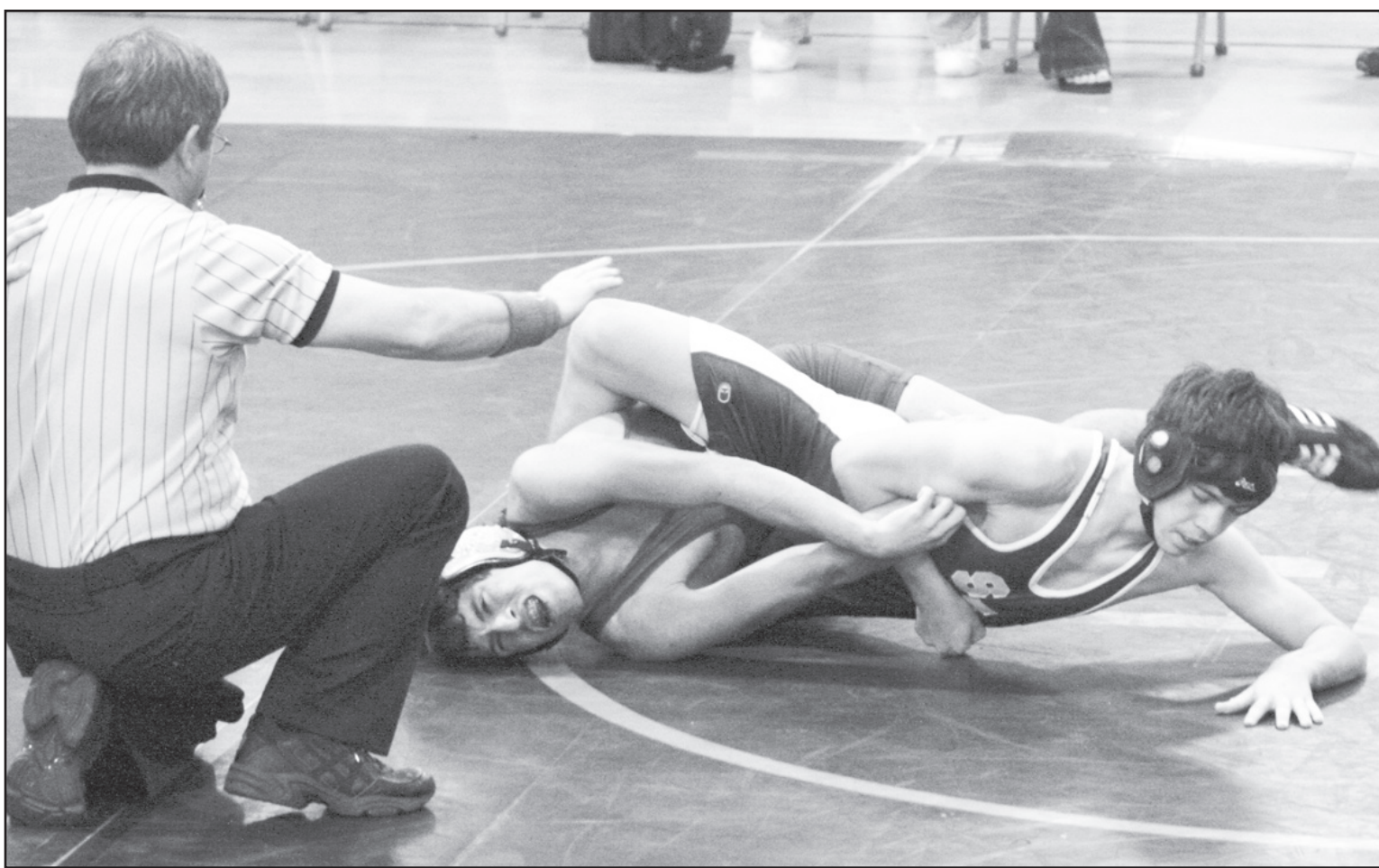
After being on the injured list for a few competitions, Guthmiller will be ready to compete at regionals.

"This is the time of year we shoot for," Coach Frewen said. "They have to wrestle to the best of their ability in every match for two days. There will be some upsets and injuries so you don't know where you will fall and you have to be prepared by wrestling your best."

Norton had the winning team at Ellis last year, followed by Goodland, Hoisington and St. Francis.

Other teams besides St. Francis and Norton involved in this year's tournament include Atwood/Rawlins County, Belleville/Republic County; Beloit, Bird City/Cheylin, Ellis, Goodland, Hays/Thomas More Prep Marian, Hill City, Hoxie, Oakley, Oberlin/Decatur Community, Osborne, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Scandia/Pike Valley, Smith Center, Stockton and Wakeeney/Trego Community.

As you can see by the list there are a number of competitors from the northern part of the state that were not at Ellis last year. Phillipsburg, Beloit, Osborne, Smith Center, Belleville, Plainville and Stockton are among the schools that are attending the same regionals as St. Francis this year, many of them were at Beloit last year.



SENIOR FREDDY PACHECO will be traveling to state with a 17-13 season record. He will represent the Indians in the 119 pound weight class.

Herald photo courtesy of Kristi Guthmiller

Other regional tournaments for 3-2-1A wrestlers will be held at Hoisington, Marion and Ross high schools.

Regional action begins at 2 p.m. Friday with many St. Francis fans planning on making the trip to view the competition and cheer on

the Indians.

The Friday schedule runs as follows:

- Session I
- Round 1: First round, 2 p.m.
- Round 2: Championship Quarterfinals, 5 p.m.
- Round 3: Consolation First

Round, 6:30 p.m.

• Round 4: Championship Semifinals, 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, activity begins at 11 a.m.

- Session II
- Round 5: Consolation Cross Bracketing, 11 a.m.

- Round 6: Consolation Quarterfinals, 1 p.m.
- Round 7: Consolation Semifinals, 3 p.m.
- Round 8: Consolation Finals, 5 p.m.
- Round 9: Championship Finals, 6:30 p.m.

Exciting games played this week by junior varsity boys

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Junior varsity boys basketball players are nearing the end of their season and they found success in the St. Francis/Wallace County game played in Sharon Springs when they won 62-60. Another close contest happened on Friday night in Atwood with the Indians winning over the Buffs by two points. The final was 54-52. That makes two wins in a week, each by a margin of two points. The junior varsity is providing some exciting basketball games.

St. Francis vs Wallace County

The contest on Tuesday night, saw the Indians in a tight battle with the Wildcats. They won by overcoming an earlier deficit and posting a 16-10 scoring advantage in the fourth quarter. They also had a 23 point second quarter, where Jon Butler and Dylan Peter set the pace. The victory score was 62-60.

Eleven players saw action in this game with nine of them contributing to the scoring and all of them helping with the win in some way. Three players, Peter, Matt Tygart and Butler all posted over 10 points. Tygart with 14 points and Peter with 17 are both freshmen while Butler, a sophomore, earned 12 points.

The team had 22 successful two-point baskets, four three-point baskets and were 6-of-13 from the free-throw line.

S 8 23 15 16 62
W 16 18 16 10 60

Scoring: Peter 17, Tygart 14, Butler 12, Isaac Schiltz 5, Zach Zwegardt 4, Brooks Hobrock 4, Cody Killingsworth 2, Erick Estrada 2, Keegan Sherlock 2.

St. Francis vs Rawlins County

The junior varsity is gaining a lot of experience with keeping their composure in close games. The win against Rawlins County was a 54-52 final.

Interestingly enough the high-point man, Peter had 16 attempts at the free-throw line and made 10 of them. He also had two two-points and a three to come up with a total of 17 points for the evening. He was especially effective in the third quarter when Saintry made 22 points. Seven other players helped with the final score of 54 points. Butler, Z. Zwegardt and Hobrock added eight points each.

Saintry had 33 opportunities at the line in this game and made 18 of them. Z. Zwegardt was 4-of-5 at the line.

St. Francis had to play a little catchup in the second half as they were down 22-15 at half time.

S 7 8 22 17 54
R 15 7 19 11 52

Scoring: Peter 17, Butler 8, Z. Zwegardt 8, Hobrock 8, Tyler Lauer 5, Sherlock 4, Schiltz 2, Killingsworth 2,



JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLERS have had a busy month. On Feb. 11, St. Francis traveled to Oakley and competed with the Plainsmen and Goodland in a triangular. Cade Bracelin is waiting for the referee's signal to begin his offensive action.

Herald staff photo by Shawna Blanka

Bowling News

Monday Night Mixed 2-8

Team standings: ABC-Z 14-6, Neitzel Insurance 10-10, Earl's Gals 10-10, Gutter Heads 6-14.

High game: (scratch): Kale Zimbelman 222, Eddie Zuege 172, JD Hawkins 168, Sally Baird 164, Dorothy Hankins 155, Amelia Zuege 154; (handicap): Zimbelman 231, Hankins 220, Vicki Cox 219, Baird 219, Darren Laffond 216, Derek Morrow 208.

High series: (scratch): Zimbelman 582, E. Zuege 505, Hawkins 472, Baird 442, Janice Krien 412, A. Zuege 404; (handicap): Zimbelman 609, Baird 607, Morrow 583, E. Zuege 580, Krien 568, V. Cox 567.

Wednesday Afternoon Coffee 2-10

Team standings: Jolly Ranchers 17-7, Kale's Girls 16-8, Dairy King 16-8, Western State Bank

14-10, Lodge Sleepers 7-17.

High game: (scratch): Donna Hall 186, Janice Krien 159, Ann Davisson 151; (handicap): Krien 218, Hall 216, Judy Soehner 210.

High series: (scratch): Hall 464, Krien 434, Ann Davisson 427; (handicap): Krien 611, Davisson 595, Soehner 574.

Wednesday Night Mens 2-10

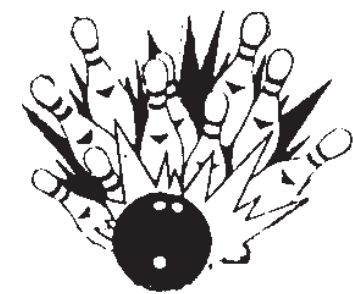
Team standings: Krien Steel 18-6, Bonny Solutions 16-8, Bonanza Ford 14-10, Wright and Wrong 13-11, Idalia JV 11-13, Haigler Two 8-16, Haigler One 8-16, Cheyenne Bowl 8-16.

High game: (scratch): Bill Carpenter 205, Kale Zimbelman 205, Bill Ehrman 203, Alan Rose 200.

High series: (scratch): Ted Mosier 536, Carpenter 532, Zimbelman 532, Rose 531.

Ladies Nite Out 2-11

Team standings: Strikers 14-6,



Bankwest 12-8, Dundy Ag 11.5-8.5, Wray Meat Packing 11-9, Wright Carpet 10-10, Gutter Gals 9.5-10.5, Jersey Maids 8-12.

High game: (scratch): Kathy Blecha 194, Jenny Wright 187, Jeanne Dunn 175; (handicap): Wright 232, Dawn Richardson 231, Blecha 228.

High series: (scratch): Blecha 516, Wright 472, Tammy Overlease 464; (handicap): Blecha 618, Overlease 611, Richardson 611.

Indians learning new skills as the season progresses

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The last month has been busy for junior high wrestlers. They have been involved in a number of double duals along with a tournament in Goodland. Saintry met wrestlers from Hoxie, Goodland, twice, Colby, twice, Rawlins County, Decatur Community and Oakley, all Northwest Kansas League teams.

They have one more double dual today (Thursday) when they will again meet Goodland and Colby. After that it will be tournament time on Monday when all of the league teams will meet in Atwood. The school calendar has the event scheduled for Tuesday but it has been changed to Monday.

Results listed below are from the Indians meeting Oakley and Goodland on Thursday. Oakley won seven matches to two for St. Francis while Goodland had 15 wins and St. Francis 13.

Against Oakley, St. Francis had four takedowns, five near falls, and two falls compared to five for the Plainsmen. There were no reversals or escapes. In the Goodland match Saintry had 14 takedowns, 25 near falls, 11 reversals, six escapes and four falls. Goodland had a total of 13 falls.

"I wish we would have

won the duals but I really

feel like we're getting better as a team," said Gaten Cooper, who was undefeated on the day.

Austin White also went undefeated for the dual as well.

Individual results include: Jacob Butler lost by a fall to Ritter, Oakley; lost by a 12-0 decision to David, Oakley; Riley Shay lost by a fall to Avelar, Goodland; lost by a fall to Johnson, Goodland; J.T. Woodcox lost by a fall to Avelar, Goodland; won by a fall over Parsons, Oakley; Lane Hoffman lost by a fall to Murphy, Oakley; won by a 7-0 decision over Milke, Goodland; won by an 8-4 decision over Fugleberg, Goodland;

Austin White won by a fall over Dinkel, Goodland; won by a 7-3 decision over Trachsel, Goodland; won by a fall over Sneathen, Goodland; Gaten Cooper won by a 14-1 decision over Stewart, Oakley; won by an 8-4 decision over Garza, Goodland; Wyatt Landenberger lost by a fall to Artega, Goodland; won by a 6-0 decision over Sneathen, Goodland; won by a 14-0 decision over Trachsel, Goodland;

Tanner Gilliland lost by a fall to Ruhs, Goodland; lost by a 7-1 decision to Flipse, Oakley; Ma-



son Schiltz lost by an 8-3 decision to Bahe, Goodland; won by a fall over Flipse, Oakley; Logan Lampe lost by a 13-6 decision to Miller, Goodland; won by a 1-0 decision over Bahe, Goodland; won by a 12-2 decision over Ruhs, Goodland;

Derek Queen lost by a fall to Gray, Goodland; lost by a fall to Padenal, Goodland; won by a fall over Verlenden, Goodland; Tyler Lee lost by a fall to Whitman, Goodland; lost by a fall to Macias, Oakley; Ian Schmid lost by a fall to Whitman, Goodland; won by a fall over House, Goodland; lost by a fall to Macias, Oakley; Cade Bracelin lost by a fall to Taylor, Goodland; lost by a fall to Badman, Oakley; Jon Hoard lost by a fall to Bonsal, Goodland; Shakotah Blanka lost by a fall to Smith, Goodland; Scott Warren lost by a fall to Smith, Goodland.

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