

The Saint Francis Herald

At the Game



PARTICIPANTS OF THE ST. FRANCIS REC COMMISSION'S LITTLE KID'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM showed off some of their skills during halftime of the high school boys substate basketball game held in St. Francis the first week of March. Pictured above are Jakob Church (left) and Lane Hobrock. Pictured on the right are (left to right) Reagan Beims, Danielle Frink, Matthisen Witzel, McKinnley Bartels, Madison Tice and Emileigh Dinkel. The kids basketball program began in November and runs through the end of March. Coaches are Matt Bandel and Chris Bracelin.

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All-league honors earned by three St. Francis players

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Northwest Kansas League basketball coaches have released the names of those players receiving league honors following the completion of the season.

St. Francis ball players Trent Raile, Matt Raile and Kaitlin Figgins were among those honored.

Matt Raile and Trent Raile, both seniors, were named to the boys' first team. There were 10 players who received first team honors and eight additional players who received honorable mention.

Figgins, a sophomore, received honorable mention on the ladies' team.

M. Raile, who received honors last year also, averaged 17.1 points per game for a total of 360 points and 10.4 rebounds per game for a total of 219.

He led the team in both categories along with having the most steals with 45 and assists with 70. His field goal percentage was 57 percent and his free-throw percentage was 73 percent.

T. Raile, averaged 14.6 points per game for a total of 291 points and 6.0 rebounds per game for a total of 120. He was second on the team in both points scored and rebounds. His field goal percentage was 50 percent and his free-throw percent was 65 percent. He had 34 steals and 39 assists.

"I'd like to say that we found a glitch in their transcripts that will require them to start over as freshmen next year, but unfortunately that is not the case," Coach Jeff Beims said. "Both of these gentlemen are an invaluable asset to whatever sport they play. They carry themselves with class, and a competitive spirit that have made them stellar athletes in our program for years.

"More importantly they are young men of good character. Someone once said that you can tell a lot about the character of a

man by the way he treats people who can do nothing for him. I have never seen them treat anyone as anything but a full-fledged member of our team.

"Both Matt and Trent have earned my respect and my gratitude for their contributions during my tenure and they will truly be missed."

Figgins received honorable mention on the girls team. There were 10 girls named to the first team and six additional players receiving honorable mention. She scored 120 points this season (8.6 per game) and led the team in rebounds with 102 (7.3 per game). Figgins missed some games during February with an injury.

"Kaitlin is a very hard worker," Coach Larry Flemming said. "She likes to compete. She is a good girl."

League honors - Men

League coaches voted the following players to the All-League first team: Matt Raile, St. Francis; Trent Raile, St. Francis; Matt Bird, Quinter; Taylor Rall, Hoxie; Patrick Loftus, Oakley; Scott Ochs, Quinter; Brady McKee, Colby; Corbin Stephens, Colby; Jaxsen Moss, Hoxie; Brady Reed, Quinter.

Receiving honorable mention were Patrick Ahrens, Oakley; Dakota Soderlund, Decatur Community; Ryan Hillmer, Goodland; Brandon Rutherford, Rawlins County; Tad Parsons, Oakley; Brock Wilkens, Goodland; Zach Nemechek, Quinter; Keaton Argabright, Rawlins County.

League honors - Ladies

Receiving first team honors were Dayna Kuhlman, Oakley, junior; Jade Herl, Goodland, junior; Hillary Chvatal, Rawlins County, sophomore; Ashley Archer, Goodland, junior; Kayla Hockersmith, Colby, junior; Bailey Hemmert, Oakley, senior; Jordan Dreher, Decatur Community, junior; Carman Hill, Hoxie, senior; Katherine Kaus, Colby, junior; Adrienne Pauls, Decatur Community.



T. Raile



M. Raile



Figgins

Receiving honorable mention were: Morgan Bell, Colby, sophomore; Shaylenn Kaus, Hoxie, junior; Kaitlin Figgins, St. Francis, sophomore; Wendy Castens, Rawlins County, senior; Mary Olson, Decatur Community, senior; Lexie Woolf, Quinter, sophomore.

Colby won league championship with a 7-0 league record and a 16-7 overall record. St. Francis had a 1-6 league record.

Additional honors

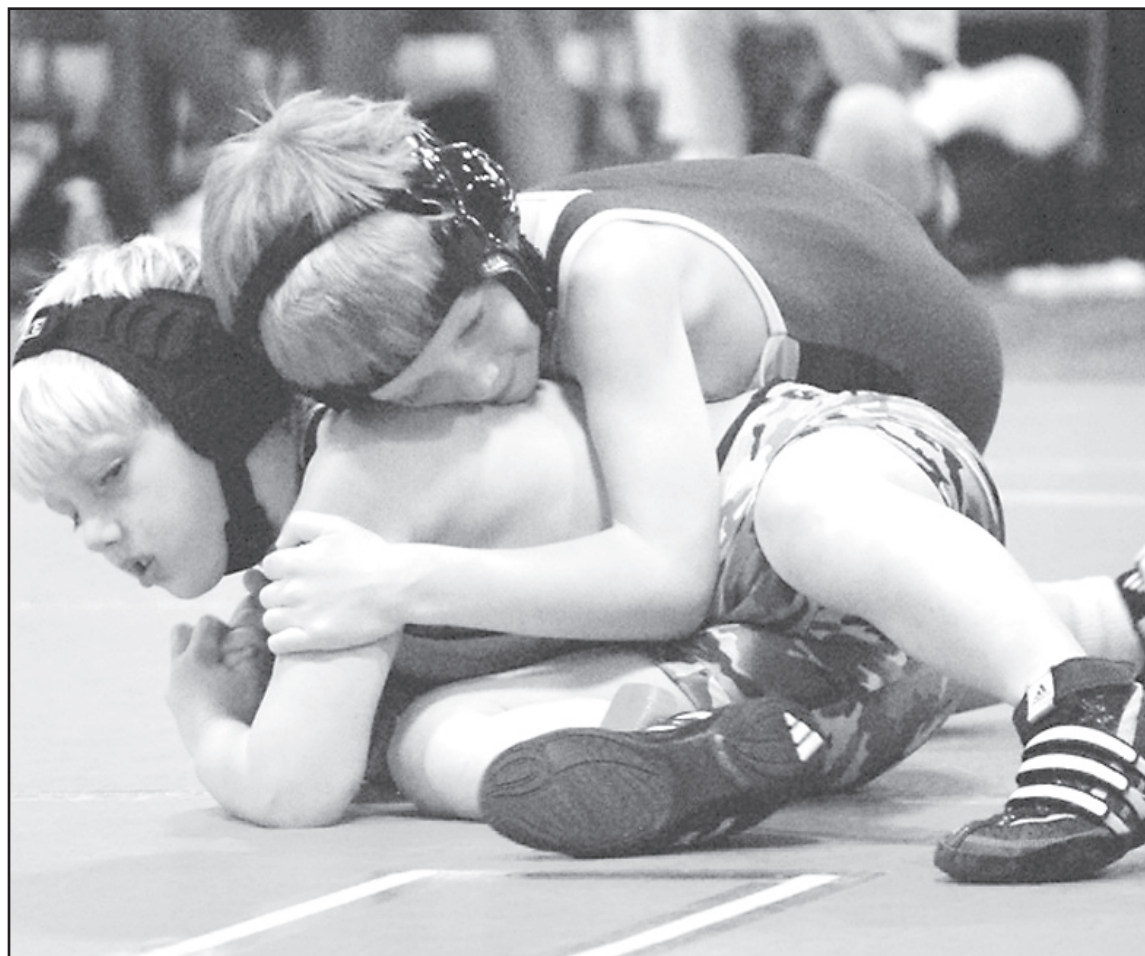
Both Matt Raile and Trent Raile have been invited to participate in the Northwest Kansas All-Star game in Colby on April 18.

They have also both received honorable mention All-State honors in the Wichita Eagle and the Topeka Capital Journal.

Letter winners

The following Lady Indians received letters this year: Kaitlin Figgins, sophomore; Mikaela Grace, junior; Jenna Hill, sophomore; Christina Hilt, junior; Jodie Hilt, junior; Shayla Hilt, junior; Aly Marin, junior; Jalyn McCauley, junior; Sarah Trembly, junior.

Indian letter winners include: Trent Raile, senior; Matt Raile, senior; Drew Zwegardt, senior; Brett Lampe, junior; Garrett Figgins, junior; Isaac Schiltz, sophomore; Tyler Lauer, junior. Receiving provisional letters were Brooks Hobrock, junior; Dylan Peter, freshman; Cody Killingsworth, junior.



SIXTH PLACE FINISHER - Shadryon Blanka (top) of St. Francis placed sixth in the 6-and-under state championships held in Ottawa. He wrestles at 67 pounds.

Herald photo courtesy of Shawna Blanka

Six wrestlers head to state

The Kansas Kids Wrestling District IV championships were held in Goodland on Saturday. The St. Francis wrestling club had 12 wrestlers competing and six that qualified for the state championships this weekend in Topeka.

Results:
8 and under: Connor Keller, 64 pounds, placed sixth; Shadryon Blanka, 67 pounds participated.

10 and under: Luke Lampe, 90 pounds, placed fourth

12 and under: Garrett Brunk, 110 pounds, placed third; Justin Pacheco, 120 pounds, participated; Shakotah Blanka, 240 pounds, placed first.

14 and under: Lane Hoffman, 100 pounds, placed third; Logan Lampe, 120 pounds, participated; Dylan Wolaver, 150 pounds, placed third; Thomas Douthit, 150 pounds, placed fifth.
High school: Casey Keller, 115 pounds, participated; Terrance Lamb, 140 pounds placed third.

State championship, 6-and-under
Team standings: Jolly Ranch-

er 225, Morrow 224, D Hankins 212, Bill Wilger 204.

High series (scratch): K. Zimbelman 613, E. Zuege 493, T. Zimbelman 474, JD Hawkins 447, Baird 405, Amelia Zuege 390; (handicap): K. Zimbelman 628, Morrow 614, C. Wilger 612, B. Wilger 581, Katora Sherlock 580, T. Zimbelman 573.

Wednesday Afternoon Coffee 3-17-2010
Team standings: Jolly Ranch-

ers 29-11, Western State Bank 26-18, Kale's Girls 25-15, Lodge Sleepers 23.5-20.5, Dairy King 21.5-22.5.

High game (scratch): Janice Krien 185, Donna Hall 172, Marlys Poulignot 171; (handicap): Krien 242, Poulignot 220, Virginia Lengel 219.

High series (scratch) Hall 492, Poulignot 453, Carol Peterson 440; (handicap): Lengel 615, Poulignot 600, Krien 593.

On Sunday, March 21, the 6-and-under state championships were held in Ottawa. There were over 350 6-and-under wrestlers and Shadryon Blanka of St. Francis, wrestling at 67 pounds, placed sixth.

"This is a neat tournament and they have a Parade of Champions for the top six wrestlers just like the Kids State Championships held in Topeka," said Shawna Blanka, one of the coordinators for the St. Francis Kids Wrestling team.

Bowling News

Monday Night Mixed 3-15

Team standings: Neitzel Insurance 25-15, ABC-Z 25-15, Earl's Gals 17-23, Gutter Heads 13-27.

High game (scratch): Kale Zimbelman 223, Sally Baird 188, Eddie Zuege 178, Tammy Zimbelman 170, Derek Morrow 160, Connie Wilger and Dorothy Hankins 147; (handicap): Baird 242, K Zimbelman 228, C Wilg-

er 225, Morrow 224, D Hankins 212, Bill Wilger 204.

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