



At the Game

Regional meet scheduled for Friday in WaKeeney

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Members of the Indian and Lady Indians track squads, hopefully, will each have a good day Friday and be rewarded for all the efforts they have put out this year. The all-important regional tournaments are being held across the state, with the Indians traveling to Trego Community High School/WaKeeney for one of the 3-2-1A Regional Tournaments.

In order to qualify for the 2A State meet on May 28 and 29 in Wichita, a trackster must finish in one of the top four positions in an event at a regional meet. Medals will be given to the top four places in all individual events and the relays. Plaques will be presented to the top two girls and boys teams.

There are four 2A Regionals with others being held at Burden/

Central High School, Sublette High School and Nemaha Valley High School.

Teams participating at WaKeeney include Atwood/Rawlins County, Belleville/Republic County, Bennington, Brookville/Ell-Saline, Ellis, Hill City, Mankato/Rock Hills, Oakley, Oberlin/Decatur Community, Osborne, Plainville, Salina/Sacred Heart, Solomon, St. Francis, Stockton and WaKeeney/Trego Community.

The field events will begin at 3 p.m. The girls order of events include shot put, discus, high jump, long jump, triple jump, javelin and pole vault. The javelin is different for the boys and their order is shot put, discus, javelin, high jump, long jump, triple jump and pole vault.

In the running events the girls

will run first in each event followed by the boys. There will be preliminaries in the 100-meter hurdles, the 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash. Running preliminaries will begin at 4:30 p.m.

The order for the final running events (which will begin approximately 30 minutes after prelims) include: 4x8-meter relay, 100-meter high hurdles, 100-meter dash; 1600-meter run, 4x100-meter relay, 400-meter dash, 300-meter low hurdles, 800-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 3200-meter run, and 4x400-meter relay.

Members of the track squad who traveled to state last year, either in an individual event or as part of a relay team/alternate, include Trent Raile, Matt Raile, Drew Zweygardt, Garrett Figgins, Mikaela Grace and Kaitlin Figgins.

Summer ball program set for action the first of June

Jolene Dodd, St. Francis Rec director, has announced the rosters for the T-ball, pitching machine and boys C-team for this summer. Schedules for the younger teams are also printed below with the C-team schedule to be announced in next week's *Herald*.

More players are needed for the T-Ball teams and extra signup sheets are available at Zero's or at the grade school. Youth interested in playing ball are encouraged to sign-up.

T-Ball schedule

T-ball games will be played at the grade school ball field. The teams will be meeting the first four Mondays in June.

June 7: Orange vs Yellow, 7 p.m.; Green vs Blue, 8 p.m.

June 14: Blue vs Orange, 7 p.m.; Yellow vs Green, 8 p.m.

June 21: Green vs Orange, 7 p.m.; Yellow vs Blue, 8 p.m.

June 28: Green vs Blue, 7 p.m.; Yellow vs. Orange, 8 p.m.

T-Ball rosters

Yellow: Preston Witzel, Jayce Landers, Hadleigh Hilt, Allison Rice. Coaches are Robin Petersen assisted by Jeff Landers.

Orange: Caleb Todd, Hailey Robbins, Ian Taylor, Jackson Boyson, Lyden Lampe, Makaila Matthies. Brad Matthies is the coach.

Blue: Cutter Neitzel, Brayden Kaup, Jordyn Faulkender, Jordan Smull. Coaches are Drew Kaup and Matt Smull.

Green: Amy Hathaway, Joshua Berens, Matthew Berens, Isaac Hathaway, Conner Hathaway, Amanda Neitzel. Coaches are Kevin Berens and Amy Hathaway.

Games will be played at the high school Greene Field.

Pitching Machine

The Pitching Machine League does not have individual team rosters. The kids are divided into two groups when they arrive and are taught the real aspect of playing baseball. They are switched into different teams each week and get to play different positions.

The league meets on Wednesdays including June 9, June 16, June 23 and June 30. Extra dates may be added, check with the coaches. Games begin at 7 p.m.

Games will be played at the St. Francis ball field. Coaches are Drew Kaup and Tye Faulkender.

Players include Dalton Straub, Conner Keller, KC Krien, Adam Krien, Draven Houtman, Ben Busse, Brady Dinkel, Brice Hays, Kaleb Hays, Kobe Tice, Karly Bandel, Kaden Lee, Isaiah Lee, Shadryon Blanka, Seth Prentice,



Colton Neitzel and Shannon Semler.

C-Team

The C-team roster includes Tate Busse, KC Krien, Garrett Brunk, Justin Pacheco, Jakob Church, Jude Faulkender, Jake Faulkender, Connor McBride, Nikolai Paulsen, Joel Hill, Quinton Cravens, Ryan Grover, Cody Baxter, Trenton Bartels, Luke Lampe.

Coaches are Cory Busse, Tye Faulkender and Shannon Grover. Games will begin Friday, June 4. Schedule will be published next week.



THROWING THE DISCUS - Matt Tygart put all of his effort into achieving a good distance at a recent track meet.

Herald staff photo by Linda Schneider

Four tracksters win league championships at meet

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St. Francis athletes winning Northwest Kansas League individual track championships at the league meet held on Friday in Atwood include Sarah Trembly in the discus, Matt Raile in the 200-meter dash and the long jump; Trent Raile in the 400-meter dash and Garrett Figgins in the 300-meter hurdles;

"I am very proud of how we competed," Coach Devin Dinkel said. "The boys were very close to winning the meet."

"We had good performances on the track and in the field events." Contributing team points for the Indians include M. Raile, T. Raile, Cody Sherlock, Figgins, Drew Zweygardt, Ty Zweygardt, Isaac Schiltz and Darris Keller.

Colby earned the boys title with

90 points with the Indians coming in second with 84.3333 points.

Colby won the girls title with 146 points. Sainty was seventh with 23 points.

Earning team points for the Lady Indians were Mikaela Grace and Kaitlin Figgins.

This Friday is the 3-2-1A WaKeeney Regional tournament. See related article.

Boys

Team standings: Colby 90; St. Francis 84.3333; Goodland 83.6666; Quinter 81; Oakley 79; Decatur Community 57; Rawlins County 48; Hoxie 34.

100-meter dash: (2) M. Raile, 11.67.

200-meter dash: (1) M. Raile, 23.30.

400-meter dash: (1) T. Raile, 52.37; (5) Sherlock, 54.20.

110-meter hurdles: (3) G. Fig-

gins, 16.30.

300-meter hurdles: (1) Figgins, 42.34.

4x100-meter relay: (3) St. Francis (T. Raile, D. Zweygardt, Sherlock, T. Zweygardt) 45.86.

High jump: (2) Schiltz, 5-10.00.

Pole vault: (3) Schiltz, 12-00.00.; (6-tie) Keller, 9-00.00.

Long jump: (1) M. Raile, 21-04.00.

Girls

Team standings: Colby 146; Oakley 120; Decatur Community 88; Quinter 59; Hoxie 55; Rawlins County 50; St. Francis 23; Goodland 9.

100-meter hurdles: (6) Grace, 18.60.

300-meter hurdles: (4) Grace, 51.40.

Discus: (1) Trembly, 103-01.25; (2) K. Figgins, 100-11.25.

Practice sessions set for golfers

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Playing golf is a sure sign of spring and with school ending shortly it is time for the junior golf program to begin at Riverside Recreation.

Coaches George Banister, Tim Poling and Mark Mills are gearing up for the opening practice session on Friday, June 4. The practices run from 10 a.m. until noon each Friday during the season with tournaments scheduled for Mondays. A complete tournament schedule will be printed as soon as it is available.

Golfers need to be 8-years-old as of Jan. 1, and the ending age is 17, also as of Jan. 1, to participate in the program.

St. Francis will be holding the Regional Championships this year on July 19. This will be for both the east and west division of the league. In order to qualify for regionals, a golfer must place in the top three positions in one of the regular season tournaments.

Youth are encouraged to take advantage of this summer program, according to Mr. Banister.

Basketball teams play in Goodland

Several St. Francis youth participated in the 3-on-3 basketball tournament held in Goodland on May 1.

Results include:

First-and-second-grade-boys: Cherokee's, Colton Neitzel, Jesse Baxter, Shadryon Blanka and Trenton Bartels, placed second.

Seventh-and-eighth-grade-

boys: Three Amigo's, Cade Bracelin, Tyler Zweygardt and Shakotah Blanka, placed third

First and second grade girls: Cheetahs: Emma Johnson, Cassidy Busse, Karly Bandel.

Third and fourth grade girls: Jayhawks, Lauren Johnson, Lindsey Johnson, Jessica Confer, placed second.

Records fall as Sainty attends league

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A league record and a school record fell on Friday when the junior high tracksters attended the Northwest Kansas League track and field meet in Goodland. A school record was also tied at the event.

Brianna Cooks set a new league record in the seventh grade girls shot put with a throw of 35-00.00. The record was held by Lisa Mezenec of Colby. Earlier this year, Cooks set a new school record with a throw of 36-06.75 at a Colby meet.

Seventh grader Cade Bracelin set a school record of 126-06 in the discus on Friday. His record replaced one set by Kyle Buffington with a toss of 126-04.

Also on Friday, Valerie Wurm tied the record of Dallas Reed in the pole vault with a height of 7-00.0.

"We had a great showing at the Northwest Kansas League meet in Goodland," Coach Ted Busse said. "Coach Kechter and I were extremely pleased with our performances as well as being well behaved.

"This is probably one of the best groups of student/athletes that we have ever coached relating to being good kids. This made track season fun and enjoyable."

Friday was the final event of the year for the junior high teams.

The St. Francis eighth grade boys placed third with 64 points, the seventh grade girls placed

fourth with a total of 77 points, the seventh grade boys were seventh with 36 points and the eighth grade girls were eighth with 2 points.

First place finishers for the Sainty Indians include seventh grade girls: 4x100-meter relay team (Ashlee Orth, Cooks, Valerie Wurm, Justice Wiley) with a time of 59.90; Wurm in the pole vault with 7-00.00; and Cooks in the shot put with 35-00.00; seventh grade boys: Cade Bracelin in the discus with 126-06; and eighth grade boys: Derek Queen in the 100-meter dash with 12.62, 200-meter dash with 25.65 and the 400-meter dash with 56.24 and Mason Schiltz in the pole vault with 10-06.00.

The first six placers in each event earned points for their team.

Eighth grade boys

Team standings: Grant/Goodland 178.5, Colby 98, St. Francis 64, Decatur Community/Oberlin 53, Oakley 51, Quinter 45, Rawlins County/Atwood 17.5, Hoxie 17.

100-meter dash: (1) Queen, 12.62; (3) Logan Lampe, 12.95.

200-meter dash: (1) Queen, 25.65; (4) Lampe, 26.20.

400-meter dash: (1) Queen, 56.24; (5) Lampe, 1:00.09.

3200-meter run: (6) Austin White, 14:02.72.

200-meter hurdles: (5) Wyatt Landenberger, 33.30.

4x200-meter relay: (6) St. Francis (Lennin Olivares, Tyler

Lee, Schiltz and Landenberger), 2:00.66.

Pole vault: (1) Schiltz, 10-06.00.

Long jump: (4) Queen, 16-02.00.

Discus: (5) Olivares, 107-00.

Seventh grade boys

Team standings: Colby 100, Grant/Goodland 92, (tied for second) Rawlins County/Atwood 65, Quinter 65, Decatur Community/Oberlin 58, Hoxie 45, St. Francis 36, Oakley 29.

100-meter dash: (5) Bracelin, 13.96.

4x100-meter relay: (5) St. Francis (Tristan Archer, Shakotah Blanka, Jonathan Hoard, Kyler Zweygardt), 1:07.39.

Shot put: (1) Bracelin, 35-03.50; (4) Zweygardt, 32-00.00.

Discus: (1) Bracelin, 126-06; (2) Zweygardt, 108-11.

Eighth grade girls

Team standings: Grant/Goodland 137, Oakley 104, Colby 81, Rawlins County 68, Decatur Community/Oberlin 58, Hoxie 51, Quinter 26, St. Francis 2.

Long jump: (5) Aly Schleppe, 12-06.00.

Seventh grade girls

Team standings: Decatur Community/Oberlin 98, Rawlins County/Atwood 82, Colby 79, St. Francis 77, Hoxie 76, Grant/Goodland 33, Oakley 26, Quinter.

100-meter dash: (3) Valerie Wurm, 14.76; (5) Echo Jones, 14.99.

200-meter dash: (5) McKayla



Taylor, 31.43.

800-meter run: (6) Justice Wiley, 2:57.44.

1600-meter run: (5) Wiley, 6:24.59.

100-meter hurdles: (2) Taylor, 18.72; (3) Echo Jones, 18.89.

200-meter hurdles: (2) Taylor, 33.95; (3) Jones, 34.75.

4x100-meter relay: (1) St. Francis (Ashlee Orth, Brianna Cooks, Wiley, Wurm) 59.90.

4x200-meter relay: (4) St. Francis (Kyla Bandel, Mariah Beikman, Wiley, Orth), 2:17.20.

Pole vault: (1) Valerie Wurm, 7-00.00.

Long jump (5) Jones, 12-09.50; (6) Wurm, 12-06.00.

Shot put: (1) Cooks, 35-00.00.

Discus: (6) Cooks, 62-02.