

At the Game



Dylan Wolaver wraps up his opponent for a win at last Friday's dual in Oberlin.

Herald photo by Shawna Blanka

Wrestlers gear up to compete at regionals

St. Francis will be attending the 3-2-1A Regional Wrestling Tournament at Lakin on Friday and Saturday. 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.

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.

The wrestlers heading to regionals are:

106: Lane Hoffman, 113: Casey Keller, 120: Matt White, 132: Austin White, 138: Michael Leibbrandt, 145: Erik Nelson, 152: Dylan Wolaver, 160: Derek Queen, 170: Thomas Douthit, 182: Zach Gienger, 220: Paul Nelson, 285: Shakotah Blanka.

Other teams besides St. Francis are Rawlins County, Cimarron, Elkhart, Ellis, Goodland, Thomas More Prep-Marian, Hill City, Holcomb, Hoxie, Lakin, Wichita County, Meade, Montezuma-

South Gray, Norton Community, Oakley, Decatur Community, Phillipsburg, Plainville, Quinter, Scott Community, Stockton, Sublette, and Trego Community

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 10 a.m.

Session II

- Round 5: Consolation Cross Bracketing, 10 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.

Wrestling team loses to Red Devils

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Sainty's wrestling squad traveled to Oberlin on Friday, Feb. 10, to compete with the Decatur Community Red Devils. The Red Devils won the dual 43-16.

"The boys wrestled well," Coach Nathan Smith said. "This has been our best duel of the

year. We were short-handed with Mikey Leibbrandt missing but he should be back this week."

Individual results were:

106: Lane Hoffman won over Junemann by a 6-5 decision.

113: Casey Keller won over Helm by a 4-1 decision.

120: Matt White lost to Anderson by a fall.

126: Open to Dreher

132: Austin White lost to Junemann by a 12-4 decision.

138: Open to Anderson

145: Erik Nelson was pinned by Cade Brown.

152: Dylan Wolaver won over Glading by a 12-0 decision.

160: Derek Queen lost to Gilliam by a 4-0 decision.

170: Thomas Douthit won over Diederich by a 11-6 decision.

182: Open

195: Zach Gienger won over Shaw by a 18-9 decision.

220: Paul Nelson was pinned by Farlin.

285: Shakotah Blanka lost to Wurm by a fall.

The team will wrestle in the regionals starting on Friday.

Indians lose out in Sharon Springs

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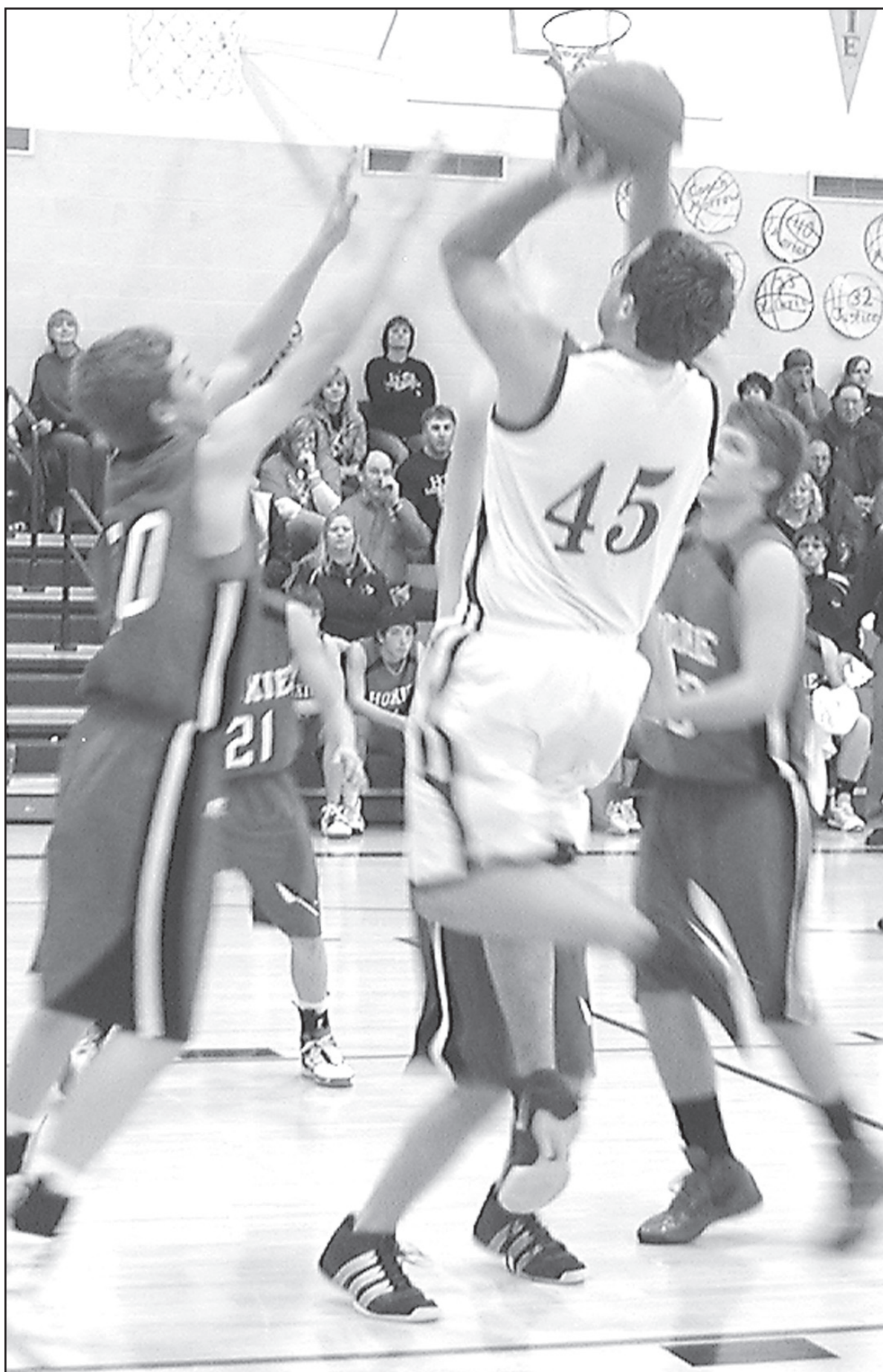
The Indians traveled to Sharon Springs on Tuesday, Feb. 7 to play the Wallace County Wildcats. Wallace County created a big lead in the first quarter, while Sainty outscored the Wildcats in the second quarter, which ended with the Indians trailing by nine points. The third quarter was close, the Wildcats outscoring the Indians by two points, but in the final quarter, the Wildcats increased the deficit by 10 points and Sainty lost 88-67.

"The turnover bug bit us against Sharon Springs and the game turned into something of a track meet as a result," coach Jeff Beims said. "We got down early, but due to better work on the boards and our ability to work through their pressure, we closed the gap. As we see so often in basketball, 'catching up' expends a lot of energy, and we weren't able to get past them in the end."

Stats for the Indians were Isaac Schiltz with 20 points and seven rebounds, Mason Schiltz with 16 points and one rebound, Dylan Peter with 15 points and 14 rebounds, Cade Bracelin with four points and two rebounds, Kyler Zwegardt with four points and three rebounds, Jonathan Butler with three points and six rebounds, Wyatt Landenberger with three points, Matt Tygart with two points and Steven Nelson with two rebounds.

"I think our guys learned an important lesson about focusing on fundamental things, and how that can pay off," Coach Beims said. "We just have to learn to do those things from the opening bell and we'll be just fine."

The Indians will next face the Greeley County Jackrabbits on home court at 4:45 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17.



Dylan Peter goes for a jump shot under heavy pressure from the Hoxie Indians last month.



Aubrey Mills plays defense against an opponent from Weskan in a previous game.

Herald photo by Kristi Guthmiller

Lady Indians upset by Wallace County

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The Lady Indians played against the Wallace County Wildcats on Feb. 7. Sainty ended the first quarter in the lead and the half ended with Wallace County leading by one. The Lady Indians were outscored by nine points in the third quarter and although the fourth quarter was better, Sainty

still lost 60-46.

Stats for Sainty were Kaitlin Figgins with 16 points and eight rebounds, Clarice Neitzel with nine points, Aly Schlepp with eight points and one rebound, Laura Brunk with six points and five rebounds, Kyla Bandel with six points and two rebounds, and Justice Wiley with one point.

Young wrestlers compete in Oakley

There were four from the St. Francis Wrestling Club that attended the wrestling tournament in Oakley on Saturday and competed with over 300 kids.

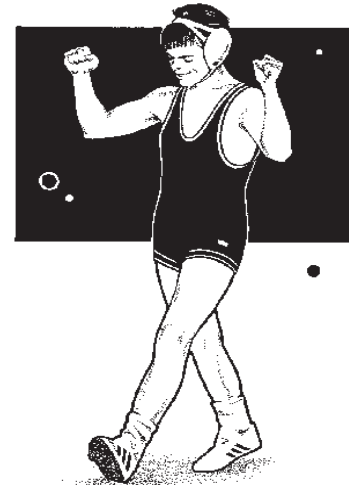
Results:

6U: Brayden Kaup, 52 lbs., second. He won two by falls and lost by a fall

8U: Brody Kaup, 58 lbs., fourth. He lost 0-11 dec.; lost by fall and lost 2-8 dec.; Shadryon Blanka, 80 lbs., second. He lost a 5-6 dec., won a 4-3 dec and lost 2-5 dec.

12U: Luke Lampe, 120 lbs., second. He won by fall and lost a 1-14 dec.

On Friday night two wrestlers went to Oberlin, Brayden Kaup



and Perla Yanez. Kaup lost a 2-15 decision and Yanez lost a 0-15 technical fall decision.