



SENIOR ISAAC SCHILTZ won first place in pole vault at the Northwest Kansas League track meet in Oberlin last Friday. Herald photo by Sue May

# Eighth grade boys and girls win league track meet, set league record

The St. Francis junior high track teams competed at the Northwest Kansas League Junior High Track Meet in Oberlin on Friday, May 11. Saintry won the eighth grade girls' and eighth grade boys' divisions in the meet. One new Northwest Kansas League record and one new school record were set by Indian junior high athletes in the meet.

St. Francis won the eighth grade girls' Northwest Kansas League championship with 135 points. Hoxie placed second with 90 points. Quinter placed third with 56 points, Rawlins County came in fourth with 54 points, Decatur Community was fifth with 37 points, and Oakley got sixth with 30 points.

McKenzie Taylor set a new Northwest Kansas League record in the 200 meter hurdles running 32.20 in the event. The performance bettered the old record of 32.56 set by Taryn Bedore of Goodland in 2010. McKenzie's personal best and the St. Francis school record is 30.90 set earlier this season.

"It's not often you get to coach an athlete that can win four individual events at the league meet," Coach Kent Kechter said. "McKenzie Taylor won four gold medals. The automatic timing system failed during the 100 meter hurdles resulting in no official times for the eighth grade girls. I think at least two, if not all three, of our girls ran personal bests in the event and maybe a record was lost due to the timing failure."

Individual eighth grade girls'

placings were:

McKenzie Taylor: first place, 100 meter dash 13.66; first place, 200 meter dash 28.95; first place, 100 meter hurdles (no time); first place, 200 meter hurdles 32.20.

CarolEve Harris: second place, 200 meter dash 31.15; fourth place, 100 meter dash 14.56.

Sydney Sundstrom: first place, 3200 meters 24:03.89; third place, discus 70' 4".

Emily Elfers: second place, 100 meter hurdles (no time); second place, 200 meter hurdles 34.64.

Hannah Wolfe: fifth place, 100 meter hurdles (no time); sixth place, 200 meter hurdles 37.20.

Kylie Sherlock: second place, triple jump 26' 2.5".

Journey Lee: fourth place, triple jump 25' 4 1/4".

Kayla Reed: fifth place, triple jump 24' 5 3/4".

Kattie Jenik: second place, discus 70' 8".

4 x 100 meter relay: (Emily Elfers, CarolEve Harris, Kayla Reed, Kylie Sherlock) second place, 58.10.

4 x 200 meter relay: (Journey Lee, CarolEve Harris, Kayla Reed, Kylie Sherlock) second place, 2:04.99.

4 x 400 meter relay: (Emily Elfers, Danielle Frink, Kayla Reed, Journey Lee) first place, 5:05.54.

The St. Francis eighth grade boys won the team championship with 135 team points. Decatur Community placed second with 106 points. Rawlins County earned third with 86.5 points, Oakley came in fourth with 75.5 points, Hoxie placed fifth with 61 points, and Quinter was sixth with 39 points.

"Garrett Brunk had an excellent time of 15.68 seconds in the 100 meter hurdles," Coach Kechter said. "The time was only .06 seconds of the existing league record. Lane Hobrock was leading the 200 meter hurdles when he had a nasty fall on the last hurdle. Lane would have won the event and likely would have set a new school and league record if he would have had a clean run. It was nice to win all of the eighth boys relays."

Individual eighth grade boys'

placings were:

Carl Fabre: third place, 100 meters 12.34; third place, 200 meters 26.69; third place (tie), high jump 4' 10"; fifth place, long jump 15' 2".

Chris Hoard: third place, 1600 meters 6:04.01; third place, discus 94' 9"; sixth place, shot put 32' 6 1/2".

Phillip White: sixth place, 3200 meters 13:54.02.

Garrett Brunk: first place, 100 meter hurdles 15.68; first place, 200 meter hurdles 29.46; fourth place, pole vault 8' 6".

Lane Hobrock: third place, triple jump 31' 1"; sixth place, 200 meter hurdles 42.25.

Francisco Fernandez: second place, high jump 4' 10".

Clay Cassaw: second place, pole vault 8' 6".

Travis Rogers: fifth place, pole vault 7' 0"; fifth place, triple jump 29' 8".

Jude Faulkender: second place, discus 96' 7"; third place, shot put 36' 1 1/4".

Jakob Church: fourth place, shot put 33' 3/4"; 4th discus 94' 8".

4 x 100 meter relay: (Clay Cassaw, Francisco Fernandez, Lane Hobrock, Travis Rogers) first place, 53.27.

4 x 200 meter relay: (Chris Hoard, Travis Rogers, Clay Cassaw, Phillip White) first place, 1:58.83.

4 x 400 meter relay: (Lane Hobrock, Francisco Fernandez, Garrett Brunk, Clay Cassaw) first place, 4:22.78.

In the seventh grade girls' division, Decatur Community scored 120 points for first place. Oakley scored 117 for second. Quinter placed third with 90 points, Rawlins County took fourth with 56 points, Hoxie was fifth with 53 points, and St. Francis came in sixth with 33 points.

Individual seventh grade girls' placings were:

Katie Schmid: first place, 100 meter hurdles 18.97; third place, 100 meter dash 15.02; sixth place, discus 53' 11".

Jenna Confer: sixth place, 1600 meter run 8:59.39.

Sophie White: fourth place,

100 meter hurdles 19.71.

Makayla Rogers: sixth place, shot put 25' 1/4".

4 x 100 meter relay: (Katie Schmid, Sophie White, Danielle Frink, Makayla Rogers) third place, 1:05.10.

4 x 200 meter relay: (Jenna Confer, Sophie White, Makayla Rogers, Danielle Frink) fourth place, 2:33.87.

The seventh grade boys' division championship was won by Decatur Community with 140 team points. Oakley placed second with 106 points. St. Francis earned third place with 90 points. Rawlins County placed fourth with 83 points, Quinter was fifth with 54 points, and Hoxie came in sixth with 6 points.

"Taylor Rogers bettered his school record in the 200 meter hurdles set earlier this season when he ran 30.60 in the event. He also bettered the NWKL record of 31.59 set by Macrae Migchelbrink of Rawlins County in 2010, but did not set a new NWKL record as he placed third in the race. We may have also won the 7th boys division had we not lost sprinter J.R. Landenberger to injury earlier in the season," added Coach K. "This group of junior high tracksters has been a great bunch to work with!"

Individual seventh grade boys' placings were:

Quinton Cravens: third place, 200 meter dash 30.06; third place, 100 meter hurdles 18.33; fourth place, triple jump 27' 10".

Taylor Rogers: first place, 400 meter dash 1:02.98; second place, high jump 4' 8"; second place, pole vault 7' 6"; third place, 200 meter hurdles 30.60.

Joel Hill: first place, triple jump 32' 1/2"; second place, 800 meters 2:42.53; third place, long jump 14' 3 1/2".

Ryan Grover: third place, shot put 30' 9"; third place, discus 82' 3".

4 x 100 meter relay: (Quinton Cravens, Ryan Grover, Joel Hill, Jeremiah Neitzel) third place, 2:00.55.

## High school athletes go to league

On Friday, May 11, the St. Francis high school track teams competed at the Northwest Kansas League Track Meet in Oberlin. St. Francis tied for second place in the boys' division and placed sixth in the girls'. Isaac Schiltz won first place in the high jump, pole vault and triple jump, while Aly Schleppe won the 800 meter dash to earn a gold medal.

In the boys' division, St. Francis tied for second place with Decatur Community, both scoring 113 points. Oakley won the boys' championship with 144 points. Hoxie placed fourth with 111 points, Rawlins County placed fifth with 35 points and Quinter was sixth with 33 points.

Individual boys' results were: Thomas Douthit: second place, 100 meters 11.60; fourth place, 200 meters 24.81.

Logan Lampe: sixth place, 100 meters 12.02; sixth place, 200 meters 25.12.

Steven Nelson: second place, 100 meter hurdles 17.18; third

place, 300 meter hurdles 46.49.

4 x 100 meter relay: (Michael Leibbrandt, Logan Lampe, Thomas Douthit, Tyler Raby) fourth place, 48.80.

4 x 800 meter relay: (Lane Hoffman, Tyler Raby, Casey Keller, Michael Leibbrandt) third place, 10:33.49.

Isaac Schiltz: first place, high jump 5' 10"; first place, pole vault 13' 0"; first place, triple jump 39' 11 1/2"; second place, long jump 18' 7 1/4".

Casey Keller: second place, high jump 5' 8".

Mason Schiltz: second place, pole vault 12' 6"; sixth place, high jump 5' 2".

Cade Bracelin: second place, shot put 42' 4"; fourth place, javelin 141' 8".

Zach Gienger: third place, discus 120' 5"; fifth place, shot put 38' 2".

Decatur Community won the girls' team championship with 151 points. Oakley placed second with 111 points, Rawlins County was

third with 99 points, Hoxie took fourth with 93 points, Quinter was fifth with 76 points, St. Francis came in sixth with 25 points.

Individual girls' placings were: Aly Schleppe: first place, 800 meters 2:39.00.

McKayla Taylor: fifth place, 100 meter hurdles 18.01.

Dallas Reed: third place, pole vault 7' 6".

4 x 100 meter relay: (Valerie Wurm, Echo Jones, McKayla Taylor, Ally Northrup) fifth place, 57.94.

4 x 400 meter relay: (Laura Brunk, Ashlee Orth, Justice Wiley, Ally Schleppe) sixth place, 5:02.33.

4 x 800 meter relay: (Aly Schleppe, Shelby Cassaw, Justice Wiley, Laura Brunk) fourth place, 11:34.63.

The track teams will compete at the Regional Track Meet in Hays on Friday, May 18.

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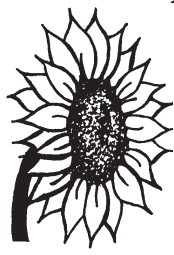
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