

Students place at music festival

Forty-seven students represented St. Francis at the Northwest Kansas League Junior High Music Festival, held at Colby Community College, on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Students performed in the mixed choir and small ensembles, and several also presented vocal or instrumental solos.



Taylor Kinzer

Kaleb Hays, Lauren Johnson, Alex Queen, Madison Tice, Matthisen Witzel, Shelby Wolff).

Receiving II ratings were Korey Jenkins, Tressa LaBarge, and Bryce Raby - vocal solos; Jessica Pacheco - clarinet solo; Vocal Trio (Korey Jenkins, Tressa LaBarge, Shelby Wolff); 7th; Trumpet Trio (Jessica Confer, Joslyn Ketzner, Taylor Kinzer); 8th Trumpet Trio (Nick Paulsen, Jylian Laten, Luke Lampe); Percussion Ensemble #1 (Jake Faulkender, Luin Norris, Dennis Potter, Bryce Raby); Percussion Ensemble #2 (Lindsay Johnson, Draven Houtman, Echoe Lennox, Teagan Landenberger, Brice Hays); Saxophone Quartet (Zoe Sundstrom, Reagan Beims, Trayton Doyle, Martin Beikman); Flute Quartet (Emileigh Dinkel, Devin Patton, Tressa LaBarge, Kyla Hicks); Clarinet Ensemble (Jessica Pacheco, Mallery Mills, Christina Frink, Mason Schmid); and the Mixed Choir.

Jean Ann Confer was the accompanist for the mixed choir. Students were directed by Debbie Fiala, music instructor.

Earning the highest rating given at the festival was Taylor Kinzer. She earned an AP (Advanced Performance) rating and medal on her vocal solo, "The Violet."

Earning I ratings were April Fernandez, Kyla Hicks, Devin Patton, Alex Queen, Mason Schmid, and Shelby Wolff - vocal solos; Jessica Confer - piano solo; Nick Paulsen and Jessica Confer - trumpet solos; Devin Patton - flute solo; and the Guitar/Percussion Ensemble (Cody Baxter, Tate Busse, Coy Cassaw,

Junior high wrestlers host local teams

The junior high wrestlers hosted teams from Atwood, Oberlin, Leoti and Tribune on Thursday, Feb. 20. The Indians grit and determination showed as they outperformed many of their counterparts.

This group of kids I know was very excited to finally be able to compete at home in front of their home crowd, and I think they put on quite a show, said Coach Dylan Loyd. From top to bottom, every wrestler performed at a high level and showed much improvement.

This group has improved every week with one focus on mind and that is to win the league championship and I feel like they took another step towards that goal Thursday. They all push each other very hard in the practice room and I think that is something all good teams do.

Individual Results:

Connor Keller- won by a fall over J. Ridder, Leoti; won by a fall over A. Ridder, Leoti.

Coy Cassaw- won by a fall over A. Ridder, Leoti; won by a 2-1 decision over Tiemeyer, Atwood; won by a fall over J. Ridder, Leoti.

Tayton Weeter- won by a 15-1 major decision over Tiemeyer, Atwood; won by a fall over Biermann, Leoti.

KC Krien- won by a fall over Biermann, Leoti; won by a 9-0 major decision over Tiemeyer, Atwood.

Tiernan Poling- won by a fall over Reding, Tribune; lost by a 19-2 technical fall to Altman, Leoti.

Tate Busse- lost by a 7-4 decision to Grafel, Oberlin; won by a 6-4 decision over Tucker, Oberlin; won by a 15-0 technical fall over Miller, Tribune.

Jake Faulkender- lost by a fall to Hastings, Leoti; lost by a fall to Bjorkland, Tribune.

Kouper McQuigg- won by a 10-9 decision over Horinek, Atwood; lost by a 17-2 technical fall to Juenemann, Oberlin.

Cody Baxter- won by a fall over Wurm, Oberlin; won by a fall over



TIERNAN POLING wrestles hard to pin his competitor.

Herald staff photo by Douglas Sloper

Fisher, Leoti.

Jordan Raby- lost by a fall to Leitner, Atwood; won by a 8-0 major decision over Waterman, Oberlin.

Wyatt Hilt- lost by a fall to Sporn, Oberlin; lost by a fall to Michel-Lemus, Leoti.

Luke Lampe- won by a 4-3 decision over Green, Atwood; won by a fall over Withington, Atwood; won by a 12-2 major decision over Sanchez, Tribune.

Dalton Straub- won by a fall over Schippers, Oberlin; won by a fall over Hayes, Atwood.

Kaleb Hayes- lost by a fall to Chavez, Leoti; lost by a fall to Witt, Oberlin.

Luin Norris- won by a fall over Hernandez, Leoti; lost by a fall to Crouse, Atwood; won by a fall over Ochsner, Tribune.

Trayton Doyle- won by a fall over Nichols, Oberlin; won by a fall over Jimenez, Oberlin.

Martin Beikman- won by a fall over Jimenez, Oberlin; won by a fall over Nichols.

This season really has flown by. It's been a joy to coach these kids

and watch them grow as wrestlers and as young men, said coach Loyd. I am confident that this group of kids has what it takes to bring home the league championship.

Junior high wrestlers win championship

The St. Francis junior high wrestlers took first place in the Northwest Kansas League Tournament in Atwood, on Monday Feb. 24. As a team, the Indians finished with 142 points, followed by Trego/Wakeeney, 113 points and Hoxie with 95 points. The Indians also placed 13 wrestlers in the top 4 positions to win medals.

Individual Results:
92: Coy Cassaw - Champion; Connor Keller - (3).

98: Tayton Weeter - (3); Tiernan Poling - (4).
110: Tate Busse - Champion.
116: Jordan Raby - (2); Kouper McQuigg - (4).
122: Cody Baxter - (3).
130: Luke Lampe - (2).
154: Dalton Straub - (3).
182: Luin Norris - Champion.
275: Trayton Doyle - Champion; Martin Beikman (3)
Congratulations to this fine team of athletes on a tremendous season!

Storm spotter classes for severe weather

The annual Kansas Severe Weather Awareness Week safety campaign is coming up in March. National Weather Service (NWS) offices in cooperation with emergency management officials have designated the week of March 3-7 as Kansas Severe Weather Awareness Week. This week also coincides with National Severe Storm Preparedness Week, a nationwide severe storm awareness campaign. An information packet containing interesting and educational facts regarding severe storms can be found on www.weather.gov/goodland in the Top News of the Day section.

ties throughout the state are encouraged to sound their tornado sirens, and school officials are encouraged to send students to their designated tornado shelter and provide a review of safety information.

Storm spotter training classes in the tri-state area will begin March 3, and wrap up on March 28. Classes are open to people of all ages with an interest in learning more about High Plains' storms, weather safety, or storm spotting. Classes are free and there are no prerequisites.

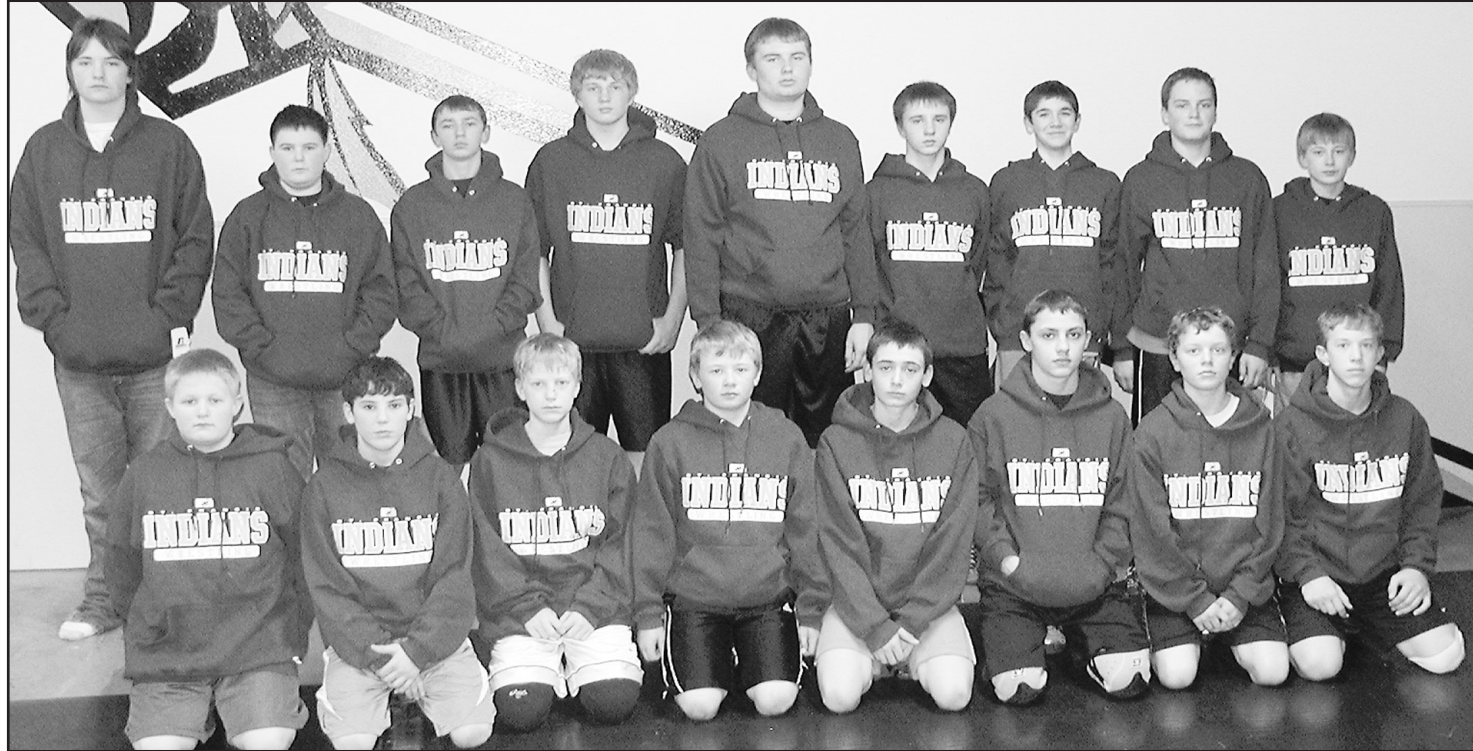
The Cheyenne County class will be in St. Francis on March 12 at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria. Topics will include an update on Wireless Emergency Alerts, Impact-Based Warnings, thunderstorm organization and evolution, clouds associated with thunderstorms and their meaning for spotters, thunderstorm hazards, safety, severe weather elements to report and how to report. Elementary and high school science teachers, you might consider giving your students extra credit for attending a class.

For more information, please contact via email: david.l.floyd@noaa.gov or via phone: 785-899-6412.

During that week, severe storm and safety information will be posted on the web and Facebook pages. The highlight of the week is the tornado drill, when NWS offices serving the state issue a test Tornado Warning. The test warning this year will take place Tuesday, March 4 at 1:30 pm CST and will air on all radio and television broadcast stations as well as National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio.

Everyone is encouraged to treat the test warning as if it were an actual emergency and review preparedness procedures. Municipalities

Junior High Wrestlers Northwest Kansas League Champs



2013-2014 St. Francis Junior High Wrestling Team - Back row: (l to r) Kenny Adams, Kaleb Hays, Jake Faulkender, Luin Norris, Trayton Doyle, Luke Lampe, Tate Busse, Dalton Straub, Coy Cassaw; front row: Wyatt Hilt, Tayton Weeter, Connor Keller, Kouper McQuigg, Kody Krien, Jordan Raby, Tiernan Poling and Cody Baxter. Not pictured, Martin Beikman and Brice Hays.

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To view the work site, contact the Village Administrator, Jeffrey Paulsen, at 785-332-2531.

Only licensed and insured professional parties need apply

Sealed bids may be submitted to the Cheyenne County Clerk or to the Village Administrator. Deadline for submission is 12:00 noon, March 7, 2014.

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