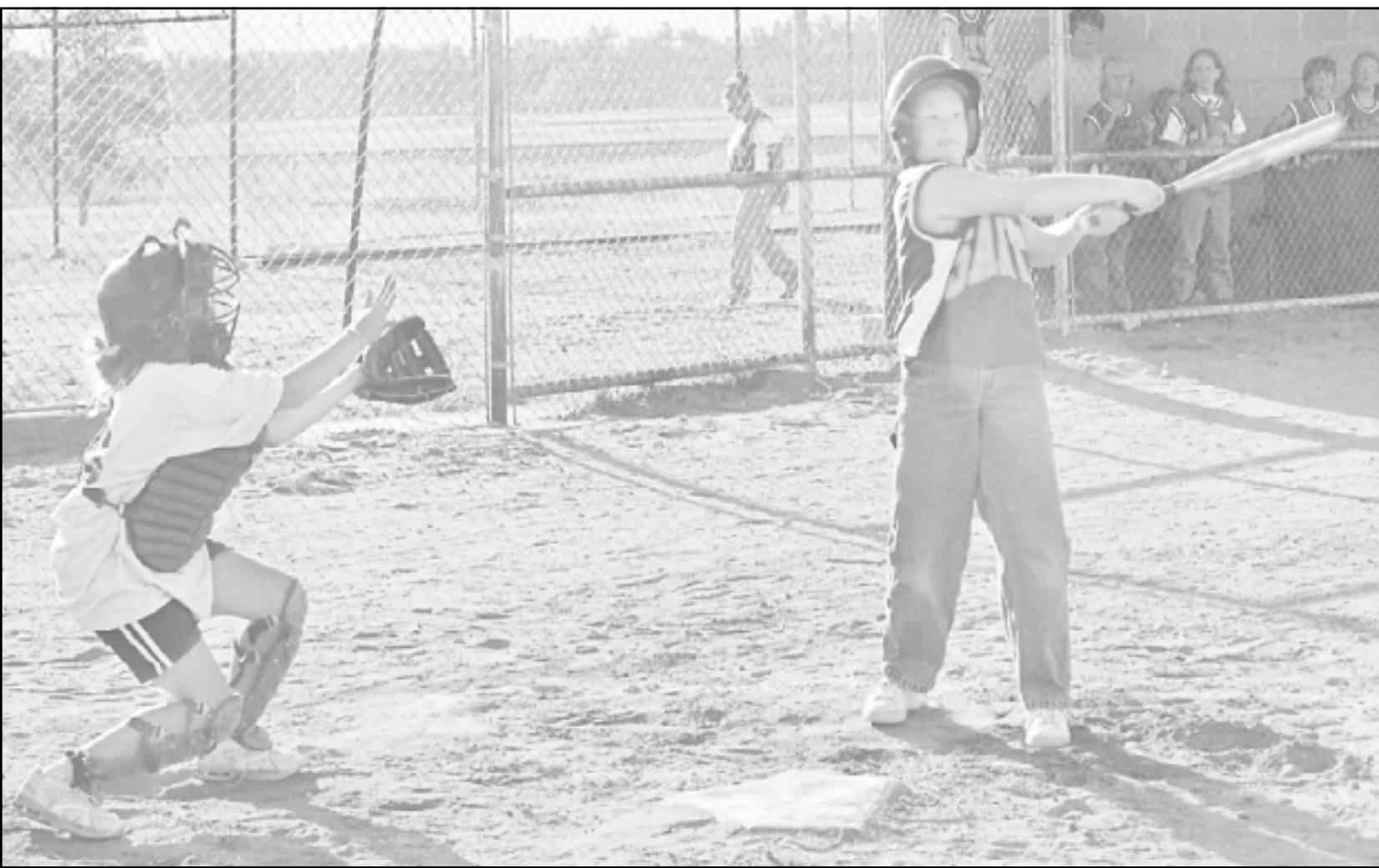
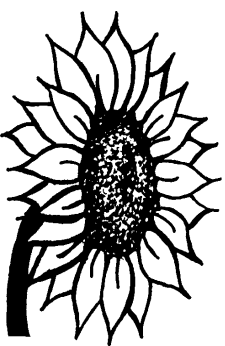


## The Saint Francis Herald

## At the Game



ALY MARIN ATTEMPTS to connect with the ball during a C-team softball game.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

## Season ends; B-team finishes in second place

By Betty Jean Winston

June 23 saw the softball season come to a close for the St. Francis C-team, B-team and A-team.

The B-team made it to the championship game against Trenton after defeating Benkelman in the semi-finals. Trenton prevailed and took the championship title for this season.

B-team  
Semi-final game

St. Francis scored in all four inning of the semi-final game to defeat Benkelman 12-2. It was 4-0 after the

first inning, 6-0 after two, 8-2 after three and the final was 12-2.

Kandee Raile collected four strikeouts and issued three base on balls on the way to the win.

"This was a good defensive game," Coach Ronee Reichert said. "They were focused throughout the entire game."

Hits: Janis Dodd, two doubles; Emily Walz, one single; Kali Rueb, one double, one triple; Raile, one single, one double; Ally Reichert, one double, one triple; Sheryl Miller, one double.

Runs batted in (RBIs): Dodd, two; Raile, two; Reichert, two; Rueb, one; Miller, one.

## Championship game

St. Francis was ahead in the score during the first three innings (6-5 after three) but Trenton scores four points in the fourth and three more in the fifth to earn the championship.

St. Francis could manage only four points in the final two innings and fell to Trenton by two, 12-10.

"We started out good and then made a few mental errors in the fourth inning and couldn't regain our lead," Coach Reichert said. "These are a great bunch of young girls. They will be back as a force next year."

Kandee Raile pitched the entire game having four strike outs and five base on balls.

"Kandee was consistent throughout the tournament," Coach Reichert said. "She has improved her accuracy and speed with every game."

Hits: Janis Dodd, one single, one double, one triple; Kali Rueb, two singles; Raile, one single, two doubles; Ashley Davis, one single; Sheryl Miller, one double; Toni Rice, one single, one triple; Ally Reichert, one double.

Runs batted in (RBIs): Miller, two;

Raile, two; Rice, one; Dodd, one, Reichert, one.

## C-team

An 11-0 defeat by Wauneta on June 21 ended the season for the St. Francis softball C-team. The tournament game was played in Trenton and this was game one in the tournament.

St. Francis connected on only two singles and were held scoreless during the three innings played. Sarah Tremblay and Arena Miller hit the singles.

Wauneta scored three runs in the first inning and had a large eight run second inning on their way to the win.

On the mound for St. Francis was Jenice Hartman who collected two strikeouts.

"It was 104 degrees at the start of the game," Coach Ronee Reichert said. "We weren't ready to play. The girls had a good season and learned many new skills. It will pay off in the future."



JD HAWKINS was one of the pitchers for the K-18 team.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

## Season ends

By Betty Jean Winston

The St. Francis K-18 baseball team finished the season Monday, July 8 when they were defeated by Quinter. The end-of-the season league tournament was held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday but St. Francis was unable to participate due to a lack of players available. Sports camps and other commitments were contributing factors.

Pitching for the team this year were Matt Brown, JD Hawkins, A.J. McAtee and Cody Tharp. Since the last report in the Herald, the team also suffered defeats by Goodland and Oberlin.

Kansas  
team  
competes

Jamie Dunn, recent graduate of St. Francis Community High School has earned a position on the Kansas state high school rodeo team and will be traveling with fellow teammates to Farmington, N.M., from July 22 to July 28 to compete at the 54th annual National High School Finals Rodeo in the goat tying competition.

Featuring over 1,500 contestants from 39 states, four Canadian Provinces and Australia, the National High School Finals is the world's largest rodeo. In addition to competing for over \$125,000 in prizes contestants will also be vying for more than \$170,000 in college scholarships and the chance to be named the National High School Rodeo national champion. To earn this title, contestants must finish in the top 20 after two go-rounds of competition before advancing on to Sunday's final championship performance.

This year, the Sunday championship performance will be televised nationally on the Outdoor Channel Network's weekly "Rodeo Round-Up" series. It is scheduled to air Aug. 14 and Aug. 21 at 8 p.m. eastern and will re-air the following Sunday at 8 p.m. eastern and the following Monday at 12 p.m. eastern (check local listings). To check for possible changes in the air dates and times for any of the National High School Finals Rodeo Outdoor Channel telecasts visit the rodeo's website at [www.nhsra.org](http://www.nhsra.org).

Along with great rodeo competition and the chance to meet new friends from around the world, contestants have the opportunity to represent their team in a volleyball tournament, attend a concert, enjoy nightly contestant dances including a Cowboy Prom, shop the ever-popular rodeo trade show, and visit the



HEADED TO FARMINGTON - Jamie Dunn will be attending the National High School Finals Rodeo as a member of the Kansas high school rodeo team.

historical attractions of Farmington including the Ship Rock, Four Corner, the Navajo Nation, and historic Durango, Colo.

To follow your local favorites at the National High School Finals Rodeo,

visit the rodeo's website daily for complete results at [www.nhsra.org](http://www.nhsra.org). For Farmington rodeo information, tickets and reservations call Tres Rios at 505-324-3000 or visit their website at [www.co.san-juan.nm.us/tresrios](http://www.co.san-juan.nm.us/tresrios).

## Student News

## Fort Hays State University

Douglas Waters of Bird City, and Shana Voeller, Bobby Rainbolt, Tori Halpin and Trista Kriegh of St. Francis were among the more than 900 Fort

Hays State University students to appear on the dean's honor roll for the spring 2002 semester, according to Dr. Larry Gould, Fort Hays State University provost.

## Our School is Great

By Trent Raile

I think the St. Francis Grade School is great because we have great teachers. Our assessment test scores are high.

We have great cooks that are really nice. The teachers in the Resource Room are very helpful.

We have 15 minute recesses. We have lots of school recess equipment.

We have a really good program here thanks to our principal, Mr. Gabel, and our secretary, Teri Richards.

We like coming to this school every day. So come here now! You're missing out on all the fun!

Kansas Shrine Bowl  
scheduled for July 27  
at Pittsburg State

The 29th annual Kansas Shrine Bowl is scheduled to be played Saturday, July 27 at Pittsburg. Kick-off is set for 7 p.m. on Brandenburg Field at Carnie Smith Stadium on the campus of Pittsburg State University.



Dunn

According to information gathered by the Shrine Bowl, 45 of the 68 players chosen to participate in this year's game plan to begin their college careers at one of the state's college or community college program. St. Francis Indian running back/linebacker Dustin Dunn is one of the 45 as he has signed a letter of intent to play football at Fort Hays State University.

Observant football fans who follow the Kansas Shrine Bowl from year to year may notice familiar names on the roster as there are players who have had a brother or uncle play and two of the coaches and one of the on-field officials were also players.

Probably one of the most recognizable names is Chad Beisel, who will play for the West. His brother, Monty, participated in the Shrine

Bowl in 1997 and after a stellar college career at Kansas State University, is now a member of the Kansas City Chiefs. There has also been four years in which a Simmons has been either a coach or a player. This year it is Brandon Simmons of Blue Valley North. His brother Jeremy played in 2000 and his dad, Don was a coach for three years.

For Kansas high school officials, deciding to accept a Kansas Shrine Bowl assignment is one of the easiest calls they'll ever make. Being chosen to officiate the Shrine Bowl means that an official has been recognized as one of the best in the state.

"Working the Shrine Bowl is an honor," says Mike Grosdidier of Baldwin, a 19-year officiating veteran. "It's such a great cause."

In all, 15 officials are chosen for each Shrine Bowl game with one as television coordinator and two crews of seven, with each crew working half of the game.

Phone 1-800-530-5524 for advanced tickets.

All proceeds from the game will go to support the Shriners Hospitals for Children, a network of 22 hospitals throughout North America that provides cost-free orthopedic and burn treatment for children under 18.

Players involved  
in summer league

By Betty Jean Winston

The four St. Francis volleyball teams which are participating in the summer volleyball league in Colby played their first games on Monday, July 8 with additional contests on Wednesday, July 10. The league is composed of 10 area teams.

The St. Francis teams, Spinners, Diggers, Crush and Aces had the following results on Monday evening. The Spinners defeated the Cowgirls, the Diggers defeated the Smashers and the Aces defeated the Crush.

Wednesday saw the Waves defeat the Diggers, the Spinners defeat the Crush, the Trojans defeat the Aces and the Spinners defeat the Aces.

This leaves the Spinners 3-0, the Diggers 1-1, the Aces 1-2, and the

Crush 0-2.

Rosters for the teams include:

Spinners: Kelsey Andrist, Samantha Coates, Heather Culwell, Amber Feikert, Gina Frohlich, Tara Neitzel, Meredith Knodel, Kandee Raile

Diggers: Janis Dodd, Lori Faulkender, Amber Havel, Ashley Holzwarth, Allyse Lampe, Dana Raile, Hannah Sowers, Toni Rice (substitute)

Crush: Brandi Barnhart, Ashley Davis, Kelsey Dunn, Amanda Jones, Jessica Nelsen, Ale' Tygart, Emily Walz

Aces: Schuyler Coates, Jade DeGood, Janessa Jordan, Maddie Knodel, Christi Milne, Ally Reichert, Ashton Rueb, Talisa Voorhies, Sawyer White.

Bird City athlete  
wrestles steers

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Rambat

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## Our School is Great

By Clint Tharp

I think the St. Francis Grade School is great because the teachers are nice.

We also have fun in P.E. (physical education). At recess we have equipment to play on. We can play on the fort which is a fort with many ways to get on and off of it.

We also have music class. Sometimes we play games, we learn about music and learn to play

musical instruments.

Our teachers are Mrs. Swihart, Mrs. Cassidy, Mrs. Faulkender, Mrs. Krien, Mrs. Raile, Mrs. Wiley, Mrs. Rainbolt, Mrs. Smull, Mrs. Holzwarth, Mrs. Nolan, Mrs. McAtee, Mrs. Wolters, Mr. Swihart, Mrs. Confer and Mr. Busse.

St. Francis Grade School is terrific!