

The Saint Francis Herald

At the Game

Sainty defense has goal stands against Atwood Buffs

By Betty Jean Winston

Two strong defensive football teams met on Greene Field in St. Francis Friday night and the Atwood Buffs emerged the victor. The score was Atwood 8, St. Francis 0. This gave the Buffs the District 14 title, along with the Northwest Kansas League championship.

When it came to 2A post-season play, however, both teams were eligible for bi-district play on Tuesday night. As the champion of District 14, Atwood hosted Plainville, while St. Francis traveled to Stockton to take on the Tigers, the District 13 champions. The Stockton/St. Francis game results were not available before the Herald deadline and will be featured in next week's newspaper. Only the winner will advance to the next level of play. Sports fans can always check Indian News (332-8111) for updates on Indian football playoff games.

"I felt like the kids played hard," Coach Tim Lambert said. "I'm just disappointed we didn't punch it in when we had the chance."

"We have to move on and get ready for the next game - keep getting better."

Atwood received the kickoff to begin the game Friday night and they returned the ball to the Atwood 35-yard line. On the very first play from scrimmage, Tanner Schmidt went on a 26-yard run to the St. Francis 41 yard line giving them good field position and a first down. Shortly thereafter pass receiver Jeff Horinek gathered the ball in and raced toward the end zone. Cale Rieger stopped the play on the 5-yard line giving Atwood a first-and-goal situation.

It took the Buffs longer to get the final 5 yards than it did the first 60. They moved down to the 2-yard line but a penalty moved them back 5 yards making it second-and-7. This was followed by an incomplete pass, but on the next try Schmidt reached the end zone. The clock showed 10:23 of the first quarter. Schmidt also scored on the conversion run giving Atwood the only points they would need for the evening. The



SAINTY DEFENSE PLAYED hard on Friday night as the Atwood had an outstanding runner in Tanner Schmidt. The Indians held Schmidt to one early touchdown. Indians include Travis Hilt (60) and Nick Keller (49).

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score stood at 8-0.

St. Francis began moving the ball following the kickoff. They had a first down after three plays and on the second series a fumble occurred on a lateral pitch turning the ball over to Atwood. This stopped the first of Sainty's possible scoring opportunities of the evening.

Good Indian defense saved the Buffs from scoring again as they collected

the ball in St. Francis territory. After one first down, the Indians held on the next four attempts and the ball was returned to St. Francis deep in Atwood territory.

Again the offense was moving. They got as far as the St. Francis 17-yard line where another fumble turned the ball over to Atwood. The defense was called upon again to protect the goal line and they did. By this time the quar-

ter was nearly over and the ball belonged to Sainty.

The Indians began a long drive at the end of the first quarter and continued moving into the second frame. Kyle Buffington recorded a first down on the third play from scrimmage. On a fourth-and-third attempt, quarterback Tyler Voorhies went on a nice 20-yard run and the Indians were in Atwood territory. The drive moved as far as the

8-yard line but on a fourth down and 4-yard attempt, Atwood held.

The clock showed 4:45 and the ball belonged to Atwood on the 10-yard line. They used the remainder of the quarter to move down the field gaining first downs along the way. The Sainty defense again held with Jonathan Roelfs stopped the Buffs' last attempt when he intercepted the ball with 13 second remaining before halftime.

Defense was the name of the game again in the second half. Marcus Dodd returned the ball to the 45-yard line after the kickoff but Sainty could not convert on a fourth down attempt. Atwood was having the same trouble moving down field and punted for the first time of the evening on fourth down.

The teams went back and forth with no one able to reach pay dirt. Atwood and St. Francis tried to mix up their offensive plays to find an attack the other team could not stymie but neither team could get the ball all the way down the field. Either fourth down plays didn't succeed, the ball was fumbled, penalties occurred or the defenses came up with the needed plays.

Ross caused a turnaround in the fourth quarter when he recovered a Atwood fumble giving the ball to the Indians with 6:54 on the clock.

For over four minutes the ball was headed toward the goal line but the drive was stopped by a fumble.

Atwood held onto the ball the last 1:48 of the game and had the victory.

Team stats

St. Francis listed first followed by Atwood: first downs: 13/13; rushing: 167/138; passing: 17/86; total offense: 184/224; punts: 1/2; fumbles: 6/2; penalties: 1/6.

Individual stats

Rushing: Voorhies, 63 yards on 12 attempts; Trey Hilt, 50 yards on 18 attempts; Michael Raile, 22 yards on eight attempts; Buffington, 17 yards on nine attempts; Ross, 17 yards on six attempts.

Passing: Voorhies: one for 17 yards. Pass receivers: Nick Keller, one for 17 yards.

Kickoffs: Ross, one for 44 yards. Punts: Raile, one for 39 yards.

Kickoff returns: Dodd, one for 30 yards; Ross, one for no yards.

Interceptions: Jonathan Roelfs, one. Fumble recoveries: Ross, one.

Tackles: Ross 15, Roelfs 10, Buffington 9, Keller 9; Travis Hilt 7, Dodd 7, Tyler Wolters 4, Dallas Walz 4, Dillan Zwegygart 3, Rieger 2, Justin Lindsten 2, Trey Hilt 2, Kinen 1.

Seven seniors finish Sainty high school volleyball career

By Betty Jean Winston

A loss to Atwood in Leoti Sub-State play on Saturday, Oct. 26 ended the season for the 2002 Lady Indian volleyball team. The team had made it to the championship finals by defeating Sublette and Santana but in a three game match against the Lady Buffs they fell just short of the chance to travel to the 2A State Tournament.

"The kids worked hard, had a great attitude, and showed sportsmanship from beginning to end." Coach Kent Kechter said.

The Lady Indians this year had a number of seniors who will be missed next fall. Graduating will be Samantha Coates, Amber Feikert, January Fiedler, Heather Culwell, Gina Frohlich, Kelsey Andrist and Tara Neitzel. As you check the season stats below you will see that this group was instrumental in the team compiling a 17-11 winning season.

Wins this year included matches with Hoxie, Atwood (2), Holyoke, Wray, Cheylin, Oberlin (3), Oakley (2), Triplains, Norton, Winona, Sharon Springs, Sublette and Santana. Team and individual statistics are listed below:

Team stats

Serves (attempts/in): 1382/1278; serving percent: 92; aces: 137; points: 763; hitting (attempts/in): 2319/2043; hitting percent: 88; kills: 584; sets (attempts/on-playable): 2047/1980; setting: 96.7; passing (attempts/good): 3156/2620; passing percent: 63.1; blocks: 171; stuffs: 112; digs/saves: 628.

Individual stats

Serves (attempts/in): Raile 269/247; Feikert 265/247; Fiedler 153/244; Andrist 218/203; Coates 184/166; Culwell 156/138; Rice 10/8; Knodel 9/9; Lampe 9/9; Frohlich 5/4; Neitzel 2/2; Faulkender 1/1; Holzwarth 1/0. Serving percent: Knodel 100; Lampe 100; Neitzel 100; Faulkender 100; Fiedler 96; Feikert 93; Andrist 93; Raile 91; Coates 90; Culwell 88; Frohlich 80; Rice 80.

Aces: Raile 39; Feikert 37; Coates 22; Fiedler 15; Andrist 11; Culwell 10; Rice 2; Knodel 1

Service points: Raile 159; Feikert 158; Fiedler 145; Andrist 108; Coates 96; Culwell 78; Knodel 7; Lampe 4; Rice 4; Neitzel 2; Frohlich 2.

Hitting (attempts/in): Feikert 518/462; Culwell 447/385; Fiedler 312/287; Andrist 293/244; Raile 249/223; Holzwarth 50/46; Frohlich 44/35; Knodel 26/23; Rice 4/4; Neitzel 3/2; Dodd 1/1.

Hitting percent: Rice 100, Dodd 100, Holzwarth 92, Fiedler 91, Feikert 89, Raile 89, Coates 88, Knodel 88, Culwell 86, Andrist 83 Frohlich 79, Neitzel 66.

Kills: Feikert 152; Culwell 117; Coates 98; Fiedler 76; Raile 71; Andrist 48; Frohlich 10; Holzwarth 6; Knodel 4; Rice 1.

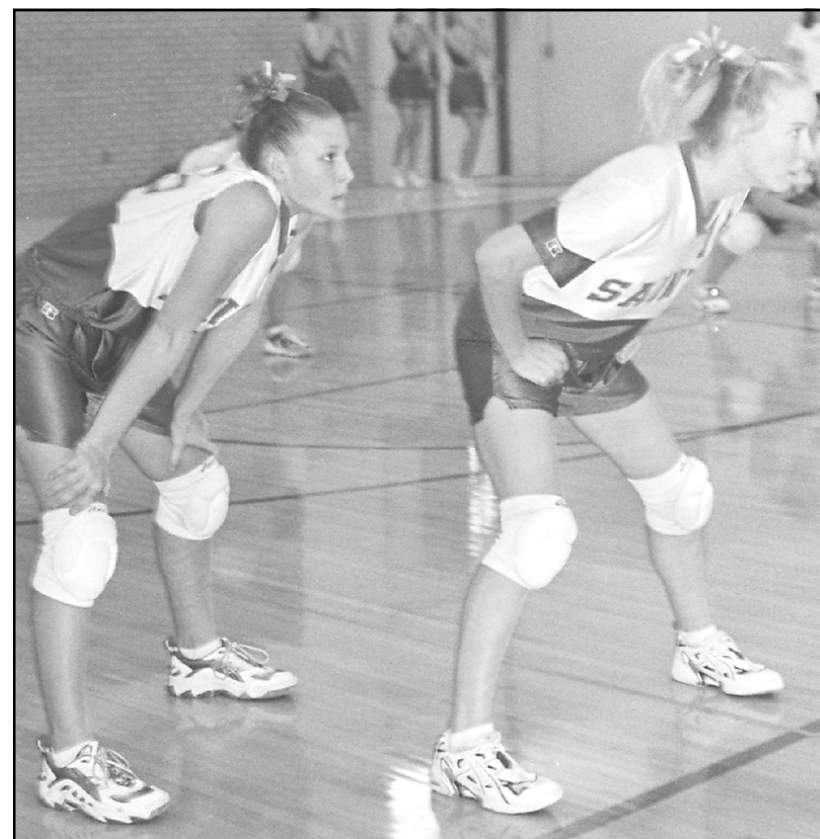
Setting (attempts/on-playable): Fiedler 905/875; Feikert 777/766; Raile 98/94; Coates 81/74; Andrist 51/49; Culwell 50/47; Rice 31/29; Frohlich 27/23; Holzwarth 10/9; Knodel 9/8; Lampe 7/5; Neitzel 1/1.

Setting percent: Neitzel 100; Feikert 98.5; Fiedler 96.6; Andrist 96.0; Raile 95.9; Culwell 94.0; Rice 93.5; Coates 91.3; Holzwarth 90.0; Knodel 88.8; Frohlich 85.1; Lampe 71.4.

Passing (attempts/good): Culwell 763/637; Andrist 626/550; Raile 549/447; Coates 400/309; Feikert 360/303; Fiedler 308/247; Rice 68/60; Frohlich 19/17; Lampe 6/4; Faulkender 2/2; Hannah Sowers 2/2; Dodd 2/2; Neitzel 1/1.

Passing percent: Faulkender 100, Sowers 100, Dodd 100, Neitzel 100, Andrist 70.7; Feikert 66.9; Lampe 66.6; Culwell 65.0; Rice 64.7; Raile 61.0; Holzwarth 57.8; Fiedler 56.8; Coates 53.2; Frohlich 52.0; Knodel 44.0

Blocks: Andrist 41; Fiedler 28; Feikert 24; Coates 21; Raile 20; Culwell 17; Frohlich 7; Holzwarth 9; Knodel 2; Neitzel 1; Rice 1. Stuffs: Andrist 29; Feikert 27;



WAITING FOR THE SERVE is Amber Feikert and Sam Coates, two of the senior on team.

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Coates 16; Culwell 14; Fiedler 13; Raile 6; Holzwarth 4; Frohlich 2; Knodel 1.

Digs/Saves: Feikert 135; Culwell 127; Fiedler 113; Raile 88; Andrist 75; Coates 59; Rice 13; Frohlich 8; Knodel 7; Holzwarth 1; Lampe 1; Janis Dodd 1.

Junior high boys season opens today at home

By Betty Jean Winston

November and December is the time when the junior high boys compete with Northwest Kansas League teams in basketball.

For the seventh grade boys it is their first opportunity to meet in league basketball competition. The eighth graders will be adding to the number of skills they learned last year and gaining experience on the court.

The eighth grade team is coached by Jeff Beims while Kent Kechter in charge of the seventh grade team.

Eighth grade players are Brady Frewen, A.J. McAtee, Zach Mills, Jordan Gienger, Travis Havel, Brandon Rueb, Russell Rogers, Joel McAtee, Levi Weeden, Tyler Finley, Mac Frewen, Adam Peter, Andy Waite and Brennon Wilger.

Member of the seventh grade team include Josh Carpenter, Chance Hobrock, Keaton Frewen, John Weems, David Guthmiller, R.L. Walz, Corbin Sherlock, Justin Sherlock, Ted Crabtree and Gavin Smull.

Schedule

Thursday: Oberlin, here, 4:30

Tuesday, Nov. 12: Quinter, here, 4:30

Thursday, Nov. 14: Oakley, there, 4:30

Thursday, Nov. 21: Atwood, there, 4:30

Monday, Nov. 25: Hoxie, here, 4:00

Tuesday, Dec. 3: Colby, there, 4:00

Thursday, Dec. 12: Goodland, here, 4:30

Monday, Dec. 16: Tournament

Thursday, Dec. 19: Second round tournament

Two players named on volleyball All-Star list

The seventh annual Northwest Kansas All-Star Volleyball March will be held at 5 p.m. central time on Saturday, Nov. 9 in Max Jones Fieldhouse, Goodland.

Among the players will be Amber Feikert of St. Francis Community High School, a member of the Blackshirts and Amanda Poore of Cheylin High School, a member of the Whiteshirts.

The match will be played under college rules, with the winner being the team that wins three of five games. At least four games will be played, no matter the result. A fifth game will be played if a tie-breaker is necessary. College rules have changed to 30 points and rally scoring.

A selection committee chose 24 volleyball seniors from northwest Kansas to play, based on their consistently high level of play, statistics and previous honors.

This year's players are from Goodland, Brewster, Colby, Golden Plains, Cheylin, St. Francis, Sharon Springs, Weskan, Atwood, Grinnell, Hoxie, Scott City, Triplains, Tribune and Wheatland.

Hoping to extend the Whiteshirts' two-year winning street will be coaches Kyle Carroll, Scott City and Deb Beougher, Triplains. Coaching the Blackshirt team will be Lynda Mckee, Brewster and Aimee Payton, Atwood.

Three teams represented in this year's match, Colby (4A), Atwood (2A) and Grinnell (1A), have qualified for their respective state tournament.

Participants will receive an all-star shirt and a medal, which will be presented to them by their high school



Feikert



Poore

coach during a prematch medal ceremony.

The Blackshirt roster includes Alisha Welsh, Weskan; Brianna Stephens, Grinnell; Kortney Stapp, Decatur County, Morgan Richmeier, Scott City; Amanda Pfenninger, Scott City; April Ochs, Wheatland; Kalin Lewallen, Triplains; Colleen Koehler, Goodland; Amber Feikert, St. Francis; Stephanie Fairbanks, Goodland; Erin Barrett, Triplains, Allison Baalman, Grinnell.

The Whiteshirt roster Jordan Young, Greeley County; Amy Streit, Wallace County; Amanda Poore, Cheylin; Shawna Peterson, Greeley County; Sara Luckert, Brewster; Shannon Lowry, Atwood; Kristy Jamison, Brewster; Danielle Hickert, Golden Plains; Tiffany Focke, Colby; Jentri Dixon, Greeley County; Alicia Collett, Brewster; Jenna Beckman, Hoxie.

The Most Inspirational Player, as voted on by the players, will receive a plaque after the five-game match.

The match is jointly sponsored by KLOE/KKCI Radio, Nor'West Newspapers and Red Brick Road Promotions.

College Football

Southwest Missouri State Jon Zwegygart

The Southwest Missouri State football team was defeated by Western Illinois Saturday 28-23 in Gateway Football Conference action.

The next opponent is Northern Iowa. The Bears are 4-6 overall.

Trinity International University Ben Swihart

The Trinity International University Trojans defeated Iowa Wesleyan Col-

lege Saturday in an overtime contest. The final score was Trinity 9, Iowa Wesleyan 6. They are now 5-4 overall.

On Nov. 9 they play St. Xavier University at Deerfield.

Fort Hays State University Dustin Dunn

Fort Hays State University Tigers were defeated by Nebraska-Kearney 46-29 Saturday in a Rocky Mountain Conference game. The Tigers are 4-5 overall and 2-4 in conference play.