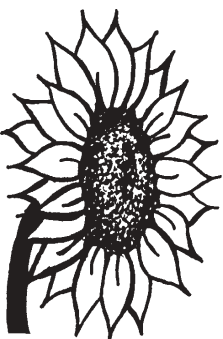
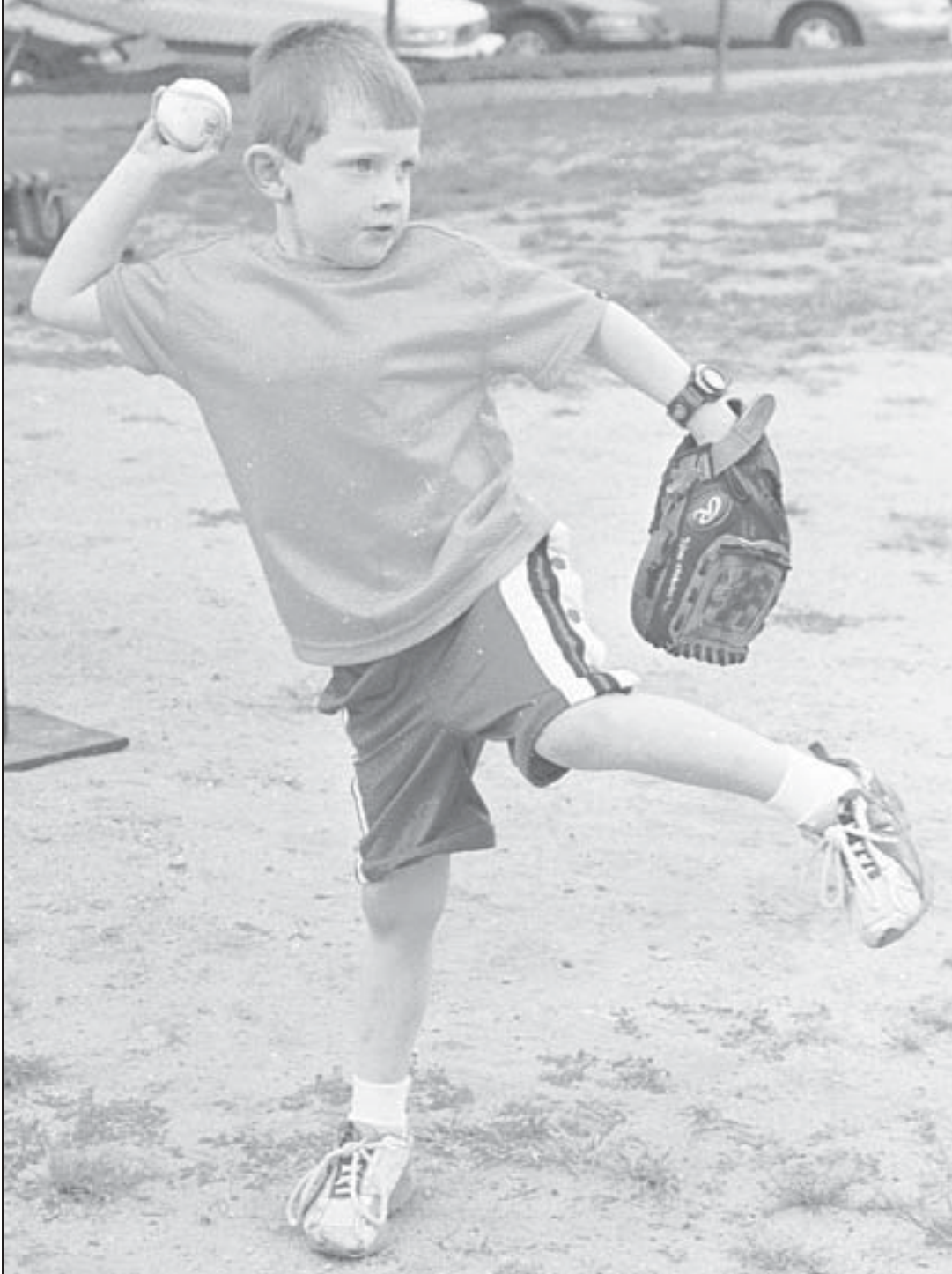


# The Saint Francis Herald

## At the Game



### T-ball action —



**RYAN GROVER aims for first base in hopes of getting the runner. T-ball action takes place at the elementary school playground on Monday evenings.**

*Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston*

## K-18 team travels to Atwood; comes home with victory

*By Betty Jean Winston*

K-18 players were happy to bring home a victory from Atwood on Monday night. The 14-2 win was the result of 15 hits by Sainty and pitcher A.J. McAtee holding Atwood to two runs on four hits.

"We had good pitching, good fielding and we hit the ball well," Coach Travis Hilt said. "They just all played well together."

Sainty scored in four of the five innings played. The game started off well with A.J. McAtee having a single and second batter Darren Laffond slamming a triple to bring him home. Laffond and Joel McAtee also rounded the bases to make a total of three runs. Atwood scored a run on a base on balls and a hit to make the score Sainty 3, Atwood 1.

Sainty went through the batting order and more during the six-run second inning. Play began when Keaton Frewen was issued a base on balls. This was followed by a single by David Guthmiller, a double by A.J. McAtee, a walk by Laffond, a triple by B.J. Killingsworth, a triple by Joel McAtee, a two base hit by Trevor Hilt and back to Frewen again, who had a single this time. This was all worked around a sacrifice fly by Ted Crabtree and two strike outs. As Atwood did not score, the game had Sainty leading 9-1.

A base hit by Trent Kinen started off the third inning. Coming home to score in this inning besides Kinen were A.J. McAtee and Killingsworth. Although Atwood had one of their hits during the third they did not score making it 12-1.

Frewen had a single in the fourth and was the only Sainty base runner. He was left stranded on third base. Atwood added their second and final run of the game with a base on balls, a hit batter and a hit for a 12-2 score.

The final inning was just icing on the cake for St. Francis. They added two more runs beginning when Laffond ran out a triple. Also scoring was Joel McAtee who got on

with a base on balls.

Hits: A.J. McAtee 3, J. McAtee 3, Laffond 2, Killingsworth 2, Frewen 2, Hilt 1, Guthmiller 1, Kinen 1.

The complete roster worked well in this game giving Sainty the victory.

**Sainty 5, Atwood 1**

Following the main game, a two-inning contest was held with Sainty earning five runs and Atwood one. Trevor Hilt was on the mound for St. Francis in this contest and Atwood did not record a hit.

Sainty did not score in the first inning and Atwood had one run as the result of two base on balls and fielding errors. Atwood had a 1-0 advantage after one.

It was during the second inning that the Sainty earned their five points. Frewen reached first on a base on balls. He was followed by hits from Hilt, Kinen, J. McAtee and an in-field home run by A.J. McAtee. Laffond added one more hit by the scoring was over for the contest.

Hits: J. McAtee, 1; A.J. McAtee 1; Laffond 1; Hilt 1; Kinen 1.

**Colby 14, St. Francis 2**

On Wednesday on the St. Francis field Colby scored a 14-2 win over St. Francis in league action.

St. Francis scored their first run in the bottom of the first inning when Laffond was walked and Joel McAtee had a single. Unfortunately by that time Colby already had 10 runs so Sainty was playing catch up the entire game.

Sainty scored again in the third inning when Killingsworth hit a double and came home to score.

Besides 10 runs in the first inning, Colby scored two in the second and two in the fifth. The final score was Colby 14, St. Francis 2.

Killingsworth, Laffond and A.J. McAtee handled the pitching duties.

Hits: Laffond, Killingsworth, J. McAtee.

"I was proud of the way our players stayed in the game and played hard," Coach Hilt said.

**Second game**



**B.J. KILLINGSWORTH eyes the pitch before he commits.**

*Herald staff photo by Betty J. Winston*

**Rained out/ second inning**

A.J. McAtee was slated to pitch the second game but weather permitted only one and one-half innings. No one scored from Colby before the rain but St. Francis had managed three runs in the first inning.

The bottom of the inning opened with A.J. McAtee hitting a double. This was followed by a base on balls to Killingsworth and a hit by J. McAtee. All three of these player scored.

"It was any-body's game when the bad weather came," Coach Hilt said.

Hits: A.J. McAtee, one; J. McAtee, one.

## Tourney held at Riverside

*By Betty Jean Winston*

Eleven teams participated in the Two Lady Scramble held at Riverside Recreation on Tuesday, June 8.

The golfers were divided into the Championship flight and the First flight for the day and the top three team in each flight were recognized.

Five ladies won pin prizes for such activities as closest to the pin, longest putt or etc.

Winning the Championship flight was the team of Hines and Beckman. Finley and Wieland came in second and a St. Francis team, Margaret Poling and Chrissy Cooks placed third.

St. Francis golfers Carol Rogers

and Kay Bauman won the First flight with Nancy Vernon and Pat Confer placing second and Judy Gienger and Mona McGinley third.

Winning pin prizes during the tournament were Tammy Neal, Amanda Milne, Shelly Monasmith, Kathy Wieland and Chrissy Cooks.

## C-team wins contest

*By Betty Jean Winston*

Benkelman and St. Francis met in C and B-team softball action on Sunday, June 13 at St. Francis. Both games ended with a close score with the St. Francis C-team winning 6-5 and the Sainty B-team losing 7-6.

**C-team**

**St. Francis 6, Benkelman 5**

This contest was not decided until the last inning when St. Francis broke the tie game with a run in the fifth.

"Taylor Kennedy had a game-winning run batted in," Coach Toni Rice said.

Pitcher Jami Pevler recorded eight strike outs on her way to the victory.

"This was our first win of the year and I'm so proud of the girls," Coach Rice said. "They never gave up!"

St. Francis opened their scoring in the first inning when they put three points on the board. The second inning saw another run go up along with an additional one in both the fifth and sixth innings.

Benkelman scored one in the first and then four in the fifth to tie the score at five. This made for a tense fifth inning but Sainty came through.

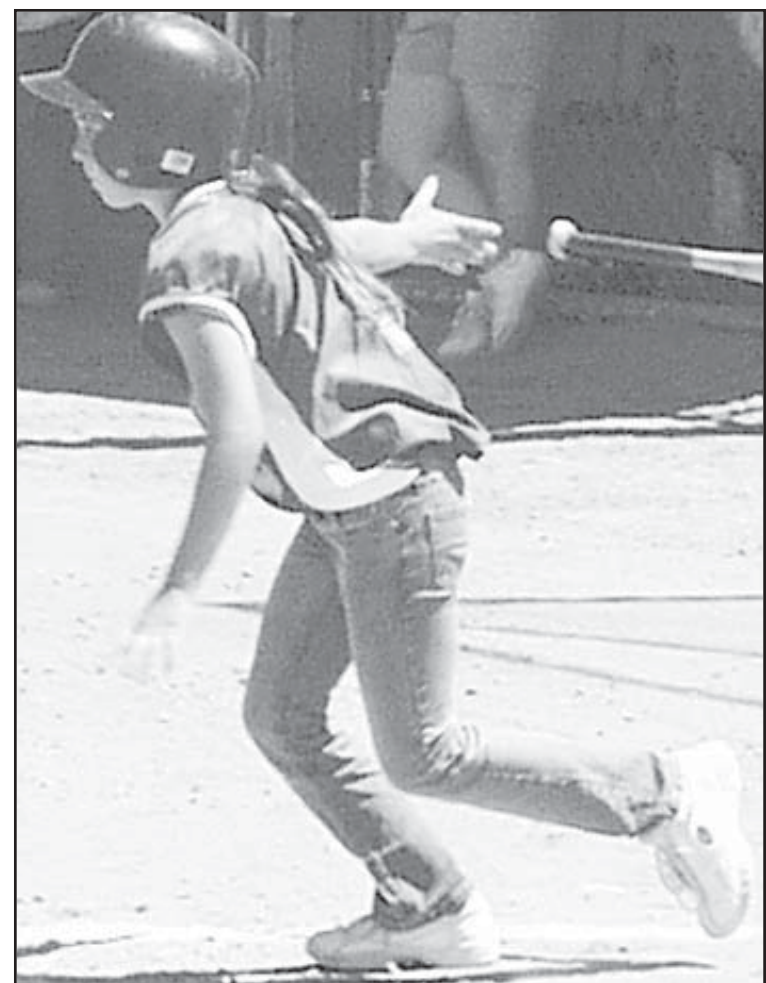
Having hits were Kaycee Williams, two singles, one home run; Jami Pevler, two singles; Joni Pevler, three singles; Brittany Henderson, one single; Aly Marin, one double, Sarah Guthmiller, one triple and Kennedy, one double.

Others having runs batted in besides Kennedy were Williams, two; Marin, two and Joni Pevler, one.

**B-team**

**Benkelman 7, St. Francis 6**

St. Francis led the game 6-5 at the end of the third inning but Benkelman put two additional runs on the board during the fourth inning to go ahead 7-6. With no scoring taking place in



**LEXI HILT hits the ball and races to first base.**

*Herald staff photo by Casey McCormick*

the fifth inning, Benkelman had the victory over the St. Francis B-team girls.

St. Francis opened the scoring with three runs in the first inning and added three more in the second. It was during the second inning that the Benkelman players put points on the score board and tightened the game up. By the time the inning ended, Benkelman had pulled within one point of St. Francis (6-5). This gave Benkelman the opportunity to win when they scored two in the fourth.

The game was played on Sunday, June 13. Earlier in the week the B-team game which was scheduled was postponed due to unfavorable weather.

"Kandee Raile came off an injury to pitch a good game," Coach

Ronee Reichert said. "She had 11 strike outs and allowed six walks."

"This was a tough loss with a lesson learned. Defensive errors played a big role in the outcome of this game."

Having hits for the St. Francis team were: Raile, one home run and one single; Ally Reichert, three singles, and Janis Dodd, one single.

Raile collected four runs batted in and Reichert had two.

Coach Reichert gave Sheryl Miller credit for a good defensive play during the game.

"Next game I hope the girls come out more focused and played with determination for five complete innings. Six of Benkelman's runs were scored off of errors. We left nine runners on base," Coach Reichert said.

## Runners total 50 miles for American Cancer Society

Dan Winston, a St. Francis Community High School graduate, was among those participating in the Ellsworth County American Cancer Relay for Life on Friday, June 4. The event was cut short at 1 a.m. Saturday morning due to a storm moving into the area. The number of luminaries grew from 700 last year to more than 950 this year.

Winston and Tom Shaw worked together this year to do 50 miles, in memory of Winston's aunt, who died May 31, and Shaw's father-in-law, who died May 17. Winston

had returned from his aunt's funeral on Thursday night.

Although the official start of the relay was 7 p.m., Winston began at 11 a.m. and ran more than 32 miles. Shaw wheeled himself and was occasionally pushed in an old wheelchair he used years ago after he broke his back in an automobile crash. He covered 18 miles.

Winston ran and pushed Shaw for the final lap.

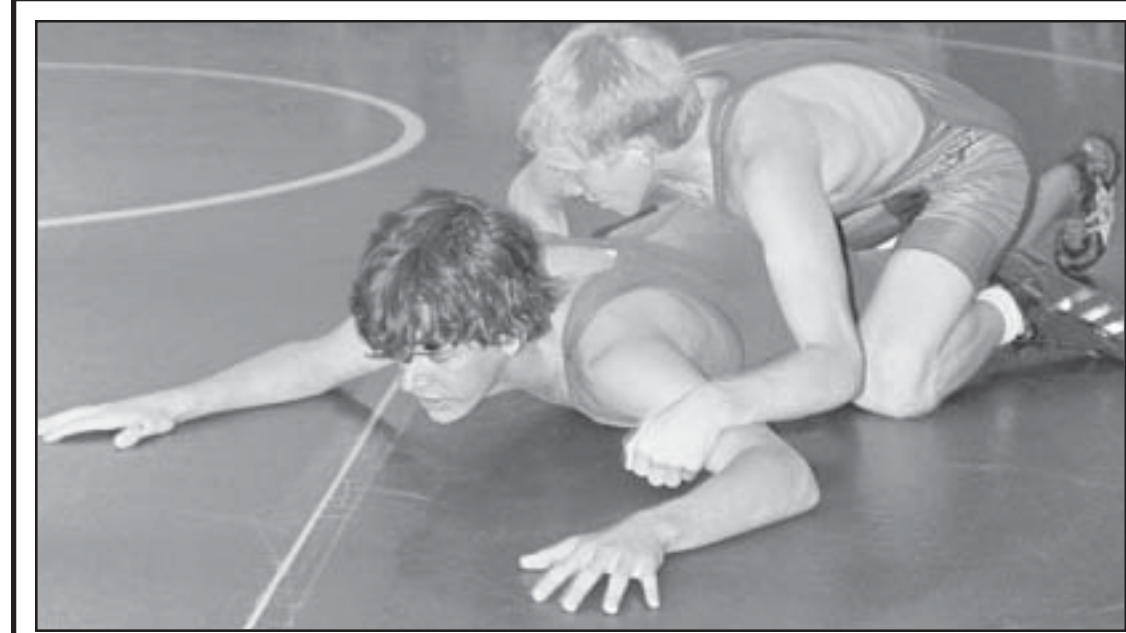
The men purposely did not train for the event, said Winston, who was soaked in sweat and wrapped

in a blanket. Shaw sat on the track and removed bandages and tape from his blistered and bloody thumbs.

"We wanted to feel just a sliver of the discomfort and pain they have to endure," Shaw said. "This is a small sacrifice."

Winston said, "what we're doing is not anything close to what they're doing. We feel we need to make some sacrifices."

Last year the two men raised \$500 in honor of Winston's aunt when they each went 50 miles during the relay.



**ST. FRANCIS WRESTLING TOURNEY - Dylan Loyd works for the win against his Hill City opponent.**

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