

# At the Game



**LEVI WEEDEN (above) does the kicking for the Indians. On the right, back David Guthmiller (42 - middle of the picture) works for additional yardage. Also pictured are Brennon Wilger (67) and Adam Peter (7).**

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## Indians defeat Syracuse, prepare for Leoti

**By Betty Jean Winston**  
The St. Francis Indians and the Rawlins County Buffaloes each scored a decisive District 14 victory on Friday evening. St. Francis was a 62-19 winner over Syracuse and Rawlins County defeated Wichita County/Leoti by the score of 60-16. The Indians and Buffaloes are each 1-0 in District play.

On Friday night the Indians will meet Leoti in St. Francis (7:30 p.m.) and the Buffaloes will take

on Syracuse. The battle between the Indians and the Buffaloes will be held in St. Francis at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Having the next two games at home is exciting for the Indian fans as they watch the team work its way through District action.

St. Francis, Syracuse, Leoti and Rawlins County make up the teams in 2A District 14 and two of these teams will advance to post-season play when District action is completed.

"We're in good shape," Coach Tim Lambert said. "Maybe just a little rusty."

"We're confident we're going to be fine."

On Friday night in Syracuse, the Indians not only used extended drives to score, they also put points on the board with explosive break-away runs.

All of Syracuse's points came as the result of taking advantage of Indian miscues. The Bulldogs scored two touchdowns in the first

half of the game and they both came as a result of recovering St. Francis fumbles in good field position. Syracuse's final score, which came in the fourth quarter, also was initiated by an Indian fumble.

The Indians scored on the first play of the game and the final play of the night provide an evening of excitement for St. Francis fans.

The rushing yardage for the game was 442 yards for the Indians with Joel McAtee and Jordan Gienger both collecting over 100 yards for the game.

"We had some fumbles, some penalties, other than that the offense played well."

Syracuse and St. Francis went into the locker room at halftime with the Indians having a 31-12 advantage and they increased the margin to 56-12 after three.

St. Francis scored five of their touchdowns on runs of 20 yards or more. Good blocking was a contributing factor, giving the runner the opportunity for a breakaway.

In the first quarter, J. McAtee went 45 yards on the first play of the game, and shortly thereafter, Jordan Gienger scampered 59 yards for the second touchdown. Contributing conversion points for these two scores were an AJ McAtee to Levi Weedon pass and a Gienger kick. AJ McAtee has taken over the quarterback position for injured Ted Crabtree.

J. McAtee scored on a 24-yard run in the third quarter and Gienger on a 31-yard run in the same period with the final score by an offensive long-yardage run, a 45-yard sprint

by Trent Raile on the last play of the game.

A heads-up play that resulted in a touchdown was a 76-yard kickoff return by AJ McAtee in the second quarter. Adam Peter received a pass from AJ McAtee for the after-touchdown points.

Russell Rogers got the Indians fans on their feet when he recovered a Syracuse fumble in the third quarter and headed the 50-yards to the goal line.

Other scores by the Indians included 43-yard drive in the second quarter with David Guthmiller going in to pay dirt from 1-yard out. J. McAtee added two points on the after-touchdown rushing play.

A Weedon fumble recovery set in motion a series of plays that culminated in Guthmiller scoring from 8-yards out.

The game was not all offense though, as the Sainty shut down Syracuse, holding them to a total of 180 yards for the evening.

### Team stats

St. Francis listed first followed by Syracuse: first downs: 8/9; rushing yardage: 442/102; passing yardage 0/78; total offense: 442/180; fumbles lost: 3/3; penalties: 11 for 105 yards/2 for 10 yards.

### Individual stats

Rushing: J. McAtee, 110 yards on six attempts; Gienger, 108 yards on five attempts; AJ McAtee, 93 yards on 13 attempts; Raile, 75 yards on seven attempts; Guthmiller, 48 yards on 15 attempts; Drew Zwegardt, 8 yard on two attempts; Jesse Pacheco, 2 yards on one attempt; Talon Jones and Trent Kinen each had one at-

tempt. Passing: AJ McAtee, two extra point completions

Pass receiving: Peter, one extra point completion; Weedon, one extra point completion

Scoring: J. McAtee, 16, Gienger 14; Guthmiller 12, AJ McAtee 6, Rogers 6, T. Raile 6, Peter 2, Weedon 2.

Place kicking: Gienger, five extra-point attempts, two good.

Kickoffs: Weedon, eight for 489 yards, a 61.1-yard average; Gienger, one for 30 yards.

Kickoff returns: AJ McAtee, one for 76 yards, one touchdown; Raile, one for 20 yards.

Punt: Mac Frewen, one for 30 yards.

Punt returns: AJ McAtee, four for 96 yards, a 24-yard average; Kinen, one for 23 yards.

Fumble recoveries: Guthmiller, one; M. Frewen, one, Rogers, one.

Pass interceptions: Raile, one.

Tackles: J. McAtee 10; Weedon 10; Guthmiller 8; AJ McAtee 6, BJ Killingsworth 6, Rogers 6; Peter 4; Gienger 4; Keaton Frewen 4; M. Frewen 4; Pacheco 3; Justin Sherlock 3; Scott Ford 3; Brennon Wilger 2; Zwegardt 2; Nathan Ketzner 2; Raile 2; Brady Frewen 1; Josh Carpenter 1; Jones 1; Kinen 1; Tyler Larson 1.

### Area scores

Weekend scores involving Northwest Kansas League teams: St. Francis 62 Syracuse 19; Atwood 60, Leoti 12; Colby 27, Hugoton 6; Oakley 44, Quinter 6; Trego County/WaKeeney 26, Hoxie 0; Ulysses 75, Goodland 12, Phillipsburg 47, Oberlin 12.

## Junior High Volleyball

"We played great!" Coach Terri Orth said. The junior high A-team had defeated Colby in two games 25-9, 25-21, on Monday, Oct. 9, in a home volleyball match.

"The girls are ready to play the tournament in Atwood. If we play

like this next week, good things could happen!"

Scoring: game one: Sarah Trembly 13 points, 10 aces; Lexee Reichert, 9 points, four aces; Christina Hilt, Shayla Hilt and Jodie Hilt each had 1 point; game

two: Aubree Schlepp 10 points; Trembly, 5 points, 1 ace; C. Hilt, 4 points; Reichert, 4 points; S. Hilt and J. Hilt, 1 point each.

B-team results will be available next week.

## Junior Varsity Football

Keaton Frewen, Drew Zwegardt and Trent Raile each scored touchdowns for the Indian junior varsity football team against Quinter. The final score was St. Francis 26, Quinter 6.

"We moved the ball on offense and we stepped up and made plays

when we needed to," Coach Ted Busse said.

The pass was an integral part of the win as a 60-yard completion from Trent Kinen to Frewen resulted in the first score.

Zwegardt scored his touchdown on a 3-yard run while Raile had a

38-yard run and a 74-yard run to score twice. Jesse Pacheco had a two-point conversion run following the final touchdown.

"I was very pleased with the effort of the young Indians," Coach Brett Petersen said.

## Junior High Football

**By Betty Jean Winston**  
Colby shut out the St. Francis junior high football team on Monday night by a score of 14-0. The game was played in St. Francis, the final home game of the season.

"Colby came to town this week

with a pretty good football team," Coach Jeff Beims said. "I thought we played well defensively. We couldn't seem to get anything going on offense."

"Turnovers hurt us. I think what we really lacked though was ag-

gressiveness. We lost the battle for the line of scrimmage all night. We need to get tougher up front."

"It was a close game and when we really needed to make a play, we didn't and Colby did."

## C-Team Volleyball

**By Betty Jean Winston**  
Results of the final C-team volleyball action, which took place on Tuesday night, in Sharon Springs against Wallace County saw the team split their games. Scores in the win were 12-25, 25-20 and 18-16 and in the loss 23-25, 18-25.

"We finished the season by playing Wallace County twice, since

Triplains didn't have a C-Team," Coach Talley Morrow said.

"We were so excited to win the first match because we'd lost to Wallace County three times already.

"We missed seven serves in the match that we won, so that tells you we played really hard and well to make up for it. In the second match,

we didn't play quite as well, so we didn't come out on top.

"But in the end, I think everyone who is familiar with this team knows that they weren't expected to win a single match, and they exceeded those expectations with three wins over Goodland, Quinter, and Wallace County respectively."

## College Sports

### Volleyball

Ally Reichert, a 2006 St. Francis High School graduate, is playing volleyball for McCook Community College. McCook fell to Colby, Lamar, Colo., North Platte, Neb., and Casper Wyo., at the Northeastern Junior College Tournament held in Sterling, Colo.

### Football

Sterling College - Seth Swihart, Gabe Smull - Sterling College defeated Ottawa on Saturday by the score of 35-0. They are 4-1 in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference and 4-2 overall. Sterling will meet Bethany in Lindsborg for a conference game on Saturday.

Garden City Community College - Tanner Kinen - The Garden City BroncoBusters defeated Air Force Prep (Colo.) on Saturday by the score of 29-6. Their season record is 5-1 and they are 3-1 in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference. Garden City met Coffeyville next Saturday.



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