



At the Game

Four trackster head to Wichita

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Four Indians won the right to attend the 2A State Track Meet in Wichita on Friday and Saturday.

Going from St. Francis will be Matt Raile, Trent Raile, Alex Long and Garrett Figgins, all seniors, except Figgins, who is a junior.

In order to qualify for the 2A state meet, a trackster must finish in one of the top four positions in an event at a regional meet. St. Francis participated in the WaKeeney Regionals on Friday.

The four Indians will each be competing in individual events as no relay team qualified to advance.

Matt will compete in three events, the 100-meter dash, the 200-meter dash and the long jump. The preliminaries for the 100-meter dash will take place 9 a.m. on Saturday with the finals for those with the best times at 12:45 on Saturday. The preliminaries for the 200-meter dash are at 5:10 p.m. on Friday with the finals at 5:55 p.m. on Saturday. There are no prelims for the long jump and

the finals will be at 4:45 p.m. on Friday.

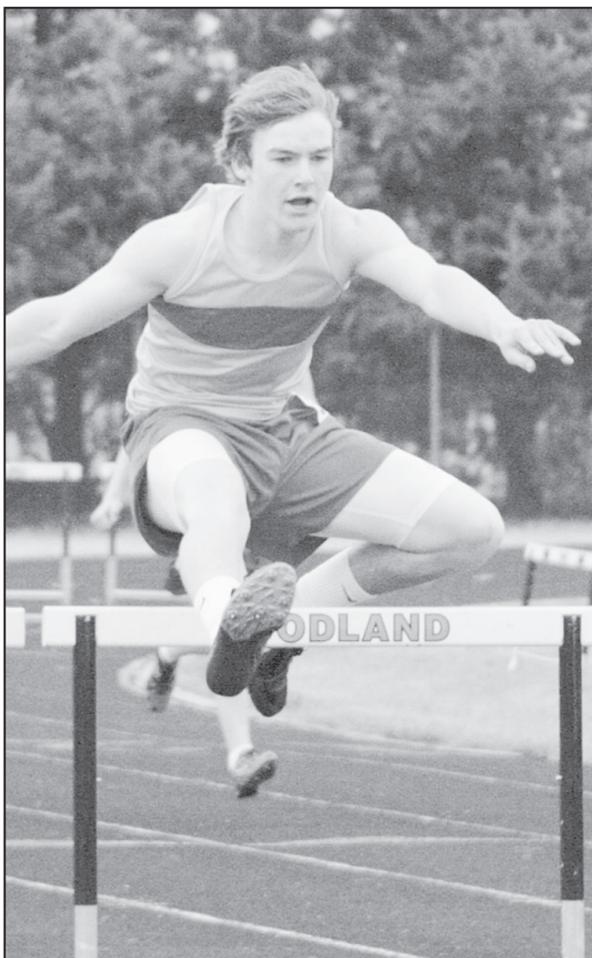
Trent will be running the 400-meter dash at state. He participates in the prelims at 3:40 p.m. on Friday with the top times advancing to the finals, which take place at 3:55 p.m. on Saturday.

Alex qualified in the javelin. This competition is at 8 a.m. on Saturday morning.

Garrett will be participating in both the 110-meter hurdles and the 300-meter hurdles. Both of these hurdle events have preliminaries. In the 110-meter competition the prelims are at 2:20 p.m. Friday with the finals at 9:50 a.m. on Saturday. The prelims for the 300-meter are at 4:25 p.m. on Friday with the finals at 4:40 p.m. on Saturday.

Cessna Stadium at Wichita State University is the site for Kansas State High School Activities Association State track events.

All classes of athletes (both boys and girls) from 6A to 1A schools will perform on the university's field.



ATHLETES FROM ST. FRANCIS attended the regional meet in WaKeeney on Friday. Above Ty Zweygart is pictured running the hurdles while Kaitlin Figgins is throwing the discus.

Herald photos courtesy of Kristi Guthmiller



St. Francis Indians attend track, field meet at WaKeeney regionals

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The Bennington High School girls won the WaKeeney 2A regional track meet held on Friday. They had a total of 85 points. In the boys division, Osborne and the Bennington High School tied for top honor with 89 points each.

The St. Francis boys placed fourth for the meet with 50 points while the Sainty girls had no placers in the top six positions.

The Indians will be taking four athletes to the state meet following the qualification regional competition. (See related article)

Only the top four placers in each event advance to the state competition which will be taking place on Friday and Saturday in Wichita.

Traveling to Wichita and partici-

pating in individual events will be Matt Raile, Trent Raile and Alex Long, all seniors, and Garrett Figgins, a junior.

Members of the Sainty squad who placed in the top six at WaKeeney but did not qualify for state also earned team points.

Boys

Team standings: Osborne 89, Bennington 89, Sacred Heart 61, St. Francis 50, Oakley 45, Plainville 34, Atwood/Rawlins County 33, Republic County 28, Hill City 25, Decatur Community/Oberlin 24, Ellis 22, Rock Hills 20, Stockton 12, Eli-Saline 12, Solomon 9, Trego County/WaKeeney 5.

Indians who earned team points: 100-meter dash: (4) Raile, 11.55.

200-meter dash: (3) M. Raile,

22.95.

400-meter dash: (3) T. Raile, 52.32.

110-meter hurdles: (2) Figgins, 16.39.

300-meter hurdles: (2) Figgins, 42.89.

4x100-meter relay: (5) St. Francis (Ty Zweygart, T. Raile, Drew Zweygart, M. Raile), 44.69.

High jump: (5) Isaac Schiltz, 5-08.00.

Pole vault: (5) Schiltz, 11-06.00.

Long jump: (2) M. Raile, 21-03.75.

Javelin: (4) Long, 156-10.

Other non-scoring Indian results show:

Marvin Miller, 1600-meter run: placed eighth.

Adam Guthmiller, placed 10th, 123-04.

Zach Gienger, 94-05.

Girls

Team standings: Bennington 85, Oakley 68, Trego County/WaKeeney 54, Rock Hills 51, Plainville 47, Decatur Community/Oberlin 41, Eli-Saline 38, Republic County 37.5, Hill City 32, Ellis 28, Osborne 27.5, Sacred Heart 22, Atwood/Rawlins County 19, Stockton 4, Solomon 4.

Although no Lady Indians earned team points the following tracksters participated in the events listed.

Mikaela Grace, 400-meter dash, placed seventh with 1:05.85; 100-meter hurdles, placed eighth with 18.24

Sarah Trembly, discus, placed seventh with 96-06.

Kaitlin Figgins, discus, placed 15th, 82-06.



MATT RAILE (22) was the leading rebounder for the Indians this year.

Herald photo courtesy of Susan May

Ball player signs to play at Colby

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Senior Matt Raile has signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Colby Community College now that his high school career is over.

This year, Matt finished the season by leading the Indians in total points scored, field goal percentage, rebounds, steals and assists.

"It is a great experience to be asked to play at Colby," he said. "I am going to have to work for everything, but if I work hard I will be getting to play."

The Colby program is in its second year for the current coaching staff and Matt said they are working hard to get where they want to be.

"I couldn't be more proud of a young man than I am of Matt," said Jeff Beims, Indian basketball coach. "He deserves all the recognition he is getting at this time of year, especially when it comes to his basketball accomplishments. We all look up to him (literally and figuratively). He loves the game that he has become so good at, and because of that he was willing to put the time in to excel at it. Younger guys who aspire to be what Matt is, should take a lesson from his work ethic. He didn't wake up one morning and realize suddenly that he was a basketball

player. He had to work at it, and deservedly so, his work will continue now in Colby."

Matt felt that he had stepped up his senior year as a leader and helped the Indians work as a team. I usually gave it all I had, he said.

One game Matt said, that stands out from his senior year was when they played Heartland Christian.

"It was a tough game, but in the fourth quarter we stepped up and won the game."

"To illustrate the type of young man we're talking about," said Coach Beims, "he has asked me two or three times about my camp this summer, as he wants to help with it. When I told the grade school kids he would be helping me this summer their eyes lit up. Matt wants to help; wants to give back and the younger kids couldn't have a better role model. I wish Matt nothing but the best at Colby and beyond, but I suspect he doesn't need my well wishes, as he will succeed at whatever path life takes him on."

Matt wishes to show his appreciation to his team members, coaches and staff and also to the community for the support. He concluded by mentioning everyone who showed up at substate in Hill City.

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Senior Terrence Lamb signed a letter of intent to wrestle for Pratt Community College at an athletic-signing program on Tuesday, May 18. The occasion was held in the St. Francis Community High School auditorium, where coaches, his parents and several students had gathered.

"I enjoy wrestling and don't want high school to be the end of my career," said Terrence. "I want to take it further and I want to accomplish more this year."

Mike Frewen, the high school head wrestling coach said, "Pratt will be getting a real good all-around student athlete."

During his senior year, Terrence led the Indians in most team points, most wins, most takedowns, most technical falls, most three-point near falls and most reversals.

At the regional tournament, he qualified for state and ended his high school career with a fourth-place finish in the 135-pound division. Terrence also qualified for state his junior year and was just one match away from placing.

"My best memory of high school was to place at state this year," he said. "It was exciting."

"Terrence knows the importance of hard work," Coach Frewen said. "It goes a long way in life."

Wrestler to compete at college level



TERRENCE LAMB led the Indian squad with the most wins.

Herald photo by Kristi Guthmiller

Terrence felt that one of his best contributions to the Indian wrestling program was to be successful and he wanted to help the program by winning his matches.

"People are interested in watching a successful program, and they want to support it. I also wanted to do my best as it encourages young kids to work harder."

"You always knew what you would get from Terrence as he consistently gave his best effort

in every match," Coach Frewen said.

The coach throughout the wrestling season had many good comments concerning Terrence's consistency.

"He was dependable, a good leader and a good example," he said.

Pratt Community College has selected assistant coach Jo Carroll to take over the wrestling program this year.

"This is Pratt's fifth year of wrestling (since they resumed

the program) and they keep getting better every year," Terrence said.

The Beaver's took seven wrestlers to nationals this year and had three All-Americans. The school belongs to the Jawhawk Conference and they had four wrestlers named all-conference this year.

"They have had All-American wrestlers every year," said Terrence, who is very happy to have been chosen to join the Pratt wrestling program.