

At the Game

Wrestlers attend dual in Sterling

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The Indian varsity wrestling squad attended the Sterling Invitational Dual Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 15, in Sterling, Colo.

St. Francis finished the day with a 2-3 record in dual action. They defeated Flemming and Akron and lost to Sterling, Merino and North Platte.

North Platte won the tournament with St. Francis placing fourth.

Vs Merino

In round one the Indians were defeated by Merino by the score of 45-18.

"We didn't wrestle very well," Coach Nathan Smith said. "I expect more out of our kids than what we showed in this dual."

103: Lane Hoffman lost by a 6-5 decision; 112: Casey Keller lost by a fall; 119: Austin White lost by a 12-0 decision; 125: Mikey Leibbrandt lost by a 3-2 decision; 130: Logan Lampe lost by a fall; 135: Austin Manners won by a fall; 140: Tyler Raby lost by a fall; 145: Queen lost by a fall; 152: Dylan Wolaver won by a fall; 160: open; 171: open; 189: St. Francis; 215: Merino open to Adam Guthmiller; 285: St. Francis open.

Vs Sterling

The Indians collected 35 points in this match but lost to Sterling by the score of 45-35.

"I thought we wrestled a lot

better in this dual," Coach Smith said. "Kids went out and executed what we've been working on in practice."

103: Sterling open; 112: Keller lost by a 10-8 decision; 119: White won by a fall; 125: Liebbrandt won by a fall; 130: Lampe unavailable; 135: Manners won by a fall; 140: Raby lost by a fall; 145: Queen lost by a fall; 152: Wolaver lost by a fall; 160: St. Francis open; 171: St. Francis open; 189: St. Francis open; 215: Guthmiller won by a 17-0 technical fall; 285: St. Francis open.

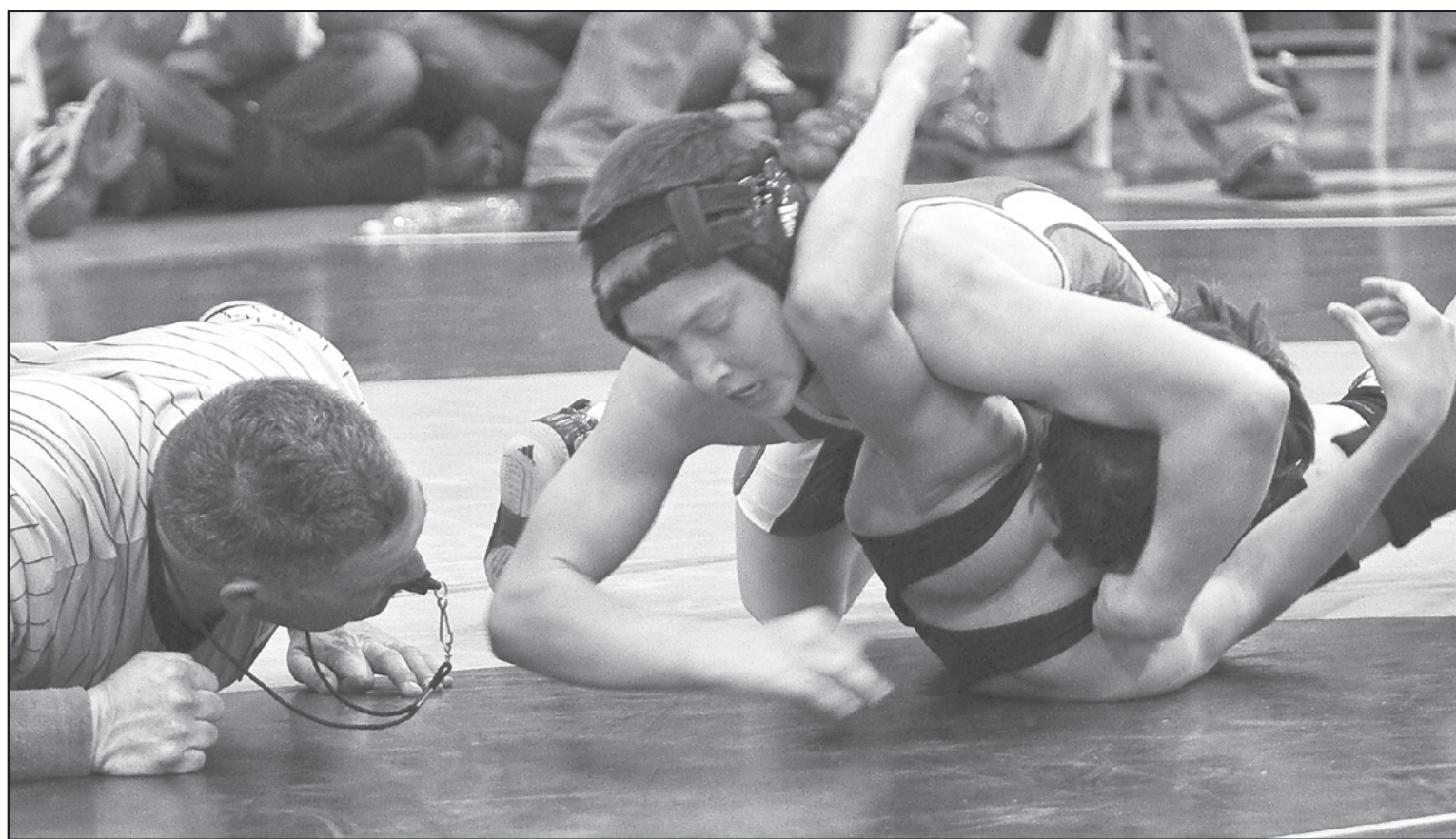
Vs Flemming

St. Francis had its first victory over Flemming in the third round. The final score was 54-22.

"This was a good dual to get our first dual win of the tournament," Coach Smith said. "We matched up number wise with Flemming better than the other teams."

103: Flemming open to Hoffman; 112: Keller won by forfeit; 119: White lost by a 9-0 decision; 125: Flemming open to Leibbrandt; 130: Lampe won by a 12-9 decision; 135: Manners won by a fall; 140: Raby and David Leibbrandt wrestled; 145: Queen won by a fall; 152: Flemming open to Wolaver; 160: St. Francis open; 171: St. Francis open; 189: open; 215: Guthmiller won by a fall; 285: St. Francis open.

Vs North Platte



LANE HOFFMAN, St. Francis Indian, almost has his opponent pinned in one of the recent tournaments.

Herald photo by Kristi Guthmiller

North Platte dominated St. Francis by the score of 63-18.

"North Platte is one of the better teams we've seen this year," Coach Smith said. "Lot of talent on their squad and they took advantage of our inexperience."

103: Hoffman won by a fall; 112: Keller lost by a 24-9 decision; 119: White lost by a 16-8 decision; 125: Leibbrandt

won by a fall; 130: Lampe lost by a fall; 135: Manners lost by a fall; 140: Raby lost by a fall; 145: Queen lost by a fall; 152: Wolaver lost by a fall; 160: St. Francis open; 171: St. Francis open; 189: St. Francis open; 215: Guthmiller won by a fall; 285: St. Francis open.

Vs Akron

In a close match, St. Francis was victorious over Akron by

the score of 42-39.

"We battled in this dual and beat a good team," Coach Smith said. 103: Hoffman won by a fall; 112: Akron open to Keller; 119: Akron open to White; 125: Leibbrandt won by a fall; 130: Lampe lost by a fall; 135: Manners won by forfeit; 140: Raby lost by a fall; 145: Queen won by forfeit; 152: Wolaver lost by a 9-3 decision; 160: St.

Francis open; 171: St. Francis open; 189: St. Francis open; 215: Guthmiller won by a fall; 285: St. Francis open.

Wrestling in St. Francis

Tonight (Thursday) the varsity squad will be in St. Francis for a Northwest Kansas League dual with Rawlins County. The next home match will be on Friday, Feb. 11, with Decatur Community.

Girls win two exciting games

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The season openers for the junior high girls basketball program were held on Thursday, Jan. 13. The games were very exciting for both the players and the fans as it took two overtimes to seal the win in the seventh grade game and one overtime for the victory in the eighth grade game.

Sainty took the seventh grade win over Decatur Community by a score of 27-25 and the eighth grade game ended up Sainty 25, Decatur Community 22.

Seventh grade

"We got off to a slow start in this game because our shots were not falling," Coach Ted Busse said. "The second half we turned up the heat defensively and the girls really played 'tough.'"

The score was tied at 18 after regulation time with Sainty scoring nine points in the two overtime period while Decatur had seven.

During the overtime McKenzie Taylor had a three pointer while Kayla Reed and Kylie Sherlock each had a field goal and Emily Elfers and Reed each had a free throw.

"We made a big shot at the end of the second overtime with no time on the clock to seal the win in an exciting game," Coach Busse said. "I was very proud of the girls efforts."

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Scoring: Taylor 14, Sherlock 6, Reed 3, Journey Lee 2, Elfers 2

Eighth grade

Six players scored between two and seven points in the eighth grade game so the scoring was distributed fairly evenly. Kyla Bandel had the seven points

"I hate to sound like a broken record, but we once again got off to a slow start in this game and we had to claw and scratch our way back," Coach Busse said.

Sainty scored two points in the first quarter and four in the second for a half time output of six points. Decatur Community had 16 points at half time so St. Francis had some work to do to catch up.

"In the second half we held Decatur Community scoreless in the third quarter and outscored them 19 - 6 and the overtime to earn a hard fought victory," Coach Busse said. "We stepped up and made a free throw and shot at the end to seal the victory. I was very pleased with our hustle in the second half."

Sainty scored four points to one by Decatur in the overtime. Sainty points were by McKayla Taylor and Mariah Beikman.

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Scoring: Bandel 7, Taylor 6, Echo Jones 4, Justice Wiley 4, Dallas Reed 2, Beikman 2.

Lady Indians lose to Oakley team

The junior varsity girls squad met the Oakley squad in recent basketball action. The final score saw Oakley earn a 47-22 victory.

"We played a very deep, talented Oakley team on Friday (Jan. 1)," coach David Morrow said. "Oakley has played a lot of good basketball over the last several years, and this year's junior varsity team is just a part of that tradition."

"At times, our ladies played very well."

Clarice Neitzel led all scorers with 11 points, including one three-pointer. Laura Brunk played her first minutes since Christmas break.

"Two things separate us from a team like Oakley: experience and ball skills, particularly shooting," Coach Morrow said. "If we were able to count on better shooting, we would be able to be in games like these and give ourselves a chance to win."

"On a brighter note, I thought our players worked very hard on the boards. Aly Schlepp had a great night rebounding. Seeing our younger players improve like they have is very encouraging."

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Scoring: Neitzel 11, Schlepp 7, Aubrey Mills, 2; Randee Grover, 2.



LUKE LAMPE is in control of his opponent at the kids tournament held in Atwood on Saturday.

Herald photo by Shawna Blanka

Young wrestlers competed

Eleven young St. Francis wrestlers went to the Atwood tournament on Saturday. There were about 180 wrestlers competing.

"Everyone did a good job including Preston Witzel who competed in his first tournament and pinned all his wrestlers to take first place," said Shawna Blanka, Kids Wrestling mom. "Others taking first place were Shadryon Blanka, Luke Lampe and Martin Beikman."

"We will be matching up some of our wrestlers with Atwood wrestlers this Thursday night. They will wrestle before the high school dual and after the junior high."

Complete results include:
6 and under: Brayden Kaup, 49 pounds, fourth place, record 1-3; Preston Witzel, 49 pounds, first place, record 4-0.

8 and under: Brody Kaup, 55 pounds, second place, record 2-1; Shadryon Blanka, 73 pounds, first

place, record 3-0; Jesse Baxter, 80 pounds, third place, record 2-2.

10 and under: Trenton Bartels, 61 pounds, second place, record 1-1; Cody Baxter, 76 pounds, fourth place, record 1-3; Luke Lampe, 110 pounds, first place, record 3-0; Kaleb Hays, 120 pounds, fourth place, record 0-3; Martin Beikman, 130 pounds, first place, record 2-1 and Trayton Doyle, heavyweight, second place, record 1-1.

Sainty Indians win against Idalia

St. Francis defeated the Idalia boys 57-49 in junior varsity action on Tuesday, Jan. 14, but on Friday night Sainty lost to Oakley 61-30.

Against the Idalia Wolves the Indians had a strong start and scored 18 points in the first quarter. As happens occasionally, the scoring in all quarters is not consistent and in this case Sainty scored five points in the second and allowed the Wolves to come back into the game.

Sainty hit again in the third and pulled away from Idalia for the win.

"It was another great outing by these young guys," Coach Tanner Kinen said. "I have been able to see improvement every time we play."

The boys have been very coachable and have been working hard, the coach said.

Nine players added to the total

of 57 points with Mason Schiltz having 21 including a trey and a number of free throws. Twelve of the team's points came from the free-throw line.

"It is good to get another win under our belts," Coach Kinen said.

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Scoring: Schiltz 21, Wyatt Landenberger 8, Keegan Sherlock 6, Martin Hnizdil 6, Dillion Straub 4, Erik Hart 4, Matt Tygart 3, Jacob Butler 2, Joey McCormick 2, Jacob Baxter 2.

Vs Oakley

In the Oakley game Coach Kinen said the Indians started the game flat and unfortunately were not able to over come it.

Oakley had Sainty down 23-7 after the first quarter and 33-18 at half time. The Plainsmen had a strong third quarter to increase



the distance between the two teams and scored the 61-30 victory.

"We played decent at times but horrible at other times," Coach Kinen said. "If these boys can figure out how to bring their 'A' game every night we will be a good basketball team."

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Scoring: Schiltz 12, Landenberger 7, Sherlock 6, Straub 3, Tygart 2.

Indians in Salina list

The Salina Journal listing of girls Area High School Basketball Leaders includes five Lady Indians. This list is from schools whose statistics are turned in to the Journal.

Scoring (average per game): (1) Chvatal, Atwood, 27.6 per game, total points 221; (41) Sarah Trembly, 9.1 per game, total points 82; (47) Kaitlin Figgins, 8.6 per game, total 77 points; (51) Jodie Hilt, 8.4 per game, total 76.

Rebounding (average per game): (1) Chvatal, Atwood, 17.3 per game, total 138; (19) Figgins, 6.6 per game, total 59.

Assist (average per game): (1) Huskey, Lincoln, 5.4 per game, total 38; (38) Trembly, 2.0 per game, total 18.

Steals (average per game): (1) Kresin, St. John's of Beloit//Tipton; 7.4, 52; (17) Trembly, 3.0, total 27; (24) Shayla Hilt, 2.7 per game, total 24.

Free throws (percentage of attempts): (1) Money, Hill City, 11/12, .917; (10) Trembly, 18/23, .782; (27) Figgins, 15/24, .625; (29) C. Hilt, 13/21, .619; (32) S. Hilt, 11/18, .611.

Three-pointers (percentage of attempts): (1) Keith, Hill City, 7/13, .538; (12) Trembly, 8/23, .348; (24) J. Hilt, 5/20, .250.