

# At the Game

## Ladies bring home a win

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The Lady Indians traveled to Weskan last Tuesday to compete in a triangular, losing to Weskan 20-25 and 14-25 but winning against Granada 25-11 and 25-23.

We are happy to have earned our second win, Coach Talley Morrow said. I'm proud of the way the girls are keeping their chins up this season.

When facing Weskan, Clarice Neitzel had seven serves, Lexi Hilt had six, Justice Wiley, Kaitlin Figgins and Jacquelyn Ketzner each had five and Laura Brunk had three. Kaitlin Figgins led hitting with 13 and had six kills, Clarice Neitzel had seven hits and two kills and Laura Brunk had two hits.

The team won against Granada. In this match, Kaitlin Figgins, Justice Wiley and Clarice Neitzel each made ten serves, Lexi Hilt had eight and Jacquelyn Ketzner and Laura Brunk had five apiece. Justice Wiley led hitting with 11 hits and three kills, Kaitlin Figgins had nine hits and four kills, Clarice Neitzel had eight hits and four kills, Laura Brunk had three hits and two kills, Trista Orth had two hits and Lexi Hilt had one.

**Chase County/Dundy County**

The volleyball team had matches in Chase County on Thursday, losing to Chase County 9-25 and 11-25 and Dundy County 18-25 and 21-25.

I know the wins aren't coming our way, but we will do our best no matter what the outcome, Coach Talley Morrow said.

Laura Brunk, Lexi Hilt, Clarice Neitzel and Justice Wiley all had four serves against Chase County, Kaitlin Figgins and Aly Schlepp both had two and Trista Orth had one. Justice Wiley led the hitting stats with nine, Kaitlin



**JUSTICE WILEY serves the ball in the Chase County vs Saintry game on Thursday.** Herald photo by Lezlie McCormick

Figgins led with 11 hits and five kills, Clarice Neitzel had nine hits and five kills, Justice Wiley had nine hits and two kills and Lexi Hilt and Laura Brunk each had one hit.

So many good things are happening on the court, Coach Morrow said. They just don't show up on the final scoreboard.

## Saintry team fights battle against Wray

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The Indians lost to the Eagles in Wray, Colorado. last Friday night by a score of 47-8.

Wray has a lot of athletes that are committed to the off-season training their coaches have set up and it showed up on the field Friday night, Coach Nathan Smith said. I thought they were bigger, faster and stronger than us at almost every position.

Saintry had first possession but were forced to punt and Wray quickly scored with a 61-yard pass. When the Indians regained possession, they were forced to punt again and Wray brought the score to 13-0 by the end of the first quarter. This pattern continued throughout the first half, Saintry's offense forced to punt and their defense unable to stop the Eagles.

A series of penalties on both sides of the ball kept Wray from scoring immediately in the second half, but they finally put the ball in the end zone, bringing the score to 44-0 and keeping the clock running continuously. A high snap to Saintry's punter put the Eagles on the Saintry seven yard line and they brought the score to 47-0.

The Indians were finally able to stop the Eagles and Mike Leibbrandt scored on a 63-yard run and Lane Hoffman ran in the two-point conversion, bringing the final score to 47-8.

Dylan Wolaver led the Indians rushing with 66 yards, Michael Leibbrandt had 63 rushing yards, four tackles and one touchdown, Cade Bracelin had 10 yards rushing, Thomas Douthit had eight yards rushing, Lane Hoffman had one two-point conversion and Zach Gienger had one tackle.

We have to outwork our opponents during the week because



**JONATHAN BUTHLER, 4, carries the ball for the St. Francis Indians in a recent game.** Herald photo by Kristi Guthmiller

we are not the most athletic team, Coach Smith said. But as teams in the past have shown, hard work and being physically and mentally

tough can go along way.

The Indians will travel to Oberlin on Friday to face the Decatur County Red Devils.

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