

Summer camp offered to players

The Indian boys and girls basketball programs are giving students entering seventh through 12th grade next year the opportunity to attend summer camp.

The Midwest Elite Basketball organization has accepted St. Francis' invitation to put on a three-day camp in St. Francis this summer. The camp will run from May 31 to June 2, with five hours of basketball instruction each day. The boys and girls camps will be run separately, but both will be at the high school with one in the morning and one in the afternoon/evening.

Midwest Elite is a collection of college coaches from Division II and III schools and junior colleges throughout the Midwest that travel to high schools to teach the fundamentals of the game. It is an opportunity to get instruction from experts without having to travel to Denver, Salina or Wichita, said Jeff Beims, St. Francis coach. The coaches from Midwest Elite will work closely with Coaches Beims and Susan Dinkel to make sure that what is being taught is in line with their philosophies right here in St. Francis.

"We think it's beneficial to players who spend months and years hearing us teach the same things over and over, to hear it from other coaches," said Coach Beims. "Especially coaches of this caliber."

If you're looking for a camp to get autographs or T-shirts, this camp is probably not for you, he said. You will learn the game from experts with years of experience, and come away with a better understanding of the game, and how you can become better at it.

Each student will receive an individualized "Player Evaluation" notebook at the end of camp, as well as a video jump shot analysis included in the price of the three day camp.

For about \$8 an hour, Coach Beims said, you're getting some top notch on-court instruction from a knowledgeable coaching staff. Another benefit for those looking to possibly play at the next level is that, as they are learning from them, they are learning about the player. These are coaches that are currently employed by colleges throughout the Midwest. As such, part of their job description is to scout talent for their teams. Players are getting a level of exposure that they can't get in very many places, and they never have to leave St. Francis.

Those interested in signing up should contact Coach Beims (boys) or Coach Dinkel (girls) for more information. To find out more about Midwest Elite Basketball, visit their web site at www.MidwestEliteBasketball.com.



I. Schiltz



Figgins



Neitzel



Keller



Gienger



M. Schiltz



Nelson



All league team athletes announced

Student-athletes have been named to the 2011-2012 St. Francis All League Basketball-Wrestling Academic Teams. To receive this award, an athlete must both letter in the sport, as well as have a grade point average of 3.7 or above.

Indians named to the All-League teams are:

Boys basketball: Isaac Schiltz and Mason Schiltz.

Girls basketball: Clarice Neitzel and Kaitlin Figgins.

Wrestling: Casey Keller, Zach

Gienger and Erik Nelson.

"Congratulations to Coach Jeff Beims, Coach Nathan Smith and Coach Susan Dinkel and your players for recognition of NWKL Academic All League Honors," said St. Francis Community High School

principal Scott Carmichael. "These students have achieved a high level that comes from hard work both in the classroom and in competition. I commend them all for their representation of St. Francis High School and their families."

High school tracksters start their season

Coach Devin Dinkel has released the names of the student athletes on the high school track roster. Twenty-one boys and sixteen girls comprise the St. Francis High School track team. Coach Dinkel is assisted by Kyle Buffington and Nathan Smith.

Members of the team include: Senior: Christina Schoenroge.

Juniors: Laura Brunk, Aubree Mills, Ally Northrup and Juliana Wendling.

Sophomores: Shelby Cassaw

and Aly Schelpp.

Freshmen: Kyla Bandel, Mariah Beikman, Aby Fernandez, Echo Jones, Ashlee Orth, Dallas Reed, McKayla Taylor, Justice Wiley and Valerie Wurm.

Seniors: Paul Nelson and Isaac Schiltz.

Juniors: Thomas Douthit, Zach Gienger, Gus Jardine, Casey Keller, Michael Leibbrandt, Steven Nelson, Tyler Raby and Kee-gan Sherlock.

Sophomores: Lane Hoffman, Logan Lampe, Wyatt Landen-

berger, Lenny Olivares, Derek Queen, Mason Schiltz and Scott Warren.

Freshmen: Cade Brace-lin, Jon Hoard, Matt Howell and Erik Nelson.

Isaac Schiltz went to state track in the high jump last year. He earned a three-way tie for third place with a high jump of 6.0 feet.

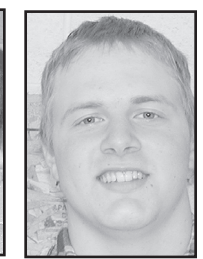
Mason Schiltz also went to state track last year and pole vaulted 11-6 feet to earn ninth place.



Figgins



Schiltz



Nelson

Book Review

Book review from the St. Francis Public Library

Eclipse

By Stephenie Meyer

"Bella?" Edward's soft voice came from behind me. I turned to see him spring lightly up the porch steps, his hair windblown from running. He pulled me into his arms at once, just like he had in the parking lot, and kissed me again.

This kiss frightened me. There was too much tension, too strong an edge to the way his lips crushed mine...like he was afraid we had only so much time left to us.

As Seattle is ravaged by a string

of mysterious killings and a malicious vampire continues her quest for revenge. Bella once again finds herself surrounded by danger. In the midst of it all, she is forced to choose between her love for Edward and her friendship with Jacob...knowing that her decision has the potential to ignite the age-less struggle between vampire and werewolf. With her graduation quickly approaching, Bella has one more decision to make: life or death. But which is which?

Mark your calendar, that's right it's time for the fifth High Plains Horseman's Day on Saturday, April 14, at the Logan County Fairgrounds in Oakley beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m.

This year, sessions include: Trends in Equine Health, Equine Issues and Legislative Update, and Introduction to Draft Horses and Driving with Darin Henry of Mountain Shadow Carriages at Windsor, Colo. Sessions are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Featured clinician for the Horseman's Day is Darin Henry. Mr. Henry is a Colorado native. He has had a fascination and love of horses all his life. He began working hands on with horses as a child. He has worked in the

hay and forage business for 20+ years and also has been driving and riding during this time. He has handled horses, large breeds being his specialty, in both a farm/ranch and commercial/competitive setting.

He currently owns a carriage company, driving and riding

school, and hay and forage company specializing in the unique needs of horses; all of which operates along the Front Range under the name Mountain Shadow Ranch. He loves to share his knowledge and love for the gentle giants of the draft horse class. Mr. Henry hopes that by sharing

his guys and gals and the knowledge he has that he will be able to help others appreciate and enjoy these gentle giants as well.

A free lunch will be provided. For more information contact the Thomas County Extension office at 785-460-4582 or online at www.thomas.ksu.edu.

Horseman's day set for April 14 in Oakley

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