

Athletes attend wrestling tourney

Six St. Francis wrestlers participated in the Midwest Classic National Tournament held Saturday and Sunday in Kearney, Neb. Trayton Doyle earned a second place finish in the 12 and under heavyweight division. There were over 1300 wrestlers representing a variety of states. In the 10 and under Shadryon Blanka, 90 pounds, lost by fall to Brayden Splater, Norfolk Junior; lost by a 0-2 decision to Robert Canseco, Mitchell Wrestling. In the 12 and under Tayton Weeter, 92 pounds won by 15-0 technical fall over Nicholas Hausman, Westside Wrestling; lost by fall to Avery McMeekin, Columbus Wrestling; lost a 4-7 decision to Rhett Dasher, MWC Wrestling. Trayton Doyle, heavyweight, won by fall over Jordan Hort, Gering; lost by fall to Jared Gasper, Bryan Youth Wrestling Club; won by fall over Dalton Kuhn, Western Kansas; won by fall over Lee Her-

ington, Kearney Mat Cats; won by 7-0 decision over Bryan McGahan, Hershey Wrestling Club, to place second. In the 15 and over division: Clay Cassaw, 130 pounds, lost by fall to Dylan Petersen, North Platte Wrestling; lost a 0-4 decision to Dustin Monroe, Milcolm Lowride. Garrett Brunk, 145 pounds, lost by fall to Jake Roberts, Milcolm Lowride; lost by fall to Walker Fisher, Ashland-Greenwood. Shakotah Blanka, 285 pounds, won by fall over Bailey Branson, Mitchell Wrestling Club; lost by 1-6 decision to Aron Reynaga, Madison; lost by fall to Gabe Ledesma, Kearney Mat Cats. The St. Francis athletes wrestled under the Western Kansas Team who had 76 participants in the tournament and brought home the team trophy scoring 738 points. There were over 300 teams.



TAYTON WEETER participated in the Midwest Classic National Tournament held over the weekend.

Herald photo by Shawna Blanka

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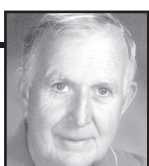
“Turn Around”

I don’t know what to say about this past week. Going into the week, we were hoping to have a tax and budget plan by Friday. This did not happen, as the House and Senate were not able to compromise on many key issues. It was very interesting to chair a conference committee for the first time. There are many procedural steps, and to learn the procedures plus working with the other house on bill content was very challenging. This past week, the House did

approve a bill allowing a veteran designation of Kansas driver’s licenses and non-driver identifications. Anyone who served in the military and left with an honorable discharge can choose to have “veteran” printed on their driver’s license by providing the correct documentation. In addition, the Department of Revenue will share the names and locations of veterans with the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs. The Commission will notify the veterans of facilities, benefits and services available.

There has been no move to change current laws to the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPRS). The House did vote and passed-out a measure that takes a big step forward in working to dig Kansas out of the \$9 billion short-fall in the retirement system. HB 2403 proposes to sell \$1.5 billion in Kansas bonds to invest in the system. What is pointed out is that we already have the liability side for the system, so this is not new debt for Kansas. What it does do is take advantage of the state’s ability to borrow money at low-interest rates and use that money to attempt to yield a higher rate of return in other investments. In this case, this effort is about 10 percent of the portfolio. The thought is that interest cannot go much lower, so

By Ward Cassidy
120th State Representative



this is a low-risk way to earn returns that take advantage of current circumstances. I return to the capitol for Omnibus on April 28 and 29 for appropriations meetings. We will adjust the budget recommendations, in the House, on bills passed so far this year that have fiscal notes adding cost to the State General Fund (SGF). I am writing this in the House chamber. We have been debating since 10 o’clock this morning and it would appear we have many more hours to go. Next week I will discuss the important bills that passed both Houses by the end of the evening.

Interesting Facts

- Americans routinely use about 10,000 words, but can generally recognize between 30,000 and 40,000.
- More than 40 percent of the water used in the United States is used for irrigation.
- When the Krakatoa volcano erupted in Indonesia in 1883, the sound was heard 3,000 miles away.
- The unit of electric measurement called the “volt” is named for the Italian scientist Alessandro Volta.
- With an estimated 250,000 species, flowering plants are the most numerous plants on earth.

- The African elephant’s ears, which can grow as large as four feet across, are the largest of all animals.
- The smallest of all birds is the bee hummingbird, which is only two inches long.

Team competes at invitational

By Kent Kechter

It was a cool day for track, with temperatures in the 30’s and 40’s, but the high school track season opened at the Dundy County Stratton Invitational on Tuesday, April 2. Athletes from St. Francis Community High School competed well earning a third place finish in both the girls and boys divisions. St. Francis was the only Kansas team competing in the meet.

Schools participating in the 10-team competition included: Arapahoe, Cambridge, Dundy County Stratton, Hayes Center, Hitchcock County, Maywood, Medicine Valley, Southwest Public, St. Francis, and Wauneta - Palisade.

St. Francis had two individual champions, both in the pole vault. Junior Mason Schiltz cleared 12-0 to win the mens competition. Sophomore Dallas Reed won the womens’ pole vault, clearing 8-6.

The Lady Indians scored 78 points to tie for third place with Arapahoe. Dundy County Stratton won the girls division with 145 team points. Southwest Public was second with 115 points. Other girls team placings were: fifth, Cambridge 76, sixth, Wauneta-Palisade 51, seventh, Maywood 37, eighth, Medicine Valley 35, ninth, Hitchcock County 25, and 10th - Hayes Center 7.

Lady Indians scoring in the track meet include:

Emily Elfers - fifth in 300 meter hurdles (55.30); sixth in 100 meter hurdles (18.30)

CarolEve Harris - eighth in 200 meters (30.70)

Journey Lee - seventh in pole vault (7-0)

Ally Northrup - sixth in triple jump (28-1)

Dallas Reed - first in pole vault (8-6); eighth in long jump (13-5 1/2)

Aly Schlepp - sixth in 800 meters (3:01.40)

McKayla Taylor - fourth in triple jump (30-3 1/2); seventh in 100 meter hurdles (18.70); eighth in 100 meters (14.50)

McKenzie Taylor -fourth in 100 meter hurdles (17.80); fourth in 100 meters (14.00); fourth in 200 meters (29.60)

Valerie Wurm - second in 100 meters (13.50); third in 200 meters (29.10)

4x100 meter relay - fourth (56.90) Valerie Wurm, Emily Elfers, McKayla Taylor, and McKenzie Taylor

4x400 meter relay - sixth

(4:46.80) Emily Elfers, Aly Schlepp, Justice Wiley, and Kylie Sherlock

4x800 meter relay - third (11:44.00) Aly Schlepp, Justice Wiley, Kylie Sherlock, and Journey Lee

The St. Francis boys earned a third place finish scoring 101 team points. Cambridge easily out-distanced all other boys teams with 183.5 points. Dundy County Stratton edged the Indians for second place scoring 104 points. Other team placings in the mens division were: fourth - Medicine Valley 74, fifth - Wauneta - Palisade 60, sixth - Hitchcock County 40, seventh - Arapahoe 34, eighth - Maywood 25, ninth - Hayes Center 21, and Southwest Public 16.5.

Indians scoring in the track meet include:

Cade Bracelin - third in long jump (18-6)

Gaten Cooper - eighth in triple jump (35-2 1/2)

Thomas Douthit - seventh in 200 meters (24.60)

Zach Gienger - second in discus (118-10)

Casey Keller - second in high jump (5-6)

Logan Lampe - second in 100 meters (11.60); fifth in 200 meters (24.10)

Michael Leibbrandt - third in 100 meters (11.80); eighth in 200 meters (24.70)

Steven Nelson - third in 110 meter hurdles (17.23); third in 300 meter hurdles (45.10)

Derek Queen - third in 400 meters (54.00); fourth in 100 meters (11.90)

Mason Schiltz - first in pole vault (12-0); fifth in triple jump (37-4 3/4)

4x100 meter relay - second (46.20) Logan Lampe, Derek Queen, Thomas Douthit, and Michael Leibbrandt

4x400 meter relay - third (3:51.50) Logan Lampe, Derek Queen, Michael Leibbrandt, and Mason Schiltz

4x800 meter relay - third (10:11.30) Clay Cassaw, Justin Pacheco, Francisco Fernandez, and Garrett Brunk

The track teams competed in the 9-10 Track Meet in Goodland on Monday, April 8 and the Triplains Invitational in Colby on Tuesday, April 9 (postponed). On Friday, April 12, the teams will be competing in the Hoxie Invitational.

Youth camp to be held in Kingman County

The Kansas Section of the Society for Range Management will be hosting Range Youth Camp June 25 through 28. This year’s camp will be held at Camp Mennosciah in Kingman County. The camp provides an opportunity for high school aged students to learn about the rangeland ecosystems, wildlife, plants, and range management practices. The camp is open to interested high school students beginning their sophomore, junior, or senior year in the fall of 2013.

Campers will learn how to be good stewards of Kansas rangelands. They will start by learning about the soils, native grasses, and wildflowers. Then they will learn about the importance of grass-

lands to livestock, wildlife, and people. Their experience will be put to use by solving a real life range problem.

Those in attendance will sharpen their plant identification skills. They will also be able to participate in the camp’s leadership course, a range tour, and a steak dinner. This is a good opportunity to learn about Kansas rangelands, to learn the skills of a range manager, and to make contacts with others from across the state.

For more information, visit the website at ks.rangelands.org/rc/youthcamp.htm or contact Dusty Tacha at 620-669-8161 or <mailto:dusty.tacha@ks.usda.gov>.

The registration deadline for this camp is April 26.

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Allison Grice

I will be attending Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland majoring in Computer Graphic Design.

Allison – You have filled our hearts with your bright smiles and laughs. I am proud of you and I know that your dad would be proud of his “little squirt” too. Believe in your self and all your dreams will come true. Love, Mom and Dad (“Your Guardian Angel”)



Parents: Tammy Grice and the late Gary Grice

For more details, contact Tim Burr at the Saint Francis Herald at 785-332-3162

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Many more items too numerous to mention.

Lunch will be served.

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