

# The Saint Francis Herald

## At the Game



THE INDIANS FINISHED THEIR season with a 12-8 winning record. JD Adam Peter are in the background waiting to see if there is a rebound opportunity. Photo courtesy of Doug Ross.

## Substate loss ends season for St. Francis

**By Betty Jean Winston**  
Quinter defeated St. Francis 74-49 in the final game of the season, round one of the Hoxie Substate. The loss moved Quinter into the semi-finals and the Indians out of the running for the 2A state title. When the final substate game was played on Saturday evening, Trego, one of the eight teams in the Hoxie Substate, won the right to advance to the State tournament. On Tuesday night, as had happened in February, the Bulldogs

used the long shot to their advantage, helping them to advance in the playoffs. “Quinter shot 76 percent from the three-point line making 13-of-17,” Coach Ward Cassidy said. “Tyler Reed scored 37 points against us with nine three pointers, many of his shots we had a hand in his face and he still would knock it down.” Sainty was only down seven points at half time but the third quarter proved to tell the story.

When Quinter scored 23 points and the Indians 10 the Bulldog lead grew to 20 points and the Indians could not put together a comeback. Joel McAtee scored 14 points for the Indians while AJ McAtee added 12. Joel was 1-of-1 from three-point range, 5-of-7 from the field and 1-of-3 from the line while AJ was 6-of-10 from two-point range for his total of 12. Sainty was allowed only three attempts from the free-throw line

the entire evening. “All of our guys played hard,” Coach Cassidy said. “They played us man-to-man in the first quarter and we scored 19 points. The rest of the game they played zone and our scoring slowed down.” Sainty matched Quinter in rebounds by actually having 26 to their 21. Eleven of Sainty’s were offensive and 15 defensive. Sainty also collected 10 deflections with J. McAtee having four. “We had a good season and had

some big wins,” Coach Cassidy said. “I hope they come back next season better shooters and with a desire to do even better.”  
SF 19 11 10 09 49  
Q 25 12 23 14 74  
Scoring: J. McAtee 14, AJ McAtee 12, JD Hawkins 6, Adam Peter 6, Levi Weeden 5, Ted Crabtree 4, Nathan Ketzner 2  
Rebounding: J. McAtee 7, Peter 6, AJ McAtee 4, Weeden 4, Crabtree 3, Mac Frewen 2.

## Wrestlers finish campaign with third place finish at State

**By Betty Jean Winston**  
The Oberlin 3-2-1A Regional Tournament and the State Tournament in Hays ended the season for the Sainty wrestlers after completing three months of intense practices and many duals and tournaments. As a result of their skill development, eight Sainty mat men qualified at Regionals to advance to State, with the hopes being named a champion or at least finishing in the top six. Five of the State qualifiers earned medals the weekend of Feb. 24-25 with Trevor Richard, 119 pounds; Dylan Loyd, 135 pounds; Gabe Smull at 160 pounds and Brennon Wilger at 275 pounds leading the way by placing second. Jordan Gienger, at 145 pounds, received a third-place medal. Also attending State were Gavin Smull at 125 pounds, Justin Sherlock at 140 pounds and Russell Rogers at 171 pounds. Seniors Richard, Loyd and Gabe Smull have qualified to attend the High School Senior Nationals in Pittsburgh, Pa., on March 24 through March 26. To qualify, the wrestler must have placed either first or second at State during one of four years in high school. Richard has placed second at State three times, Loyd, twice and Smull, once. Results from the year show the Indians won non-league duals over Brush, Colo., and Manitou Springs, Colo., at the Brush double dual, Mesa Ridge, Colo., Gunnison, Colo., Platte Valley, Colo., and Fossil Ridge, Colo., at the Brush Invitational dual tournament and then Bennett, Colo., Sterling, Colo., Eaton, Colo., and North Platte,

Neb., at the Sterling dual tournament. In Northwest Kansas League action St. Francis ended the season 3-3. Falling to the Indians were Hoxie, Oakley and Rawlins County while Colby, Oberlin and Goodland were victorious. Sainty won championships in two tournaments, the Sterling Dual Tournament and the Prairie Classic. They placed fourth at the St. Francis Invitational, second at the Wray Invitational, third at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament, second at Regionals and third at State. Wrestlers earning championships at one or more tournaments include Richard, Sherlock, Loyd, Gienger, Matt Brown, Rogers and Wilger. Two new school records were set during the 2005-06 season: Richard set a new record with 80 career falls and Loyd set a record with 19 career technical falls. Five seniors have finished their high school wrestling career: Richard, Loyd, Brown, Gabe Smull and Tal Earl. Other wrestlers who competed on the varsity squad at some time during the year included Jeremy Meyer, Josh Carpenter, Gavin Smull, Jesse Pacheco, Sherlock, Gienger, Scott Ford, Brown, Tyler Miller, Trevor Hilt, Rogers, Sam Sowers, Zach Mills, David Guthmiller and Shawn Warren. Returning to the team next year will be several wrestlers who have State experience including Gavin Smull, Sherlock, Gienger, Rogers and Wilger. Gienger, Rogers and Wilger are juniors while Smull and Sherlock are sophomores.

Following is a wrapup of the statistics from all varsity matches during the 2005-06 season. Some of the wrestlers listed also competed in a number of junior varsity or exhibition matches but the statistics listed below apply only to varsity matches. **Team record** The following team statistics were recorded this year. The first number listed belongs to St. Francis while the second number was recorded by their opponents: takedowns: 600-308; escapes 166-309; reversals 165-185; near falls 257-151; major decisions 28-17; technical falls 14-06; falls 167-100; Sainty had 300 wins and 172 losses. **Top five wrestlers** Takedowns: Richard 126; Loyd 112; Gienger 61; Wilger 60; Sherlock 45. Escapes: Gabe Smull 22, Guthmiller 20, Brown 19, Gavin Smull 19, Rogers 17. Reversals: Sherlock 25, Carpenter 20, Gavin Smull 19, Brown 14, Pacheco 13. Near falls: Sherlock 36, Rogers 32, Gavin Smull 30, Gienger 29, Brown 28. Wins: Loyd 34, Wilger 34, Sherlock 31, Gienger 31, Richard 30. Fewest losses (20 or more matches): Wilger 1, Loyd 3, Richard 4, Gabe Smull 6, Gienger 6. Major decisions: Gienger 6, Loyd 4, Rogers 3, Carpenter, Richard, Gavin Smull, Sherlock, Brown, Guthmiller, 2 each. Technical falls: Gavin Smull 4, Loyd 3, Brown 3, Carpenter, Richard, Sherlock, Gabe Smull,

Rogers and Wilger, 1 each. Falls: Richard 23, Sherlock 19, Loyd 18, Wilger 18, Gienger 14, Gabe Smull 14. **T o t a l** points: Loyd 183, Wilger 179, Richard 173, Sherlock 157, Gienger 141. **Complete stats** Where two numbers are listed such as falls 10-2, it means that the Sainty wrestler pinned 10 of his opponents, while he was pinned twice. J. Meyer: takedowns 4; escapes 2; reversals 2; near falls 4; record 6-11; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 1-10; points 36. Carpenter: takedowns 21; escapes 4; reversals 20; near falls 20; record 13-18; major decisions 2-1; technical falls 1-0; falls 7-15; 74 points. Richard: takedowns 126; escapes 2; reversals 5; near falls 14; record 30-4; major decisions 2-2; technical falls 1-0; falls 23-1; points 173. Gavin Smull: takedowns 27; escapes 19; reversals 19; near falls 30; record 25-17; major decisions 2-3; technical falls 4-0; falls 7-4; points 115. Pacheco: takedowns 7; escapes 4; reversals 13; near falls 7; record 8-19; major decisions 0-2; technical falls 0-1; falls 6-14; points 48. Loyd: takedowns 112; escapes 6; reversals 10; near falls 32; record 27-8; major decisions 3-0; technical falls 1-0; falls 13-1; points 183. Sherlock: takedowns 45; es-



Brown



Earl



Loyd



Richard



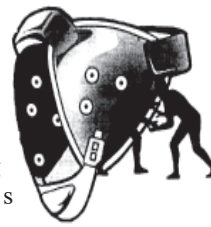
Smull

capas 8; reversals 25; near falls 36; record 31-10; major decisions 2-2; technical falls 1-0; falls 19-6; points 157. Gienger: takedowns 61; escapes 13; reversals 1; near falls 29; record 31-6; major decisions 6-2; technical falls 0-0; falls 14-0; points 141. Ford: takedowns 4; escapes 3; reversals 3; near falls 4; record 3-6; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 2-2; points 15. Brown: takedowns 37; escapes 19; reversals 14; near falls 28; record 22-14; major decisions 2-2; technical falls 3-2; falls 11-5; points 107. Miller: takedowns 2; escapes 4; reversals 3; near falls 4; record 3-5; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 3-5; points 18. Hilt: takedowns 9; escapes 6; reversals 5; near falls 5; record 7-11; major decisions 0-2; technical falls 0-1; falls 6-8; points 39. Gabe Smull: takedowns 39; escapes 22; reversals 8; near falls 13; record 23-6; major decisions 0-2; technical falls 1-0; falls 14-1; points 116. Rogers: takedowns 42; escapes 17; reversals 8; near falls 32; record 27-8; major decisions 3-0; technical falls 1-0; falls 13-0; points 128.

Sowers: takedowns 8; escapes 0; reversals 4; near falls 5; record 6-3; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 6-2; points 36. Mills: takedowns 2; escapes 1; reversals 3; near falls 0; record 0-8; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 0-8; points 0. Guthmiller: takedowns 20; escapes 20; reversals 10; near falls 12; record 14-17; major decisions 2-1; technical falls 0-0; falls 10-15; points 72. Earl: takedowns 0; escapes 1; reversals 4; near falls 7; record 4-7; major decisions 1-0; technical falls 0-0; falls 1-5; points 22. Warren: takedowns 2; escapes 9; reversals 1; near falls 5; record 4-14; major decisions 1-1; technical falls 0-1; falls 0-11; points 16. Wilger: takedowns 60; escapes 13; reversals 8; near falls 8; record 34-1; major decisions 1-0; technical falls 1-0; falls 18-1; points 179. **Letter winners** Seniors: Richard, Loyd, Brown, Smull, Earl Juniors: Gienger, Mills, Rogers, Wilger Sophomores: Carpenter, Gavin Smull, Sherlock, Guthmiller Freshmen: J. Meyer, David Meyer, Pacheco, Ford, Miller, Hilt, Sowers, Warren Mat Maids: Miranda Teeters, Sarah Guthmiller, Taryn Richard

## Youth attend several tournaments

Several St. Francis youth have been attending area kids wrestling tournaments recently.



The season is winding down with sub-district action taking place at Phillipsburg this week. District will be in Goodland the following weekend and then State. • On Saturday, Feb. 25, six wrestlers attended a tournament in Imperial, Neb. Results include: 6-and-under: Luke Lampe, first; 8-and-under: Derek Vandike, fourth; 10-and-under: Logan Lampe, first; Casey Vandike, second; Lane Hoffman, second; Thomas Douthit, fourth. • Shakotah Blanka went to the tournament in Scott City and placed first in the 8-and-under 130 pound division. • Eight wrestlers from St. Francis went to hays for the Western Kansas Classic tournament held at Gross memorial Coliseum on Saturday, March 4. There were over 800 wrestlers in the tournament.

Three kids brought home first place, Shakotah Blanka at 125 pounds in 8-and-under; Trevor Reed at 130 pounds in 12-and-under and Adam Guthmiller, 150 pounds at 12-and-under. 10-and-under: Lane Hoffman and Chase Krien participated. 12-and-under: Casey Keller participated. 14-and-under: Darris Keller at 100 pounds placed second 16-and-under: David Guthmiller at 185 pounds placed third.