

# Good show at state golf

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 Norton Community High School senior Preston Herman graduated on Sunday and completed an outstanding prep golf career on Monday with a great performance in the Class 3A State Golf Tournament on the Municipal Golf Course in Salina.

The only member of the Blue Jay team to qualify during regional play, Herman shot a 45-37-82 to just miss medalist honors by two strokes.

"I am very proud of Preston Herman's effort today," said Norton golf coach David Stover. "After struggling with his short game during his front nine, Preston battled back with an excellent

back nine. Unfortunately, the comeback came up two strokes short of earning individual medalist honors.

"Although he came up just short of being a medalist, I was very pleased with his round, especially the way he continued to compete and fight through adversity to finish strong in closing out his high school golf career."

All season, coach Stover had been talking about the high quality of the Phillipsburg and Trego Community teams and it showed in the state tournaments.

The Panthers, who were the Mid-Continent League tournament champions, tied with two-time defending champion Wichita Collegiate for the Class 3A team

championship but took second based on the tiebreaker, which was their fifth golfer's score.

Also on Monday, Mid-Continent League tournament runner-up Trego won the Class 2A championship in the state tournament in Garden City where the Golden Eagles' Eric Cunningham placed fourth with a 78 and teammate Nolan Smith fifth with a 79.

Trego was two strokes better as a team than Pittsburg Colgan.

At Salina, Wichita Collegiate and Phillipsburg each scored a 319, followed by Marion, 325; Kansas City Christian, 334; Jayhawk-Linn, 335; Wichita Independent, 335; Lakin, 338; Atchison-Maur Hill, 341; Hillsboro, 343; Caney Valley, 347; Beloit, 365; Council Grove, 425.

Phillipsburg's Jeff Jarvis was low medalist, as he has been in every tournament but one this season.

Jarvis shot an even-par 70 to give him a decisive four-stroke victory over Collegiate's Andrew Foulston, who shot a 74 and Hillsboro's Daniel Kunaetaev, who also carded a 74. Next medalist was Gary Roberts, Belleville, 76; followed by Markus Hilger, Garden Plain, 76; Bryce Rowe, Baxter Springs, 76; Craig Howell, Wichita Collegiate, 76; Trace McDiffett, Rossville, 77; Luke Gordon, Marion, 77; Chad Purdy, Jayhawk-Linn, 77; Brent Arnold, Maur Hill, 78; Michael Thies, Caney Valley, 78; Alden Slack, Wichita Trinity, 78; Chris McKinney, Sacred Heart, 78; Jake Bredemeier, Marion, 79; Jerry Chase, Sabetha, 79; Matt Pestinger, Beloit, 80; Chris Ramos, Lakin, 80; Keith Jones, Marion, 80; Greg Heunercard, Wichita Trinity, 80.

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Norton junior Karajo Jones, right, and Lady Jay sophomore Hannah Waggoner, got a nearly perfect handoff for the final leg of the 4 x 100 meter relay at the Class 3A Regional in Lakin last Friday. Jones, Waggoner, senior Courtney LeClar and sophomore Raven Brown were timed in a new school record of 51.69 and placed second to qualify for this weekend's state meet in Wichita.

— Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

## Fort Hays seeks two coaches

Fort Hays State University is on a coaching hunt — to fill two slots.

Mark Pahls, who has served as associate athletic director for six years, has accepted a new post as Vice-President for Institutional Advancement at Thomas More Prep-Marian High School, effective July 1. He has a doctorate from the University of Kansas and earned his bachelor's and Master's from Fort Hays State

University.

Cody Bickley, head wrestling coach at Fort Hays State for the past eight years, will leave that position to replace Pahls as associate athletic director.

The university is also seeking a replacement for Annette Wiles, women's head basketball coach, who resigned after 12 years to become head coach of the women's program at the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

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