

Logan Trojans competed in State Track Meet

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Logan High School girls and boys track and field athletes competed in the Kansas State Track & Field Meet on Friday and Saturday at Cessna Stadium in Wichita and had some good performances despite not placing high in the team races.

The Trojan boys tied for 20th with South Gray and Caldwell with 10 points and the Lady Trojans finished 32nd with five points.
Logan senior Brady Tien won the gold medal in the pole vault by clearing 14’6” to tie a season’s best and came close to clearing 15’ in three tries. The runner-up vaulter cleared 13’6”.
Junior Tracy Archer tied for ninth with a 12’ clearance and senior Charlie Becker vaulted 11’ for an 11th place finish.
“It was pretty neat that we were able to qualify all three of our boys pole vaulters for the state

meet this year,” said Logan track coach Chris Graham.
“Tracy and Charlie didn’t vault as well as they had hoped but the experience was a good one. Brady did what he’s done most of the year. He’s been a consistent vaulter throughout his career. His attempts at 15’ were pretty close.”
Tien also teamed with senior Jordan Girard, Archer and freshman Brett Pinkerton in the 4 x 400 meter relay. They finished sixth in the preliminaries with a time of 3:40.31. Sharon Springs placed just ahead of them in fifth to qualify for the finals, where they also placed fifth.
“Our boys ran all right,” said coach Graham. “Their time was three seconds off their season best that they ran at the regional meet but they gave a great effort and have had a good season. Brady and Jordan have been big parts of that relay this year and they’ll be missed.”

Girard also competed in the long jump and leaped 19’11.75” for eighth best.
“Jordan was coming off a personal best at regional of 20’4.5” and was a little frustrated with how he jumped,” said coach Graham. “He had his 19’17.5” jump on his first attempt and wasn’t able to improve on it. He has come a long way in the two years he’s been jumping.”
Lady Trojan junior Caley Greving qualified for the state meet in two individual events and a relay. She medaled with a seventh place finish in the shot put after heaving the iron ball a personal best distance of 35’5”. Caley also had the 13th farthest javelin throw at 106’7”.
“It was nice to see Caley get a personal best in the shot put,” said coach Graham.
“She’s a great competitor and we were so happy to see her get up on the medal stand after a couple of disappointing state meets the

last two years.
“Caley’s javelin didn’t go as well as she would have liked. Her winning throw at the regional meet was an inch off the school record. We thought she’d have a chance to break it this week but didn’t get off a good throw.”
The best performance by the Lady Trojans came in the 4 x 100 meter relay where they finished fourth in 52.41. They were one hundredths of a second behind the third place team and one-half second out of first!
Running on the foursome were Greving, freshman Michaela Girard and juniors Paige Buss and Alethea Bennett.
“This relay had a good weekend,” said coach Graham. “In Friday’s preliminaries, they ran well but had three iffy handoffs. They qualified seventh to the finals on Saturday but we knew they could run faster. On Saturday, all four girls ran great legs and had good handoffs. They had a season-best

time of 52.41, almost a third of a second faster than the week before, which was only .01 off third and .09 of a second from second place.
“They were so proud to get on the podium this year.”
Lady Trojan junior Hannah Pinkerton qualified for the state meet in three events. She placed tenth in the pole vault with a clearance of 7’6”.
“Hannah had an okay day in the pole vault,” said coach Graham. “She’s gone 8’ several times this year and had a couple of pretty good attempts at it but it would have taken a big personal record to place her this year.
“Hannah’s come along in this event and should have another good season next year.”
Pinkerton also competed in the 1600 meter run and 800 meter run. She was timed in 5:44.48 in the 1600 meter run, where she was less than a second out of seventh and placed ninth.

In the 800 meter run, she finished 14th with a clocking of 2:36.37.
“Hannah was a little disappointed in how she ran,” said coach Graham. “She was off her best times in both events but gave gutsy performances in both.”
Michaela Girard also competed in the long jump, where she finished seventh in her flight and 14th overall with a leap of 15’.
“Michaela jumped about as well as she had all year,” said coach Graham.
“She fouled on what looked like a pretty good jump on her first attempt, then had a 14’10” jump and a 15’ jump on her last attempt.
“She’s a pretty explosive athlete and we just need to keep working on her form. She didn’t jump for most of the year so getting to the state meet was a big accomplishment and gives her something to shoot for next year.”



Logan senior Brady Tien easily cleared all heights in the Class 1A division of the pole vault in the Kansas State Track Meet in Wichita last weekend until all other competitors were eliminated and the bar was raised to 15’. He just missed that height in three tries so settled for tying his season’s best at 14’6”, which was a foot higher than the runner-up! Brady also won the gold medal his sophomore season and tied for third last season. - Telegram photo by Dick Boyd



Logan junior Caley Greving, right, passed the baton to Lady Trojan junior Alethea Bennett for the anchor leg of the Class 1A 4 x 100 meter relay in the Kansas State Track Meet held last weekend in Wichita. The foursome of Greving, Bennett, junior Paige Buss and freshman Michaela Girard placed fourth with a season best time of 52.41. They were .01 of a second out of third and .09 of a second from runner-up in the race! - Telegram photo by Dick Boyd

Nine Norton athletes to play in the Friendship Bowl in Topeka

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Nine Norton Community High School senior football players have been chosen to play in the second annual Friendship Bowl this Saturday, June 4 in Hummer Park in Topeka.
The game will be sponsored by the U.S. Army and the Neighborhood Academic & Athletic

Association.
The game will begin at 6 p.m. and the Norton and other area players will play for the South Team versus a North Team of all-stars.
Chosen from Norton are Caleb Laughlin, Terrell Lane, Landon Keiswetter, Kaid McKenna, Luke Ninemire, Jeremy Sproul, Bill Broeckelman, Spencer Shirk and

Justin Griffith.
Head coach of the South Team will be Lucas Melvin, head Norton coach. His assistant coaches will be Tony Fiscus, Todd Fulton, Zac Dreher, Kendall Fiscus and Len Melvin. Manager will be David Cressler.
Other area players chosen to compete for the South Team include Charles Baker, Logan;

Trevor Smith, Cody Derr, Chris Hoferica, all of Phillipsburg; Adam Guthmiller, St. Francis; Scott Fuller, Matt Goering, both of Ellis.
The players reported for practice in Topeka on Wednesday, June 1.

Biking Across Kansas to start this Saturday

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The 37th year of the most extensive bicycling event in Kansas history, a 475 mile ride across the state known as Biking Across Kansas, begins on Saturday, June 4.
The eight-day ride for the more than 800 riders will originate at the Kansas-Colorado line west of Tribune. The riders will have overnight stops in Scott City, Ness City, Hoisington, McPherson, Cottonwood Falls, Burlington and Garnett.
Each overnight stop community will have special welcoming events for the bikers, who will stay in gymnasiums or pitch tents outside. Each day, their suitcases and duffle bags filled with extra clothes, riding outfits and personal belongings will be transported to the next overnight

stop by truck so the cyclists can just ride their bicycles without being overloaded.
The cyclists’ final night together in Garnett will be followed on Saturday morning when they cycle to the Missouri border, where they will finish their trip and enjoy a celebration picnic.
Many of the riders will be from Kansas but this year’s entries also include riders from states as far away as Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, South Carolina and Virginia.
Participants will enjoy the state’s favorable cycling conditions but the main goal of Biking Across Kansas is to have fun, get some exercise and experience the beauty of the Kansas landscape and friendliness of its people.
For more information, go to BAK’s website at www.bak.org.

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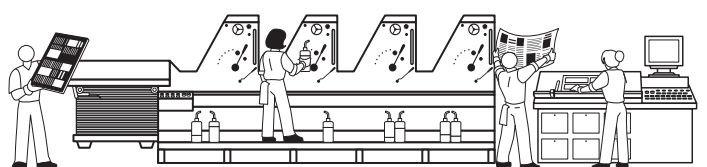
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