

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Lebo, Waverly, SCC pick up late-week wins

Area high school girls' basketball teams saw action this past week. The Lebo Lady Wolves played Chase County Thursday, Dec. 10, after playing Rural Vista at Hope Tuesday, Dec. 8. The Waverly Lady Bulldogs took on Maranatha Christian Academy at Shawnee Friday, Dec. 11. The SCC Lady Titans hosted Altoona-Midway Dec. 10 and the Burlington Lady Wildcats traveled to Louisburg Tuesday, Dec. 8.

Playing on their home court, Lebo's Lady Wolves defeated Chase County, 58-28, on Dec. 10. Top scorers for the Lady Wolves were Audrey Peek with 22 points and Brooklyn Jones with 20. Alli Moore chipped in five.

Against Rural Vista at Hope Dec. 8, the Lady Wolves led early but saw the lead evaporate in the second half. They took a close loss, 51-48. Jones led Lebo's effort with 15 points, while Peek added 11 and Demi Schrader finished with eight.

Also playing Dec. 10, the SCC Lady Titans bested Altoona-Midway, 37-25. On Dec. 11, Waverly topped Maranatha Christian Academy, 60-17, and on Dec. 8, Burlington took a tough loss to Louisburg, 59-26. No stats or box scores were available for these games at press time. The Hartford Lady Jaguars did not play this past week due to being in quarantine.



Senior Kyra Ohl maneuvers the ball for the Lady Titans against pressure from an Altoona-Midway defender during the game between SCC and Altoona-Midway. The Lady Titans won, 37-25.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, Waverly hosted Lebo and Hartford played Stafford at Solomon. On Thursday, Lebo will host Hartford and Waverly will play at Madison. Games at both locations will begin at 5 p.m. Burlington will not be playing this week due to having suspended activities until January. SCC is also out of ac-

tion this week due to quarantine.

| Rural Vista 51, Lebo 48 | | | | |
|---|----|----|----|---------|
| Lebo | 16 | 14 | 10 | 8 - 48 |
| Rural Vista | 10 | 5 | 17 | 19 - 51 |
| Lebo - Jones 6 3-4 15, Au. Peek 4 3-6 11, Moore 3 (1) 1-2 8, Schrader 4 0-0 8, Ab. Peek 2 2-2 6. Totals 19 (1) 9-14 48. | | | | |
| Rural Vista - Acres 8 2-6 18, Johnson 4 (2) 1-12 11, Jacobson 3 2-3 8, A. Brockmeier 2 2-4 6, M. Brockmeier 2 2-2 6, Linder 1 0-0 2, Rapp 0 0-2 0. Totals 20 (2) 9-29 51. | | | | |

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL

Area teams end week with victories, Jaguars get first win

Area high school boys' basketball teams were on the court this past week. The Hartford Jaguars played a round robin at Neodesha with Yates Center, Cherryvale and Neodesha. The Lebo Wolves hosted Chase County Thursday, Dec. 10, after playing Rural Vista at Hope Tuesday, Dec. 8. Waverly played Maranatha Christian Academy at Shawnee Friday, Dec. 11. The SCC Titans hosted Altoona-Midway Thursday, Dec. 10, after playing Peabody in a home game Tuesday, Dec. 8.

The Jaguars went 1-2 in the round robin at Neodesha. They opened with a contest against Cherryvale and took a tough loss, 65-28. Ali Smith led the Jaguars' effort with 12 points, followed by Tanner Highley with 10. Andy Andrews and Andrew McDiffett each chipped in three points.

On Dec. 10, the Jaguars played Neodesha and picked up their first win of the season, 45-39. Smith and Shayden Sull led Hartford's attack with 11 points each. Highley finished with nine points and Andrews and Devon Smith each put up six.

On Dec. 11, Hartford played Yates Center and took a seven-point loss, 41-34. Ali Smith and Devon Smith each tallied eight points for the Jaguars. Sull scored six and Highley four.

Also on Dec. 11, Waverly took on Maranatha Christian Academy at Shawnee. The Bulldogs jumped out to an early lead and couldn't be caught. They got a win by 19 points, 61-42.

"Lane Bartley tied a career-high with 28 points and had a near triple-double with 10 rebounds and nine steals," Waverly coach Tyler Williams said. "Freshman Ben Meehan dished out seven assists, and Damian Foster had five. Overall, it was a good team effort with a lot of unselfish basketball. The 28-point third quarter was a season high."

In addition to Bartley's 28 points, Foster contributed nine and Koy Myers and Zach Skillman each chipped in eight.

Bartley also led on the boards with his 10 rebounds. Skillman and Brantley Petersen each caught seven rebounds and Meehan and Foster each grabbed five. In addition to Meehan's seven assists and Foster's five, Bartley made three and Petersen made two. Alongside Bartley's nine steals, Meehan, Foster, Petersen and Skillman each made one steal.

The Lebo Wolves came away with wins in both their games for the week. At Hope, they trailed early after a slug-



Titan senior Nathan Borntrager (10) shoots a layup during SCC's game against Altoona-Midway Thursday, Dec. 10. The Titans won, 55-47.

gish start but bounded into the lead in the second quarter. They held the lead the remainder of the game and finished with a 40-point win, 58-18. Landon Grimmert scored a game-high 15 points for Lebo. Also scoring in double figures for the Wolves were Kyle Reese with 13 points and Devan McEwen with 11.

The Wolves scored 58 points for a second-straight game on Dec. 10, against Chase County. They won the contest 58-28. McEwen finished with a game-high 20 points. Grimmert was just behind him with 18 and Reese and Jerome Ferguson each added seven.

The SCC Titans played in two games and went 1-1. They came up short against Peabody Dec. 8, 55-33, but earned a 55-47 win over Altoona-Midway Dec. 10. No stats or box scores were available for either game at press time. The Burlington Wildcats did not play this past week due to being in quarantine.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, Hartford hosted Madison, while Waverly hosted Lebo. SCC played at Burlington. On Thursday, Dec. 17, Lebo will host Hartford and SCC hosted

Olpe. Waverly will play at Madison. Games at all three locations will begin at 5 p.m. Lebo will also host Prairie View 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21. Burlington will not be playing this week as the district has suspended high school activities until January.

| Yates Center 41, Hartford 34 | | | | |
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| Hartford | 9 | 11 | 5 | 9 - 34 |
| Yates Center | 6 | 11 | 7 | 17 - 41 |
| Hartford - A. Smith 3 (2) 0-0 8, D. Smith 3 (2) 0-1 8, Sull 3 0-1 6, Highley 1 (1) 1-3 4, McDiffett 1 (1) 0-0 3, Andrews 1 1-2 3, Torrens 1 0-0 2. Totals 13 (6) 2-7 34. | | | | |
| Yates Center - Audiss 4 (1) 0-0 9, S. Hurst 4 0-0 8, D. Hurst 2 (1) 3-7 8, King 2 2-2 6, Smoot 2 0-0 4, Birce 1 0-0 2, Cummings 0 2-4 2, Meffert 1 0-0 2. Totals 16 (2) 7-13 41. | | | | |

| Waverly 61, Maranatha Christian Acad. 42 | | | | |
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| Waverly | 11 | 12 | 28 | 10 - 61 |
| MCA | 6 | 2 | 15 | 19 - 42 |
| Waverly - Bartley 13 2-3 28, Foster 3 3-4 9, Meehan 4 0-2 8, Skillman 4 0-2 8, Petersen 1 3-5 5, Wallace 1 0-0 2, Gaddis 0 1-2 1. Totals 26 9-18 61. | | | | |

| Lebo 58, Rural Vista 18 | | | | |
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| Lebo | 4 | 21 | 26 | 7 - 58 |
| Rural Vista | 7 | 8 | 2 | 1 - 18 |
| Lebo - Grimmert 5 (3) 2-2 15, K. Reese 6 1-2 13, McEwen 5 (1) 0-0 11, Ferguson 3 1-2 7, An. Bailey 2 (1) 0-0 5, Au. Bailey 1 1-2 3, Risner 1 0-2 2, Davies 1 0-0 2, Fehr 0 0-2 0. Totals 24 (5) 5-12 58. | | | | |
| Rural Vista - Worrell 5 (1) 2-2 13, Campuzano 2 0-0 4, Stuilwell 0 1-2 1. Totals 7 (1) 3-4 18. | | | | |

Sports in Kansas recognizes senior football players

Eight area high school football players have been awarded Sports in Kansas senior postseason honors.

Seniors were recognized in the top seniors list and the All-Senior All-State Teams selected for each classification. The top seniors list includes the top 100 senior football players, the next 50 top seniors and, for each classification, honorable mention selections.

Lebo's Devan McEwen was included in the next 50 top seniors list as a quarterback and

also received an honorable mention in a category that included the two 8-Man classifications and 6-Man football. Two of his teammates also received honorable mentions, with Caleb Fehr receiving two and Jerome Ferguson one. Also among the 8-Man/6-Man honorable mention selections was Hartford's Andy Andrews, who received two honorable mentions.

Class 3A Honorable Mentions included four Burlington players. Sam Griffin received two and Braden Sloyer,

Karson Allen and Gavin Price each received one.

On the Class 3A All-Senior All-State Team, Griffin was named to the offense as an offensive lineman. Honorable mentions included Sloyer, Allen, Price and Griffin.

In Class 8-Man Division II, McEwen was named to the All-Senior All-State Team Offense as an athlete, or versatile player able to play many roles. Honorable mentions included Fehr and Andrews, with two each, and Ferguson with one.

Area athletes earn Eastern Kansas Sports honors

Twenty-six area football players are among those recognized on Eastern Kansas Sports' inaugural Class 3A and Class 8-Man Division II Eastern Kansas Football Teams.

In Class 3A, Burlington's Sam Griffin was named to the First Team Offense as an offensive lineman. Two Wildcats were selected to the First Team Defense, Braden Sloyer and Gavin Price. Sloyer was selected as a linebacker and Price was selected as a defensive back.

Named to the Class 3A Second Team Offense were Sloyer, Jordyn Abendroth and Karson Allen. Sloyer was selected as a running back and Abendroth and Allen as offensive linemen. Jacob Dugar was named to the Second Team Defense as a defensive lineman.

Honorable mention selec-

tions included, on offense, Price as a running back, and on defense, Allen and Shalonn Wright at defensive linemen and Damon Hoback and Max Kuhlmann as linebackers.

In Class 8-Man Division II, four Lebo players were named to the First Team Offense. Devan McEwen was selected as a quarterback, Kyle Reese as a running back, Caleb Fehr as an offensive lineman and Jerome Ferguson as a tight end. Selections to the First Team Defense included Reese and Waverly's Damian Foster as linebackers. Reese was also named to the First Team Special Teams as a kicker.

Selected to the Second Team Offense were Hartford's Shayden Sull as a running back and Lebo's Austin Bailey and Waverly's Zach Skillman as offensive linemen. Selections to the Second Team Defense included Bailey and

Hartford's Andy Andrews as defensive linemen and McEwen and Sull as defensive backs.

Honorable Mention Offense selections included Foster and Hartford's Ali Smith as quarterbacks, Waverly's Josh Rodriguez as an offensive lineman and Reese, Hartford's Tanner Highley, Waverly's Lane Bartley and Hartford's Andrew McDiffett as wide receivers.

Selected to the Honorable Mention Defense were Ferguson as a defensive lineman and Bartley, Lebo's Andrew Bailey and Luke Davies and Hartford's Trent Schroeder as linebackers.

Student-athletes were nominated for these honors by their respective coaches. Each player nominated was then selected by participating coaches. Coaches could only select players in their classification.

Football players named to Sports in Kansas non-senior team

Seven area high school football players have been recognized on Sports in Kansas' 2020 Non-Senior team.

In Class 3A, Burlington's Max Kuhlmann received an honorable mention.

Honored as 8-Man/6-Man Honorable Mentions were six players from Hartford, Lebo and Waverly. They included Lebo's Kyle Reese and Austin Bailey; Hartford's Shayden Sull, with two, and Ali Smith; and Waverly's Zach Skillman and Damian Foster.

Local volleyball players recognized

Twelve area volleyball players are among those recognized on Eastern Kansas Sports' inaugural Class 1A Eastern Kansas Volleyball Team.

Lebo sisters Abby and Audrey Peek were named to the Second Team. Abby was selected as a setter, and Audrey was selected as an outside hitter.

Another 10 players received honorable mentions. They included Hartford's Allison Shank, Brianna Sapp, Kiernan Breshears, Taylor Kelley, Brooke Finnerty, Regan Darbyshire, Tara Baker and Sadie Pearson and Lebo's Brooklyn Jones and Demi Schrader.

Life jacket: Give the gift of life

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Are you having a hard time finding the perfect holiday gift? The time for shopping and gift delivery is rapidly slipping away. What better way to show your love for someone than to buy them a gift or a gift card that can save their life? This holiday season buy your favorite outdoorsy person a life jacket!

Today, there are many styles of life jackets tailored to fit the need of water activities like paddling, fishing, swimming, wakeboarding and more. Additionally, there are lightweight, breathable life jackets available for the hot summer months such as auto-inflatable life jackets and heavyweight, warm life jackets available for the cold winter months like float coats. Life jackets come in bright colors with reflectivity for easy visibility in open water or detailed camouflage patterns that help conceal waterfowl hunters in the marsh. Re-

member, life jackets also come in many sizes so double check the label to ensure proper fit. A simple click of a button or swipe of a card to purchase a life jacket could help prevent a drowning and save a life.

Why does the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers stress the importance of a life jacket? Know the hard facts below.

- ✓ Nearly nine out of every 10 water-related deaths involved individuals not wearing a life jacket (per USACE 10-year average statistics).
- ✓ It only takes 20 seconds for a child to drown.
- ✓ It only takes 60 seconds for an adult to drown.
- ✓ Two-thirds of drowning victims are good swimmers.
- ✓ Life jackets help hold heat into the core areas of your body.
- ✓ Everyone on board a vessel must have a life jacket, required by state laws.
- ✓ Certain water sports like tubing and personal watercraft require life jacket wear

by state law. Please remember to practice water safety and always wear a life jacket in, on or around the water. For more water safety information, visit or follow pleasewearit.com.

Sports Schedule

| December 17 | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Middle school basketball | | | | |
| Lebo at Burlingame, 5 p.m. | | | | |
| High school basketball | | | | |
| Lebo vs. Hartford, 5 p.m. | | | | |
| SCC vs. Olpe, 5 p.m. | | | | |
| Waverly at Madison, 5 p.m. | | | | |
| December 18 | | | | |
| Middle school basketball | | | | |
| Lebo at Madison, 5 p.m. | | | | |
| December 21 | | | | |
| High school basketball | | | | |
| Lebo vs. Prairie View, 5 p.m. | | | | |

Lyon County League Girls' Basketball

| | LCL | | Overall | |
|------------|-----|---|---------|---|
| | W | L | W | L |
| Olpe | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Waverly | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| SCC | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Madison | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Lebo | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Burlingame | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Hartford | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| McCV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Lyon County League Boys' Basketball

| | LCL | | Overall | |
|------------|-----|---|---------|---|
| | W | L | W | L |
| Madison | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Lebo | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Waverly | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| SCC | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Hartford | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Burlingame | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Olpe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| McCV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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