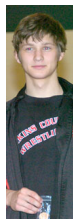


Four Perkins County wrestlers statebound

A great day for the Plainsmen on the mats at North Platte St. Patrick's resulted in four wrestlers bringing home district medals and gearing up for the state tournament that begins today (Thursday, Feb. 17).

103 lb. sophomore Austin Thelander, 140 lb. junior Christian Miyamoto and heavyweight



sophomore Vinny Ross all placed third, and 112 lb. freshman Garrett Toner placed second at districts, each earning a ticket to the state meet at the Qwest Center in Omaha.

As a team, the Plainsmen scored 66 points and finished in eighth place among 17 teams.

Maxwell took first place with 171 points, qualifying eight wrestlers.

In second place was Southwest who scored 140 points and qualified nine.

Other teams and their placings are Maxwell third 130, six qualifiers; Mullen fourth 116.5, six qualifiers; Garden County fifth 105, four qualifiers; North Platte St. Pat's sixth 103, four qualifiers; Sutherland seventh 70, four qualifiers; Dundy County-Stratton ninth 66, three qualifiers; Hemingford 10th 50, two qualifiers; Bayard 11th 47, two qualifiers; Banner County 12th 25, two qualifiers; Crawford 13th 23, two qualifiers; Hyannis 14th 13, Sioux County 15th 4, Minatare 16th 0 and Stapleton-McPherson County 17th 0.

Individual Results

Austin Thelander (103 lb.) third place, pinned N. Crisman, NPSP 1:48; pinned by C. Fleecs, Sutherland 2:19; pinned R. Strickland, Maxwell 4:30, won 4-1 D. Fries, Southwest.

Garrett Toner (112 lb.) second place, won 13-4 M. Florom, Med. Valley, won 19-7 E. Lunkwitz,



Maxwell, pinned by D. Riggs, NPSP 3:18.



Trey Johnson (125 lb.) pinned by B. Fox, Dundy County-Stratton 1:17, pinned by C. Corbin, Sutherland 2:01.

Christian Miyamoto (140 lb.) third place, won 5-4 M. Beck, Garden County, pinned by H. Timmons, Med. Valley 3:09, won 4-3 H. Henderson, Sutherland, won 10-7 C. Mader, Crawford.

Mark Hanson (145 lb.) pinned by J. Spurlin, Mullen, pinned by J. Kling, Sioux City 2:51.

Michael Tucker (152 lb.) pinned by C. Farr, Med. Valley, 1:10, pinned by L. Baxter, Sutherland

:20.

Sean Farnsworth (171 lb.) pinned by S. Crane, Maxwell 1:11, lost 1-11 P. Martinez, NPSP.

Ethan Behrends (189 lb.) pinned by T. Jensen, Dundy County-Stratton :45, won by default H. Aufdenkamp, NPSP, pinned L. Peterson Stapleton-McPherson County 2:38, pinned by N. Gamble, Maxwell 1:33.

Tyrone Summers (215 lb.) pinned by T. Lembke, Hemingford 3:48, pinned T. Campbell, NPSP 2:47, lost 2-13 T. Nielsen, Hyannis.

Vinny Ross (285 lb.) third place, won 6-3 B. Smith, Crawford, lost 6-10 T. Willey, Bayard, pinned B. Neel, Southwest 1:34, won 3-0 T. Blake, Maxwell.