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Gym To Be Named, Dedicated Feb. 11

The new gymnasium will be dedicated and named in special ceremonies Sunday, Feb. 11, at the School.

The new structure in the sports complex will be named in memory of the late Wiley T. Banes, Albuquerque industrialist. Mr. Banes was the founder of the SJMS Foundation and served as its president. Upon his death in 1972, he left a sizeable portion of his estate to the SJMS Foundation. This money, received annually, has been used by the Foundation for various projects at the school.

Mr. Banes' son, Tom, was a graduate with the Class of 1961 and a member of the Cadet football team during his Cadet days. Tom and his family plan to attend the dedication ceremonies.

The ribbon cutting will be at 2 p.m. to be followed by the formal dedication. An open house will follow with various intramural games being held. A highlight of the afternoon will be the Senior Cadets vs. the Faculty volleyball game at 3:30.

Refreshments will be served by the wives of the School

trustees. Tours will be conducted by trustees, faculty and administration.

An annex housing locker rooms, athletic offices, weight room and wrestling facilities was completed several years ago. It is hoped that a swimming pool can be added to the complex in the future.

Bill Baxter, supervisor of the project for Busboom and Rauh construction company, said that the cement floor is curing. When the floor is cured, a three-eighth inch urethane synthetic floor will be poured. "This process takes two to three days", he said. Then one week must be allowed for this surface to cure before the cur marking can be painted. The floor will then be covered with a finish coating.

Plans call for the building to be in operation following Christmas furlough. Presently, members of the Cadet basketball teams are practicing at the KTI gym.

Auction To Raise Funds

The St. John's Military School Foundation will sponsor a "Wine and Cheese" auction at Big John's Steak House, Salina, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 10.

The auction will be held in connection with the dedication of the new gymnasium and a "mini-parents" weekend. Activities will be held for the parents of Cadets during the weekend. Parents may also confer with members of the staff and faculty.

Mrs. John K. Vanier, Brookville, wife of a SJMS "old boy" and trustee, has accepted the chairmanship of the event.

Members of the Foundation will solicit luxury items for the auction.

Fire Sidelights

... Full phone service has been restored to campus.

... Printing of the new School catalog has been complicated by the fire... Many of the pictures featured Vail and Griswold Hall in the background.

... Cadets in the Lower School only missed one and a half hours of classes due to the fire.

... While the fire was being fought, Lt. Larry Lysell continued the enrollment procedure for a new student. Five new Cadets have joined the Corps following Thanksgiving furlough.

... The pigeons of Vail Hall wasted no time in moving back into their homes in the tower. They were seen returning to roost minutes after the smoke had cleared.

... Cadets moved back into Sage hall following Thanksgiving furlough. About 25 boys remained housed at Wilson Hall, Kansas Wesleyan.

... Mrs. Dorene Rietzke will soon have a permanent classroom in Parkview Hall. She has been moving from one room to another since the fire.

... F/Sgt. William Bunting, tactical officer, lived in an apartment on the third floor of Vail Hall. He lost all his possession except for the clothes he was wearing.

Christmas Party Held

A Christmas service of Carols and Readings was held at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18, in Armstrong Chapel. Following the service, a special dinner was served in Nichols Dining Hall.

Santa Claus paid a visit to Cadets in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades and young children of faculty members.

The Company Christmas parties were held Tuesday evening, Dec. 19.

The Cadets left for the Holiday furlough following classes Wednesday, Dec. 20. Classes will resume Jan. 3.

Fate of Vail Hall Still Undetermined

The SJMS Board of Trustees has taken no definitive action about the future of Vail and Griswold Halls until insurance matters are settled.

A series of meetings with the insurance adjuster, engineers, the Board insurance committee, Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, and Mrs. John Fonck, Administrative assistant, were held Dec. 6-8.

The various groups are negotiating a settlement. Plans will not be made until it is known what funds will be available.

Vail Hall was severely damaged through all three floors and the roof and third floor of Griswold destroyed in a fire that burned for four hours Nov. 6.

Furniture, records, pictures and memorabilia were removed before engineers determined that it was unsafe to re-enter the structure.

Demolition of the third floor of Vail and the removal of the unsupported brick walls and

tower will begin as soon as a salvage company can be found to undertake the project. The burned roof structure of Griswold is also scheduled for removal.

Dennis Poer, Salina insurance executive, is the chairman of the 10-man committee to deal with insurance matters. Other members are the Rt. Rev. William Davidson, Dr. Daniel Bratton, D. Dale Browning, Robert D. Gordon, Robert H. Kastner, Bill Nicholson, John F. Scanlan and John K. Vanier, all Trustees and President Duckers.

New boilers were installed to serve Sage Hall during Thanksgiving furlough. A small contingent of Cadets will continue to reside in Wilson Hall at Kansas Wesleyan.

The KW Company Numbers 24

A group of 24 Cadets are continuing residency at Wilson Hall at Kansas Wesleyan for the remainder of the school year.

Most of the Cadets returned to housing in Mize and Sage halls following Thanksgiving furlough. But more space was needed for 24 students.

Living with the Cadets at KW is F/Sgt. William Bunting, Tactical officer. Sgt. Bunting's apartment also was destroyed in the Vail Hall fire.

The Cadets are bussed to and from KW daily. Again Sgt. Bunting serves as the driver as he guides the bus down the four-mile stretch of Santa Fe Avenue between SJMS and KW.

Foundation Elects Officers

Marvin Webb, Leawood, Kas., was re-elected president of the St. John's Military School Foundation following a luncheon meeting Nov. 4 in Nichols Dining Hall.

Other officers are Mrs. B. Cecil Bassett, Pierre, S.D., vice president and Mrs. John H. Fonck, Salina, secretary-treasurer.

Newly-elected board members are Leonard L. Lewis, Dodge City, Kas., Larry L. Proctor, Casper, Wyo., and Erik Ringjob, Boulder, Colo.

Re-elected to the Board were Mrs. Bassett, Lt. Col. R.L. Guernsey, Salina; Chester Hopper, Weeping Water, Neb.; F.F. "Mike" Lynch, Wichita, and Susan D. Ratcliff, Lake-

wood, Colo. Terms on the board are for two years.

Carry-over directors are James O. Cox, Casper, Wyo.; Mrs. Gerald E. Louisot, Glenwood Springs, Colo.; Lt. Col. V.B. Loy, Salina; James Pratt, Lewis, Kans.; Louis Santillanes, Albuquerque, N.M., and the Rev. Paul M. Snider, Tracy, Calif.

The Foundation will raise \$9,500 to pay the remaining pledge on the renovation of the bathrooms in Sage Hall.

Concern, Support Expressed by Many

Expressions of concern and support for St. John's Military School following the disastrous fire have been received from many alumni, patrons, former patrons and friends of the school.

Following are excerpts from some of those letters.

"As you know, to see the ruins of the fire at St. John's was indeed sad. So many fine memories are recalled by a physical structure that will soon be rubble. While the buildings will soon be part of the past, the memories will linger in the thoughts of hundreds of the alumni and staff who have been touched in various ways by St. John's . . . You, your staff and the corps of cadets are to be commended for the dedicated efforts made to bring together a constructive and optimistic organization during a time that could have resulted in chaos, confusion and depression" . . . D. Dale Browning, Class of 1955, former staff member, and a SJMS trustee.

"I must commend the faculty, staff and the corps in the face of this recent adversity. You must take pride in the discipline the boys have learned. You have my continued support." . . . Susan Ratcliff, mother of senior Cadet Scott Ratcliff.

"I am writing this letter as a parent of two cadets to express my continuing personal pride and confidence in St. John's, its cadets and entire staff. As you know, I was attending my son, Gordon's Geometry class on the second floor of Vail Hall, Monday morning, Nov. 6 when the fire alarm sounded. The quiet and efficient manner in which all the cadets, staff and myself were evacuated and accounted for was absolutely sterling. There was no panic in evidence although personal concern for safety and welfare made itself known quickly . . . It is clearly evident to me that this kind of discipline reflects a quality of life indigenous to the very foundation of the St. John's program . . . Realizing that my sons, Ian and Gordon, are a part of a secure community made by leaving them under such circumstances much less an ordeal than I would have believed possible. I am truly grateful to all concerned and would have each parent share this gratitude and confidence that their son is at St. John's . . . The Rev. Paul M. Snider, father of Cadets Ian and Gordon, who was visiting the School the day of the fire.

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Cadets See Water Plant

The sixth grade science class, taught by Lt. Charles Speilman, recently visited the Salina Water Treatment plant.

Lions Meet Here

Members of the Salina Lions Club held their weekly meeting in Nichols Dining Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Concern, Support - (con't. from page 1)

"We are concerned about the welfare of the school and want to express that to you . . . We want the school to continue and prosper so that grandchildren may enjoy the same benefits that Dan received under its tutelage. We believe it important that you know that there are people out there thinking of SJ all the time." . . . Lt. Col. William E. Siburg Jr., father of the 90th's Corps' Battalion commander, Dan Siburg.

"As a grandfather of a St. John's Military School graduate and a former member of the St. John's Board, I feel that St. John's continues to do an exceptionally fine job with young men. We are very proud of our young man, who was graduated from St. John's, went on to college and is now doing a fine job in his business life . . . I hope the recent fire losses will not deter the continuance of the fine job being done with young men at St. John's." . . . Cecil A. Jordan, Wichita, Kas.

"The enclosed is not much but may help pay for a board or two and a few nails (\$100.00). I have faith in St. John's which, like the Phoenix, will rise from the ashes." . . . John E. Gould, Vice President, Kemper Military School and College.

"Knowing you as I do, we know that you will let nothing discourage you and never give up and always continue to build a greater St. John's. I am sure your good strong mountain assistant, Colonel Kellogg, and others will stand by you. I wish we could do something at Carson Long to help you. In the meantime, we are standing by as real friends." . . . Edward L. Holman, Board Chairman, Carson Long Institute.

"I can well imagine all that confronts you, and I want you to know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers. The one comforting factor in the entire matter is the fact that you will ultimately reap the reward of having an even better plant. You need not worry about enrollment, for I know the type of school you operate and people will always be beating a pathway to your door." . . . Col. Tommy Atkinson, President, Army & Navy Academy, Carlsbad, Calif.

"I know that you are doing everything possible to carry on with your program at St. John's and I assure you that you have our prayers and best wishes." . . . Raymond R. Kelly, Superintendent, Howe Military Academy, Howe, Indi.

"I am sure your cadets, alumni and staff all feel a loss of something dear to your traditions. The enclosed contribution for St. John's is not very big, but I know it will be welcome. (You, yourself, probably know as well as we do here that staff salaries aren't the world's highest). So, in proportion to what I have, it does represent my feelings from one military school staffer to another." . . . Jack Gross, Assistant to the Superintendent, Marine Military Academy, Harlingen, Tex.

"I want to let you know how sorry I am for the terrible fire at St. John's. When I first heard about it, I just wanted to cry. My association with that school is one of deep friendship and loyalty." . . . Mrs. Carolyn Scofield, former SJMS instructor, Salina, Kans.

Maxie Heads Key Club

Charles Maxie was elected president of the Key Club for the 1978-79 school year.

Other officers are John Louisot, vice president; Randy Mayeaux, secretary.

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Several new magazines have been added to the racks in the Clem library. They are "People", "Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction", "Games" and "Smithsonian", a publication of the Smithsonian Institution.

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Newman Heads A "TACO" Expresses His Thoughts

James Newman headed the Upper School honor roll for the second grading period. Others named to the roll with grade averages above 90 were Richard Fawcett, Jeff Turner, Max Montgomery, Scott Greenidge, Charles Maxie, Ian Snider, Kevin Price, Vincent Raetz, Gordon Snider, John Louisot, Arnaldo Anaya, Kenny Decker and Robin Cary.

Earning honorable mention were Bill Benfer, Don Bliss, Eric Pederson, Gregory Bowers, John Guemple, Randy Mayeaux, Carl Millberg, David Samson, Richard Makoski, Tom Marelli, Shawn Goforth, Ariel Anaya, Robin South, Tony Verdict, Mike Mulvihill, John Weatherman, Fred Marco, Jim Messner, Brian Root, Jerry Graham, Tyler King, Mark Bassett, Scott Nance, Chris Zorn, Tracy Adams, Tom Dixon, Eric Erickson, Ross Berger, Tom Bowler and Brad Hopper.

Turner Heads Honor Roll

Jeff Turner headed the academic honor roll at the end of the first grading period. Others named to the list with grade averages above 90 were Max Montgomery, Kevin Price, Ian Snider, Richard Fawcett, Shawn Goforth, James Newman, David Samson, John Guemple, Gordon Snider, Vincent Raetz and Chuck Maxie.

Earning honorable mention were Rick Anderson, Jeff Gralheer, John Louisot, Charles Greenidge, Brian Root, Rick Makoski, Tyler King, William Benfer, Mark Bassett, Greg Bowers, Randy Mayeaux, Eric Pederson, Kenny Decker, Jim Jones, Scott Nance, Jerry Graham, Arnaldo Anaya, Don Bliss, Fred Marco, Mark Southerland, David Blair, James Cox, Martin Ashwill, Thomas Johnson and Rick Coutts.

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(Editor's Note - The following was written by F/Sgt. Ben Titus, tactical officer, the night following the fire as he stood the duty at the School.)

"The night is quiet. I have just returned from a tour around the burned out remains of Griswold and Vail. I could hear the cold wind mournfully winding its way through the bare rafters. And I thought, does this proud old building feel the pain; does it wonder if all the young men that it has protected from the wind, snow and rain know that I will soon be gone."

"Then I went out and stood in the formation area and I could hear the bugle calls for first call, mess and taps. I could hear the happy voices of Cadets getting ready for Christmas leave and the sobbing of a homesick boy in some quiet corner of a darkened room. Then I walked over and read the names of Cadets that passed through here. The old building seemed to say, 'Son, I am proud to have you scratch your name on the soft stone of my Foundation. I'll always remember you.' Then I walked to the parade ground and I wondered if the proud old building remembered the parades and games of sport.

"And it seemed to say, 'Yes, I remember, especially times of losing and times of winning but I remember graduation the best. A Marine colonel recited something about what the flag means with soft music in the background. And some Cadets came to look at their room for the last time.

"And it seemed to say, 'I feel just as proud as anyone when I see Old Glory waving in the breeze--because I know she is watching over me and all the past and present Cadets.' "

Sgt. Titus continued, "I don't want to be around when the grand old building is torn down. Because, I too, have some fond memories and have had some good times in that old building. I also have gained some lasting friends.

"And I truly believe old buildings such as Vail and Griswold have soul. When they are gone, it will be something that cannot be brought back. And it makes me very small and sad."

. . . Ben Titus

Duffy Heads L.S. List

Patrick Duffy headed the Lower School honor roll at the end of the second grading period. Others with grade averages above 90 were Don Patton, Willson Cox, Harry Buck, Kevin Zwink and Marshall Wilson.

Earning honorable mention were Dion Lewis, Mark Kahler, and Doug Weidner.

Turner Heads Honor Society

Jeff Turner is serving as the president of the 1978-79 National Honor Society. Other officers are Eric Pederson, vice president; Ian Snider, secretary; and John Louisot, treasurer.

Other members are Chuck Maxie and Mark Bassett.

Kellogg Back As Commandant

Lt. Col. Paul H. Kellogg, has resumed his duties as Commandant. He will also continue to serve as the Vice President for development. Lt. Col. James E. Rose will continue to serve as the Senior Army Instructor.

Old Boys Corner

Class of 1944 -- Charles Morrison, Grandview, Mo., suggested in a phone call following the fire that the brick and stone from Vail Hall be saved. He hopes "the alums" would purchase the bricks to assist in the rebuilding program.

Class of 1977 -- Mark Wohlgemuth was injured in a collision while riding his motorcycle coming home from work in early October. He suffered breaks in his left leg and arm. His address is 1001 E. McArthur, Lot 90, Wichita, Kansas 67216. He had been working for the Dold packing company, Wichita.

FORMER STAFF -- Ron Bartlett is working as a reading specialist for Central Heights school system near Olathe, Kas. This semester he is working with seventh, eighth and ninth grade students. Next semester, he will work with the senior high level students. He is teaching in the Homebound program of the Shawnee Mission School district two evenings each week.

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Art Classes Take Trips

The Art Classes, taught by Ms. Chris Shively, have made two field trips recently. The work of an Indian artist was viewed at Marymount College. The watercolor paintings of Kansas artists were viewed at Millrace studio in downtown Salina.

Ms. Shively explained, "The viewing of other artists work is beneficial to a growing art experience. The students in both art classes are working with water color. The paintings at Millrace were helpful to their understanding of the medium."

Making the trips were Shawn Goforth, Dave Collins, Dave Connor, Rick Coutts, Don Bliss, Martin Hopper, John Powell, Greg Kowalsky, Dave Baker, Bill Benfer, Greg DeBuhr, Brett Pitts, Mike Mulvihill, Tom Bowler, Blake Baysinger, Ken Decker, Tracy Adams, Brian Root and Jeff Simms.

Art projects planned for second semester include painting on canvas, printmaking, batik, macrame, wheel thrown pottery and sculpture.

Cadets Enjoy Science Projects

Special science projects have been undertaken by a number of Cadets in addition to the regular classroom work according to Lt. Col. R.L. Guernsey, Science Department Chairman.

Predatory insects such as the "Praying Mantis" and "Wheel Bug" were studied by the Cadets. Johnnie Williams and Kerry Jones kept a "Wheel Bug" alive by feeding it a diet of flies, grasshoppers and moths.

Brad and Martin Hopper have a pair of gerbils in the classroom. Recently four new gerbils were born and Cadets observed the growth and development of the hairless offspring.

A noisy but popular attraction is a pair of guinea pigs.

Col. Guernsey said that many Cadets are finding rock polishing an interesting hobby but it is also an exercise in patience. Rocks must go through four steps in the rock tumblers before they are polished, requiring six to seven weeks. A display of the rocks was recently displayed in the Clem Library.

Promotions

A number of promotions have been made by special order since the October issue of "The Skirmisher".

Promoted to:
LIEUTENANT COLONEL--Jeff Turner.

MAJOR--Robin South.

CAPTAIN--Rick Coutts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT--Rick Anderson, Jerry Graham.

SECOND LIEUTENANT--Kerry Jones.

SERGEANT-MAJOR--Cam Eklund.

MASTER SERGEANT--Ariel Anaya, Dwight Kinder.

STAFF SERGEANT--Kenny Decker, Charles Greenidge, Richard Makoski, Terry Warren, Frank Verdict.

SERGEANT--Jim Bowers, Ronald Hipp, Jeff Richardson, Erilk Brakhage.

CORPORAL--Tom Bowler, Doug Johnston, John Weatherman, Mark Southerland, Tim Bradshaw, Mark Beaman, Tec Childers.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS--Tom Dixon, Lance Bundy, Tim Garrett, Kent Kretchmar, Terry Templeton, Chris Zorn, Dean Tampke, Tom Nance.

OLD BOY PRIVATE--Kevin Zwick, Raymond Yates, Todd Wamhoff, Daniel Todd, Mark Kahler, Brian Kirkpatrick, Mark Lewis, Richard Martin, Donald Patton, Scott Phillips, Kent Proctor, Shawn Proctor, David Reasner, William Harrington, Cory Harlan, Randolph Cramer, Raymond Cleaver, Arthur Branson, John Autry, Joe Gensler.



The members of the Blue Berets, honorary academic group, for the first grading period were Max Montgomery, Willson Cox, Kevin Price, Jeff Turner, Richard Fawcett and Kevin Zwick.

Glee Club Goes Caroling

The SJMS Glee club sang Christmas Carols in downtown Salina from noon to 1 p.m., Saturday, December 9. The Club also sang for the Christmas party at the Salina Country Club, Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Those singing were Ross Berger, David Collins, Tom Dixon, Jeff Gralheer, Rick Makoski, John McClelland, Harold Robbins, Kevin Price and Errol Waddell.

Lt. Carl Bock is the instructor.

Order of Blue Beret Honors Top Cadets

The Order of the Blue Beret has been organized for the 1978-79 school year. The three Upper School Cadets and three Lower School Cadets leading the academic honor roll each grading period are awarded the Blue Beret.

The Blue Beret is a hat with a gold insignia. It may be worn at any time with any uniform.

Special privileges accompany the Beret honor. The winners are not required to attend study hall and may go on passes more freely. These Cadets receive special seating in Nichols Dining Hall and have free theater passes.

The possession of the Blue Beret for all six honor rolls during the academic year automatically awards a grant-in-aid of \$250 for the following school year.

These Honor Cadets also serve as special aides to the President, Col. Keith G. Duckers.

After receiving the Blue Beret twice, a Cadet is awarded a Blue Beret medallion.

Winners for the first grading period were Max Montgomery, Kevin Price and Jeff Turner, Upper School, and Willson Cox, Patrick Duffy and Kevin Zwick in the Lower School.

Winners in the Lower School for the second grading period were Patrick Duffy, Donald Patton and Willson Cox. Upper School winners were James Newman, Richard Fawcett and Jeff Turner.

A special dinner during Commencement weekend will honor all Blue Beret winners during the school year.

Gopher Club Organizes Ensemble Performs

A "Gopher Club" has been organized for the sole purpose of catching gophers according to the sponsor, Capt. Gerald Woody.

The club has caught four gophers. One was captured alive. The Cadets are learning to tan pelts by using the skins. Members of the club are Scott Petersen, Harry Buck, and Kent Kretchmar.

An instrumental ensemble of Cadets played for a luncheon meeting of the Retired Teachers' Association, Dec. 1 at the Elmore Cafeteria. Members of the group were Mike Cox, Doug Johnston, Gordon Snider, Rick Fawcett, Rick Makoski, Randy Mayeaux, George Miklos and Ian Snider.



ENJOYING THE NHS Bookfair were faculty members Lt. Lee Hoge and Lt. Charles Spielman, center, and Cadets (left to right) Willson Cox, Raymond Yates and Dion Lewis.

NHS Holds Fair

The National Honor Society sponsored a book fair in the Clem Library, Dec. 6. Displayed for purchase were hundreds of paperback books for all grade levels.

Dean Speaks

The Very Rev. Sylvan Law, Dean of Christ Episcopal Cathedral, Salina, was the guest preacher during the Sunday Chapel service, Sunday, Dec. 10.

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Cadets Make All-City Team

Two Cadet football players made the defensive team of the All-City squad selected by The Salina Journal.

They were Terry Warren and Eric Pederson.

Pederson, a lanky senior, who caught 20 passes on offense, started for four years for the Cadets and was second in tackles this year.

"We always put him to the opponent's strong side," said Coach Larry Mattison. "He turned everything in. One game this season, his right hand was injured so we put him at left end and he did the job one-handed."

Warren had 104 tackles during the season. According to Coach Mattison, "His ability to react to the snap was his main weapon. He was real quick off the ball. He could either shoot the gap and make the stop or use his speed to pursue once he was in the backfield."

Tescott Fires Past Cadets

Tescott's Mark Webb, an All-Eisenhower League basketball selection last year, has started the 1978-79 season on the same note he finished last year. The 6-1 Trojan whipped in 31 points to lead Tescott to a 76-17 win over the Cadets in an Eisenhower Western Division opener for both teams Dec. 1 at Tescott.

"We just made too many mistakes", said Cadet Coach Larry Mattison. "We're young. We're starting four juniors".

But youth isn't the only drawback for the Cadets at the present time. They're practicing at KTI gym now, moving from Memorial Hall where they had only one goal to practice on.

The Cadets are without a home court while work continues on the new gym. It is hoped work will be finished on the gym during Christmas fur-lough.

In the "B" team opener, the Cadets fared much better, winning a 38-37 decision in a game that was close all the way.

After a 10-10 first quarter tie, St. John's moved out front 21-18 at the half. Spalding scored 29 points for the Cadets on 12 field goals and five three throws.

Rifle Team Wins Match

The Cadet Rifle Team won its first match of the season defeating an adult team from Minneapolis, Kansas by 26 points.

The match was held on the Cadet Rifle range.

John Louisot is the team captain and Jim Messner is the co-captain. Other team members are Kevin Smith, Carl Smith, Blake Baysinger, Scott Greenidge, Scott Nance and Jon Goforth.

Sgt./FC Jimmy Wyatt, coach, said that the team will participate in the North Central Kansas Gallery League again this year and will also fire in a number of high school, collegiate and open matches. The team is scheduled to fire in 14 events.

The St. John's Invitational match is set for March 16-18.

Lower School Basketball Team Wins

The Lower School basketball team won its first game of the season against Bennington Dec. 1. The score was 31-22.

The team lost its second game to Smolan, Dec. 8.

Member of the team are Kipp Dobbs, Todd Drury, Don Patton, Doug Weidner, Kevin Ellis, Bill Harrington, Dion Lewis, Scott Petersen, David Reasner, Jeff Richardson, Raymond Yates, Alan Evans, Lance Bundy, Tec Childers, Willson Cox.

Others are Pat Duffy, Gary Holt, Mark Kahler, Mark Mausolf, Doug Prideaux, Howard Morse, Mike Songster, Merle Stout, Kent Proctor, Tim Treagesser, Todd Wamhoff and Kevin Zwick.

Spanish Class Attends Party

A "Programa de Navidad" was attended by the members of the Spanish Club, Dec. 7 at Wichita State University according to Mrs. Barbara Fanshler, Spanish teacher.

The evening featured singing of Carols in Spanish, of course, a pinata and refreshments.

Wrestling Squad Is Inexperienced

The 1978-79 wrestling squad is inexperienced according to Coach Charles Speilman. Rick Coutts is the only returning letterman. He wrestles in the 119-pound class.

Members of the squad are Stan Smith, Mike Cooper, John Guemple, Mike Cox, Eric Erickson, Erick Brakhage, Shawn Proctor, Dave Collins, Mike Mulvihill, John Powell, David Blair, Jody Gensler, Dan Hofer, Mike McClelland, Mark Southerland and Bill Benfer.

Wrestling Schedule

Marquette, Th. Dec. 18
Halstead
Tourney, Th. Jan. 19-20
Halstead, Southeast of
Saline, H. Jan. 25
Riley County
Tourney, Th. Jan. 27
Regional Tourney. . . Feb. 16-17
State Tourney Feb. 22-24

Crack Squad Drills

The Crack Squad made its first appearance of the year drilling at the half of the Friends University - Kansas Wesleyan basketball game in Wichita, Nov. 29. The squad will drill at ball games in Great Bend, Jan. 20 and at Wichita State U., Feb. 27.

Football Letters Awarded

School letters for participating in the varsity football program were awarded at a banquet at the close of the fall sports season.

Earning "A" team letters were Rick Anderson, Jerry Graham, Chuck Maxie, George Miklos, Eric Pederson, Robin South, Jeff Turner, John Louisot, Jim Messner, Mike Cox, Cam Eklund, Scott Greenidge, Richard Makoski, Errol Waddell, John

Weatherman, John Guemple, Ken Sechrest, John Powell, Tom Wallace and Tony Verdict.

Earning "B" team awards were Jeff Griffin, Max Montgomery, Walter Barrier, Tom Dixon, Bill Benfer and Mark Beaman.

Cadets receiving All-League honorable mention were Pederson, Louisot, Stan Smith, John Guemple and South.

Football Letters Awarded Cadets Grapplers Compete In First Tourney

School letters were awarded to members of the Lower School football team during a special banquet, Nov. 14, in Nichols Dining Hall. Making the presentations were Lt. Kelly Rudolph, coach, and Lt. Chuck Speilman, assistant coach.

Earning A-team awards were Lancy Bundy, Thel Childers, Willson Cox, Patrick Duffy, Billy Harrington, Gary Holt, Dion Lewis, Mark Lewis, Mark Mausolf, Howard Morse, Doug Prideaux, Kent Proctor, Jeff Richardson, Merle Stout, Todd Wamhoff and Kevin Zwick.

Earning B-team letters were Harry Buck, Raymond Cleaver, Kip Dobbs, Todd Drury, Cory Harlan, Mike Hoog, Mark Kahler and Richard Martin.

The St. John's Wrestling team tied for sixth place in the Southeast Saline Invitational Tournament held at Gypsum, Dec. 9.

Erick Brakhage, in the 105-lb. classes, and Bill Benfer, in the 145-lb. class, won third place medals. They each had two pins for the tourney.

Fourth place awards were won by Mike Cox, heavy-weight, and Stan Smith, 132-lb.

Others competing were Eric Erickson, 98-lb.; Shawn Proctor, 112-lb.; Rick Coutts, 119-lbs.; Mike Cooper, 126-lbs.; David Blair, 138-lbs.; John Guemple, 155-lbs.; and Jody Gensler, 167-lbs.



The Lower School Football Team Lettermen

Bazaar Makes Money

The "impromptu bazaar" held during Parents Weekend had total sales of \$521. An auction of two wall hangings netted \$325 for a total of \$846.

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Finals Set

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