

Broncos boys' basketball runners up in NW Division tourney

(Continued from Page 4) one with CGB leading Blue Ridge 17 - 14 after one quarter. The middle two quarters saw the orange and blue blow the game wide open as the Broncos outscored the Knights 32 - 10 to take a commanding lead of 49 - 24 into the first quarter of play.

CGB did not let up and they walked away from Blue Ridge with an easy 62 - 36 win and a chance to play for the Little Okaw Valley Conference Northwest Division championship.

Scoring for Cerro Gordo-Bement in the game vs. Blue Ridge: Benson, 22 (6 three pointers); McDermith, 14; Moore, 8; Roberts, 8; Jake Hayes, 6; John Watzlawick, 4.

The Division title game was played Friday night and pitted the Broncos against Decatur LSA, the tournament's top seed. CGB knew they had to keep the explosive Lions offense in check to have a chance at victory and they did well in the first quarter trailing just 15 - 11 by the end.

However, the second and third quarters were rough ones for CGB. LSA took a 36 - 21 lead at the midway point and continued to roll up the points in the third period leading 60 - 36 with

just eight minutes to go in the championship tilt.

While the Broncos played hard, they had to settle for a second place finish in the NW tourney losing the title game to Decatur LSA by a final of 69 - 43.

Scoring for Cerro Gordo-Bement vs. the Lions: Roberts, 13; McDermith, 8; Hayes, 7; Benson, 7; Weaver, 4; Moore, 4.

The loss put CGB into the third place game on LOVC finals night which was also hosted by Arcola High School. Saturday's opponent was a very good Villa Grove/Heritage team from

Tri-County snaps ALAH girls winning streak

(Continued from Page 4) showed what happens when you do; Tri-County 60 Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond 27.

The Knights did not have long to dwell on the loss as the very next night the team traveled to Arcola for another big game. ALAH had defeated the Purple Riders one week prior for the NW Division tournament title and now they faced their purple clad rivals for what may have been the regular season title as well.

The game started out as another low scoring encounter with ALAH taking a 9 - 3 lead to start the game. The second quarter saw each team only record four points each to make the halftime tally 13 - 7 in favor of the Knights.

In the third quarter it was the home team that came on strong outscoring the

Knights by five to trail by just one point, 22 - 21, at the end of three quarters of play.

The fourth quarter was a thriller as each team fought hard for every single point they could muster. It was a seesaw battle with several momentum changes while both teams struggled to get the ball in the hoop from the floor as well as the charity stripe.

Finally it was Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond making the final surge that was just enough to hold off Arcola by a score of 37 - 34.

Scoring for the Knights vs. the Purple Riders: Herschberger, 12; Bowles, 10; Marcy Petersheim, 5; A. Miller, 4; Emma Harris, 2; Jolynn Barbee, 2; T. Nichols, 2.

The red, black and gold have just one regular season game remaining and

the Southeast Division.

The game started out well for the Broncos as they played the Hawks to a 12 all tie at the end of the first quarter of play. Much like in the preceding game CGB's opponent VGH went on a huge scoring run in the

second and third quarters. The Broncos offense struggled and the Hawks took over control of the game.

At the final buzzer the scoreboard read Villa Grove/Heritage 59 Cerro Gordo-Bement 34. This left CGB with a fourth place finish in

this year's conference tournament which will be the last for the Little Okaw Valley as now constituted.

Scoring for the Broncos in the game vs. VGH: Roberts, 11; McDermith, 9; Benson, 5; Moore, 3; Quick, 3; Watzlawick, 2; Weaver, 1.

that is Thursday night at home against Okaw Valley. It is Senior Night with the junior varsity game tipping off at 6 p.m. followed by recognition of seniors and the Varsity game. A win against the Timberwolves would leave the Knights in sole possession of the LOVC

NW regular season title.

Post season play has ALAH assigned to the IHSA Class 2A Regional at Pana. The Knights will play in a semifinal contest against Tuscola on Wednesday, February 6 at 7:30 p.m. The winner of that contest will

face the winner of the Pana vs. Meridian or Shelbyville game on Thursday, February, 7 at 7 p.m. The Pana Regional feeds into the Tuscola Sectional as do the Regionals hosted by Warrensburg-Latham, Albion (Edwards County) and Robinson.

Knights roll over Storm for second win of season

(Continued from Page 4) mess around with taking care of business in this contest. ALAH jumped out to a 19 - 6 first quarter lead and never looked back. The halftime score showed the

Knights continuing to roll along with a 33 - 12 lead.

Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond did not let up in the second half either as they pummeled the Storm winning by a final score of

62 - 37.

Scoring for the Knights vs. Sangamon Valley: Plank, 23; Romine, 10; Day, 7; C. Miller, 5; Rollyson, 5; Baker, 4; Nik Miller, 3; Tucker Tabb, 3.

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