

Van Matre treats Colts players for soft tissue injuries

Comet staff report

Ryan Van Matre, D.C., M.S. (c), may have had his hands, indirectly, in the National Football Championship won by the Indianapolis Colts. Van Matre has treated some of the Colts players at Indy Spine and Rehab, P.C., in Carmel and was in Miami last week, treating some of the players before Sunday's Super Bowl game.

One of the players Van Matre treated last week was kick/punt returner Terrence Wilkins. He

began treating Wilkins while he was in training camp.

Wilkins went to Van Matre for his experience with Active Release Techniques (ART), a therapy used to successfully treat numerous soft-tissue injuries. Van Matre would drive once or twice a week to Terre Haute while the Colts were in training camp to treat several of their athletes. Even though he does not have any formal association with the Colts, he has consulted with their trainers on past cases.

"My most gratifying experi-

ence was consulting on a case for a tight-end who had a chronic hamstring tear," said VanMatre. "He had torn it three different times in training camp and was not getting any better. He was to be released by the Colts and was at risk of ending his professional football career. With ART we were able to locate the adhesion in his hamstring that he was re-injuring, rehab him and get him in competitive conditioning to where he was picked up by the Tennessee Titans. He has since become a primary receiver in their offense."

Van Matre said that he has been surprised by the appreciation and the approachability of the athletes. "We tend to think of many professional athletes as being ego-maniacal, but that is far from the truth. This seems to be a reflection of their coach, Tony Dungy."

"The conditions I treat are primarily soft-tissue injuries (muscle pulls, sprains and strains) with an emphasis on performance. ART works so well and is sought out by these athletes because of the quick turnaround time."

Over the course of the 2006 season, Van Matre has also treated linebacker Rocky Boiman, linebacker Gary Brackett, cornerback Nick Harper, linebacker Keith O'Neil, wide receiver Brandon Stokely, wide receiver Ricky Proehl, strong safety Mike Doss, and tight end Ben Hartsock.

Van Matre, a graduate of Delphi Community High School, also has an office in Delphi.



Treating athletes

Ryan Van Matre, D.C., M.S. (c), right, is pictured last week in Miami with Indianapolis Colts kicker/punt returner Terrence Wilkins. Van Matre has been treating Wilkins since training camp for soft tissue injuries. Van Matre did not make it to the game, he was called home early Sunday morning due to a sick son. Photo provided



New YMCA weight equipment

Carroll County YMCA has a new four-in-one weight bench for its fitness room. The unit's features are incline, decline, flat bench, and military press. Pictured trying it out is Gordon McCain. Spotters are YMCA interim director Russ Siler (left) and YMCA board member Dave Mann. The bench, along with a weight stand and mirror, were donated by Carroll County Pork Producers, Mann Chevrolet-Buick, Esserman Tire Service, Zinn Kitchens, Abbott Funeral Home, Lafayette Bank and Trust/Flora, McCammack-Quirk Investments, Helena Chemical Company, D. J. Harmon/optometrist, Baker Funeral Home, Stephan's IGA, Sue Mann Hitchcock, Payne's Pharmacy, and Burlington Kiwanis. YMCA members can use the fitness room for free. It is also open to the public for a fee. Comet photo by Jennifer Archibald

Scoreboard

Girls' Basketball

Benton Central 76, Delphi 37

Benton Central 27 22 14 13 - 76
Delphi 11 10 4 12 - 37

BENTON CENTRAL: Gick 8-14 2-2 19, E. Sheetz 0-5 2-4 2, Kepner 4-10 0-8, Butler 4-8 0-1 9, Cripe 13-18 0-0 26, Tolon 0-2 0-0 0, Wolfe 1-5 0-0 2, Muthig 0-1 0-0 0, O. Sheetz 1-4 0-0 2, Vestal 0-2 0-0 0, Harvey 1-3 0-0 2, Schluttenhofer 1-1 4-5 6, Free-land 0-2 0-2 0. Totals 33-75 8-14 76.
DELPHI: Stauffer 1-10 2-3 4, Schultz 1-3 4-6 6, Zink 3-7 0-0 6, Hawn 2-5 5-6 10, George 0-1 0-0 0, Lake 0-0 0-0 0, Richardson 0-3 0-0 0, Strasser 0-2 0-1 0, Jones 1-1 0-0 2, Barnard 1-6 1-4 4, Kayser 0-2 1-2 1, Yates 0-4 0-2 0, German 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 10-46 15-26 37.

3-point goals - Delphi 2-7 (Hawn 1-1, Barnard 1-3, Stauffer 0-1, Yates 0-2), Benton Central 2-8 (Butler 1-1, Gick 1-4, E. Sheetz 0-1, Kepner 0-2). Rebounds - Benton Central 46 (Cripe 9), Delphi 31 (Stauffer 9). Total fouls - Benton Central 21, Delphi 12.
JV score - Benton Central 48, Delphi 13.
Benton Central is 17-4, Delphi is 3-17.

Tri-County 55, Carroll 52 (2OT)

Carroll 13 10 9 10 8 2 - 52
Tri-County 11 9 11 11 8 5 - 55

CARROLL: Brazel 6 1-2 19, Brown 1 0-1 2, B. Yoder 0 1-2 1, Overholser 0 0-0 0, Hall 2-4 6, M. Yoder 0 0-0 0, Peden 0 0-0 0, McCarter 2 0-0 4, Miller 3 0-0 6, Reinke 3 7-9 14. Totals 17 11-18 52. TRI-COUNTY: Ruemler 5 0-2 10, Coty 0 0-0 0, Meyer 8 3-3 24, Anker 1 1 5-6 7, B. Kurtz 3 2-2 9, Snyder 0 1-2 1, Hall 0 0-0 0, Johnson 0 0-0 0, A. Kurtz 2 0-0 4. Totals 19 11-15 55.

3-Point Goals - Carroll 7 (Brazel 6, Reinke 1), Tri-County 6 (Meyer 5, B. Kurtz 1). Rebounds - Carroll 19, Tri-County 24. Total Fouls - Carroll 12, Tri-County 13.
JV Score: Carroll 21, Tri-County 16.
Carroll is 6-12; Tri-County is 12-7.

Frontier 52, Carroll 41

Carroll 6 11 11 13 - 41
Frontier 16 11 16 9 - 52

CARROLL: Brazel 4 0-1 12, Brown 0 0-0 0, Miller 2 0-2 4, B. Yoder 1 0-0 3, M. Yoder 0 1-2 1, Peden 0 0-0 0, Overholser 1 0-0 3, McCarter 2 2-2 7, Reinke 1 0-0 2, Hall 4 1-2 9. Totals 16 2-9 41. FRONTIER: Warren 2 1-2 7, Heath 2 2-5 8, Post 2 0-0 4, Cearing 5 6-11 16, Pullins 2 4-5 8, McVay 1 1-2 3, Wesner 1 2-3 5, Duncan 0 0-2 0, Ledford 1 0-0 2. Totals 17 16-30 52.

3-Point Goals - Carroll 7 (Brazel 4, B. Yoder, Overholser, McCarter), Frontier 2 (Heath). Total Fouls - Carroll 18, Frontier 14.
JV Score: Carroll 37, Frontier 24.
Carroll is 6-13; Frontier is 12-8.

Boys' Basketball

Clinton Central 79, Carroll 47

Carroll 15 7 8 17 - 47

Clinton Central 17 15 26 21 - 79
CARROLL: Eller 2-9 3-3 10, Craig 3-7 0-0 6, Tussinger 4-9 2-5 10, Hazel 1-7 0-0 2, Mahan 1-2 0-0 2, Ives 1-2 0-0 2, C. Spesard 2-4 0-0 4, Flora 1-1 0-0 2, Benson 2-5 2-2 7, A. Spesard 0-0 0-0 0, Miller 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 19-48 (.396) 7-10 (.700) 47.
CLINTON CENTRAL: 5-11 11-11 24, Amos 11-12 3-5 25, Sloggett 3-9 0-0 9, Lamb 0-3 0-0 0, Heidt 1-7 7-7 9, Crenshaw 2 1-1 0-0 2, Edmonds 2-4 1-1 5, Evans 1-1 0-0 2, Padgett 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 25-49 (.510) 22-24 (.917) 79.

3-Pt. Goals - Carroll 2 (Eller, Benson), Clinton Central 7 (Tucker 3, Sloggett 3, Padgett 1). Rebounds - Carroll 25 (C. Spesard 6), Clinton Central 20 (Amos 6). Total Fouls - Carroll 17, Clinton Central 12. Turnovers - Carroll 17, Clinton Central 9.

Clinton Central JV 49, Carroll 32

CARROLL: Benson 2 0-0 6, Yoder 0 0-0 1, A. Spesard 4 2-2 10, Zook 2 0-0 4, Brown 0 2-2 2, Geheb 2 1-2 7, Brumbaugh 1 0-0 2, Abdon 0 0-0 0, Beaver 0 0-0 0, C. Spesard 0 1-2 1. Totals 11 6-9 32. CLINTON CENTRAL: Ranis 3 0-0 8, Simmons 2 0-0 4, Groves 2 0-0 5, Padgett 4 2-2 12, Pohl 2 0-1 4, Light 1 1-3 3, Kingsolver 0 0-0 0, Simmons 0 0-0 0, Eli 3 0-0 8, Miller 2 1-5. Totals 19 4-8 49.

3-Pt. Goals - Carroll 4 (Benson 2, Geheb 2), Clinton Central 7 (Ranis 2, Padgett 2, Eli 2, Groves 1).

Carroll 58, Delphi 56

Carroll 12 14 13 19 - 58
Delphi 19 11 11 15 - 56
CARROLL: Eller 4 6-6 16, Craig 3 3-5 9, Tussinger 5 0-0 10, Hazel 3 1-2 10, Mahan 1 0-0 2, Ives 1 8-8 10, Benson 0 0-0 0, Flora 0 0-0 0, C. Spesard 0 1-2 1, Brown 0 0-0 0. Totals 17 19-23 58. DELPHI: Myers 4 0-0 12, Snyder 0 0-0 0, Bender 1 3-4 5, Banes 8 0-2 16, Oliver 5 4-4 14, Cebulla 0 1-2 1, Lewis 3 1-1 8, Stonebraker 0 0-0 0. Totals 21 9-13 56.

3-Point Goals - Carroll 5 (Hazel 3, Eller 2), Delphi 5 (Myers 4, Lewis 1). Rebounds - Carroll 30 (Craig 10), Delphi 19 (Cebulla 5). Total Fouls - Carroll 14, Delphi 21 (Bender).
JV Score: Carroll 50, Delphi 39.
Carroll is 7-10; Delphi is 1-14.

Wrestling

Logansport Regional Championship Matches

DELPHI RESULTS: 112 - Michael Cataldo (Logansport) def. Robert Floyd 9-5. 119 - Don Alderman pin Kyle Eberle (Harrison) 1:08. 152 - Braden Atwood maj. dec. Nathan Williams (West Central) 12-1. 285 - Bryan Benner (Benton Central) def. Wesley Everett 8-4.

Third Place Matches

DELPHI RESULTS: 125 - Michael Atwood pin Kyle Purevich (Rensse-

laer) 1:47. 171 - Alex Burns (West Lafayette) def. Coy Pennington 6-5.

Girls' Swimming

Lafayette Sectional

Lafayette Jeff 216, McCutcheon 189, West Lafayette 166.5, Logansport 162.5, Harrison 159.5, Lewis Cass 109, Central Catholic 98.5, Twin Lakes 77, Delphi 70, Benton Central 67, Carroll 46, Pioneer 32

DELPHI RESULTS: 200 Free - 2nd Shannon Kremer 2:01.37, 31st Monica Hutsell 2:39.20, 32nd Kerisa Garrison 2:42.57, 200 IM - 24th Jenny Maxwell 2:53.11, 28th Morgan Minnicus 2:58.44, 50 Free - 16th Mara Burton :28.09, 27th Keltie Lake :29.42, 31st Ashlee Buchanan :30.26, 100 Butterfly - 24th Maxwell 1:25.30, 100 Free - 12th Burton 1:01.99, 20th Lake 1:05.03, 31st Arielle Brosman 1:10.51, 500 Free - 2nd Kremer 5:26.46, 27th Hutsell 6:46.17, 100 Backstroke - 23rd Casey Keen 1:21.35, 27th Garrison 1:26.43, 32nd Morgan Borden 1:32.61, 100 Breaststroke - 9th Brosman 1:17.57, 22nd Minnicus 1:26.43, 33rd Tami Veach 1:38.44.
CARROLL: Diving - Heather DeLon 1st, 340.15.

Church Dartball

Valley View Baptist	21	3
Brighthurst Methodist	17	7
Flora Christian	10	14
Radnor Methodist 2	7	17
Radnor Methodist 1	5	19

SINGLES: M. Meek (RM1) 96, K. Scott (RM2) 91, J. Hatke (RM2) 82.
DOUBLES: L. Wagoner (FC) 26, V. Kauffman (VV) 25, B. McCarty (BM) 12, A. Hughes (BM) 12.
TRIPLES: B. Kingery (BM) 59, D. Ramsey (RM1) 43, M. Shell (VV) 31.
HR: B. Lucas (VV) 24, J. Lane (VV) 21, M. Yoder (BM) 17.
RBIs: B. Kingery 102, B. Lucas 71, K. Scott 68.
BA: J. Lane .674, L. Wagoner .664, K. Scott .658.

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Soup(er) Bowl Challenge...

Mama Mia, that's a-lota food we collected!!

Middle school students in Tonya Small's homeroom collected more non-perishable food items to donate to the Delphi Food Pantry than all other homerooms. Students from every grade helped organize the food gift for the pantry Friday morning. Pictured in front of the food-laden gurney, from left to right, are Morgan Baxter, Kaylie Reef, Michelle DeLaGuardia and Jalen Heise. Around the perimeter of the food, l-r, are Maryjo Meeks (PACE coordinator), Bob Avery (food pantry manager), Small, Chase Cripe, Daniel Layman, Matt Standafer, Alonzo Berumen, Landon Meek, Lukas Hunt, Brandon Cebulla, Zachary Salazar and Taylor Sims. Comet photo by Debbie Lowe

DMS students compete to help

By Debbie Lowe
Staff writer

Delphi middle school students were challenged by their homeroom teachers, working in conjunction with the Parents Actively Committed to Education (PACE) group, to collect as many non-perishable food items as possible by Super Bowl Sunday.

The challenge was issued Jan. 25 and was called the "Soup(er) Bowl Challenge" in honor of the big game.

A total of 1,091 cans and items were collected in the few short days of the competition. All homerooms accepted the challenge and competed. Teacher Tonya Small's sixth-grade homeroom was victorious with a total of 539 items,

which were donated to the Delphi Food Pantry. The winning homeroom students were treated to a Super Bowl Party.

"My kids are very competitive," Small said.

"I feel good we got all the cans," homeroom winner Landon Meek said.

But the winning homeroom students were not the only ones who felt like they accomplished a good thing.

"It felt good to help people who maybe can't afford to get food," said 14 year-old Lukas Hunt from Alan McConnell's homeroom.

The Delphi Food Pantry was also a winner in the competition.

"This will sure help," food pantry board member and manager Bob Arney said. "The kids

are to be congratulated. We need constant replenishment of food items, and we do have to by some food sometimes."

Delphi's Hillcrest students pARTy

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Eight students from Hillcrest Elementary were selected to participate in the 2007 Youth Art Exhibit "pARTy". They were: Meghan Garcia, first grade; Cassie Hanna, second; Emily Burwell, Caydenne McClain, Tyler Kinzer and Connie Whitaker, fourth; Bransen Shidler and Miranda Kinzie, fifth grade.

The exhibit runs from Feb. 2 through 25 at the Tippecanoe Arts Federation, 638 North Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

Students in grades kindergarten through eighth grade from Tippecanoe, Clinton, Carroll, Montgomery, Fountain, Warren, White, Benton, Jasper, and Newton counties participated in the exhibit.

Bulldogs From page 1B

the quarter. Riley Eller had 5 points and Adam Tussinger and Craig had 4 points each.

The Cougars never led again, but were able to tie the game at 17. After falling behind by 6 points, 25-19, a conventional three-point play by Eller pulled the Cougars to within 3 at 25-22. From here, Clinton Central took over, going on a 7-0 run to take a 32-22 lead at half-time.

It was all Clinton Central in the second half. They came out of the locker room and put up 15 unanswered points on the scoreboard. Before the Cougars knew what had hit them, they were down 25 points, 47-22, and it was game-match point for Clinton Central.

Tussinger and Eller led the Cougars with 10 points each. Brad Benson had 7 and Craig 6. Clinton Central was led by Andrew Amos with 25 points and Jordan Tucker with 24.

Carroll was 19 of 48 from the field, while Clinton Central hit 25 of 49. Central outscored Carroll 22 to 7 from the foul line.

Next up for the Cougars will be a Thursday night contest at Frontier on Feb. 8. Carroll leads the overall se-

ries, 22 to 19.

JV are outscored

Carroll's Junior Varsity fell to visiting Clinton Central 49-32. The Cougars now stand at 7-9 on the year and 1-3 in the Hoosier Heartland Conference.

The Cougars never led in the game. They closed the gap to within 2 points at 7-5, but could not get the lead. The Bulldogs were up 15-9 after one, 27-17 at the half, and 40-24 at the end of three.

Adam Spesard was the only Cougars in double figures with 10 points. Kyle Geheb added 7 points and Brad Benson 6.

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