

Senior athletes sign to colleges

By Alexis Lee

While college signing day will be a long-remembered recognition of student-athletes' success, **Christopher Switzer's** favorite sports memory was an annual tradition that brought both girls' and boys' cross country teams together. When the team traveled to the Highland, Indiana meet, afterward they gathered together to take one large group photo -- Switzer was in all four.

"It shows that we are a group, we are a team, and we are a family and that's what we are."

Seniors **D'Andre Miles, Jesse Wainscott, Tre Breaziel, Jalen Lee, Switzer and Rob Lenhrin** were honored when Perry observed National Signing Day on Wednesday.

Miles and Breaziel are both committing to the University of Saint Francis. D'Andre Miles will be playing football and said that he "looks forward to being on a new team and getting to meet new people." He had received an offer right after his football season and went on a college visit where he decided this school was the best fit for him. Miles says, "Playing college football has been a dream of mine since I was a little kid. Seeing it all come together is a good feeling."

Breaziel throws disc and shot put in track and field. He decided that St. Francis was the college he wanted to attend after two college visits. This was

the best college for him to go where he can grow as an athlete, he said. His favorite memory of being in track and field was when he made it to Regionals last year and almost advanced to state. Breaziel will be studying physical therapy and sports science. One thing that he looks forward to is going to the same college and rooming together with his best friend Miles.

Wainscott will be committing to Eastern Illinois University to continue to play baseball. Something that he looks forward to is growing as a player and getting his degree. Wainscott knew this was the college that he wanted to go to his junior year when he received his first offer from the college.

The college he will be attending is Division 1 which is the highest level for athletics, and he was recruited to be the pitcher for Eastern Illinois. Wainscott's family likes the college he chose because they think that it is the best fit for him, but they are upset that it is somewhat far away from home, they said.

Lenhrin, Switzer and Lee will all be signing to the University of Indianapolis. Lenhrin will be continuing to play soccer as a midfielder. Lenhrin had already known that he was going to be committing to UIndy since freshman year. The head coach for the team is his travel coach, and they had discussed him going for the past couple of years. One of his favorite memories at Perry Merid-

ian was after he had come back from missing 13 games due to surgery and playing in the sectionals game which the team won. His parents are proud of him and are glad that he will be staying close to home, he said. One thing that he looks forward to is majoring in business administration and being able to play with a new team.

Switzer has a special nickname among his cross country teammates--"Mother." He tries to boost up the team and work with everyone to help get their best times, he said. His parents are pleased because he is not leaving and going far away from home. Switzer is excited to look at the new abilities he can do and meet new team members as well as reconnecting with runners who he hasn't run with since his sophomore year.

Jalen Lee, who happens to be my brother, will be continuing to play football as a cornerback and safety. The main thing that he looks forward to is being able to play for another four years. One of the best memories he has playing football is when he had the opportunity to go to Florida for a 7 on 7 nationals tournament. His parents were excited to see him grow as a person and player. "We are proud of Jalen and know that a long road lies ahead, but this kid is tough and ready to work," said father William Lee.



D'andre Miles committed to the University of St. Francis to play football. He decided that USF was the best fit for him after a college visit following the 2017-18 regular football season. Miles cites that he has wanted to play at the next level ever since he was a little kid and the fact that his dream is becoming a reality is exciting (Photo by Alexis Lee).



Senior Chris Switzer will also be attending the University of Indianapolis alongside soon-to-be alumni Robert Lenhrin and Jalen Lee. Switzer is most excited about the fact that he will be running with former PMHS alumni that he has not run with since his sophomore year. His family is also very glad to know that he will be close to home (Photo by Alexis Lee).



Senior Tre Breaziel committed to the University of St. Francis to throw both the discus and shotput for track and field. Breaziel decided to commit to USF after two separate college visits. He is very excited to be rooming with his best friend D'Andre Miles, who will also be attending the same NAIA school after the scholastic year ends (Photo by Alexis Lee).

These twelve Falcons (in bold) will compete Saturday in the IHSAA Wrestling semi-state at New Castle, 9a.m.

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Alex Cottey (PMHS, 1st)

David Pearson (Warren Central, 2nd)

Christian White (New Palestine, 3rd)

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Brayden Lowery (Roncalli, 1st)

Jevian Ross (Warren Central, 2nd)

Ceu Kung (PMHS, 3rd)

120

Sam Fair (PMHS, 1st)

Gavin Rose (Greenfield Central, 2nd)

Sam Slivka (Roncalli, 3rd)

126

Alec Viduya (Roncalli, 1st)

Ethan Smiley (Beech Grove, 2nd)

Aundre Beatty (Warren Central, 3rd)

132

Carter Noehre (Greenfield Central, 1st)

Jarred Rowlett (Warren Central, 2nd)

Tyce Freije (Roncalli, 3rd)

138

Bailey Moore (Beech Grove, 1st)

Blaze Lowery (PMHS, 2nd)

Brian Keeney (Roncalli, 3rd)

145

Antwaun Graves (Warren Central, 1st)

Cooper Noehre (Greenfield Central, 2nd)
Jack Servies (PMHS, 3rd)

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Aiden Warren (PMHS, 1st)

Marcus Scott (Warren Central, 2nd)

Jordyn Willis (Eastern Hancock, 3rd)

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Brooks Davis (PMHS, 1st)

Jeremiah Ford (Southport, 2nd)

Trent Smith (Roncalli, 3rd)

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Noah Warren (PMHS, 1st)

Brad Lowe (Greenfield Central, 2nd)

Elijah Mahan (Roncalli, 3rd)

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Daniel Below (PMHS, 1st)

Dayton Fries (Southport, 2nd)

Lorenzo Salazar (Roncalli, 3rd)

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Sam Hansen (Roncalli, 1st)

Clayton Cochard (Eastern Hancock, 2nd)

Austin Lane (PMHS, 3rd)

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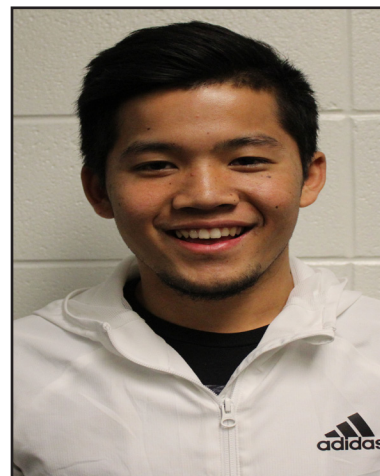
Landan Burton (New Palestine, 1st)

Frank Hammond (PMHS, 2nd)

Spencer Fears (Roncalli, 3rd)

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Isaiah Greene (Beech Grove, 1st)



Senior Robert Lenhrin is committing to UIndy in order to continue playing as a midfielder just as he has his entire high school career. Lenhrin knew that he was going to attend this college ever since his freshman year. This is due to the fact that the coach for the travel team he plays on also happens to be the head UIndy soccer coach (Photo by Alexis Lee).



Jesse Wainscott will be attending Eastern Illinois University to continue to play baseball. Wainscott recieved this offer during his junior year and was set on attending ever since. The Division 1 university had set their eyes on him as soon as they saw his talented pitching ability. Wainscott is very excited to grow as a player over-all (Photo by Alexis Lee).