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Siuslaw junior Brogan Cornish keeps a runner at first base in check for the Vikings. Siuslaw will host a doubleheader with South Umquathis Friday.

Baseball from 1B

and leave runners in scoring position at second and third base.

Thrall went on to work his way out of a jam in the top of the seventh with the bases loaded, striking out two batters and throwing another pop up to preserve an 8-0

shutout. Senior Michael Mason did his job well behind the plate, both as catcher and batter, smacking a 3-run homer in the top of the first

inning. Meanwhile, Thrall got aboard four times and hit back-to-back doubles, with sophomore Darren Stinnett and freshman Gabe Simington scoring 2 runs

each in the win. In the nightcap, Trojans sophomore Jace Johnson threw a four-hit shutout to lead Douglas to a 6-0 win.

Friday, the Vikings will host South Umpqua (4-1) for a doubleheader beginning at 3 p.m.

Wrestlers from 1B

LaCosse, who finished second at district in his first season on the mats. "He came in, worked hard and has been the most improved member of the team.

"It's young men like Elijah and the rest of this group that is building the program back."

The team's other four wrestlers who advanced to state, 11-year-olds Abraham Dejesus, Wyatt Tatum and Mason Buss, along with 9-year-

old Leonardo Robertson, each returned with medals placing them in the top six or higher in the state.

"I was pumped," said Dejesus, who finished fourth in freestyle and fifth in Roman-Greco at 120 pounds.

"He was also kind of nervous," said Tatum, causing chuckles from the group.

Dejesus smiled. "Yeah, that too."

Tatum, who wrestled at 105 pounds, placed sixth in both the freestyle and Roman-Greco

divisions. Robertson, wrestling at 65 pounds, was fourth in the freestyle division after defeating a wrestler he had lost to earlier in the season.

"That was probably my favorite part of the tournament," said Robertson.

Mason Buss, who wrestled at 95 pounds, had the team's highest placement after taking third in both freestyle and Roman-Greco competition.

Like Robertson, Buss managed to defeat one wrestler who

he had lost to earlier in the season.

"This time, I kind of demolished him," said Buss, whose remark causes another round of chuckling.

"It's a special group for sure," said Stecher Buss, who

will be taking the group through its paces in the weeks ahead. "Summer wrestling makes spring champions."

Given the number of medals hanging around the necks of this group, it's a prospect that will likely hold true for many

springs to come.

"I'm excited," said LaCosse, who will be an eighth-grader next season. "I learned a lot this year and can't wait to see what I can do."

Track from 1B

total score for final rankings at the meet, included junior runner Celie Mans, who ran the 1,500-meter race in 4:52.25 for 17th place. In the 3,000 meters, junior Morgan Bingham placed 16th with her time of 10:45.36.

Senior hurdler Mikaela Siegel had the event's 15th best time after running 48.25 in the 300-meter hurdles finals.

In the 4x400-meter relay, freshman Kaeli Ramos joined Siegel and juniors Annmarie Precht and Destinie Tatum for a 13th-place finish in 4:11.86.

Precht went on to leap 16 feet, 2.5 inches in the long jump for 12th place.

In the boys division, sopho-

more Trent Reavis threw the shot put 46 feet, 6.75 inches for 14th, and fellow sophomore Josh Payne placed fourth in the 100-

meter wheelchair race in 21.59. Siuslaw finished 34th overall in team scoring out of 62 schools.

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