

Karate students place

Four students of Olathe's Kenukan Academy placed in a full contact knockout tournament at St. Elizabeth's gymnasium at 75th and Main this past weekend.

Besides Kenukan, which is run by Bob "The Bear" Boggs, others schools in the tourney were Jim Harrison's Kansas City Kansas Bushidokan Academies and Roger Carpenter's Kansas Karate Institute from Wichita.

In the white belt division (including yellow tip), Kenukan placed second, third and fourth. Don Fish led the way with a second place finish with Ed Zook and Reid Denson were third and fourth, respectively.

In the advanced division (orange, green and purple combined), Jimbo Thompkins placed second. Alex Sadler, a 57-year-old from Gardner, lost 2-1 but received a standing ovation for his effort.

Boggs will fight for the Kansas heavyweight title June 30th in Wichita against Alan (Zorro) Santiago of Wichita. Others from this area fighting that day include Mark and Jeff Payne and Ray Patton.