

# NCHS, Pontiac's Black runners-up

Normal Community High School and Pontiac senior Craig Black earned second-place finishes in yesterday's Bloomington Doughnut Classic at IAA Country Companies in Bloomington.

The Ironmen, paced by Kirby Winn in sixth place and Eric Nicolson in seventh, scored 75 points. Rock Island had 61 points.

Pontiac was third (88), Bloomington fourth (95) and Washington eighth (192) in the 11-team field.

Rock Island's Marlon Hall was first individually over the three-mile course in 15 minutes, 50 seconds. Black finished 12 seconds behind, while Pontiac's Marc Balota was third in 16:08.

Winn was clocked in 16:18, with Nicolson at 16:30. BHS was led by

Kenny Herman, ninth in 16:36.

In the girls race, Seneca scored 83 points to defeat Charleston by three points. NCHS was third with 93 points, with Bloomington fourth (99) and Pontiac seventh (138).

Rantoul's Amy Bersig was the individual winner, touring the two-mile course in 12:42. NCHS' Amy Shank was sixth (13:27), while BHS' Stacey Orrick was seventh (13:30).

## At St. Joseph

Mahomet-Seymour, the state's No. 4-ranked Class A team, placed second in the St. Joseph-Ogden Invitational yesterday.

The Bulldogs edged third-place Clinton, 147-148. No. 11-ranked University High placed fourth with 159. Top-ranked Chrisman, the defending state champion,

won the 29-team meet with 76 points.

Shelbyville's Jeremy Skinner won the 3-mile event in 15:07, 23 seconds ahead of runner-up Dan Nielsen of Mahomet-Seymour.

In the 13-team girls race, top-ranked Chrisman won with 48 points. Paxton placed fifth with 171. Freshman Karen Block of Argenta-Oreana won the 2-mile race in 11:27. Paxton's Julie Graves placed 12th.

## At Herscher

Lowpoint-Washburn's Kenric Bond finished fourth in the Herscher Invitational yesterday. His time was not available. The winner was Tim Kennedy of Bishop McNamara, who ran the three-mile course in 16:08.