

Phila qualifies first relay team to state tourney

MT. VERNON — The New Philadelphia boys' 3,200 meter relay team will compete in the state track and field meet this weekend after placing fourth in the Class AAA regional at Mt. Vernon High Saturday.

Nick Shalosky, Eric Lukens, Tony Green and Dave Glass clocked in at 8:04.

"IT'S NEW Philadelphia's first relay team ever to qualify for state," Quaker coach Denny Edwards said. "The school record was 8:14; they've cut 10 seconds off that. We're tickled pink. Just to get someone out of a regional with all those Columbus schools is great."

Advancing from the Class AAA girls' meet was Carrollton's Kathy Frase, scoring a fourth in the 300 low hurdles. Her time of 46.1 seconds broke her own school record of 46.2 set in Thursday's preliminaries.

Coach Dan Wells was elated over his senior's performance.

"She qualified for the state meet in cross country as a freshman and now she's made it in track as a senior," he said. "She graduated last night (Friday). It's a great first and last thing to do at Carrollton High. I'm pretty proud of her. She's the only girl we've had make it to state in the three years we've been Class AAA."

FRASE just missed advancing in the high jump, placing fifth at 5-feet-4. She also set a school record of 15.4 in the 100 low hurdles Thursday although she did not place Saturday. Her own school mark was 15.5.