

Going for the sack



DARREL PATTILLO/Colby Free Press
Freshman Heath Bieker applied pressure to Atwood's quarterback Thursday afternoon at Dennen Field in Colby High School 'C' team action. The Eagle 'C' team lost to the Buffaloes 26-8.

Kansas basketball coach Williams to receive honor

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Roy Williams of Kansas, whose .807 winning percentage leads active Division I basketball coaches, was chosen to receive the John R. Wooden Legends of Coaching award.

Williams will be presented the award April 13 at the Los Angeles Athletic Club, where the John Wooden Award is given to the nation's top male college basketball player.

Williams has guided the Jayhawks to 13 consecutive 20-win seasons in his 14 years at Kansas. His teams reached the Final Four in 1991, '93 and last season.

Previous winners of the Legends award are retired North Carolina coach Dean Smith, Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, Arizona's Lute Olson and retired Louisville coach Denny Crum.

Lady 'Dawgs maintain momentum

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The Brewster Lady Bulldog volleyball team has an impressive record as the regular season winds down, 19-3 after Tuesday's triangular with Wheatland and Ness City, but coach Lynda McKee doesn't want it to end any time soon.

"We are playing some pretty good volleyball right now," McKee said. "However, we are nearing the end of

the season, and we need to step up our intensity level. "Any let-downs in post season play could mean the end of our season." The 'Dawgs dropped the first match of the triangular Tuesday, against Ness City, 15-8, 13-15, and 14-16, and then beat Wheatland 15-10 and 15-6. The junior varsity also won against Wheatland, 15-0 and 15-7, to improve to 4-0.

On the attack, for the day, Miranda Starns led with 12 kills, Alicia Collett

had 11, Ashley Carpenter had 9, and Sara Luckert had 7 kills.

Jalyn Reid recorded 14 assists, and Starns was credited with 12. Caitlin Rush had 11 assists. On defense, Luckert had 12 stuffs and five deflections, Carpenter and Collett each had 11 stuffs, and Andrea Horney had 9 stuffs and 9 deflections.

Brewster plays again Tuesday, Oct. 15, in a triangular with Hoxie at Atwood.

Giants go up 2-0 in race for NL title

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Tino Martinez had another quiet night in the postseason. His teammates didn't fare much better.

Everybody in the St. Louis Cardinals' lineup had a tough time against Jason Schmidt, who took a shutout into the eighth inning as the San Francisco Giants won 4-1 Thursday night for a 2-0 lead in the NL championship series.

"I'm trying to think of anybody that had the birds on the bat that didn't look like they were struggling at the plate today," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "Schmidt was just working us over."

Martinez and the rest of the Cardinals were generous with compliments for the 13-game winner, who lost both of his starts against St. Louis in the regular season but dominated Game 2.

"I never give credit to the pitchers, ever," Martinez said. "But tonight he pitched a great game. He had all his stuff working and threw whatever pitch he wanted at any time."

Miguel Cairo, who entered 7-for-8 in the postseason, was 0-for-3 against Schmidt. So was Jim Edmonds, and Albert Pujols was held to an infield hit with two strikeouts.

Fernando Vina, who is 1-for-9 in the NLCS after batting .600 in the division series, said Schmidt deserves all the credit.

"He was nasty," Vina said.

Schmidt was so dominant that the Cardinals felt compelled to gamble. J.D. Drew tried to score on Vina's shallow fly to center in the third, but was thrown out at the plate by Kenny Lofton for an inning-ending double play.

"I got a good jump but it was just one of those things," Drew said. "It was a

real shallow fly ball, nothing you can do about it.

La Russa had no problem with third base coach Jose Oquendo sending Drew on the play.

"We were all yelling, including myself, 'Send him, send him!'" La Russa said. "The way Schmidt is pitching, you have a chance to make a dent and tie the game."

"You had a great runner and he had to make a perfect throw."

Still, the Cardinals are waiting for Martinez to live up to his billing as an October star. Mark McGwire's replacement at first base is a feeble 1-for-18 in the postseason, with the lone hit a single in Game 1 of the NLCS.

He stranded five runners in a 9-6 loss Wednesday night, leaving the bases

loaded in the first inning, and was 0-for-3 with a walk in Game 2.

St. Louis fans, who embraced Martinez during a slow start, are now showing their impatience. The last two days, he began to hear some boos.

That's a big change from earlier in the year, when he heard a constant chant of "Tino! Tino!" whether he came through or not.

"The fans are great here," Martinez said. "They're not afraid to boo me though when I make outs, either."

Martinez, who signed a \$21 million, three-year deal with the Cardinals as a free agent, had 100 RBIs in six of his last seven seasons with the New York Yankees. It took a strong finish to get him to 21 homers and 75 RBIs in his first season in St. Louis.

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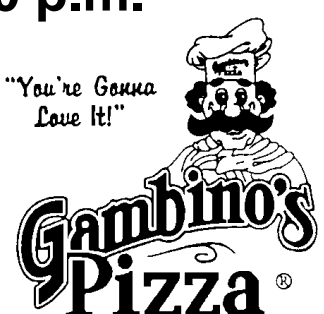


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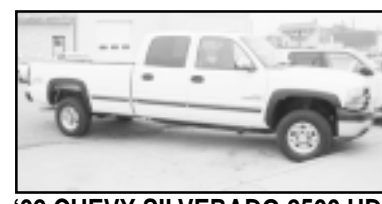
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