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This youth got a hit during a 2005 Colby Recreation Department T-ball game. The 2006 season begins next week. For more information, contact the department at 460-4440.

## Chiefs take name out of consideration

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Chiefs on Thursday withdrew their request for Arrowhead Stadium to host the 2015 Super Bowl, after yet another setback in plans for a rolling roof at the Truman Sports Complex.

In a statement, Chiefs owner Lamar Hunt said Arrowhead Stadium renovations would move forward without a roof to make it and the adjacent Kauffman Stadium climate-controlled, a condition for hosting the NFL's championship game.

"We tried our very best," Hunt said, "but found that the combina-

tion of a lack of consensus from the various political interests, the business community and the Royals, as well as the need for promptness on the beginning of construction at Arrowhead would not permit us to pursue the rolling roof at this time."

The latest push to to bring a rolling roof to the sports complex ended Monday, when county officials withdrew a resolution to put the project on the Aug. 8 ballot.

Legislator Dennis Waits cited unfavorable poll numbers and pressure from businesses that would have felt the burden of a use tax as reasons not to put the issue on the

August ballot.

Last month, voters approved a 3/8-cent sales tax to extensively refurbish Arrowhead and Kauffman and keep the Chiefs and Royals in the city for another 25 years. But voters rejected a separate measure that would have raised about \$200 million to build the rolling roof, which would have been used for both stadiums.

## Big 12 coaches keep title game

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — The Big 12 Conference is sticking to its eight-game conference football schedule and will continue playing a championship game with a \$800,000 payout for both teams.

The league's athletic directors and football coaches rejected a plan to go to nine conference games and ditch the title game at its annual spring meeting, which concluded Thursday.

"The coaches were united in not wanting to change," Commissioner Kevin Weiberg said. "There was a consensus that what we have now works well."

The traditional Colorado-Nebraska and Texas-Texas A&M games on the Friday following Thanksgiving, however, are in jeopardy.

Weiberg said the conference is considering using Thanksgiving weekend as part of the Big 12's regular football schedule with a full slate of games played that Saturday.

"We will continue to explore everyone playing on Thanksgiving weekend," Weiberg said. "Using that weekend could create some scheduling flexibility for earlier in the season."

Colorado athletic director Mike Bohn opposes the move and said he will lobby to keep the Buffaloes-Cornhuskers game on the day after Thanksgiving.

The league also decided to stick with its 16-game conference slate in

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Big 12 Commissioner

men's and women's basketball but formed a task force to look into changing postseason tournament dates so championship games aren't played on Sunday.

"We will have a better sense of the format by January 2007 so that we can move forward with our televi-

sion partners," Weiberg said.

Nebraska was awarded the 2007 outdoor track and field championship and Colorado the 2008 event.

Weiberg also said the conference expects to distribute \$102.5 million to its member schools for the fiscal year.

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