

## King and Queen crowned



Seniors Tanner Kriss and Jordan Krzycki were announced as this year's homecoming king and queen after the Eagles game against Goodland on Friday, September 12.

## Eagles tied for second place heading into tonight's game

The Eagles will be playing the role of Goliath when they host the winless Plainville Cardinals tonight at 7 p.m.

The Cardinals (0-3) have really struggled to put things together offensively this season as they have failed to score more than six points in a game this season. But anything can happen, and if they want to continue to be ranked in the upper tier of the Northwest Kansas League the Eagles cannot afford to lose games they are supposed to win.

Colby should have some momentum built up after winning their last two games. The Eagles have many reasons to feel good about how their sea-

son has gone thus far. For starters they currently are tied for second place with Oberlin. They showed a lot of resilience by winning two straight games after a being shut-out in their season opener.

Senior Quarterback Heath Stephens has proven himself to be a dangerous weapon on offense. Stephens has the ability to break loose for a long touchdown at any point in the game. He is currently third in the league scoring five rushing touchdowns this season.

Junior Ethan Stickel has been efficient running the ball this season averaging 5.10 yards per carry and 68 yards a game. Senior Tanner Kriss leads the team in reception yards.

The Eagles running game has been great this year, but they need to develop a more consistent passing game. The team only averages 33.7 yards passing per game and no Eagle receiver has caught a touchdown this year.

Seniors Corey Sager and Tanner Kriss have been awesome on defense with 45 and 43 tackles respectively. Sager is currently third in the league in tackles and Kriss is fourth. The defense just needs to keep playing the way they are playing and they should be fine.

The season is still young, but the Eagles have already shown flashes of greatness and hopefully they will continue to improve as the season rolls along.

## De La Rosa pitching superbly

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It's hard to tell now that Jorge De La Rosa owned an 8.63 ERA in May and lost three of his first five starts. He's been that good down the stretch.

Clint Barmes homered for the second straight game, De La Rosa hit an RBI single and the Colorado Rockies completed a three-game sweep of the San Francisco Giants with a 3-1 victory Thursday night.

De La Rosa (10-8) struck out seven in seven scoreless innings to win his second straight start, retiring the final 11 batters he faced after Bengie Molina's one-out double in the fourth and 17 of his last 19 overall. De La Rosa gave up three hits and pitched perhaps his best outing of the year in his final 2008 start. He also blanked the Giants over seven innings Sept. 1,

striking out six and allowing four hits.

"The tempo to everything he does has picked up his pace, his rhythm," manager Clint Hurdle said. "He's just got so much more confidence. He might have just saved his best for last. From where he came from to where he's finished, he's made a lot of posi-

tive strides for us."

Barry Zito (10-17) struck out six and walked four over eight innings in the \$126 million Giants left-hander's last start of the season. After beginning the year 0-8, Zito bounced back for a respectable finish and won four of his final six decisions.

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