

# Department plans youth tournament

The Colby Recreation Department will hold the Third Annual 3-on-3 Youth Basketball Tournament on Saturday, April 13.

There will be separate divisions for boys and girls. The players are then separated into groups by their grades: third and fourth, fifth and sixth and seventh and eighth.

The department reminds those interested that Kansas State High School Athletic Association rules state that seventh and eighth graders can play with no more than three people from the same school.

Each division will have pool play with the top teams advancing to championship play. All teams are guaranteed at least two games. For scoring, a field goal will be worth 1 point and a field goal from the three-point line is worth 2 points. All games will go to 15 minutes.

Games will be held in the Colby Grade School gym and at the

Community Building. Admission will be \$1, players excluded, and concessions and T-shirts will be sold at each site.

Awards will be given to first- and second-place teams in each division.

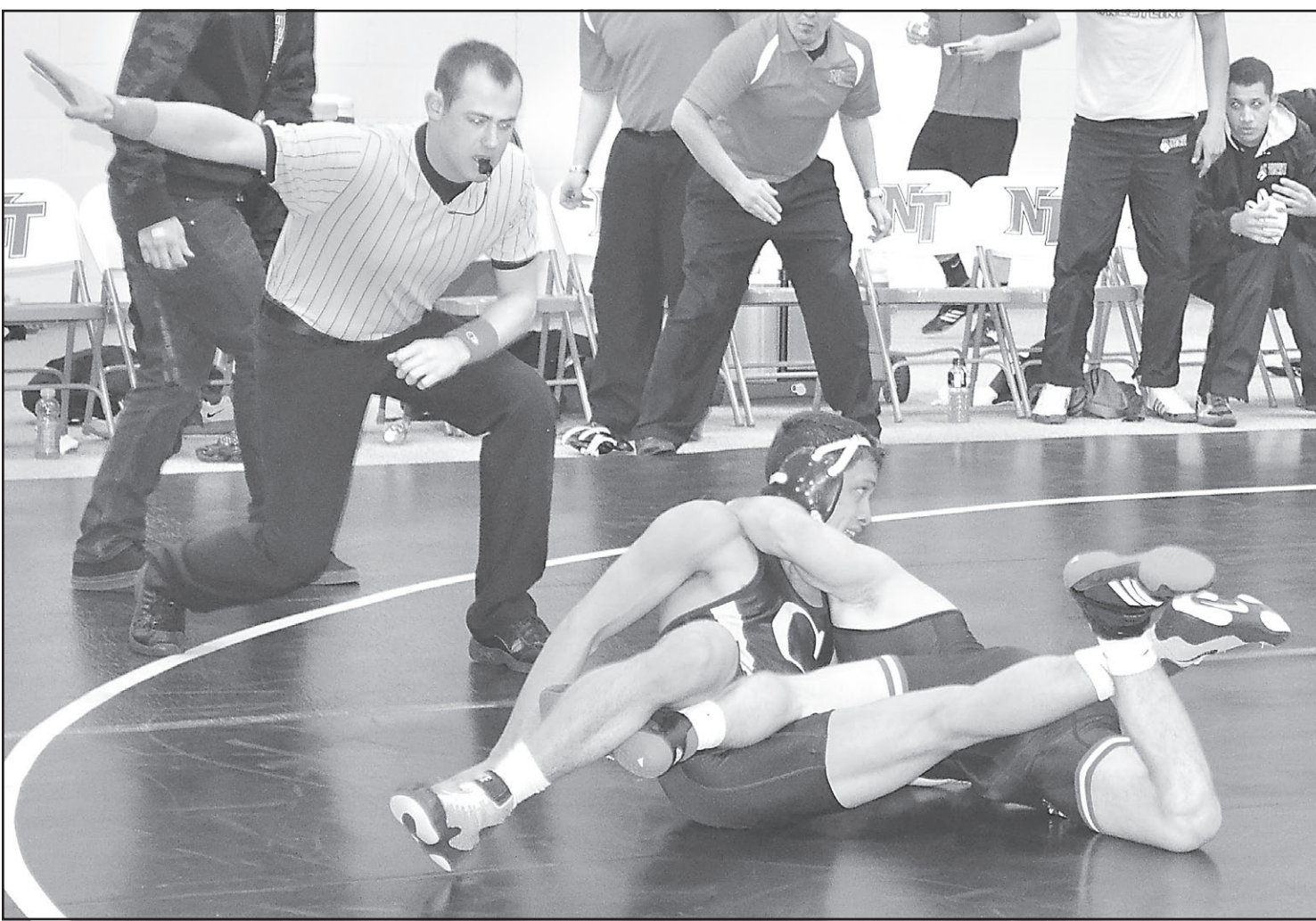
Teams should dress in the same color, but a number is not required. Team rules will be sent out with the schedule, which will be mailed or e-mailed by April 13.

The deadline to sign up is Friday, April 5, and cost is \$30 per team. Checks should be made payable to the Colby Recreation Department.

Registration can be mailed or dropped off at the department office, 285 E. Fifth St., Colby, Kan., 67701.

For information or questions, contact Director Stacy Jasper or Assistant Director Mary McLaughlin at 460-4440 or colbyrecreation@gmail.com.

## Down to the mat



PAT SCHIEFEN/Goodland Star-News

Colby Community College wrestler Josh Martinez wrestled Cody Tow from Northwest Kansas Technical College on Jan. 23 in Goodland.

# Lady Bulldogs continue winning ways in Palco

By Hailee Spresser

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains High School Lady Bulldog basketball team traveled to Palco to face the Palco Lady Roosters.

Golden Plains had defeated Palco in the semifinals of the Western Kansas Liberty League tournament earlier.

"We knew that on their home floor, they would play much better than at league, so we had to come into this game with the right mindset," said junior Jordan Christensen. "That is exactly what we did, and even though it was a tough, close game, we came out on top by quite a ways."

The Lady Bulldogs started off the game on Jan. 18 trading bas-

kets with Palco. Golden Plains ended the first quarter tied with the Lady Roosters, 13-13. The second quarter brought a repeat of the first. The Lady Bulldogs did manage to put in 6 more points than Palco, setting the score going into halftime at 19-13.

In the third quarter, Palco had many defensive stops. The Lady Roosters outscored Golden Plains by 1, which left the Lady Bulldogs only up by 5 going into the fourth quarter, 42-37.

Golden Plains kicked it into gear in the fourth quarter. Palco couldn't stop the Lady Bulldogs from scoring 23 points to their 13. Golden Plains ended the game with a leap over Palco, 65-50.

Hailee Spresser led the Lady Bulldogs in scoring with 17

points. Christensen followed with 16, Angela Ritter and Kylie Jones had 15 and Kami Miller 2.

The Lady Bulldogs pulled down a total of 47 rebounds, 19 of them from Christensen, which Jones had 12, Spresser 7, Ritter 3, Leea Juenemann 2 and Macayla Easton, Miller, Maddy Walz and MiKayla Lobato 1 each.

"We really focused this week on our close shots," said Christensen. "Most of our points were from inside shots and free throws. We executed them very well this game and brought home another win."

The Lady Bulldogs attempted to move on their 9-2 season record in the "battle of the Bulldogs" on Tuesday in Quinter.

# Middle school girls get wins over Western Plains

By Tayler Petersen

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains Middle School girl's basketball team looked for another win when it faced the Western Plains Bobcats in Rexford.

The B-team girls came into the games Jan. 14 undefeated with a 6-0 record. In the first quarter of the game, the Lady Bulldog defense kept the Bobcats from scoring. While they kept up their defense, they also scored 8 points. In the second quarter, Golden Plains' defense let up a bit, allowing Western Plains to score 4 points. The Lady Bulldogs put in 5 points in the second quarter to lead 13-4 at the half.

The Lady Bulldogs continued to succeed at the basket in the third quarter, putting in 10 additional points with 6 of them coming from seventh-grader Sierra Finlay. The Lady Bobcats added 5 to their side of the board to trail 23-9 going into the fourth.

The Lady Bobcats added 5 more in the fourth quarter while the Lady Bulldogs couldn't get any of their shots to fall.

Fortunately for the Lady Bulldogs, their earlier lead helped them win the game 23-14, maintaining their undefeated record.

Scoring for the Lady Bulldogs were KayCee Miller 8, Finlay 6, Noel Ritter 5, Maggie Niema 2 and Kaylie Schaben 2.

In the A-team game, the Lady Bulldogs started off with a 6-point lead in the first quarter. In the second quarter the Bobcats came back, scoring 9 points to the Bulldogs' 8, leaving the score at halftime 15-10.

Coming out of halftime, Golden Plains scored 5 points to the Bobcats' 6, but the Bulldogs maintained a 20-16 lead. In the fourth quarter the Bobcats kept up with the Bulldogs, scoring 8 points to Golden Plains' 7, giving the Lady Bulldogs their sixth win of the season.

"Even though we won, we still have things to improve on like our ball handling and two-foot shots," said Courtney Heinrich.

"It wasn't our best game but we have been working hard and as a team all year," added Gabrielle Schiltz, who led the team with 9 points.

Also scoring for the Lady Bulldogs were Heinrich 8, Miller 4, Kellee Snyder 3, along with Morgan Ritter, Arianna Camacho and Jessica Koerp-erich with 1 point apiece.

The Lady Bulldogs were scheduled to play Healy on Jan. 17 and Grinnell on Jan. 24.

# Bulldogs claim third win in row

By Jordan Christensen

Golden Plains High School

The Healy Eagles traveled to Rexford to compete against the Golden Plains Middle School Bulldogs on Jan. 17.

The A-team boys started out a little slow, only scoring 3 points in the first quarter to the Eagles' 4. Picking up the momentum in the second quarter, the Bulldogs held Healy to 4, while getting 11 up themselves, ending the half with a slim lead of 12-8.

Continuing the aggressive play, the Bulldogs extended their lead, scoring 11 in the third and 13 in the fourth, to the Eagles' 3 and 9, ending the game with a 36-20 win.

This gives the A-team boys three wins this season, having won their last three games. Jesus Aragon,

eight grader, had a season high 20 of the Bulldogs' 36 points.

"We're hustling more and playing better as a team," Aragon said. Also putting up points for the Bulldogs were A.J. Camacho 5, Bodie Sauvage 5, Nick Brown 4 and Dawson Spresser 2.

The B-team boys also battled the Eagles in a half-game and had no trouble defeating them. The Bulldogs' great defense held Healy to 4 points, while Golden Plains was able to get 16 to fall, ending with a final score of 16-4.

Camacho put in 6, Jeron Schutte 4, Dylan Spresser 2, Nolan Ritter 2 and Devin Carter 2. The B-team now holds a 7-1 record for the season.

The Bulldogs traveled to Grinnell-Wheatland on Jan. 24 to play against the Thunderhawks.

# K-State football coach signs new five-year deal

By Dave Skretta

AP Sports Writer

The deal was expected to be announced later today.

MANHATTAN — Kansas State coach Bill Snyder has signed a new five-year deal that includes an increase in compensation to \$14.75 million over the life of the contract.

Snyder's new deal, which includes an automatic rollover provision, increases his salary to \$2.75 million for the 2013 season with annual increases of \$100,000.

The 73-year-old coach led the Wildcats to an 11-2 record, their second Big 12 championship and a berth in the Fiesta Bowl this past season, and was voted AP's Big 12 coach of the year.

It was Snyder's seventh 11-win seasons in 21 seasons in Manhattan, and the first since returning from a brief retirement four years ago. His career record is 170-85-1.

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