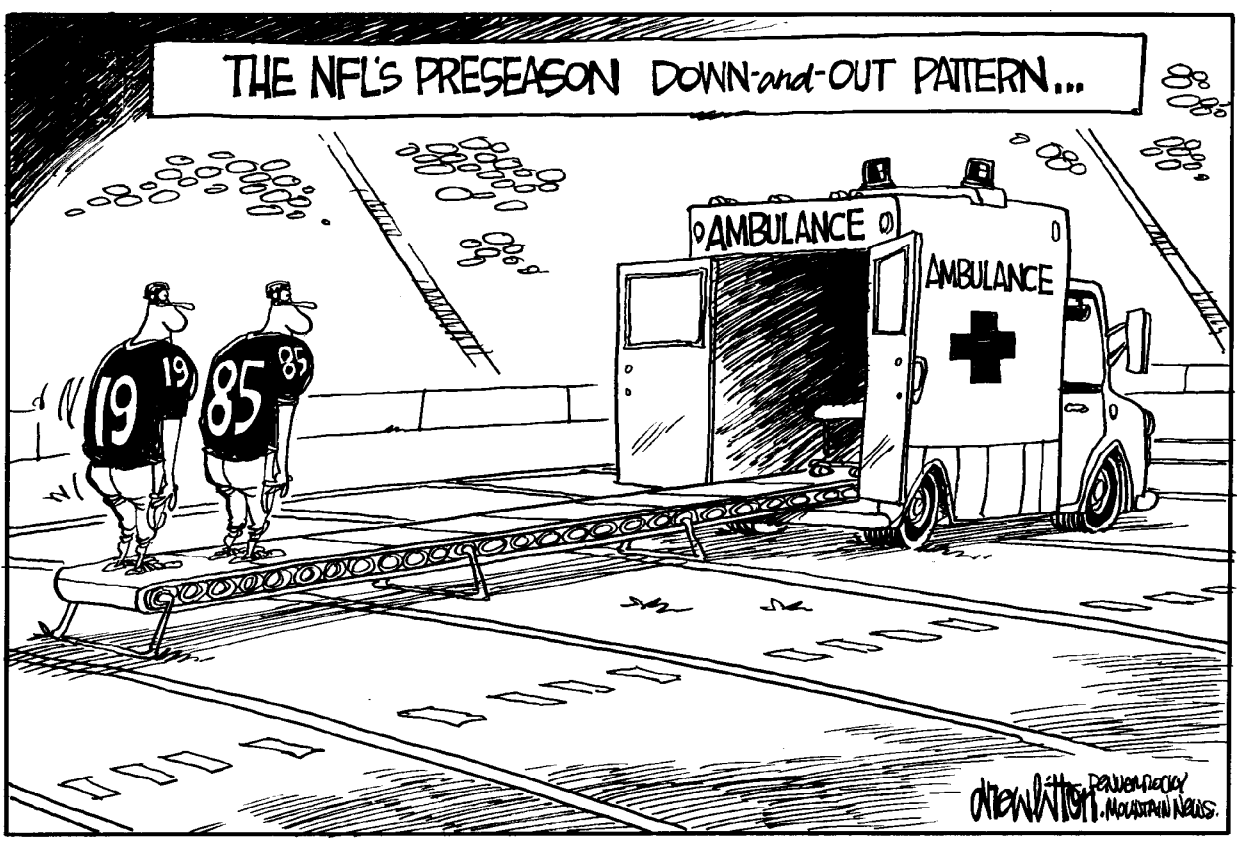


# Team counts on fans' soap

**By Rachel Miscal**  
*The Goodland Daily News*  
It doesn't matter if it is Ivory, Irish Spring, Dove or Dial, if you're a true fan of Goodland High School football, you'll show up at Cowboy Stadium on Friday night with a bar of soap in your pocket — two if you're really loyal.  
Chris Walters, head coach, said the team's annual Soap Scrimmage will start at 7 p.m. at the stadium east of Goodland High School, which is on 12th and Cherry.  
He said the team will let you watch even if you don't have a bar of soap — but you might get some dirty looks. If you're wondering what type of soap to bring, Walters said it doesn't matter. "We don't care," he said. "The boys will use it in the shower throughout the season."  
That means Oil of Olay for sensitive skin and Caress are welcome, but so is

plain old Ivory.  
"We use all of the soap," said Walters, "but it's not going to break the school if we don't get any."  
Not like it would have in the past. Walters said he thinks the soap scrimmages began years ago because schools couldn't afford to buy soap for the players, but now he said it's more of a tradition.  
"It's used to get the players on the field," he said, adding that the game will be taped and the coaches will use the recording to evaluate players and decide who will be on the starting lineup — which will be announced on Monday.  
Actually, it won't be much of a game. Walters said the team will be divided into several groups, which will run plays against each other, and the coaches won't keep score.  
He said he expects a large crowd.

"We had a scrimmage Saturday and had 40 people there," Walters said, noting that he's not sure how many will come because this is his first Soap Scrimmage in Goodland.  
Walters, who is a physics and chemistry teacher, moved here earlier this summer to take the position of head football coach, replacing Mike Johnson, who took a job in Nebraska.  
The junior high football and volleyball teams have also scheduled their annual soap scrimmages this week.  
The young football players will gather at 3:30 p.m. on Friday at the field west of Grant Junior High, near 11th and Montana.  
Volleyball players will start their scrimmage at 6 p.m. Thursday at the junior high gymnasium.  
The Cowboys' first varsity game will be at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 1, at Hays High School.



# Girls tennis debuts at Goodland High

**By Janet Craft**  
*The Goodland Daily News*  
Goodland High School has a girls tennis team after 10 years, with 14 girls out for the sport.  
Coach Wallace Hansen said the 1989-1990 school year was the last time for girls tennis because of a lack of players. After that, any girls who wanted to played on the boys team.  
In the past, he said, girls tennis was played in the spring, but now it is a fall sport.  
Hansen said the school announced last spring that they would have girls tennis in the fall. To get the program off the ground, they knew they would want to have at least 10 players, he said.  
"I'm happy with the turnout and the enthusiasm," he said.  
Hansen said you need at least six players for a varsity team because you play No. 1 singles, No. 2 singles, No.



Hansen

1 doubles, and No. 2 doubles.  
There may be another one or two who come out when school starts, he said, but they would be behind.  
"We'd rather work with these 14," said Hansen.  
Hansen said he has two seniors, two juniors, five sophomores, three freshmen, and two foreign exchange students.  
"We're pretty green," he said.  
However, six of the girls played last year on the boys team, so they're not starting totally from scratch, he said.  
The plan was to start girls tennis in 2001-2002, but the school was able to start it this year.  
"(I'm) very excited," Hansen said. "It's really fun working with the girls." He said the nice thing for the girls is that they're playing against other girls.  
Hansen has been assistant coach for

the boys for two years and said boys are usually stronger and quicker, but that the girls work as hard.  
"We have a pretty good work ethic this year," Hansen said. "We're trying to make it fun for them and teach them as much tennis as possible."  
He said his goals for the team are not concrete. The main one is to work for skill development and then be competitive with their opponents.  
"We don't have any grand illusions about qualifying for state," he said.  
He said the schools that have established programs will be tough, like Hays, Pratt, Great Bend, Norton and Larned.  
"I look for Colby to be competitive," he said. "We'll see their girls at least five times this year."  
Hansen said practice has been going well. "They're getting better every day," he said. "Their volley skills are good."  
He said groundstrokes are practiced every day, forehand and backhand.

"Backhand is tougher than forehand and net play is tough," he said. "Serving is another critical aspect of the game that we work hard at."  
"We've been working hard at agility and dexterity both."  
They've also practiced on footwork and racquet control and Hansen has the team run through tires to help with their dexterity.  
"We try to make each drill feature some aspect of actual play on the court," he said.  
Hansen said tennis matches used to be duals between two teams, but now they are usually invitational with three or more schools.  
The team's first match will be on Thursday, Aug. 31, at Larned. Goodland will host its first invitational, with varsity and junior varsity matches, on Tuesday, Sept. 12. Hansen said Colby and Tribune will play and possibly another team.  
Hansen will again assist Coach Jerry McKee with boys tennis in the spring.

# Rockies lose to Braves' big hits Monday 7-4; Helton at .398

DENVER (AP) — The spotlight was on Todd Helton's chase for .400, but it was Andruw Jones who provided the big hits Monday night as the Atlanta Braves beat the Colorado Rockies 7-4.  
Helton went 2-for-5 and briefly hit the .400 mark after getting two singles in his first three at-bats. He dropped to

.398 by making outs in his last two at-bats.  
Jones went 4-for-4, including a two-run homer, his 27th of the year and his first since Aug. 1. He also had a double and a sacrifice fly and drove in three runs.  
Helton extended his hitting streak to 13 games. He became the first player

in 20 years to reach .400 this late in the season.  
"Todd Helton might be the best-looking hitter I've ever seen since George Brett," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "Every swing is good."  
Brett was the last player to hit .400 this late in the season, last reaching that mark on Sept. 4, 1980. Ted Williams

was the last player to finish a season at .400, hitting .406 in 1941.  
Rockies manager Buddy Bell said the top two-thirds of Atlanta's lineup is as much a threat as Jones.  
"Everybody in their lineup, especially the first six guys, are capable of having games like that, and that's why they're so good."

# Kansas City falls to Orioles in seventh

BALTIMORE (AP) — Mike Mussina allowed one unearned run in seven innings to win for just the second time in eight starts, and the Baltimore Orioles beat Kansas City 2-1 Monday night for a split of the four-game series.  
Brook Fordyce singled in a run and scored one for the Orioles, who managed only five runs in the series. Baltimore won the last two games by identical scores.  
Mussina (8-13) allowed six hits, striking out six and walking one. He had lost three straight starts and had been 1-6 since July 7.  
Just 10 days earlier, the right-hander allowed seven runs and 11 hits in a loss to the Royals. In his previous start, Mussina left after four shaky innings because of the flu. But on this night, he displayed the form that enabled him to go 18-7 last year.  
Buddy Groom and Mike Trombley worked the eighth, and rookie Ryan Kohlmeier got three outs for his fifth save in five tries.  
Mussina outdueled Brian Meadows (2-1), who gave up one earned run and seven hits in his second complete game in 87 major league starts. It was his fourth start since the Roy-

als acquired in a July 31 trade with San Diego.  
Jermaine Dye had three hits and an RBI for the Royals, 9-43 when scoring four runs or fewer.  
Baltimore snapped a scoreless game with a two-run fifth.  
Chris Richard led off with a double and came home on a single to right by Fordyce, who took third on an errant throw by Dye. Luis Matos followed with a sacrifice fly.  
Dye had an RBI single in the sixth after a two-out error by third baseman Jeff Conine. Joe Randa then grounded out with runners at first and third.  
Gregg Zaun hit a two-out double in the seventh before Mussina retired Wilson Delgado on a grounder. Mark Quinn grounded out against Trombley with the bases loaded and two outs in the eighth.  
Johnny Damon opened the game with a single, tying the longest hitting streak of his career at 16 games. The Royals added a walk and a single in the first, but went down in order in the next three innings.  
Mussina's run ended when Quinn opened the fifth with a single, snapping an 0-for-13 skid.



# baseball scoreboard

*By The Associated Press*

National League East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	76	48	.613	—
New York	74	51	.592	2 1/2
Florida	61	63	.492	15
Montreal	53	68	.438	21 1/2
Philadelphia	51	72	.415	24 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	69	55	.556	—
Cincinnati	61	62	.496	7 1/2
Chicago	54	69	.439	14 1/2
Milwaukee	53	71	.427	16
Pittsburgh	51	72	.415	17 1/2
Houston	51	74	.408	18 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	71	52	.577	—
Arizona	70	54	.565	1 1/2
Los Angeles	62	61	.504	9
Colorado	62	63	.496	10
San Diego	60	65	.480	12
Monday's Games				
Cincinnati 7, Philadelphia 4				
Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 4				
St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 4				
Atlanta 7, Colorado 4				
San Francisco 6, Florida 0				
Montreal 4, Los Angeles 1				
San Diego 5, N.Y. Mets 4, 10 innings				
Milwaukee 16, Arizona 8				
Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets (Mahomes 4-1) at San Diego (Eaton 4-2), 3:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Chen 6-2) at Cincinnati (Bell 5-7), 5:35 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Wood 6-6) at Houston (B. Powell 1-0), 6:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Serafini 1-2) at St. Louis (Kile 14-8), 6:10 p.m.				
Atlanta (Burkett 8-5) at Colorado (Yoshii 5-13), 7:05 p.m.				
Milwaukee (D'Amico 9-4) at Arizona (Guzman 3-3), 8:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Moore 1-3) at Los Angeles (Valdes 2-6), 8:10 p.m.				
Florida (Burnett 1-3) at San Francisco (Estes 12-3), 8:15 p.m.				
American League East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	68	53	.562	—
Boston	65	56	.537	3
Toronto	64	61	.512	6
Baltimore	55	69	.444	14 1/2
Tampa Bay	54	69	.439	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	74	51	.592	—
Cleveland	64	56	.533	7 1/2
Detroit	61	62	.496	12
Kansas City	58	66	.468	15 1/2
Minnesota	56	70	.444	18 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	69	55	.556	—
Oakland	66	57	.537	2 1/2

Anaheim	64	61	.512	5 1/2
Texas	56	67	.455	12 1/2
Monday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 12, Texas 3				
Detroit 3, Oakland 1				
Baltimore 2, Kansas City 1				
Boston 7, Anaheim 6, 11 innings				
Tampa Bay 11, Chicago White Sox 4				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
Seattle (Garcia 4-3) at Detroit (Weaver				

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