Homecoming nominees announced

Homecoming nominees at Goodland High School are (from left, front to back) Kendra Brack, Jara McKee, Jill Sowers, Ashley Hallagin, Cody Pettibone and Adriel Alstorm, for queen, and Bryce Abbey, Jeremy Stefan, Nathan Thompson, Luke Stone, Matt Mentzer and Curtis Swager for king. Students will vote this afternoon on the candidates.
Photo by Dana Sulsberger/The Goodland Daily News

Young man has big catch

Bryce Bahe had a big catch over the Labor Day weekend when he and his family went fishing at Webster Lake.

Bahe, 16, hooked a 12-pound wiper at the lake, which is north of Hays, near Stockton. The fish was 27 inches long with a girth of 21 inches and qualified Bahe as a Master Angler.

He said he has caught wipers before, which are a cross between a white bass and a striped bass, but nothing that big. It was exciting to catch a fish that size, he said.

"They're fun to catch," Bahe said. "I thought I was snagged when it first hit my line."

He caught the fish using a clown lightning shad lure. Bahe said the lure has a yellow face, orange eyes and red down its back.

To qualify for the certificate, the fish had to weigh over six pounds. Later, Bahe caught a second wiper that weighed 10 pounds and measured 26 inches.

He told his family he was going to catch another big fish. He said that since he has been a seventh grader, every two years he has caught two big fish on Labor Day weekend.

In '96, he caught two catfish at Trenton, Neb. Then in 1998, he caught two northern oike, one of which was Master Angler size, in the Red Willow Reservoir in Nebraska.

No one else in the family caught any big fish that weekend, Bahe said, just little fish that they couldn't keep.

He said his dad, Randy, really likes to fish and has taken him fishing for about 12 years.

Bahe participated in the catch and release program, where fish over 25 inches in length are put back in the water after being caught. The first fish he caught at Webster, died after he put it back, but the second one he was able to successfully release.

To qualify for a Master Angler certificate, a fish has to be of a certain length or weight, said Kathy Bahe, Bryce's mother.

In order to get his certificate, Bahe had to have his picture taken with the fish and then have the fish weighed and measured by an employee at the lake's marina. The fish had to be alive and then whoever weighed the fish had to sign the form which is then sent in to the state. Bahe will receive two certificates for his big catches.

Bryce Bahe of Goodland held a 12-pound wiper that he caught Sept. 3 at Webster Lake near Stockton.
Photo by Kathy Bahe

Catchers' single puts Royals ahead of Tigers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Luis Ordaz went into the game for his glove. He won it with his bat.

Ordaz, inserted as a defensive replacement in the eighth inning Tuesday night, hit a game-winning single in the ninth inning as the Kansas City Royals rallied from four runs down to beat the Detroit Tigers 7-6.

But Ordaz almost never got the chance. Manager Tony Muser thought seriously about pinch-hitting for him, despite his .364 average against the Tigers.

In the end, Muser said, "I went with my gut. He has been swinging better and has gotten a lot of big hits. He hasn't had a lot of at-bats lately, but he's come through for us."

Johnny Damon led off the ninth with a triple down the right-field line off Willie Blair (10-6). Blair then fell behind Ordaz 3-0 before giving up the gave-winning hit on a 3-1 pitch.

"I was looking for a fastball, but he just kept throwing me slider, slider, slider," Ordaz said. "That 3-1 pitch was a good slider — I was just able to get the bat on it and hit a line drive."

Ricky Bottalico (9-6) got two outs for the win.

Deivi Cruz, Bobby Higginson and Dean Palmer homered for the Tigers, who led 5-1 in the fifth inning before being undone by poor defense.

The Royals scored three unearned runs with help from three Detroit errors to tie the game.

"We'd never have been there (in the bottom of the ninth) if we'd just executed," Tigers manager Phil Garner said. "We obviously didn't want that ballgame. We handed it to them."

Carlos Beltran hit a two-run single in the sixth to cut the Tigers' lead to 5-3. One of those runs was also unearned, after Billy McMillon misplayed Dye's single to right.

The Royals tied it in the seventh. Detroit starter Brian Moehler left after issuing back-to-back walks to open the inning. First baseman Hal Morris threw Johnny Damon's sacrifice bunt away at third, allowing one run to score. Dave McCarty then tied it with a sacrifice fly.

"When I went out there in the seventh, I was really stiff, and I couldn't throw a strike," Moehler said. "I had a hard time getting loose, and it cost us the game."

After Cruz homered in the eighth to give the Tigers a 6-5 lead, the Royals tied it in the bottom half.

Joe Randa reached on Palmer's throwing error and moved to second when Beltran walked.

After a sacrifice bunt advanced the runners, Gregg Zaun hit a sacrifice fly to tie it.

Higginson's three-run homer with no outs gave the Tigers a 3-0 lead in the top of the first. Palmer added a two-run shot in the fifth for a 5-1 lead.

"You give up a two-run homer, a three-run homer and a solo shot and you come back and win," Muser said. "That's something."

Both of those home runs came off Royals starter Mac Suzuki.

bowling results

Thursday Night Mixed League
Bowladium Lanes split with Gutter Dusters 2-2
Exit 17 over Rain or Shine 3-1
McDonald's over Charlie's Angels 3-1
Poor Country Folk over Our Team 4-0
Mex & Company over Sunwest Investments 3-1
Bankwest of Kansas over Rod & Suzie's Welding 3-1

Women's high game: Elsie Matthews-197
Women's high series: Diana Nichols-512

Men's high game: Abel Ontiveroz tied with Pat Thompson-204
Men's high series: Abel Ontiveroz-581

Team high game: Bankwest of Kansas-809
Team high series: Bankwest of Kansas-2349

League Standings: No. 1 Bankwest of Kansas 9, 3; **No. 2** Poor Country Folks 9, 3; **No. 3** Bowladium Lanes 8, 4.

Happy Our League
Rasure's over Anthony's 3-1
AR Supply over B&B Electric 2 1/2-1 1/2
Kanorado Coop over B.O.S.S. 3-1
Bowladium Lanes over blind team 4-0

Individual high game: Marshall Siruta-217
Individual high series: Neal Thornburg-617

Team high game: Kanorado Coop-747
Team high series: Kanorado Coop-2129

League Standings: No. 1 Kanorado Coop 13, 3; **No. 2** Bowladium Lanes 13, 3; **No. 3** B & B Electric 10 1/2, 5 1/2.

Wednesday Night Mixed League
Phillips Brothers over Kickers 4-0
Pinbreakers over W-R Equipment 3-1
Kanorado Coop over Mudslingers 2-2
Mueller Grain over Team 1 3-1
Gamblers over D&G Clan 2-2
Shear Dimensions over Extras 3-1

Men's high game: Ervin Elfman-230
Men's high series: Melvin Musil, Sr.-584

Women's high game: Marilyn Snethen-211

Women's high series: Marilyn Snethen-575

Team high game: Phillips Brothers-831
Team high series: Phillips Brothers-2440

League Standings:
No. 1 Phillips Brothers 10, 2
No. 2 Gamblers 9, 3
No. 3 Kanorado Coop 8, 4
No. 4 Mudslingers 8, 4
No. 5 Shear Dimensions 8, 4

Tuesday Alibi League
Shelter Insurance over Ghost team 3-1
Hitchcock over A Head of the Times 3-1
Kanorado Collingwood over Blossom Shoppe 3-1
Northwind Survey over Bumper Babes 2-2

Individual high game: Jamie Baker-232 Shelter Insurance
Individual high series: Marilyn Snethen-552 A Head of the Times

Team high game: Shelter-852
Team high series: Kanorado Collingwood-2366

League Standings: No. 1 Herl's 81, 51; **No. 2** Miller's of Sharon Springs tied with Baker's Quality Painting 77, 55; **No. 3** Kanorado Collingwood 72, 60.

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