# sports



Schuyler Sharpe of Colby took a shot against Goodland's Bryce Bahe during their championship match at 130 pounds at the Northwest Kansas League meet. Bahe won the match on a 10-3 decision.

## Mustangs lose, 25-21

The seventh-grade Lady Mustangs lost to Quniter Thursday, 25-21, in a home match.

"We played well and got a lot of good opportunities to score, but we just couldn't seem to make shots when we needed them," said coach Terry Daise Justeen Kochler was high scorer for the Mustangs with 13 points, 6 rebounds and 2 steals.

Jordan Frazier, Tatum Schultz, Miranda Smith and Courtney Deines each had two points. Frazier had 3 rebounds, 1 steal; Schultz had 1 steal; Smith had 3 rebounds, 3 steals; Deines had 1 steal.

Kali Rietcheck and Megan Rubio each had 1 steal; Chelsea Gray has 1 rebound and 1 steal; Courtney Ragatz had 1 rebound; Lisha Tedford and Melissa Swager each had 3 rebounds. May Davis played.

Quinter also won the fifth quarter, 6-

Chanell Peter had both 2 points for he Mustangs, and had 1 steal.

May Davis had 1 steal; Courtney Ragatz had 1 rebound, 1 steal; Frances Perez and Katrina Cotter each had 1 rebound. Megan Stefan, Samantha Philbrick, Sammy Lamb and Marla Haley played.



Bryce Abbey worked for an escape against Hoxie's Jason Schippers during their championship match at 125 pounds Saturday. Abbey won the match on an 11-5 decision. Photos by Jay Kelly / Colby Free Press

Mile High gets new name

## Wrestlers take third

#### By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News The lighter weights continue to perform well for the Goodland wrestling team, with nine taking medals at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament Saturday at Colby. The Cowboys finished third behind Colby and Hoxie.

Blayze Bahe, Bryce Abbey and Bryce Bahe continued their winning, each taking first place in their division.

Mark Carmichael and Thomas Thompkins each had second-place finishes, and Kyle Schulte, Kyle Whisler, Tyler Brack and Curtis Swager had third place finishes.

"We finished where I thought we would, and placed what I had anticipated," said Coach Chris Guillot. "Our strength continues to be from 103 to 140 pounds, we have a good man at 189 and our heavyweight does a good job. "I think our team is in good shape for

regionals," he said. "We need to develop some of the other wrestlers, but our goal is to get nine through at regionals. Anything more would be wonderful."

Colby, which had not won the league title since 1958, outscored Hoxie by five points to win the tournament with 185 points. Hoxie was a close second at 180.

The Cowboys were the only other team in real contention, finishing third with 140 points. Earlier this season, the Cowboys had matched up with Colby and Hoxie in duals and had lost to both.

Atwood was fourth with 95; St. Francis fifth, 68.5; Oakley sixth, 58.5; Oberlin seventh, 56; and Quinter eighth, 26.5.

Blayze Bahe took first place at 103 pounds with a 5-1 decision over Charlie Ochs of Hoxie.

Bryce Abbey won his first place match at 125 pounds with an 11-5 decision over Jason Schippers of Hoxie. Bryce Bahe decisioned Schuyler

Sharpe of Colby, 10-3 for the first place medal at 130 pounds.

Mark Carmichael lost a 7-3 decision to Matt Gilliland of Hoxie to finish second at 119 pounds.

Thomas Thompkins lost a 5-3 decision to Bo Kleinsorge of Colby to finish second at 189 pounds.

Kyle Schulte won by an 8-4 decision over Brent Olson of Oberlin for third place at 112 pounds.

Kyle Whisler pinned Jay Lewis of Hoxie in 2.17 to win his third place medal at 135 pounds.

Tyler Brack finished third at 140 pounds, winning a 5-0 decision over

Eric Baalman of Oakley.

medal with a major decision, 12-2 over Miller, Oberlin; won by fall (3:01) over Kevin Trembley of St. Francis.

"We have a dual meet this week against St. Francis Friday," Guillot said, "and then we will host Oakley and Garden City at home."

Guillot said the team is pretty healthy, but that last week before the league tournament they lost Jordan Bedore at 160 pounds with a broken hand. He will be out for the rest of the year.

**INDIVIDUAL RESULTS** 

103 — Blayze Bahe, first, 5-1 decision over Charlie Ochs, Hoxie; won by fall (1:40) over Shane Montgomery, Oberlin.

112 — Kyle Schulte, third, won 4-3 decision over Brent Olson, Oberlin; lost lost 5-3 decision to Tucker Olsen, 9-3 decision to Tyrel Spillman, Hoxie; Colby. won 7-2 decision over Cody Wilson, Oakley.

119—Mark Carmichael, second, lost 7-3 decision to Matt Gilliland, Hoxie: won 6-4 decision over Danny Mainus, Colby.

125 — Bryce Abbey, first, won 11-5 decision over Jason Schippers, Hoxie; won by pin (2:30) over Drue Herl, Colby.

decision over Schuyler Sharpe, Colby; won by fall (2:46) over Jordan Lamb, Atwood; won by fall (1:30) over Luke major decision, 12-2, over Kevin Keller, St. Francis.

135 — Kyle Whisler, third, won by fall (2:17) over Jay Lewis, Hoxie; won by fall (1:30) to Sam Schippers, Hoxie.

DENVER (AP)—Second baseman

Todd Walker, who had filed for salary

\$6.55 million deal with the Colorado

The contract was to have been an-

nounced Friday, but the team delayed

it because Walker was undergoing cor-

year, had asked for \$1.4 million and

Walker, who made \$322,500 last

Rockies.

rective eye surgery.

was offered \$950,000.

by fall (:54) over Kyle Runnalls. Curtis Swager won his third-place Oakley; lost by fall (2:27) to Bryan Jordan Niermeier, Atwood.

140 — Tyler Brack, third, won 5-0 decision over Eric Baalman, Oakley won by 2-0 decision in overtime over Grant Reichart, Oberlin; lost 8-2 decision to Eric Baalman, Oakley.

145 — Max Saint, lost 7-6 decision to Tyler Mellmuth, Colby; won by major decision 10-0 over Chris Barth, Oberlin; lost by major decision 10-1 to Ryan Zweygardt, St. Francis.

152 — David Crutcher, lost by fall (3:22) to Zoch Luedke, Colby; lost by fall (4:09) to Doug Campbell, Hoxie.

160 — Shandon Wolak, lost by fall (3:07) to Matthew Withington, Atwood;

171—Crhis Zimmerman, lost by fall (3:28) to Dustin Lewis, Hoxie; lost overtime decision, 2-0, to Barry Schmidt, Atwood.

189 — Thomas Thompkins, second, lost 5-3 decision to Bo Kleinsorge, Colby; won 7-6 decision over Jeff Horinek, Atwood; won 9-2 decision over Chris Thummel, Hoxie.

215 — Brandon Nemechek, lost by 130 — Bryce Bahe, first, won 10-3 fall (2:22) to Phillip Moss, Hoxie; lost 15-10 decision to Neil Brown, Oakley,

275 - Curtis Swager, third, won by Trembley, St. Francis; won by fall (4:38) over Jason George, Oakley; lost

## **Rockies and player agree**

Walker, 26, will receive \$1 million this year, \$2 million next year and \$3.4 arbitration, has agreed to a three-year, million in 2003, along with a \$150,000 signing bonus.

An incentive package will pay him between \$10,000 and \$50,000 if he starts between 100 and 150 games.

Walker, who admits his defense needs some work, spent much of the first half of last season in Triple-A Salt Lake City. The Rockies acquired him last July from the Minnesota Twins.



### recreation results

**City-County Recreation Adult Basketball** Jan. 23, 2001 Herl's over KSA 69-56 Handicappers over Losers (forfeit) Hayden Inc. over Com Tech 40-33 Jan. 25, 2001 Baters over Croptimizer 60-57 Screwball over Welding 48-25 Money over Da Bruisers 49-44

#### City-County Recreation Adult Volleyball Jan. 24, 2001

Kickers/Alex's Radiator over Ball Crushers 13-0, 13.11-1

100% Kids over Kickers/Alex's Radiator 13-9, 13-

Backsets over Marty's Electric 13-11, 13-8 Car Quest over Backsets 13-8, 13-2 KWGB over Ball Crushers 13-4, 13-9 Car Quest over Razor's Edge 13-9, 13-6 Marty's Electric over Rookies 13-4, 8-13, 11-4 Pirate Electric over Rookies 13-11, 13-4 KWGB over 100% Kids 13-6, 13-3

Pirate Electric over Razor's Edge 13-3, 13-9

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DENVER (AP) — Denver's new named after a corporate entity." football stadium sold its name for a pile of cash a mile high.

Disregarding the wishes of the mayor and many fans to preserve the name simply as "Mile High Stadium," the new home of the Broncos will be "Invesco Field at Mile High."

Invesco Funds Group, a financial services company, will pay \$120 million for 20 years to have its name on the stadium. The Metropolitan Football Stadium District Board accepted the offer Monday in a 7-1 vote.

Taxpayers are responsible for 75 percent of the burden to finance the \$400 million facility, which is being built next door to the old stadium. The Broncos begin play at their new home this fall.

Mayor Wellington Webb led opposition to the renaming, saying Mile High was a marketing asset for the area. Webb and many fans also said the rich history associated with the name was more important than cutting the stadium's cost.

"People have been calling from around the country, even public radio listeners," Webb spokesman Andrew Hudson said. "We hit a national nerve. People are tired of everything being

nati.

Invesco, and other prospective buyers, had insisted that the corporate designation be placed at the beginning of the stadium name, Hudson said.

"Once it's gone, it's gone for good," he said. "Invesco is hoping that over the years the Mile High will be dropped."

Denver joins other cities that have sold naming rights for millions, leading to venues with such names as 3-Com Park in San Francisco, the Staples Center in Los Angeles, Safeco Field in Seattle and Cinergy Field in Cincin- porate America."

Analysts had predicted the naming rights would sell between \$52 million and \$89 million, despite polls and public hearings suggesting most fans favored keeping the Mile High name.

"It's a sad day," said Gary Holbrook, a retired college professor, who came to speak out against changing the name. "I can tell you I'm very disappointed. As a fourth-generation Coloradan whose family has lived here for over 100 years, I'm tired of trading away the symbols of our history to cor-

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### Athletes of the Week are:



This week's Athletes of the Week are Goodland wrestler Blayze Bahe and Brewster girls basketball player Alicia Collett. Bahe won the 103-pound Northwest Kansas League title Saturday, defeating Charlie Ochs of Hoxie 5-1. He is a freshman at Goodland High. Collett averaged 21 points and 11 rebounds a game last week. She is a sophomore at Brewster High.



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