

Super Bowl 'tasty bets' hard to pay

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — It was easy for Missouri Gov. Bob Holden to make tasty bets on the Super Bowl with his Massachusetts counterpart. But paying up is causing the governor some indigestion.

Holden's wager backing the losing St. Louis Rams included Charlie Gitto's famous toasted ravioli. Then he learned that Acting Massachusetts Gov. Jane Swift has an intolerance to gluten; wheat flour is part of the ravioli recipe.

Told of Swift's condition by The Associated Press, Charlie Gitto Jr. tracked down a recipe for gluten-free flour from Fazio's Italian Bakery in St. Louis.

"The good governor WILL have special toasted ravioli that I'm preparing myself," Gitto declared Tuesday. "Nothing is too much trouble to help my good friend Bob Holden show Governor Swift he's a man of his word."

After untangling some red tape, Swift will have Missouri wine to wash down the pasta. Holden's office learned that the Missouri wine he wagered could not legally be brought into Massachusetts because of state liquor control laws.

But Holden spokesman Jerry Nachtigal said Tuesday that Massachusetts arranged to issue a special permit allowing three bottles of red wine from Missouri Norton grapes to be delivered to Swift. Three wineries from the Show-Me State will each provide a bottle, the spokesman said, although the producers hadn't yet been selected.

"We're trusting the governor has no grape allergies," Nachtigal joked.

However, the Michelob that Holden wagered is made with wheat. There's the gluten glitch again, and St. Louis brewing giant Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. isn't inclined to adjust its historic recipes.

Swift had previously promised to give her toasted ravioli to the state-house press corps in Boston, saying the Patriots' victory was New England's best news in years.

Reporters may be out of luck, however, if Swift decides to keep the gluten-free ravioli.

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City-County Recreation Basketball Jan. 29

Herl's Chevrolet over Fruit Layouts 65-47
Screwballs over Flanders Gutting 49-44

bowling results

Wednesday Night Men's Scratch Classic League Jan. 30

Sigco over L&M Steel 11-9
Bowladium Lanes over Fitzgibbon's 15-5
Western Kansas Valley split Basgall Construction 10-10
Pro Line over Wever Kennels 12-8

High individual game: Jim Fritz-256
High individual series: Darren Hickson-865

High team game: Bowladium Lanes-696
High team series: Bowladium Lanes-2,460

Standings: Pro Line 74 1/2, 45 1/2, Bowladium Lanes 74 1/2, 45 1/2, L & M Steel 69, 51; Sigco 63, 57; Weber Kennels 60, 60; Basgall Construction 55 1/2, 64 1/2; Fitzgibbons 40 1/2, 79 1/2; Western Kansas Valley 43, 77.

Wednesday Night Mixed League Jan. 30

Kanorado Coop over Phantoms 4-0
Kickers split Gamblers 2-2
Phillips Brothers over D&G Clan 3-1
Mueller Grain over Goodland Sheet Metal 3-1
Shear Dimensions over Mudslingers 3-1
Blossom Shoppe over Guzzlin Socializers 3-1

High men's game: George Phillips-223
High men's series: Gary McClung-569

High women's game: Julie Crow-214
High women's series: Elsie Matthews-520

High team game: Blossom Shoppe-887
High team series: Blossom Shoppe-2,426

Standings: Kanorado Coop 65, 27; Mueller Grain

correction

Britney Redlin was incorrectly named in the caption of the picture with the story "Cowgirls extend streak with overtime win," in Monday's edition of *The Goodland Daily News*. It was actually Anny McCoy. This was a reporting error.

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Take 'em down, Cowboys!



Lauren Gray and the wrestling cheerleaders supported their team at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament this past month.
Photo by Rachel Miscall/The Goodland Daily News

Beaned minor-leaguer gets settlement

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — A minor league pitcher who beaned an opposing batter as they warmed up during a 1999 college game settled a lawsuit filed by the batter.

The beaning ended the baseball career of Anthony Molina, who had visions of playing one day in the big leagues.

Molina was warming up as Evansville's leadoff hitter when he was beaned by a fastball thrown at him by Wichita State pitcher Ben Christensen, who claimed Molina was timing his pitches.

Attorneys on both sides described

the Tuesday settlement as "substantial but confidential."

Molina had sued Christensen for \$2 million in damages.

The agreement was reached as jurors waited outside the courtroom for the start of trial.

Molina said they decided to settle the lawsuit after some unfavorable pretrial rulings made Monday by Sedgwick County District Court Judge Paul Clark, including one holding that Molina would have to prove Christensen intended to injure him — a difficult standard to meet.

"I didn't feel we would get a fair trial

in Wichita. ... It is like playing baseball at Wichita State," Molina said. "We compromised."

Christensen declined to comment. But his attorney, Steve Robison, said Christensen was glad to have the lawsuit behind him.

He said Christensen had been troubled by the incident, but Robison rejected as "ridiculous" Molina's claim that he couldn't get a fair trial in Wichita.

"Sedgwick County has fair judges, fair juries and I am offended to hear anybody say they can't get a fair trial in Sedgwick County," Robison said.

Cowgirls advance in jayvee tourney

The Cowgirls junior varsity team smashed the Atwood Lady Buffaloes 37-14 in the first round of the Goodland Invitational Basketball Tournament Monday.

Goodland held the Lady Buffaloes scoreless in the first quarter, while Megan McCall scored 6, and Tess Schultz and Megan Leonard each came up with a bucket. Each team put six on the board in the second quarter, and the Cowgirls outscored Atwood 10-3 in the third and 11-5 in the fourth.

The Cowgirls shot 34 percent from the field, making 16 of 47 and 33 percent from the line, 5 of 15. Atwood only made 5 of 34 from the field, including two three-pointers. Atwood shot 100 percent from the line, with 2 of 2. Goodland outrebounded the Lady Buffaloes, 28-21.

McCall lead all scorers with 14 points, making 6 out of 13 on the floor, and 2 out of 4 free throws. With 9 points was Schultz, making 4 of 9 points on the floor, and 1 of 2 free throws. Leonard and Britney Redlin had 4, Jennifer Mentzer 3, Cortney Schields 2, and Stephanie Fairbanks added 1 point with a free-throw.

The championship round of the tournament will be played Monday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Cowgirls will play Sharon Springs for the top tournament spot at 6 p.m.

The Cowboys junior varsity lost Monday to Atwood 64-49, and faces Burlington at 4:30 p.m. for third.

The Sharon Springs girls beat Burlington 61-34 Monday to advance to the

finals with the Cowgirls. The Burlington girls will play Atwood at 3 p.m. for third.

The boys' top spot will be fought over by Atwood and Weskan at 7 p.m. Weskan beat Burlington 86-59 to advance.

The Cowgirl junior varsity team had mixed results this past weekend, beating St. Francis 45-31 Friday, and falling to Hays 38-29 Saturday.

Against St. Francis, they led 13-8 at the end of the first quarter. The Indians pulled ahead at the end of the half, 23-20, but couldn't hold back Goodland, which had gained a five-point lead at the end of the third, 34-29.

The Cowgirls scored 11 in the fourth and held St. Francis to 2. They shot 56 percent from the line, making 9-from-16, opposed to the Indians's one-from-four. Tess Schultz led all scorers with 14, and Stephanie Fairbanks had 12.

Megan McCall had 6, Megan Leonard 4, and Britney Redlin, Kendra Billinger, Deanna Livengood and Jennifer Mentzer, each 2.

The Hays Indians led at the end of every quarter; 9-7 at the first, 15-10 at the half, and 26-17 at the third. The Cowgirls tied 12-12 in the fourth, the only quarter they weren't outscored.

Goodland made 9-from-16 at the line for the second consecutive game, and Hays made 14 out of 31 attempts, 45 percent. Schultz led the Cowgirls with 10 points, followed by McCall at 5. Cortney Schields had 4, Billinger and Mentzer 3, and Redlin and Megan Leonard had 2.

sports briefs

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros don't want the name "Enron Field" atop their 2-year-old ballpark.

Attorneys for Astros owner Drayton McLane filed a motion with the New York court overseeing Enron's bankruptcy requesting that Enron allow it to move forward with a new naming rights agreement with a third party, but Enron has refused.

NEWYORK (AP) — Unable to eliminate teams this season, Bud Selig sounded a familiar baseball cry: Wait 'til next year!

The commissioner backed down from folding the Minnesota Twins and Montreal Expos this season but vowed to shrink the major leagues by 2003.

Tournament rescheduled

The championship and consolation games of a "C" team basketball tournament that were canceled last week because of snow have been rescheduled for Thursday.

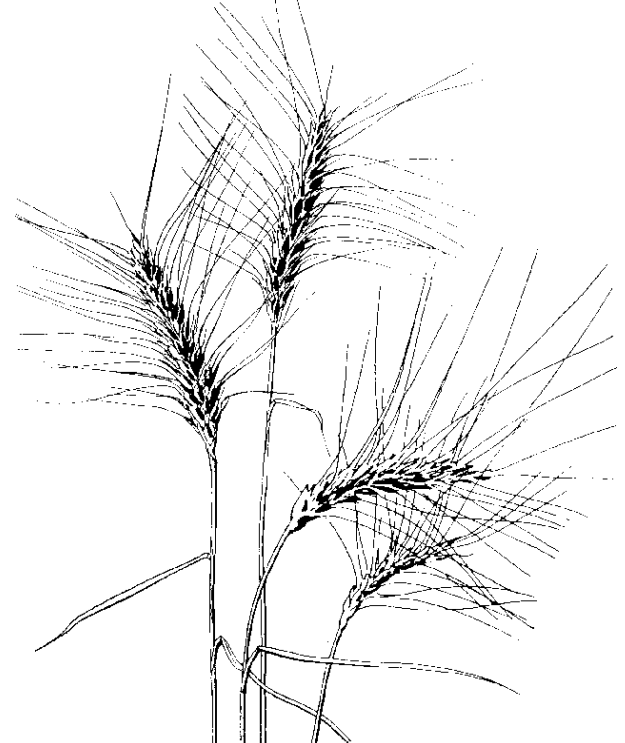
Goodland's boys and girls teams will both compete for the championship. The Cowgirl freshman will take on Sharon Springs at 3:30 p.m. at Max Jones Fieldhouse, followed by the Cowboys against Colby at 5. Both teams beat Burlington in the first round.

The consolation games will be held in the junior high gym in the southwest corner of the fieldhouse.

The St. Francis girls will take on Burlington at 3:30 p.m. and the Sharon Springs Wildcat boys will face Burlington at 5.

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