

'Good luck'



T.J. Hawkins, who wrestles in the 115 pound/12-and-under division, got a sendoff from Kathy Melia of the Goodland Ambassadors on Wednesday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. The Ambassadors turned out as the Goodland Wrestling Club sent 28 kids to the Kansas Kids state tournament today and Saturday in Topeka.

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Cowgirls win one, lose one

By Doug Stephens
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The Goodland Cowgirls broke even in Garden City with the Class 6A Bufaloes on Friday, winning the first game 10-6, and losing the second 12-8.

The doubleheader brings the softball team's record to 3-1. Coach Terry Daise said the girls played two good games against the bigger school, but there were a lot of errors in the second game.

At one point the Cowgirls were down 9-1, but came back with a nice rally.

"We tried to get back into the game," Daise said, "but we couldn't quite get there."

Britany Pettibone pitched a great game in the first contest, Daise said. She allowed five runs, only three of them earned, and struck out four bat-

ters, while walking two. At the plate, she helped her cause by batting in one run, getting a double and a single in five tries.

Tammy Weeter hit a double and a single and drove in a run in her five times at the plate, and Alissa Schields got a double and two walks to drive in a run in four at bats. StevieLee Raymer hit a double and batted in one run in four tries. Shanae Calkins got a double and a walk to drive in a run. Colleen Koehler got two singles in her four times at the plate.

Jessica Osborn got a single and two walks, getting on base all three times she tried, and drove in two runs. Tomi Windell hit a single and drew two walks to drive in a run in five at bats, and Stephanie Fairbanks hit two singles and drew a walk in her five at bats, driving in two runs. Adrienne

Garcia took her place in the batter's box once, hitting a double.

In the second game, Schields allowed 12 runs, eight of them earned. She struck out three and walked four, and hit two singles and drew three walks in her five at bats.

Garcia got on base every time she tried, hitting a single, a double, and drawing three walks. Fairbanks hit two singles and drew a walk in five trips to the plate. Pettibone hit two singles in five tries. Calkins drew four walks and drove in a run in five at bats. Koehler hit two singles and drew a walk in her five tries. Mentzer drew two walks in four tries, and Raymer drew one walk in three turns. Weeter didn't get on base in five at bats, and Windell tried twice.

The Cowgirls travel to Liberal to take on the Class 5A Redskins at 3 p.m. Mountain Time on Monday.

Tournament will be held

A basketball tournament for fourth through 12th graders will be held May 24 to 26 in Wichita by the Mid America Youth Basketball league. The deadline to sign up is Friday, May 3.

The league is in its ninth year, said President Greg Raleigh. Its goal is to give young players the opportunity to improve their game. Over 30,000 kids in 23 states play in the league's tournaments each year, he said.

The tournaments guarantee at least five games, and teams can play 25 to 30 games in five or six weeks, Raleigh said.

For information, call 816-587-8581, or go to the league's web page at www.mayb.com.

Some churches adapt to Final Four tourney

LAWRENCE (AP) — This Saturday is going to be a true test of faith for some Kansas basketball fans.

Devoted Jayhawk followers at some churches will have to choose between catching the tip-off of Kansas' game against Maryland in the Final Four or attending Easter vigil services.

The tip-off in Atlanta is scheduled for 7:47 p.m., about the time many churches will be holding their services.

Some congregations say their members will have to make a choice, but others are finding ways to combine two events that arouse such devotion in many Lawrence residents.

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is one of the latter. The church has moved its Easter vigil starting time to 6:45 p.m. and plans to be finished before the game begins. Then, it will hold an af-

ter-service party with the game projected onto a large screen in the front of the church.

"(The screen) is huge and the sound's going to be great," said the Rev. Darrell Proffitt, pastor at St. Margaret's and a Kansas graduate.

"It's an opportunity to reach some people that we maybe wouldn't have reached otherwise," Proffitt said. "If there's something going on in the world that people are excited about, we want to take every opportunity to uphold that, get people to come into our building and celebrate with them."

Similar plans are set for the University of Kansas' Episcopal and Lutheran Campus Ministry at Canterbury House. The vigil will be moved from 7:30 to 6 p.m., with a Final Four party afterward.



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