

Team gets 3-peat

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The Fighting Rainbows pulled off a "three-peat" in the Family Career and Community Leaders of America's annual wiffleball tournament, shutting out the Pirates 15-0 Thursday.

The wiffleball tournament is held each year during Buffer Week between fall and winter sports at Goodland High School. Teams of high school students, along with teachers and staff from all the Goodland schools competed in pool play Monday through Wednesday, determining who would compete in the first-round brackets Thursday.

With eight teams of 13 players paying \$5 each to play, the tournament raised \$520 for the organization.

In the first round Thursday, the Purple Pounders beat the Black Hawks 8-3, the Black Knights beat the Willie Jays 4-3, the Fighting Rainbows beat the Trojans 8-2 and the Pirates beat the Beavers 3-2.

In the semi-finals, the Fighting Rainbows beat the Purple Pounders 3-0 and the Pirates beat the Black Knights 10-9. The Pirates were up 10-1 going into the final inning, said Rory Kling, tournament organizer, and the Black Knights came back to nearly win.

But it was the Pirates who faced the Fighting Rainbows in the championship game, losing 15-0, giving the team of seniors their third straight championship in wiffleball.

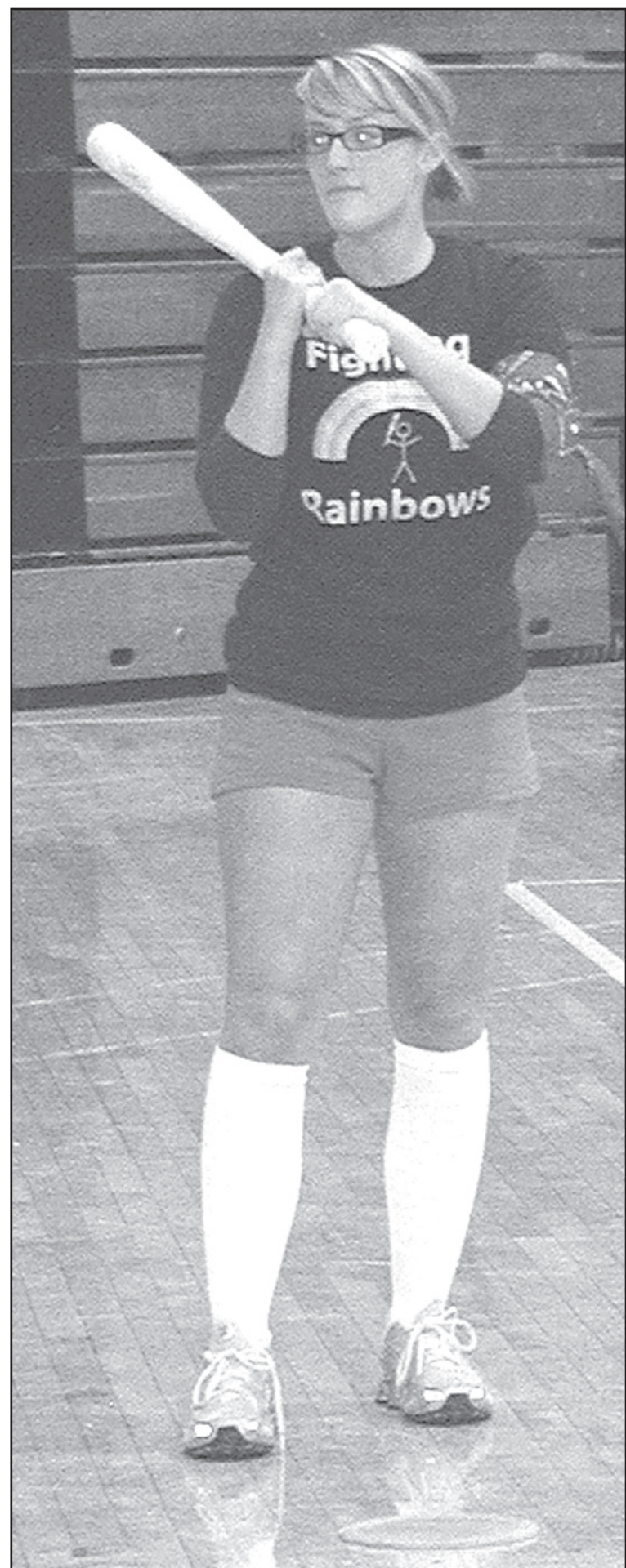
The organization is hoping to have a dodgeball tournament during Buffer Week between winter and spring sports, Kling said, but are waiting for approval.

The Rainbows are Kling, captain, Brandon Rome, Fernando Martinez, Travis Angelos, Clay Schilling, Andrew Taylor, Vance Johnson,



Andy Scheopner (above), Grant Junior High physical education teacher, batted for the Black Knights in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's annual wiffleball tournament last Tuesday in the team's loss to the Fighting Rainbows, high school seniors. Kirsten Dutton (right) batted for the Rainbows.

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Ryan Taylor, Jace Mosbarger, Keegan Smith, Kirsten Dutton, Chelsie Gausman and Heather West.

The Pirates are Corbin Townsend, captain, Jordan Cochrane, Ashley Garza, Katie Clancy, Izzy Garcia, Harrison Ford, Kevin Amthor, Brandi Bahe, Amber Douglas, Kobi Oniell and Taylor Tomsic.

The Black Knights (teachers, coaches, school staff and families) are Donald Raymer and Sharon Gregory, captains, Kent Teeter, Joe Sramek, Jonathan Whisnant, Aimee Stoffel, Connie Livengood, Mike Ruhs, Elaine Felver, Kristy Schilling, Brad Bergsma, Devlin Mull,

Mario Hernandez, Dixie Teeter and Jeff First.

The Purple Pounders are Hazen Deeds, captain, Nathan Deeds, Brock Wilkens, Dillon Trachsel, Seth Miller, David Murray, Devon Garrett, Ashley Archer, Jennifer Rome and Andrea Roeder.

The Black Hawks are Teather Dautel, captain, Lexi David (out with surgery), Jay Cotter, Kaleb Keith, Angie Hillmer, Lorenzo Delgado, Kutter Isaac, Paul Starr, Ed Martinez and Stephanie Becvar (out with a broken elbow).

The Trojans are Laine Herl-captain, Austin Avelar, Ryan Hillmer,

Riley Oharah, Reed Bellamy, Dallas DeLaRosa, Ryder Kling, Jason Cowan, Jacee Herl, Sydney Winston, Deborah Garcia, Sloan Ruhs and Blaine Luther.

The Beavers are Tyler Fisher, captain, Alex Rangel, Jacob Garcia, Marvin Hernandez, T.J. Freeman, Brittaney Medrano, M'Lynn Hinger, Simon Grunfeld, Audrey Titus and Mikail Freeman.

The Willie Jays are Brooke Lenington, captain, Whitney Schields, Alexis Bateman, Shelbi Hall, Greg Farris, Drew Raile, Brennen Clouse, Hector Sarinana, Landon Brenner and Adam Duell.

Last of Cowboys' opponents knocked out of state playoffs

The Goodland Cowboys football team missed the state playoffs after losing their final game of the season to the Norton Blue Jays, but eight of the nine teams Goodland played this year made the playoffs.

Three Cowboy opponents advanced to the second round and one to the third round, but Scott City's loss Friday, no more of Goodland's opponents remain.

Scott City, who beat Goodland

in the first week of district play, beat Holcomb in the first round of Class 3A playoffs. The Beavers beat Lyons in the second round but lost 20-17 to Garden Plain Friday.

Also in Class 3A, Norton beat Lakin in the first round. The Blue Jays lost to Beloit in the second round. Beloit lost 44-12 to Conway Springs Friday. Conway Springs and Garden Plain face off at 6 p.m. (Mountain Time) Friday at Conway

Springs.

Colby, who beat Goodland in week two, lost to Andale in the first round of Class 4A playoffs. Andale beat Wellington in the second round and beat St. George-Rock Creek 46-12 Friday. Andale faces Topeka Hayden at 6 p.m. Friday at home.

The Oakley Plainsmen, who beat Goodland in their first game of the season, beat Atwood, who lost to Goodland, in the first round of the

Class 2-1A playoffs. Oakley lost to Meade in the second round. Meade beat Ellis 20-8 Friday.

In the first round of playoffs, Smith Center beat Trego Community (WaKeeney), who lost to Goodland. Smith Center beat Salina Sacred Heart in the second round and beat LaCrosse 32-14 Friday to advance and continue their fifth consecutive undefeated season. Meade faces Smith Center at 6 p.m.

Friday at home.

St. Francis, who beat Goodland in week three, beat Oberlin, who lost to Goodland at homecoming, in the first round of Class 2-1A playoffs. St. Francis lost to LaCrosse, who lost to Smith Center.

In Eight-man Division II, Wallace County (Sharon Springs) lost to Rozel-Pawnee Heights in the first round. Rozel-Pawnee Heights lost to Moscow in the second round,

and Moscow lost to Victoria 56-46 Friday. Victoria faces Hanover in the state championship at 10 a.m. Saturday in Newton.

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School calendar for November 19-November 25

Wednesday-Gold Day

10 a.m.-Northwest Kansas League Administrators Meeting
7 p.m.-Adult Co-Ed Volleyball

Thursday-Black Day

8 a.m.-Junior High Picture Retakes
10:30 a.m.-High School Picture Retakes
12 p.m.-Youth Volunteer for the American Red Cross Bloodmobile
1 p.m.-Lifetouch Yearbook pictures
3:30 p.m.-Lifetouch Goodlad High School Winter Sports Pictures
3:30 p.m.-7th/8th grade basketball at Quinter

Friday-Gold Day

DECEA Central Region Leadership Conference
Boys Varsity Sub-state Football

5 p.m.-Nu Phi Mu Arts and Crafts Fair
Saturday-DECEA Central Region Leadership Conference
9 a.m.-Nu Phi Mu Arts and Crafts Fair
9 a.m.-7th grade basketball at Burlington
9 a.m.-8th grade basketball (here)
Sunday-DECEA Central Region Leadership Conference
Monday-Black Day
3:30 p.m.-7th grade/8th grade basketball (home) versus Oakley
Board of Education Meeting
6:30 p.m.-American Field Service Thanksgiving Dinner
Tuesday-Gold Day
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