

Sixth grade Cowboys win first playoff game

The sixth grade Junior Cowboys went to the Hays Playoffs at Lewis Field on Saturday as the eighth place seed. They went against the top seed, McPherson No. 2 and won, 18-6.

With the win the Cowboys will return to Hays on Saturday and Sunday for the next rounds of the playoffs.

Saturday the Cowboys will play McPherson No. 1 at 4:30 p.m. MT in Hays. If they win, they will play at 4:30 p.m. MT on Sunday, and if they lose Saturday, they will play again at 11:30 a.m. MT on Sunday in Hays.

The win evens the Junior Cow-

boys record at 3-3.

Coaches are Bill Biermann, Danny Archer, Steve Raymer and Brad Ensign. The manager is Darby Hays.

Team members include Brandt Mull, Chris Gamboa, Gabe Biermann, Tucker Harkins, Levi Archer, Peyton Sieck, Luis Ledesma, Nash Jarrett, Tavean Stockman, Cody Bockus, Javier Marin, Powell Sieck, Evan Peter, Zach Jones, Rafael Macias, Parker Nemecek, Dawson Ensign, Blaine Sederstrom, Dawson Raymer, Rumelo Bustillos, Lucas Wood, Brilen Williams, Reyes Bustillos and Levi House.



Sixth grade Junior Cowboys gather with their coaches at the playoff game in Hays. The team will play again at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Former assistant coach named to Kansas Hall of Fame

Former St. Francis High School wrestler and Goodland assistant wrestling coach (2001-2002), Billy Gabel, has been selected to be inducted into the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Gabel was a four-time state champion in high school with 125 wins and 5 losses. He was named Senior 3-2-1A Wrestler of the Year and was the 1996 Kansas Wrestler of the Year. He competed in the Junior Fargo All Americans for two years placing fifth in Greco Roman the first year and seventh the second year.

He was a four-time Junior Regional National Champion and was named Outstanding Wrestler in 1996 at the Rocky Mountain Regionals. Gabel was featured in the 1996 Sports Illustrated magazine.

After high school, Gabel was recruited by the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and wrestled there from 1996-1999. He transferred to Oklahoma State University to wrestle with his brother, Kelly Gabel. He wrestled at OSU from 1999-2001 where he graduated with a degree in Physical Education.

He began teaching and coaching in Goodland, from 2001-2002. He went on to teach and coach at Pine Creek High School in Colorado Spring. He was the assistant wrestling coach there from 2000 to 2007

and was named the Head wrestling coach in 2008 where he continues to work.

In 2004, Gabel took a Colorado elite team of 19 wrestlers to compete in Germany. He has served on the Colorado USA Wrestling Board as a Cadet Director, Equipment Director and Folkstyle Director over the past eight years.

As a first time head coach for Pine Creek High School, Gabel's team placed 30th in the state. His second year as head coach, the team placed second in the state, and Gabel was honored with the Class 5A Coach of the Year Award.

His third year they placed seventh in the state, and last year his team took third place at the state tournament. In the four years he has been the head wrestling coach, he has had 16 state placers and Champions, two two-time State Champions, five High School National All-Americans, one Senior National third place All-American and six Fargo National All-Americans.

Because of these accomplishments, his positive contributions to the sport of wrestling after high school graduation, and his display of positive character and values, Billy Gabel is being inducted into the Kansas Wrestling Hall of Fame Award Saturday in Salina.

Gabel believes athletics, coach-



Pine Creek High School Coach Billy Gabel shouted encouragement to one of his wrestlers at a match in Colorado. Gabel is a former St. Francis High School wrestler and former Goodland assistant wrestling coach. He is being inducted into the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame Saturday.

Photos by Craig Bisacre of Colorado Springs

ing and life are summed up in a couple of sentences. "You have to be willing to sacrifice to achieve

something great," he said. "Staying strong in your faith in the Lord and trusting His lead in your life will

always be worth while."

When asked about receiving this award, Gabel said, "I would like to

give credit first of all to my Lord and Savior. I'd like to thank my wife, RudiLee, and my daughters for pushing me to be a better father, husband, man and coach. My father, Larry Gabel, for not only being the best head coach a wrestler could have, but an amazing father, leader and best friend. My mother, Beth, has always been the most supportive and encouraging person in my life. To my sister, Brandi Jones, who never left the side of the mat as I achieved my goals and whose support and love never wavered. And to my brother, Dr. Kelly Gabel, who is the best brother and best friend anyone could ask for."

Gabel stated he would like to thank the community of St. Francis and all those who supported him. "I owe you so much," he said. "Thank you for being such an amazing part of this journey. Every one of you shares a part in this award."

Gabel's wife, Dr. RudiLee D. Gabel, received her PhD in Educational Leadership this summer and is a college professor and high school teacher. They have two daughters, Gia (2) and Zoe (newborn).

Larry Gabel was the head wrestling coach in St. Francis for 32 years. In 2005, Larry was inducted into the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame Award and just last year was inducted into the Kansas Activities Association Hall of Fame.

Maverick wrestlers kick off season tonight at Keirns Center

Northwest Tech Mavericks will kick off the wrestling season at 5 p.m. on Friday with a home dual with Air Force Prep at the Keirns Center.

"We are excited about the upcoming season as we sport one sophomore and nine freshman," said Coach Steve Lampe. "I am anxious to see the new squad in action as the 'real story' evolves when an athlete is put in front of an audience and an official is present."

Team members include at 125 pounds Miguel Guzman of Massachusetts at two-time state champion, 133 Juston Rascon of Arizona, state placer, 141 Brett Terrell of Norton, state runner-up, 149 De'Andrey Arnold of Arizona, state placer, 157 Daulet Aliev, sophomore, 165 (varsity Cody Harris of Denver, out with a skin virus will be substituted) Johnny Reardon of Clay Center, 174 Juadeax Valdez of Pueblo, Colo., 184 from the Ukraine, Alexander Unishenko, 197 Russian Andrei Melnic and 285 will be Dion Harris from Virginia.

The Air Force prep team has some holes in their lineup, but tout some outstanding individuals such as Martinez of Colorado Springs a

two-time state champion and High School All American placing third in last year's senior's national tournament at Virginia Beach, Va.

They sport a two-time Minnesota state champion and a 174 pounder who may be their most talented a state runner-up from the amazing wrestling state of Ohio, Lampe said.

"All and all it'll be an interesting opening dual," Lampe said, "and will be followed with six more home dates at the Keirns Center."

The second dual will be at 5 p.m. on Monday evening. All home meets will be held at the Keirns CTR and all begin at 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 adults, \$2 kids, and free for Northwest Tech students who show activity card student ID, he said.

"We are initiating a much needed project to generate funds, provide advertisement, memorial recognition, and just plain support for the Maverick movement," he said.

The Maverick Banner Club will sell and display beautiful 3'x6 red white and black banners. The banners will be sold at an initial cost of production at \$300. per banner, then, each year in August, the banner purchaser will be billed \$100,

for the continued display of their banner.

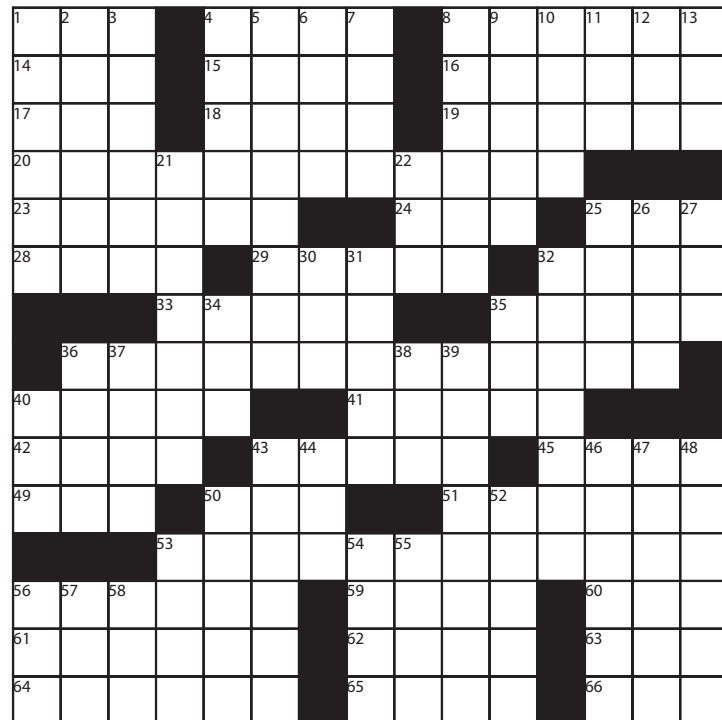
"This is a wonderful way to support Northwest Tech and it's athletes," he said, "while gaining effective advertising, honoring a loved one, or simply supporting the college and our movement into new and exciting times as more than a VOTECH. We are now very much a college that is a great stimulator to Goodland's economic well being. Please call me if you'd like to become a banner club member. (785) 443-2220, or, fill out a form online at nwktc.edu.

"I'd be happy to come by personally to show you the beautiful samples and share a story or two," Lampe said. "This project is essential as college athletics cannot and do not operate on college budgets alone. Alumni, booster clubs and private gifts are the key to success, and in many cases even survival of athletic programs throughout the United States. Please join us in our endeavor to achieve greatness by joining the Maverick Banner Club."

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Donaldson or Spade
- "The ___ knees" (great)
- Half the "Who's on First?" team
- Indian, Brave or Chief
- Green feeling?
- Signals from a downed flier, perhaps
- Conquistador's treasure
- Former Fed head Greenspan
- Building, after demolition
- They're checked
- Turns inside out
- Relative of -esque
- Slacker's bane
- Fiddler of legend
- Offer lessons
- Pouting expression
- Chat room patrons
- First Lady after Hillary
- They're checked
- ___-wasy
- Makes tolerable
- To boot
- Belarus's capital
- Ump's call
- Day-___ colors
- Give the boot to
- Like most runs, in baseball
- They're checked
- Play merrily
- Not even fair
- Actor Billy ___ Williams
- Bird on a baseball cap
- Partner of tried
- Cyberspace initials
- Sweet drink



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- Srs.' exams
- Sr., et al.

- Mustachioed Marx
- Tosspot's utterance

- Helpful connections
- How Rome wasn't built?

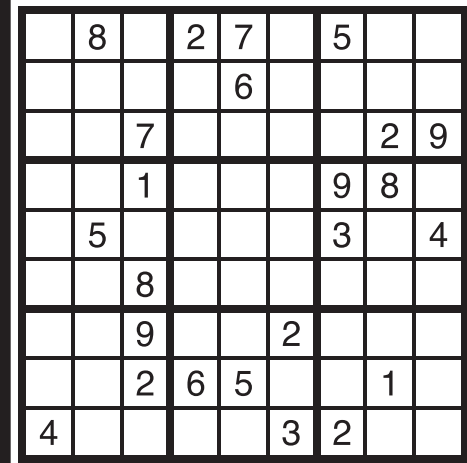
DOWN

- Word with well- or soft-
- Make it big
- Sentimental sort
- Beauty's beloved
- Any military recruit, these days
- Indiana's Bayh
- In ___ (harmonious)
- From square one
- Show embarrassment
- Streisand, in fanzines
- Heavenly body
- ___ Aviv
- "The Waste Land" initials
- Invited to dinner, perhaps
- Tongue or tail action
- Space occupier

- Shower item?
- Ford flops
- Rhea's "Cheers" role
- Farm measures
- Catcall
- Many NYC dwellings
- One of Asta's masters
- One in the clink
- Live and breathe
- Old ___ (London theater)

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Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!