



Andover's Henry Grebe (11) Aidan Ritter (21) and pitcher Arvin Nunez, right, and catcher Nolan Schirmer celebrate defeating Lawrence during the Div. 1 North Semifinal Wednesday.

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Potts, followed by a botched fielding play on a sacrifice bunt (error on throw).

A long fly ball to center gave Lawrence a breath of fresh air, with two outs, but a single by catcher Nolan Schirmer, who ended the sixth inning by throwing out a Lawrence base-runner at second base, went under the glove of the Lancers' right fielder. Two runs scored.

Nunez got the ball back in the eighth.

"It was his game," said Andover coach Dan Grams. "He was still going strong." Lawrence hit four balls hard, including a leadoff single by Peralta, but they were hit hard at Andover fielders.

Andover players all ran toward Nunez as if they'd won a championship. Honestly, it felt like one, at least for Nunez.

"That kid was tough," said Lawrence High coach Kevin Fielding, of Nunez, who allowed only five hits and one earned run. "We couldn't get that second run. We were close, but (Nunez) made the pitches."

Grams said he couldn't have predicted a game like this from Nunez last year. But after seeing him gain confidence throughout the spring, he wasn't surprised by anything Nunez did yesterday or does in the near future.

"When you work hard and love the game like he does,



Andover's Alexander Weinreb, tags out Lawrence's Jhovany Molina at second base during the Div. 1 North semifinal Wednesday.

anything is possible," said Grams. "We met with him before the season started and told him we needed him to be one of our top three starters. But when Andrew Theriault got hurt, we needed more out of him. Well, as you saw, we got it."

Andover 3, Lawrence 1, 8 innings

Div. 1 North Semifinals
 Andover (3): Joshua Gruenberg rf 3-0-1, Patrick McConnell cf 3-0-0, Matthew Potts ss 3-1-1, Shane Lachance DH 2-1-0, Anthony Teberio 1b 4-0-1, Nolan Schirmer c 4-1-2, Alex Weinreb 2b 2-0-0, Aidan Ritter 3b 4-0-2, Alex Pisacreta lf 2-0-0, Henry Grebe lf 1-0-0, Tanner O'Sullivan lf 1-0-0, Totals 29-3-7
 Lawrence (1): Kebler Peralta ss 4-1-2, Juan Medina 4-0-0, Henry Checo 4-0-1, Christian Verona 1-0-0, Luis Mejia 3-0-0, Luis Colon 3-0-2, Iconencia Cuevas 2-0-0, Pedro Mora 3-0-0, Denis Brito 2b 2-0-0, Totals 26-1-5
 RBI: A — Gruenberg, Schirmer; L — Verona
 WP: A — Arvin Nunez; LP: L — Miguel Matos
 Andover (14-9): 0 0 0 0 1 0 2 — 3
 Lawrence (14-9): 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 — 1

PERALTA LOST, BUT GOES OUT WINNER

There are some baseball players who just stick out. Lawrence High senior Kebler Peralta is one of those players.

And it's not just his minute size (5-foot-6), but his fire, strength, arm and, well, talent.

He played his last high school game yesterday, making a highlight film play at shortstop in the second inning and then had two potentially big hits in the sixth and eighth innings. But it was all for naught.

"I've been around here a long time and he's the best shortstop I've ever seen," said Lancers coach Kevin Fielding. "He's amazing out there. I've never used a nickname on a kid, but one day I saw him make a play like the one he made today and I called him

'Wizard.'

"We've had a lot of great shortstops here," said Fielding. "Recently, Harvey Blanco, Kebler's brother Elvis (Peralta), Vic Mendez ... I'm serious here ... Kebler, in my opinion, is the best."

Fielding didn't get an argument from the other side.

"That Peralta kid is special," said Andover High coach Dan Grams. "He's amazing. He makes every play. He dives for everything. Maybe I saw someone better, but I don't remember."

Peralta is headed for Howard Junior College in Big Spring, Tex. in the fall. Like his brother, a recent draft pick of the Oakland A's, he is expected to draw pro interest next June.

MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE					NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division					East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
New York	41	25	.621	—	Atlanta	38	29	.567	—
Tampa Bay	41	26	.612	½	Philadelphia	38	30	.559	½
Boston	35	34	.507	7½	New York	33	34	.493	5
Toronto	23	43	.348	18	Washington	31	36	.463	7
Baltimore	21	45	.318	20	Miami	24	42	.364	13½
Central Division					Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Minnesota	44	21	.677	—	Chicago	38	29	.567	—
Cleveland	34	33	.507	11	Milwaukee	38	29	.567	—
Chicago	32	34	.485	12½	St. Louis	33	33	.500	4½
Detroit	24	39	.381	19	Cincinnati	30	36	.455	7½
Kansas City	21	45	.318	23½	Pittsburgh	30	36	.455	7½
West Division					West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Houston	46	22	.676	—	Los Angeles	45	23	.662	—
Texas	36	31	.537	9½	Arizona	36	33	.522	9½
Oakland	35	34	.507	11½	Colorado	35	32	.522	9½
Los Angeles	33	35	.485	13	San Diego	33	34	.493	11½
Seattle	28	42	.400	19	San Francisco	27	38	.415	16½
Tuesday's Games					Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 12, N.Y. Mets 5, 1st game					N.Y. Yankees 12, N.Y. Mets 5, 1st game				
Baltimore 4, Toronto 2					N.Y. Mets 10, N.Y. Yankees 4, 2nd game				
N.Y. Mets 10, N.Y. Yankees 4, 2nd game					Philadelphia 7, Arizona 4				
Cleveland 2, Cincinnati 1, 10 innings					Cleveland 2, Cincinnati 1, 10 innings				
Oakland 4, Tampa Bay 3					St. Louis 7, Miami 1				
Texas 9, Boston 5					Atlanta 7, Pittsburgh 5, 8 innings				
Chicago White Sox 7, Washington 5					Chicago White Sox 7, Washington 5				
Houston 10, Milwaukee 8					Houston 10, Milwaukee 8				
Minnesota 6, Seattle 5					Colorado 10, Chicago Cubs 3				
Kansas City 3, Detroit 2					Wednesday's Games				
L.A. Angels 5, L.A. Dodgers 3					Cincinnati 7, Cleveland 2				
Oakland 6, Tampa Bay 2					Chicago Cubs 10, Colorado 1				
Cincinnati 7, Cleveland 2					Arizona 2, Philadelphia 0				
Boston 4, Texas 3					Miami 9, St. Louis 0				
Toronto at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.					Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:20 p.m.				
Milwaukee at Houston, 8:10 p.m.					Milwaukee at Houston, 8:10 p.m.				
Seattle at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.					San Diego at San Francisco, 9:45 p.m.				
Detroit at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.					Thursday's Games				
Thursdays Games					Pittsburgh (Musgrove 4-6) at Atlanta (Teheran 4-4), 12:10 p.m.				
Seattle (Kikuchi 3-4) at Minnesota (Pineda 4-3), 1:10 p.m.					Arizona (Greinke 7-2) at Washington (Fedde 1-0), 7:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Stroman 3-8) at Baltimore (Ynoa 0-2), 7:05 p.m.					St. Louis (Flaherty 4-3) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 3-6), 7:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Skaggs 4-6) at Tampa Bay (Yarbrough 5-2), 7:10 p.m.					San Diego (Quantrell 1-2) at Colorado (Gray 3-5), 8:40 p.m.				
Texas (Sampson 5-3) at Boston (Price 4-2), 7:10 p.m.					Chicago Cubs (Lester 5-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 5-1), 10:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Boyd 5-4) vs. Kansas City (Bailey 4-6) at Omaha, Neb., 8:05 p.m.					Friday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees (Happ 6-3) at Chicago White Sox (Nova 3-5), 8:10 p.m.					Arizona at Washington, 7:05 p.m.				
					Pittsburgh at Miami, 7:10 p.m.				
					St. Louis at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.				
					Texas at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.				

SOX BOX

Red Sox 4, Rangers 3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Boston	ab	r	h	bi
Choo dh	3	1	0	0	Betts rf	4	0	0	1
DShields cf	3	0	0	0	Brindiff lf	4	1	3	2
Andrus ss	3	1	2	1	Mirtez dh	4	0	0	0
Mazara rf	3	1	0	0	Devers 3b	4	0	2	1
Pence lf	4	0	1	2	Spears ss	3	0	0	0
A.Chris 3b	4	0	0	0	Holt 2b	3	0	1	0
Odor 2b	4	0	1	0	E.Nunez ph-2b	1	0	0	0
Guzman 1b	3	0	0	0	C.Vazquez c	4	0	2	0
Mathis c	2	0	0	0	M.Hirnan pr	0	1	0	0
Da.Smith ph	1	0	0	0	Bridly j.f.	3	1	1	0
Fdrwicz c	1	0	0	0	Chavis 1b	3	1	1	0
Totals	31	3	5	3	Totals	33	4	10	4
Texas	200 000 010—3				Boston	101 010 001—4			

E. C. Vazquez (1), LOB, Texas 6, Boston 9; 2B, Andrus (16), Mazara (14), Pence (12), Brindiff 2 (15), Devers (18), C. Vazquez (9), 3B, Benintendi (3), Holt (1), 3B, Mazara (3), Bradley Jr. (5), CS, Devers (4), SF, Andrus (3), S, DeShields (4).
 IP H R ER BB SO
 Texas
 Lynn 6 6 3 3 1 8
 Martin 12/3 2 0 0 1 3
 Chavez 1-2-2 1/3 2 1 1 2 0
 Boston
 Porcello 6 2/3 5 2 2 0 6
 Workman BS2 1 1/3 0 1 0 1 2
 Barnes W 3-1 1 0 0 0 1 2
 HBP, by Workman (Choo), WP, Lynn, Barnes, Umpires: Home, Vic Carapazza; First, Jordan Baker; Second, Hunter Wendelstedt; Third, Angel Hernandez; T, 2:55, A, 34,330 (37,731).

NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP FINALS (Best-of-7)

St. Louis 4, Boston 3
Monday, May 27: Boston 4, St. Louis 2
Wednesday, May 29: St. Louis 3, Boston 2, OT
Saturday, June 1: Boston 7, St. Louis 2
Monday, June 3: St. Louis 4, Boston 2
Thursday, June 6: St. Louis 2, Boston 1
Sunday, June 9: Boston 5, St. Louis 1
Wednesday, June 12: St. Louis 4, Boston 1

BRUINS BOX

Bruins 4, Red Wings 1
 St. Louis 2 0 2—4
 Boston 0 0 1—1
First Period: 1, St. Louis, O'Reilly 28 (Pietrangolo, Bouwmeester), 16:47, 2, St. Louis, Pietrangolo 13 (Schwartz), 19:52.
Second Period: None.
Third Period: 3, St. Louis, Schenn 17 (Schwartz, Tarasenko), 11:25, 4, St. Louis, Sanford 8 (Perron, O'Reilly), 15:22, 5, Boston, Grzelcyk 3 (Keitel), 17:50.
Shots on Goal: St. Louis 4-6-10, 20. Boston 12-11-10, 33.
Power-play opportunities: St. Louis 0 of 0; Boston 0 of 1.
Goalies: St. Louis, Binnington 24-5-1 (33 shots-32 saves), Boston, Rask 27-13-5 (20-16).
A, 17,565 (17,565), T, 2:26.
Referees: Gord Dwyer, Chris Rooney. Linesmen: Derek Amell, Scott Cherry.

SPORTS ON TV

Thursday, June 13
GOLF
12:30 p.m.
FS1 — PGA Tour Golf: U.S. Open, first round, Pebble Beach, Calif.
GOLF — LPGA Tour Golf: Meijer LPGA Classic, first round, Grand Rapids, Mich.
7:30 p.m.
FOX — PGA Tour Golf: U.S. Open, first round, Pebble Beach, Calif.
FS1 — PGA Tour Golf: U.S. Open, first round, Pebble Beach, Calif.
MLB BASEBALL
12 p.m.
MLB — Pittsburgh at Atlanta
7:10 p.m.
NESN — Rangers vs. Red Sox
8 p.m.
ESPN — Detroit at Kansas City
11 p.m.
MLB — Chicago Cubs at LA Dodgers (joined in progress)
NBA BASKETBALL
9 p.m.
ABC — NBA Playoff: Toronto at Golden State, NBA Finals (Game 6)

LATEST LINE

MLB National League
Favorite Odds (O/U) .. Underdog
 ATLANTA 6 1/2-7 1/2 (9.5) .. PITTSBURGH
 Arizona Even-6 (8.5) WASHINGTON
 NY METS 6-7 (7.5) .. ST. LOUIS
 COLORADO 6 1/2-7 1/2 (11.5) .. SAN DIEGO
 LA DODGERS 8 1/2-9 1/2 (8) CHICAGO CUBS
American League
 MINNESOTA 8-9 (10) .. SEATTLE
 Toronto 6-7 (9) .. BALTIMORE
 BOSTON 10 1/2-11 1/2 (9) .. TEXAS
 TAMPA BAY 6 1/2-7 1/2 (8.5) .. LA ANGELS
 St-Detroit 5 1/2-6 1/2 (8.5) KANSAS CITY
 NY Yankees 7 1/2-8 1/2 (9.5) .. WHITE SOX
 x-at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, NE.
NBA
NBA Finals
Best of Seven Series
Toronto leads series 3-2
Favorite Points (O/U). Underdog
 GOLDEN STATE 2 1/2 (211.5) .. TORONTO
Home Team in CAPS
NBA PLAYOFFS