

# Lady Eagles seeded #1 at sub-state tournament

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The Colby Eagle volleyball team is heading to Pratt Saturday to play in the sub-state tournament. The Lady Eagles (26-3) are the #1 seed and have a bye in the first round.

The rest of the first round action looks like this: Goodland (23-10), the #3 seed, will play Pratt (5-23), at 3 p.m. Hugoton (18-16), will play Ulysses 13-

# Avs goalies sets NHL record for consecutive games

PHOENIX (AP) — Rob Blake scored the go-ahead goal as the Colorado Avalanche rallied from a two-goal deficit to defeat the Phoenix Coyotes 3-2 Thursday night in Patrick Roy's record-setting 972nd game.

Roy, who passed Terry Sawchuk for the most appearances by a goaltender, had 27 saves while extending NHL leadership in career wins to 519.

Alex Tanguay and Milan Hejduk, who assisted on Tanguay's goal, also scored for the Avalanche. Joe Sakic had two assists.

Tony Amonte scored the Phoenix goals, both in the first period.

After that, Roy was flawless on 17 chances to improve to 3-0-1 in his last four starts.

The Coyotes were 30 seconds into a power play when Amonte fired the puck past Roy from the top of the

16. The winner of that match will play Colby in the second round at 4 p.m.

The winner of Goodland-Pratt will play the winner between Scott City (28-8), the #2 seed, and Larned (3-26), at 5 p.m.

The sub-state championship game will take place at 6 p.m.

All games take place at Pratt Community College, which is located at 348 NE State RD. 61.

crease, completing a two-man rush with Daniel Briere 8:33 in.

Briere got an assist on the next goal after winning a faceoff with Sakic. The puck slid across to Amonte in the slot for a one-timer that sent Phoenix to a 2-0 lead with 6:17 left in the first.

It was his third of the season.

Colorado came back hard in the second period, outshooting the Coyotes 14-8 and tying the score at 2.

Tanguay cut the deficit with a shot from the circle 4:21 in.

Hejduk got his third goal with 3:56 remaining after a dash down the slot in which he passed out to Sakic on the wing, then got the puck back just above the crease.

The teams battled evenly until Mike Keane flipped a rebound of Rob Blake's shot over Brian Boucher's shoulder at 6:32 of the third period.

# Bonds, A-Rod, win Aaron award

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Barry Bonds and Alex Rodriguez won the Hank Aaron award for the second straight year Thursday, with broadcasters voting them the best hitters in their leagues this season.

Bonds hit a major league-best .370 with 46 homers and 110 RBIs for the San Francisco Giants. He also set records with 198 walks and 68 intentional passes.

Rodriguez, the Texas Rangers shortstop, led the majors with 57 homers and 142 RBIs and batted .300.

The St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols, the NL's reigning rookie of the

year, finished a distant fifth with 18 points, 236 behind Bonds.

Pujols batted .314 with 34 home runs, 127 RBIs and 118 runs scored, becoming the first player to hit above .300 with at least 30 home runs, 100 runs scored and 100 RBIs in his first two seasons.

In the American League, Kansas City Royals first baseman Mike Sweeney got one first-place vote and finished seventh with 21 points, 203 behind Rodriguez. Sweeney's .340 average this season was the second-highest average in Royals' history, behind George Brett's .390 in 1980.

## Grabbing rebounds



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Bojana Samardziska, a 6'4" freshman, was ready for a rebound Thursday night as the Lady Trojan basketball team got in one more scrimmage, against Otero Junior College. Colby opens the 2002-2003 season on the road at South Plains Junior College in Loveland, Texas Oct. 31, against Yavapai Junior College. The Lady Trojans home season opens Nov. 14 at the Ambassador Classic.

## OOPS!!

Thursday's photo of Marcia Kaus and Emily Sloan had a caption which stated that the Colby Eagle cross country team would be running in Pratt Saturday at the regional meet.

This was wrong! The cross country team will be at Larned for regionals. The girls run at 1 p.m. and the boys 1:30.

The Eagle volleyball team will be in Pratt for sub-state.

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# Nuggets trade Whitney to Wizards for George McCloud

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Washington Wizards cleared up a logjam in their backcourt Thursday by trading point guard Chris Whitney to the Denver Nuggets for forward George McCloud.

Whitney, entering his 10th season, had been with the Wizards for seven seasons and holds the franchise record for 3-pointers with 411. He shared point guard duties with Tyronn Lue last season but became expendable when the team signed Larry Hughes and drafted Juan Dixon.

Whitney has averaged 6.5 points, 2.8

assists and 1.4 rebounds in his career and was the last remaining player on the Wizards roster to wear a Bullets uniform. The team changed names in 1997.

With the Nuggets, Whitney will have a chance to compete with Kenny Satterfield for the starting spot at point guard.

"This trade addresses our need for a veteran point guard," Nuggets general manager Kiki Vandeweghe said. "We appreciate George's leadership and professionalism, and we wish him well."

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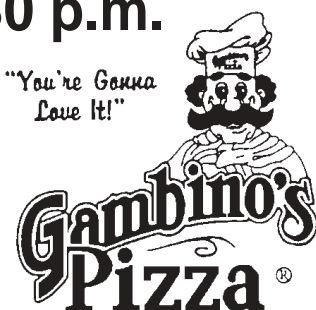
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