

# Lady Eagles handle Goodland; boys stumble

## Tough 'D' gets the job done

By RALPH WOLF

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The Colby Lady Eagles defeated their archrivals, the Goodland Cowgirls, last Friday night by the final score of 60-37.

The Cowgirls took an early 4 point lead, but the Eagles fought back to tie the game at 11 by the end of the first quarter and at halftime Colby held a 27-23 advantage.

In the third period Colby outscored Goodland 19-11 to take a 46-34 lead heading into the final stanza. The Eagles turned the defensive pressure up in the 4th quarter and held Goodland to just 2 points. Summar Stephens connected for 5 treys in the contest to finish with 24 points.

Stephens also grabbed 4 rebounds, recorded 3 steals and dished out 2 assists. Emily Sloan tossed in 14 points, had 5 boards, 2 steals and 2 blocked shots. Amanda Seemann added 10 points, 3 rebounds, 2 steals and led the team with 5 assists. Samantha Wolf scored 6 points, hauled down 4 rebounds, stole the ball 3 times and had an assist.

Bethanie Linden finished the game with 5 points, 7 rebounds, 5 steals and 4 assists. Linden played a great defensive game and held Goodland's leading scorer (Jayci Stone) to just 14 points.

Brianna Swafford rounded out the scoring with 1 point, 2 boards, 4 steals and 2 assists. As a team the Eagles shot 50 percent from the field, 36 percent from three-point



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The Colby Lady Eagles applied their patented smothering defense to the Goodland Cowgirls Friday night at the Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland, on the way to a 60-37 victory.

land and 62 percent from the free throw line.

In JV action: Colby beat Goodland 57-39. Jessica Stephens led the way with 18 points, 2 rebounds, 4 steals and 2 assists. Shea McKee made 4 threes in the second half and finished the game with 14 points. McKee also had 1 rebound, 1 steal and 5 assists.

Marcia Kaus score 11 points, hauled down 7 boards, recorded 2 steals and had 1 assist.

Crystal Mannebach added 6 points, 5 rebounds, 2 steals and 1 assist. Zanae Baird finished the game with 4 points, 6 rebounds and 1 steal.

Shawna Cox and Clarissa Unger were both credited with 2 points and 5 rebounds each. The junior varsity made 8 out of 19 shots from beyond

the arc for 42 percent and 11 of 18 from the charity stripe for 61 percent.

In C team action: Colby got off to a slow start and managed to score only 2 points in the opening period, but led at the end of the first half 16-6.

The Eagles came out in the second half and out-scored Goodland 16-4 in the third quarter and 21-2 in the fourth. Final score: Colby 53, Goodland 12. Zanae Baird led a well-balanced attack with 11 points, 3 boards, 1 steal and 1 assist. Tasha Fromholtz and Andre Barker both added 10 points apiece.

Fromholtz was credited with 4 rebounds, 4 steals, 1 assist and 1 blocked shot, while Barker had 5 boards, 5 steals and 4 assists. Clarissa Unger and Crystal

Mannebach were both credited with 6 points each. Unger controlled the glass by pulling down 8 rebounds and had 3 steals and blocked 1 shot. Mannebach had 2 rebounds and 1 steal. Morgan Stephens finished the game with 4 points, 4 boards, 5 steals, and 4 assists, before fouling out late in the

third quarter. Shea McKee score 4 points and had 1 assist. Shawna Cox was credited with 2 rebounds and 1 steal. The C team was 9 of 18 (50 percent) from the free throw line.

The Lady Eagles are back on the road tonight as they travel to McCook to take on the McCook Bison. Tip off for the C team is slated for 4:30pm and the varsity game is scheduled for 6:15 pm with the JV to follow.

## Eagles lose to Cowboys in final seconds, 57-56

By DARREL PATTILLO  
*Colby Free Press*

The Colby Eagles gave up one more basket than they should have last Friday night, falling to the Goodland Cowboys 57-56 at the Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland.

The Eagles, (7-1) took the first period from the Cowboys, 16-11, then faltered in the second, scoring only 7 points to Goodland's 17, and went to the half trailing by 5.

As has been the case all year, the Eagles came out strong in the third period, out-scoring the Cowboys 19-11.

The fourth period saw the Cowboys score 18 points to the Eagles 14, including the last-second basket by Cowboy Derrick Raymer that gave Goodland the win.

Landon Stover led the Eagles with 19 points, followed by Jordan Harris with 13, Matt Augustine with 7, Carson McKee and Shane Stover with 6, Jeff Reavis scored 3, and Bruce Arnberger scored a basket. Brian Sulzman also saw playing time.

**Colby JV 61, Goodland 59**  
The junior varsity Eagles also had a close game, but came out on top 61-59, erasing a double-digit deficit in the fourth period.

The Eagles got a big game from Bruce Arnberger, who scored 27 points. Jared Dinkel got 15, Brian Sulzman had 9, Deke Elliott got 6 points, and Chris Finley and Jordan Sharp each had 2.

The Eagles are in action this evening at McCook and are back home Friday night vs. Hoxie.

## Chiefs sign Kennison to six-year contract

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Veteran wide receiver Eddie Kennison signed a six-year deal with the Kansas City Chiefs on Monday. The team did not disclose terms of the contract.

"Eddie was an important part of our offensive success last year and we did not want him to pursue free agency," Chiefs President Carl Peterson said. "Moreover, he and his representative were very amenable to working out a contract that was very agreeable to the Chiefs, as well as to him."

Kennison, a seven-year veteran who has played for six different teams, led the Chiefs receivers this season with 906 yards on 53 catches with two touchdowns.

Kennison, who played for Chiefs Coach Dick Vermeil for two seasons in St. Louis, signed with the Chiefs in 2001 after walking out on the Denver Broncos the night before a game.

He had said at the end of the season that he wanted to stay in Kansas City, in part out of loyalty to Vermeil.

## Injuries a factor this season, Big 12 coaches say during weekly conference call

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Nebraska point guard Jake Muhleisen, the Cornhuskers' assist leader and second-leading scorer, is out for the season with a broken hip.

X-rays Monday morning revealed the fracture in Muhleisen's hip socket, coach Barry Collier said Monday during the Big 12 coaches' weekly conference call.

The injury would not require surgery but will sideline Muhleisen for two to three months, Collier said.

"I think he'll be able to come back from it," Collier said.

Muhleisen, a 6-foot-4-inch, 195-pound sophomore, was injured when he fell hard after being fouled early in the Cornhuskers' 92-59 loss to Kansas on Saturday.

He was going in for a layup when he collided with Kansas' Nick Collison and landed on his back. He had to be helped from the court and did not play again.

"He just landed in a kind of torqued position. It was nothing deliberate by Kansas," Collier said.

Muhleisen had started all 14 games for Nebraska (8-6) and was averaging 11.7 points and 3.4 assists.

"He's devastated," Collier said. "He wants to help our team any way he can. We're really going to miss Jake, because he's our leader on the court and in the locker room."

Junior Nate Johnson, a junior college transfer, and senior Brennon Clemmons will share duties at point guard, Collier said.

Kansas also continues to deal with the loss of a starter to injury — but Jeff Graves has done well as a replacement for forward Wayne Simien. Jayhawks coach Roy Williams said Monday.

In his last three games, Graves has averaged 11.3 rebounds and 9.3 points.

"Jeff has done a nice job for us on the backboards," Williams said. "That's been the biggest positive."

"Now he has to concentrate more on the offensive end so he can be where he's supposed to be when he's supposed to be there," Williams added. "He's given us some insurance, and if he can keep out of foul trouble he can be even more effective."

Simien, who has a separated right shoulder, has already missed two starts and will miss Kansas' games Wednesday against Wyoming and Saturday against Kansas State. He has started some light rehab work, Williams said, and will be re-evaluated early next week.

Losing a starter to injury can open things up for other starters as well as for backups, Texas coach Rick Barnes said.

Last year, when guard Chris Owens went down with a knee injury early in the season, freshman point guard T.J. Ford and center James Thomas picked up the slack as the Longhorns reached the semifinals of the NCAA Midwest Regional.

"I went to James and said, 'Why did you wait until Chris Owens gets hurt to step up?' and he said, 'Coach, I didn't think it was my turn yet,'" Barnes said. "It's somebody's turn up there (at Nebraska) to step up, and I'm sure Barry will do a good job of making that happen."

The loss of Muhleisen overshadowed what's shaping up to be a milestone week for two of the conference's coaches — even though each played down his accomplishment.

Eddie Sutton coached his 400th game at Oklahoma State Monday night when the Cowboys defeated fifth-ranked Oklahoma 48-46 in the intrastate Bedlam Series.

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