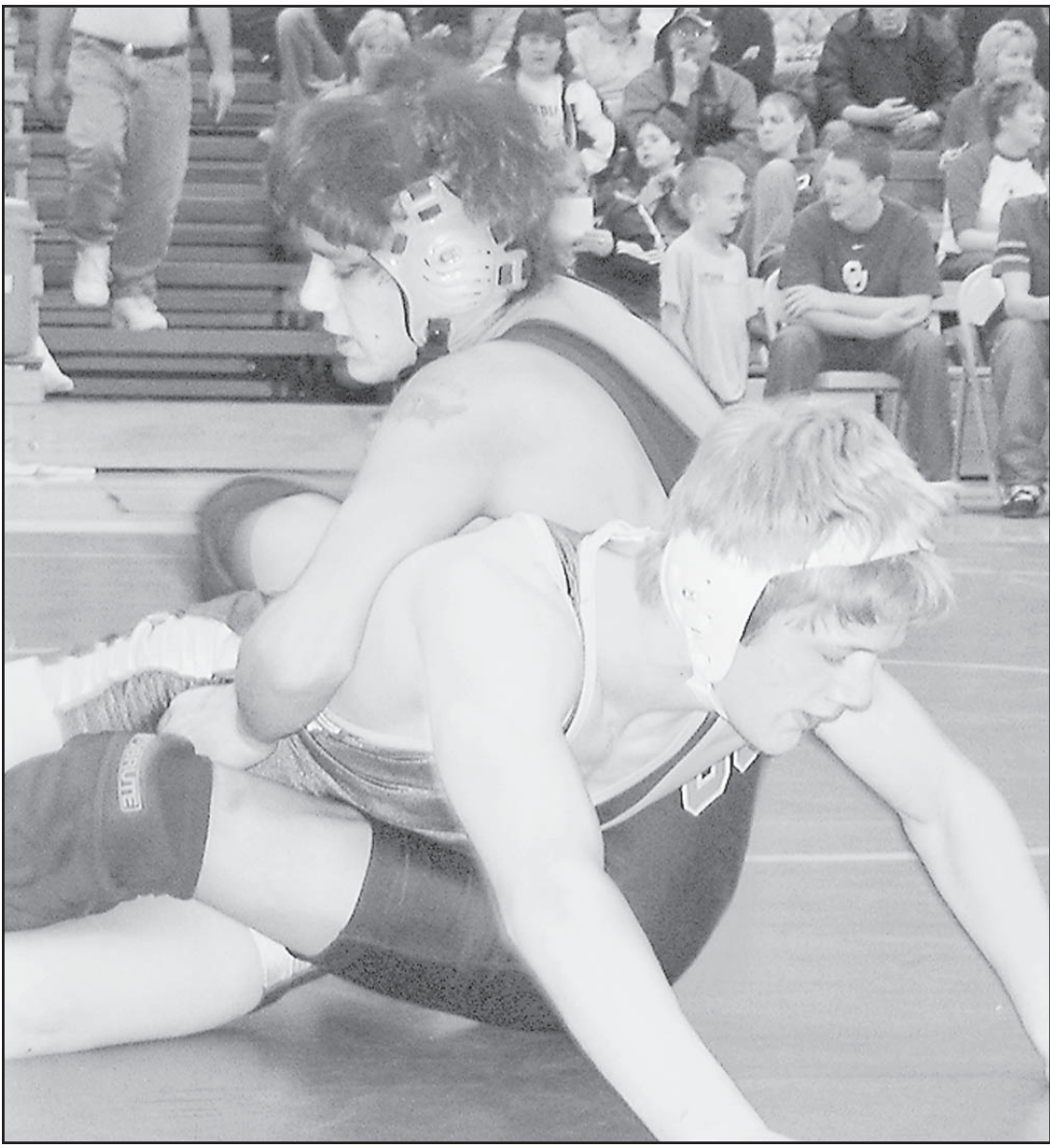


## Cole cashing in



RANDY DECKER/Colby Free Press

Cole Garcia, a sophomore at Colby High School, took first place in his weight division during last week's Northwest Kansas League Wrestling Tournament at Oberlin. The Eagle wrestlers will meet up again with Oberlin tonight at the Colby Community Building.

# SportsLine

### Colby activities

- Today — C-team boys basketball at Oberlin, 4:30 p.m., depart 2:45 p.m. (no C-team girls game at Oberlin); jayvee boys basketball/varsity girls basketball at Oberlin, 6:30 p.m., junior varsity girls, varsity boys games to follow; junior varsity wrestling with Oberlin, 6:30 p.m., Community Building; varsity wrestling with Oberlin and Colby Community College wrestling with Air Force JV, 7 p.m., Community Building.
- Saturday — Junior varsity/varsity wrestling at Phillipsburg tourney, 9 a.m.; Colby will not be participating in the 9/10 wrestling tourney in Goodland; 7/8 wrestling at Norton tourney, 9:30 a.m.; C-team girls basketball at Atwood tourney, 10 a.m.
- Monday — 7/8 girls basketball at Hays Kennedy, 3:45 p.m.; C-team girls/boys basketball with Norton, 6 p.m., high school gym.

### Golden Plains

- Tuesday — High school basketball with Grinnell at Rexford, 6:30 & 8 p.m.

### Brewster

- Today — High school basketball at Healy, 6:30 and 8 p.m.
- Tuesday — High school basketball at Oakley, 6:30 & 8 p.m.

### Colby College

- Today — Trojan wrestling with Air Force Prep, Community Building, 7 p.m.
- Saturday — Women/men basketball vs. Cloudy County, Community Building, 6 & 8 p.m.

## Free throwers at line Sunday

The Colby Council Knights of Columbus will host its annual District "Free Throw Contest" on Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m. at the Colby Grade School gym.

Boys and girls ages of 10-14 will be participating. The winners will advance to the regional contest in Quinter on Feb. 15, followed by the state contest in Salina on March 7. Participants here Sunday will be from Goodland, St. Francis, Bird City, Sharon Springs and Colby. The public is invited.

## Grinnell loses

The Grinnell Warriors lost 61-44 to Jennings in action Tuesday night. Jennings outscored Grinnell in all quarters — 12-10, 10-8, 19-13 and 20-13.

Scoring for Grinnell were: Shawn Baalman, 14; Meier 5; Dickman 3; Struckhoff 5; Tholen 2; Zimmerman 6; and Lager 9.

Grant Bailey led the charge for the victorious Jennings bunch with 22 points.

# Tough trip for Trojan wrestlers in Powell, Wyo. dual showdown

By LES BROWN

Free Press Contributor

A short-handed Colby Community College wrestling team traveled to Powell, Wyo. last weekend to compete in the Apodaca Dual Showdown. The event is named after Christopher Brooks Apodaca, a former Northwest College student athlete who died at 22 years of age. The Trojans were without the services of four varsity wrestlers at the dual tournament and at least one other team member was competing while at less than full health.

The Trojans wrestled against host school Northwest College and also against Western Wyoming. Iowa Central Community College had also been scheduled to compete, but did not show up for the event. Northwest College is currently the nation's top ranked junior college team; Iowa Central is currently ranked second; the Trojans are currently listed in the sixth place spot; and Western Wyoming had been ranked 10th, but fell out of the most recent poll.

Against a very talented Northwest College, and with a makeshift line-up in place, the Trappers were able to score an impressive 46-6 victory over the Trojans.

The highlight of the dual was at 157 pounds when Eric Luedke (freshman, Colby), currently ranked second in the latest NJCAA poll, soundly defeated Jacob Wright

by a 6-1 score. Wright had won an earlier bout between the two in the finals of the Colby Tournament of Champions and Wright is ranked first at 157 pounds in that same poll. Coach Steve Lampe said "Luedke did an incredible job tonight in beating the #1 ranked Jacob Wright. This performance was a huge statement for Eric as he continues along his quest to score top level All-American honors."

Also scoring a win for Colby was top ranked 184 pounder C.B. Dollaway (sophomore, Mt. Gilead, Ohio) who defeated Pete Julander by a 10-3 decision. Dollaway, a defending NJCAA national champion, has been ranked as the top 184 pound junior college wrestler since the preseason poll.

In the dual against Western Wyoming, the shorthanded Trojans were defeated by score of 35-21. Dollaway recorded a first period fall in his 184 pound bout, Eric Luedke received a forfeit at 157 pounds and Zach Luedke (freshman, Colby) won an exciting bout over Mike Casperson at 174 pounds by a 5-4 decision. The Trojans' final team points were tallied as the result of a double forfeit at 125 pounds.

Lampe said he had made the difficult decision to leave Muzaffar Abdurakhmanov (sophomore, Tashkent, Uzbekistan), the nation's top ranked junior college wrestler

at 165 pounds and a defending national champion, off the roster for last weekend's competition. His absence was certainly felt, but Lampe concluded the move was necessary to give Abdurakhmanov time to recuperate from a few of minor, but nagging injuries prior to entering the postseason.

Lampe said he fully expects Eric Luedke, Muzaffar Abdurakhmanov and C.B. Dollaway to each be ranked in the top spot of their respective weight divisions when the new poll is released on Feb. 9. He went on to say, "With the talent of those three and the assistance from a few more Trojans who are capable of qualifying for, and scoring victories at, the national tournament, we are once again poised to record a solid team finish at this year's national tournament."

The next action for the Trojans will be their final home and final regular season competition of the year.

The Trojans will take to the mat at 7 p.m. tonight in the Colby Community Building, against the Air Force Academy JV. This dual will be held in conjunction with Colby High School's wrestling dual against Oberlin-Decatur County Community High School.

The Trojans will then begin preparing for their national qualifying tournament, which will be held on Feb. 15 in Parsons.

## Sloan shakes nets for 18

Emily Sloan, Colby High basketball standout, was top scorer in the Lady Eagles' big 73-34 victory over Garden City in the Community Building Tuesday night.

Sloan poured in 18 points and also grabbed 8 rebounds.

The original story appearing in the *Free Press* on Wednesday, failed to notate Sloan's performance.

The Eagles are back in action tonight as they board the bus for Oberlin.

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# STRIKE ZONE

## League Bowling Results

### February 2 - First Nighters League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Colby Implement	18	6	67892
OutCasts of Oakley	16	8	68443
Schlick Construction	16	8	68310
Frontier Equity	12	12	67073
Coors	11	13	61009
Colby Bowl	9	15	63664
Code Red	8	16	67410
Woolter Well & Pump	6	18	67145

First high Individual game: Dick Adolph, 252  
First high Individual series: Dick Adolph, 629

### January 30 - Ten Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Comfort Inn	13	3	46927
Western Times	11	5	46962
Colby Bowl	9	7	46884
Don's Electric	8.5	7.5	46359
Sunflower Kitchen Bakery	8.5	7.5	46062
Colby Community College	8	8	46324
Hurt Enterprises	7	9	46845
Passion Party	7	9	46156
Cal Williams	6.5	9.5	46466
L & R Promotions	6.5	9.5	43944
Oasis Travel Center	5	11	43727

First high Individual game: Karla Lucas, 217  
First high individual series: Karla Lucas, 554

### January 28 - Ladies Nite Out League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Hoflacher Jewelry	12	4	46576
Strike Outs	11	5	47137
Lobo Liquor	11	5	46738
Sunflower Bank	9	7	46699
Straight Line	8.5	7.5	46166
Brooks Inc.	7.5	8.5	45848
Who-No's	6.5	9.5	46926
Colby Bowl	6	10	46523
Premier Auto	6	10	46301
Clear Choice	2.5	13.5	46624

First high individual game: Linda Liester, 199  
First high individual series: Christie Cersovsky, 511

### February 3 - Pinbusters League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Colby Automotive	16	8	69976
United Commercial Travelers	16	8	69166

### February 3 - Early Bird Ladies League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
NW Vacuum	16	4	49546
Bowlerettes	12	8	49338
www.strike	9	11	48870
Van's Merry Four	9	11	48460
Jean's Rollers	8	12	48382
4 4 Fun	6	14	48257

First high individual game: Jan Helus, 199  
First high individual series: Jan Helus, 537

### January 28 - Powderpuff League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Western Sprinklers	8	4	44869
Weiser Insurance	8	4	44479
Camouflage Lawn Care	7	5	44427
Nightmares	6	6	39965
Service Oil	3	9	44497

First high individual game: Cheryl Lee, 194  
First high individual series: Cheryl Lee, 511

### January 29 - King Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Colby Bowl & Fun Center	7.5	4.5	58355
5 Pony Men	7.5	4.5	59065
T.J.'s Tire	7.5	4.5	57539
Triple K Racing	6	6	58073
Thunderballs	6	6	57879
A & R Farms	5	7	57261
Stephens Construction	4.5	7.5	58372
Colby Automotive	4	8	58415

First high individual game: Ralph Wolf, 257  
First high individual series: Ralph Wolf, 593

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Darin Williams has recently joined the sales team at Colby Implement. He has resided in Colby for the past four years with his wife and two children. He was raised in Western Kansas and has been involved in the agriculture industry for 20 years. Darin looks forward to meeting and working with you.

**Please stop by and meet our new Salesman!**