



## Ray Nolan

- On Campus

# Plenty to talk about

Action was light on campus this past weekend, but there is plenty to talk about. Results are not in from Lady Trojan volleyball, but Lady Trojan softball and Trojan baseball were competitive. The cross-country team had the weekend off.

Trojan baseball traveled to Hays Saturday and took on the Tigers in game one and Independence Community College in game two. Although they didn't play their best ball, the Trojans still held their own and did some impressive things. On Sunday half the team went to McCook, Neb. where they won a pair of games (they kept score, which is something that isn't supposed to happen in fall baseball), and half stayed home to play a high school all-star team, whom they had a good outing against. The games at home on Sunday gave Trojan head coach Ryan Carter a good chance to see some young players from Denver.

Lady Trojan softball went 3-3-1 this past weekend, beating Arapahoe, Colo. 9-2, Seward County 5-1 and the Otero (Colo.) Blue squad 3-1. They tied Panhandle State, Okla. 2-2 (ties often happen in the fall), and lost to Otero White 4-2, Lamar, Colo. 10-3 and Trinidad State, Colo. 7-2.

This week there will be plenty of Trojan athletic events to attend. First, Lady Trojan volleyball hosts Barton County at home Wednesday evening at 6:30 at the community building. The Lady Trojans were 6-10 before this weekend started, and although they have had their ups and downs, have proven to be athletic and capable of competing with anyone. Barton is a traditional volleyball power, and although they are not ranked in the top 25 in the NJCAA, they are still very strong. The Cougars are 9-3 on the season, 3-1 in Jayhawk play, and 2-0 in Division I Jayhawk play.

You may not be aware that several schools in the Jayhawk decided to move to Division II for volleyball and softball, as well as other sports.

Colby stayed Division I in both softball and volleyball, not to mention all the teams they sponsor. The Division I Jayhawk volleyball schools are Hutchinson (25-0, 3-0, ranked #5 in NJCAA), Seward (13-5, 2-0, ranked #11 in NJCAA), Garden City (5-8, 0-2), Cloud County (4-10, 0-2) and Barton (9-3, 3-1).

The game Wednesday night will be the Lady Trojans' first Jayhawk Division I contest. Barton County is currently in second place overall and tied for first in the Division I standings. Their only Jayhawk loss was to Dodge City, who they had beaten twice in non-conference action. The Lady Trojans are currently 2-0 in conference play, which places them in a tie with Seward and Hutchinson at the top of the conference. The Lady Trojans lost to Hutchinson last weekend, but it occurred during a tournament. They will have to play Hutchinson and Seward on the road at the end of the season.

Make sure you come out to the community building Wednesday evening for what is sure to be high caliber volleyball.

The nationally ranked Trojan men's cross country team (#10) and the women's team will be in action this weekend in Stillwater, Okla. at Oklahoma State University. Lady Trojan softball will host the first of their two fall tournaments this weekend in Colby. Saturday they face McCook at 10 a.m., Otero at 2 p.m. and Garden City at 4 p.m.. Sunday they take on Lamar at 12 noon and Seward County at 2 p.m..

Trojan baseball will take their sophomores to Wichita this weekend for the annual Jayhawk Conference all-star game. This is a big weekend for the Trojans to get scouted by major universities and professional scouts.

I hope everyone has a good week. \*\*\*\*\*

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The Colby High School Eagles pushed hard for yardage during Friday night's game in Dighton against the combined districts in Ness City and Dighton. Travis Helus (#72), Cole Garcia (#25), Todd

Ziegelmeier (#50) and Paul Schrick (#56) were among the many Eagles involved in this play. The final score was 28-26 giving Colby a 3-1 record for the season.

## Eagles 3-1 after nail-biter at Dighton Friday

By NICK HOWARD

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DIGHTON — The Colby High football Eagles traveled to Dighton on Friday night to face the Dighton Titans — a combined team of Ness City and Dighton players..

Although Colby was leading 20-6 at half-time, the Titans weren't ready to wave the white flag. In fact, the second half was a real barnburner with the Eagles prevailing, 28-26.

Colby is now 3-1 on the season. They lost to Hoxie at home and beat Oberlin, Rawlins County and now Ness City-Dighton — all on the road.

After a back and forth push by both teams in the first quarter. Neither team was able to score. Two turnovers occurred in the first quarter — an interception by Dighton, which occurred early in the first and another with only 37 seconds remaining, was a fumble recovery by the Eagles. The first quarter ended in a 0-0 tie.

The Eagles were able to convert the fumble recovery into a touchdown early in the second quarter. Only six seconds into the quarter the Eagles put the first points on the board. Unable to run the two-point conversion in, Colby took a 6-0

lead. Matt Augustine intercepted the ball with 7:42 remaining in the half. Colby was able to use this turnover to their advantage also. An 11-yard pass from Augustine to Joey Melnyk added to Eagles' lead. Cole Garcia was able to run in the two-point conversion to give the Eagles a 14-0 lead.

The Titans responded with 1:53 remaining in the half, on a touchdown pass. The Eagles held them on the two-point conversion that kept them in the lead, 14-6. With half-time coming quickly, it appeared that the Eagles were heading into the locker room with a 14-6 lead. But with only 22 seconds remaining, Augustine hit the after-burner and sprinted 59 yards to paydirt. The conversion was no good and the Eagles took a 20-6 lead at the break.

Augustine struck again in the third quarter, this time with a 96-yard touchdown run. The Eagles then also completed a pass to tack on two more points. for what looked to be a commanding 28-6 lead.

The Titans, however, also scored in the third quarter, too. A successful pass added eight to their side of the scoreboard. At the end of the third quarter, Colby was up 28-14.

The Titans went to the air for a touchdown three minutes into the fourth quarter. The conversion was no good. This put the Titans one touchdown behind the Eagles with plenty of time left to catch up. Trailing 20-28, there was only 1:13 remaining in the game when the Titans managed to go upstairs with a touchdown that put them at the 26-

point mark. Only trailing Colby by two, the Eagles knew that they had to hold the Titans here for the win. The Titans were unable to get past the Colby line and the Eagles went on the win the game by a mere two-points.

Augustine had 18 carries for 218 yards and 2 touchdowns; Sam Munderloh had 18 carries for 68 yards; Joe Heier had 7 carries for 66 yards; Trent Mazanec had 4 carries for 28 yards; Weston Foltz had 4 carries for 12 yards; and Cole Garcia had 3 carries for 0 yards.

Augustine completed 3 of 7 passes, with 31 pass yards. Joey Melnyk had 2 receptions totaling 28 yards, 1 of which was a touchdown reception. Weston Foltz had one reception for 3 yards and a two-point conversion.

# SportsLine

## FFA hamburger feed Friday in Colby

Colby High School's FFA Chapter will hold a fund-raising hamburger feed from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Dennen Field when Colby takes on St. Francis. The meal will include hamburgers, chips, beans and drinks with all proceeds going to help FFA students with trips and other chapter activities.

## Track closed, JV game moved

The track resurfacing project at Dennen Field started earlier this week which means the track will be closed to the public until further notice, said Jeff Quenzer, the activities director for Colby Public Schools. The complex, he said, will remained closed until all resurfacing work is completed; however, the Colby High School homecoming football game is scheduled to take place at Dennen Field next week. Quenzer did want to remind fans that the Colby High School junior varsity game today will be played at the east practice field on the campus of the high school starting at 5:30 p.m. Fans are encouraged to bring lawn chairs.

## Brewster pre-game supper Oct. 1

The Brewster Booster Club will be having a Homecoming Pre-Game Supper from 5-7 p.m. (CDT) Friday, Oct. 1, in the school cafeteria. Tacos with toppings, chips and salsa, Spanish rice and a dessert will be provided for a donation. Proceeds will be used for the Prom Party and other school activities, organizers said.

## Colby High sports activities

**Today** — Junior varsity football with Ness City-Dighton at east practice field at the high school at 5:30 p.m.; "C" team volleyball at Goodland with Oakley and Weskan, 5:30 p.m.

**Tuesday** — The girls' golf team will not be participating in the Ulysses tourney on this day; Colby invitational varsity girls tennis tourney at Fike and college courts, 3 p.m.; junior varsity/varsity volleyball at Atwood with Norton, 4:30 p.m.; cross country at Oberlin, 5 p.m.

## Golden Plains sports activities

**Tuesday** — High school volleyball at Jennings, 3 p.m.

## Brewster sports activities

**Today** — 6 p.m., high school jayvee football vs. Tribune at home.  
**Tuesday** — 4 p.m., high school volleyball quad (varsity and junior varsity) at home; 5 p.m., high school cross country at Oberlin.

## Girls volleyball camp continues

The Colby volleyball camp for girls grades 1 through 6 continues at the Colby High School on the following Saturdays: Oct. 2, 9 and 16. The 4th through 6th graders will play from 9-10:30 a.m. on those dates and the 1st through 3rd graders from 10:30-11:30 a.m. For additional details, please call coach Dustin Rorabaugh at 460-0221.

(Items can be e-mailed to [td@nwkansas.com](mailto:td@nwkansas.com), [colbysports@nwkansas.com](mailto:colbysports@nwkansas.com), faxed to 785-462-7749 or dropped off at the office at 155 W 5th. Deadline: no later than 9 a.m.)

## Trojan Softball

**Colby 2**  
**Otero 4**  
Losing Pitcher - Jere Ebert 6IP 2BB 1K 0ER 3H  
Leading Hitter - Danielle Schmidt 1-2; Amy Normandin 1-2  
Team Hits - 6

**Colby 9**  
**Arapahoe 2**  
Winning Pitcher - Corri Ball 5IP 1BB 1K 1ER 8H  
Leading Hitter - Whitney Adams 3-3

Team Hits - 12  
**Colby 3**  
**Lamar 10**  
Losing Pitcher - Ball 5IP 1BB 2K 6ER 13H

Leading Hitter - Stephanie Egger 2-2 1 RBI  
Team Hits - 7  
**Colby 2**  
**Oklahoma Panhandle State 2**  
Pitcher - Ebert 7IP 1BB 0K 8H 2ER

Leading Hitter - Heather Ebert 1-2 1HR  
Team Hits - 4  
**Colby 2**  
**Trinidad State JC 7**  
Losing Pitcher - Ebert 5IP 9H 7ER 2BB 1K

Leading Hitter - Lauren Jameson 2-3  
Team Hits - 8  
**Colby 5**  
**Seward 1**  
Winning Pitcher - Ball 6IP 2BB 4K 4H 1ER

Leading Hitter - Sam Wolf 2-2; Danielle Schmidt 3-3  
Team Hits - 9  
**Colby 3**  
**Otero 1**  
Winning Pitcher - Ebert 7IP 4H 0BB 2K 0ER

Leading Hitter - Sam Wolf 3-3  
Team Hits - 11

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Drive for Sobriety Golf Tournament played at Sugar Hills Country Club in Goodland on Saturday, Sept. 11th.

### SOBRIETY WINNERS

**DOOR PRIZES:** Rick Ress of Colby (\$50 Gift Cert. from Mr. Jim's in Goodland); Maruin Selby of Goodland (Basket from Cobblestone Floral & Garden Center in Goodland)

**RAFFLE:** Merry Lewis of Colby (Patriotic Picture); Lance Vaughn of Topeka (Flag Quilt from Quilt Cabin); Bud Van Horn of Colby (Straw Beach Bag)

**WINNING TEAMS:** 1st Flight, 1st Place Team - Maruin Selby, Chuck Lutters, Jim Mull and Devlin Mull; 2nd Place Team - Audrey Hines, Lou Hines, Sceptor Brownlee and Jarod Helin; 3rd Place Team - Rick Ress, Aaron Krannawitter, Scott Showalter and Buddy Van Horn; 2nd Flight, 1st Place Team - Bob Kinderknecht, Darrell Pattillo, Daniel Crotinger and Larry Struckmeyer, 2nd Place - K & Bea Driver and Keith & Pat Willoughby; 3rd Place - Bonnie Selby, Dean Dinkel, Sidney Strait and Rachel Taylor

**PUTTING CONTEST WINNER:** Darrell Pattillo