

## Brewster in action tonight



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Brewster High School Bulldogs' Paul Flanders and Jonathan Collett played tough against the Greeley County Jackrabbits last week. The Bulldogs take on Healy at 7:30 tonight in the Colby Community Building in the semi-finals of the Western Kansas Liberty League Tournament.

## Eagle boys even record at 4-4

#### From Staff Reports

The Colby Eagle boys evened their record at 4-4 with a 48-34 win on the road at McCook on Tuesday.

Colby led at the end of the first period 15-9 and at half-time 25-19. At the third quarter buzzer the Eagles were on top 30-26.

Matt Augustine led the way for the Eagles with 20 points — on 23-

pointers and 5 from 2-point range, coupled with 4 free throws. Jared Dinkel tossed in 15 points — 14 of those came from the field and 1 charity toss. Trevor Siebert scored 5, Derek Elliott 4 and Dusty Quenzer and R.J. Ladenburger 2 apiece.

Volquardsen was tops for McCook with 8 points.

Overall, the Eagles shot at a 43 percent clip from the floor — 18 of 41 and 64 percent from the free throw line — 9 of 14.

The Eagles scored on 3 3-pointers, 2 from Augustine and 1 from Siebert.

Colby hosts the Hoxie indians in the Colby Community Building Friday night.

## Simien, Jayhawks win at Iowa St.

AMES, Iowa (AP) — The idea was for Wayne Simien to ease back into action for No. 2 Kansas. If this was easing, you have to wonder how much he would have played if he was rushed.

The senior forward returned from a four-game absence and played 37 minutes in a 71-66 victory over Iowa State on Wednesday night.

And while his mere presence would have been a big lift for the Jayhawks (12-0, 2-0 Big 12), he did a whole lot more than just show up, finishing with 13 points and nine rebounds and making some big plays down the stretch.

“It feels good having him back because that’s the man that helps us out on the boards, scores some

points for us, makes the game a lot easier for everybody else,” said Keith Langford, who led the Jayhawks with 18 points.

Langford had been questionable after sustaining a concussion in Sunday’s 65-59 victory at No. 9 Kentucky. But he started and played 36 minutes, shooting 7-for-11 and handing out five assists.

Russell Robinson also returned for Kansas after leaving the Kentucky game with a scratched cornea. But forward Christian Moody missed the game after spraining an ankle in the final minutes against Kentucky, and that made Simien’s return all the more crucial.

## Colby Kid wrestlers do well in Denver

They say that wrestling is about attitude, resolution and desire. And these are demonstrated at most tournaments, but the larger events really bring out the best in these boys.

On Jan. 1-2, the Rock Mountain Nationals “Who’s Bad” was held in Denver and four area boys were involved.

Tanner Kriss wrestled 15 and under 144 lbs. in a 10-man bracket, but was not able to place.

Konner Kriss in 12 and under 70 lbs., wrested in a 14-man bracket, wrestling twice on Saturday winning both. However, on Sunday he lost his first match and had to try to wrestle back. He gave is a good try but lost again which put him in competition for 5th/6th place. He won 6-0 and came home with a 5th place medal.

Dalton Snyder at 10 and under 89 lbs., wrestled three matches and won all three to place first in a 7-man bracket.

Trek Keck wrestled in 10 and under 100 lbs., and lost his first match on Saturday; however, he won his next five matches to get to third place.

In this tournament if you had not yet wrestled the second place buy he could be challenged. So, in an overtime match, Trek Keck defeated the contender and came home with a second place trophy.

# Eagle Ladies bounce back to win on road at McCook

#### From Staff Reports

The Colby Eagle ladies bounced back from a disappointing loss to the Goodland Cowboys last Friday by demolishing McCook, there Tuesday night, 69-51.

The victory gives the Eagles a record of 7-1 as they take to the floor to play the Hoxie Indians at the Colby Community Building Friday night.

The convincing road win at McCook answered any questions fans might have had following the 65-58 loss to Goodland, which incidentally was also played on the road.

The Eagles led at all quarters at McCook and gave little ground in eventually rolling up the 18-point victory.

Leading the way for Colby was Emily Sloan with 16 points — 14 from the field and 2 from the free throw line. Lissa Mazanec hit for 14 — 12 from the field and 2 from the charity stripe. Brittany Kersenbrock laid in 13 points — 5 from 2-point territory and 1 from 3-point range. And Jessica Stephens rounded out the double figure scorers with 12 points — 10 from the field and 2 from the free throw line.

Others breaking into the scoring column were Rishonna Martin and Ashley Barnes with 5 each and Zanae Baird with 4.

The Eagles were 29 of 50 from the floor overall for 58 percent and 10 of 17 from the stripe.

The Eagles outrebounded

MCook, 57 percent to 42 percent, and in a critical area scored 17 points off turnovers.

Top scorers for McCook were Bryant with 19 and Smith with 18.

#### Vs. Goodland

In the game at Goodland, the Cowgirls had complete control the first half, leading at the buzzer 32-16, but in the second half the Eagle came storming back to outscore the Goodland five 42-33 — but it wasn’t enough to overcome the first half charge by the hosts.

Scoring for the Eagles were: Brittany Kersenbrock with 19; Ashley Barnes 12; Emily Sloan 8; Zanae Baird 7; and Jessica Stephens and Lissa Mazanec 6 apiece. Dani Bedore led the game with 27.

## Trojan Ladies fall at Barton County

The Colby Community College Lady Trojans (2-1, 15-2) did not have their normal shooting touch Wednesday night in Great Bend, connecting on just 31 percent from the field in losing to Barton County (2-1, 12-5), 64-56.

Barton’s stingy defense was tough on the Trojans, and they found themselves down by as many as 15 points.

The Trojans fought back and cut the deficit to just two with three minutes left, but that was as close as

they came.

Despite shooting just 4-20 from the floor, freshman Rita Kollo achieved her third straight triple double on the strength of a season-high 14 rebounds and 7 of 10 shooting from the free throw line.

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## SportsLine

#### Free throw contest Sunday

The Knights of Columbus “Free Throw Contest” will be held in the Colby Elementary School gym on Sunday, Jan. 16 at 1 p.m. The contest is for boys and girls ages 10-14 as of Jan. 1. For more information, please contact Miles at 460-7687.

#### Note for wrestling parents

A reminder has been issued by Colby High School to all parents of seniors who took part in wrestling, including managers, that Thursday, Jan. 20 has been designated Senior/Parent Recognition Night. It will be held right before the Colby-Goodland dual at approximately 7:45 p.m. Parents are asked to please form in the lobby of the elementary gym sometime around 7:30-7:40.

#### O&B T-shirts needed

Organizers of the 2005 Orange & Black Basketball Classic are looking for T-shirts from the years 1994, 1996, 1998, 1999 for a display being created to celebrate the 20th anniversary of what many consider one of the state’s best high school tournaments. If you have a T-shirt from any of those years, please give Tom Bowen a call at 462-8177.

#### Colby School District

**Today** — 7th/8th girls basketball at St. Francis 4 p.m., order of games: 7A-7B 5th Qtr.-8A-=8B 5th Qtr.; 7th/8th wrestling at Quinter with Atwood and Colby, 4:30 p.m.

**Friday** — C-team boys basketball with Hoxie in the high school gym, 4:30 p.m., followed by JV boys (no JV girls game with Hoxie); varsity girls vs. Hoxie 6:30 p.m. in the Colby Community Building, followed by varsity boys; JV/varsity wrestling at Hoxie with Quinter and Colby 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday** — JV wrestling at Hays tourney 9:30 a.m.

**Monday** — 7th/8th girls basketball with Quinter in elementary gym 4:30 p.m., order of games: 7A-7B 5th Qtr.-8A-8B 5th Qtr.

**Tuesday** — 7th/8th wrestling with Burlington and Scott City in elementary gym 4:30 p.m.

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