

Colby Eagle boys, girls claim victories over Oberlin at home

Boys roll to 33-point win

By Free Press Sports

“...there’s no place like home.” And the Colby Eagles underscored those words of a festive song with numbers as they rocked the Oberlin Red Devils 72-39 Friday night in the Colby Community Building.

The first quarter set the tone as the Eagles literally burned the nets for 25 points while allowing the visitors only 5.

It wasn’t any better in the second period for the visitors as Colby bucketed 21 points while allowing Oberlin 12.

The third frame was must closer, 16-15 (Colby), but the lead was far and away too much for the Red Devils to overcome.

The fourth quarter — comparing

points scored in each of the preceding three — was almost a non-scoring event as the Eagles managed 10 and Oberlin 7.

Jared Dinkel and Matt Augustine combined to score 43 of the Eagles’ 72 points — Dinkel with 22 and Augustine with 21.

Included in Augustine’s total was a 3-pointer (he was 1/3 from that range).

Others breaking into the Eagle scoring column were Jordan Sharp with 7 (including 1/2 from 3-point range); Trey Barnett 2; Chris Finley 2; Derek Elliott 6; Trevor Siebert 4; Dusty Quenzer 4; and R.J. Ladeburger 4.

L. Fortin scored more than half of Oberlin’s 39 points with 21.

Colby held the rebounding edge,

26-21 — 11 offensive and 15 defensive. Dinkel cleared most boards with 10 (and coupled with his 22 points gave him a double double). L. Fortin and J. Juenemann each pulled down 8 rebounds for the Red Devils.

Team stats show Colby shot at a 56.1 percent clip from the field (32/57); 40.0 percent from 3-point land (2/5); and 85.7 percent from the free throw line (6/13).

For Oberlin, they were 44.1 percent from the field (15/34); 60.0 percent from 3-point range (3/5); and 46.2 percent from the charity stripe.

Eagles are at TMP tonight.

Other area scores

*** Goodland 70, St. Francis 43;** top scorers — Goodland, Jance McKee 19, Jace Herl 18 and Derrick Raymer 15; St. Francis, J. McAtee 11 and Kinen 10.

*** Weskan 59, Golden Plains 46;** top scorers — Weskan, N. Cox 25, Welsh 13 and Sexson 12; Golden Plains, B. Spresser 20, K. Spresser 4; Brantley 6; Stevenson 2; Brueggeman 7 and Lahnanen 7.

• Oakley 62, Atwood 31; top scorers — Oakley, Baalman 19; Smith 12; Sperber 4; Burris 2; Cooksey 6; Albers 1; Geist 2; Kuhlman 2; Ahrens 8; and Rodriguez 6. Atwood, Biener 10.

• Norton 52, Hill City 37; top scorers — Norton Ryan Maddy 14. Hill City, Curt Welter 11 and Tane Brown 10.

• Grinnell 60, Stockton 48. Top scorers — Ginnell, Tony Struckhoff 18, Marty Lager 15 and Chris Dickman 15. Also Meier 6, Mense 2 and Beckman 4.

Girls win it by 28 points

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The Colby Eagle varsity ladies blew away the Oberlin Red Devils in two quarters, trailed by one point in another and played even with the visitors in the last period to come away with a lopsided 64-36 victory in the Colby Community Building Friday night.

Colby put up 16 points in the opening period to lead Oberlin 16-8 at the buzzer, fell short 13-16 in the second frame for a half-time lead of 29-24, and ripped the nets for 28 points in the third while allowing Oberlin only 5 for a 57-29 lead. Both teams scored 7 points in the fourth.

The Eagles had three players in double digits — Lissa Mazanec

with 23 (she had a double-double on the night to include 13 rebounds), Brittany Kersenbrock with 11 (including 3/7 from 3-point range) and Ashley Barnes with 10.

Others breaking into the scoring column were Rishonna Martin with 2 points; Tasha Wagoner with 3 (that coming by way of 3-point land); Jessica Stephens 2; Emily Sloan 9; Zanae Baird 2; and Marcia Kaus 2.

For Oberlin, there were no double figure scoring, but L. Fortin had 9 points; S. Murray 2; J. Elwood 7; L. Kamopp 6; K. Stepp 6; H. Williams 2; and T. Dorshorst 4.

Colby easily controlled the boards, 35-23 — 17 offensive and 18 defensive vs. Oberlin’s 9 offen-

sively and 14 defensively.

Teamwise, Colby shot 49.1 percent from the field on 27/55; 50 percent from 3-point range (4/8); and 64.5 percent from the charity stripe 6/11.

Oberlin was 37.5 percent from the field 15/40; 0.00 percent from 3-point range 0/6; and 64.5 percent from the free throw line 6/11.

Other area scores

*** Oakley 42, Atwood 38.** Top scorers — Oakley, Kuhlman 18, Dennis 7, Hubert 3, Baalman 8 and Taylor 6. Atwood, Kramer 18.

• Goodland 60, St. Francis 25. Top scorers — Goodland, Bedore 15. St. Francis, Grace 8.

• Golden Plains 60, Weskan 32

• Norton 41, Hill City 29

• Brewster 60, Sharon Springs 47

SportsLine

Soccer sign-up underway

The American Youth Soccer Organization is accepting new registrations until March 5. Anyone interested in signing up their child for the spring soccer session, should call Terri Sicard at 460-2468. The cost is \$25 and includes insurance, uniform jersey, socks and shinguards.

Colby Schools

Monday — 7th/8th girls basketball with hays Kennedy in the Colby elementary gym, 4 p.m., 7A/8B/8A; C-team basketball games with Norton originally scheduled for this day have been canceled; C-team boys basketball vs. Hays-TMP at 4:30 p.m. in the Al Billinger Fieldhouse on TMP campus; JV boys basketball at Hays-TMP 6 p.m. followed by JV girls (games at the 13th Street gym); varsity girls basketball at Hays-TMP 6:15 p.m. followed by varsity boys, Al Billinger Fieldhouse, TMP campus.

Tailgate Party slated Feb. 13

The Colby Communit College Lady Trojan softball team is sponsoring a Tailgate Party on Sunday, Feb. 13, from 12 noon to 3:30 p.m. at the Colby Community Building. Hamburgers and chips will be served. This is a fund-raising activity for the softball team. Donations will be accepted. The women’s basketball team will play Seward County Community College beginning at 1 p.m. The men’s game will follow at approximately 3 p.m. For more information, contact Athletic Director Carl Adams at 462-3984, ext. 294.

Brewster Schools

Tuesday — High school basketball vs. Oakley at Brewster 6:30 and 8 p.m.

Golden Plains Schools

Tuesday — High school basketball at Hill City.



Ray Nolan

- On Campus

Tragedy strikes campus

There was a tragedy this weekend in Colby, which I am sure most people are aware of by now. This tragedy has hit everyone on campus very hard. I give my condolences to the family. Both the men’s and women’s games against Garden City were canceled due to the tragedy.

The big Colby College athletic event this week is the West Central District Wrestling Qualifying tournament at the Colby Community Building on Saturday. The event should start some time in the morning. The West Central District is traditionally the toughest in NJCAA wrestling, and this year should be no different. Four of the seven colleges attending the event are currently ranked in the top ten in the country. Labette is ranked number one, followed by Western Wyoming at number four, Northwest Wyoming at number five, and the Trojans at number seven. Plus, Neosho was ranked for most of the season. he other two schools in the district are Pima and Glendale, both from Arizona.

The Trojans have a great opportunity to qualify several wrestlers for the national tournament in Rochester, Minn. Heading the list is sophomore Eric Luedkewho won the national title at 157 lbs. last season, and has been ranked number one at 165 lbs. this entire season. Sophomore Zach Luedke also stands a great chance to go to Rochester. He has been ranked in the 174 lb. class all season, and currently resides at number six. He won the West Central District championship last season. The other sophomore who qualified last season for the national tournament is sophomore Kyle Patton. Although not ranked in the 125 lb class, he has the ability to advance to the national tournament.

Several freshmen can move on for the Trojans, too. Dan Prater is ranked fifth in the nation in the 133 lb. class and Matt Gilliland is

ranked eighth at 141 lbs. Although they are not currently ranked, Matt and Jason Schippers have opportunities to advance to the national tournament at 149 and 157, respectively. Bobby Dennis could also qualify for Rochester in the 184 lb. class.

Trojan basketball travels to Concordia on Wednesday to face Cloud County. The T-Birds (4-5, 11-11) are just a half game up on the Trojan men (3-5, 12-9) in the conference standings. The Lady T-Birds (4-5, 13-10), who were ranked earlier in the season, have been struggling to stay above .500. That doesn’t mean anything, though. Every road game in the Jayhawk is tough.

A couple of reminders...the Lady Trojan softball team is hosting a tailgate party at the community building starting at 12 noon on Sunday, Feb. 13 before the Seward County basketball games. The Lady Trojans face number five Seward County at 1:00 p.m., and the Trojan men take on the Saints, who are in second place, at 3 p.m.

The Trojan baseball team is collecting several impressive sports memorabilia items for their Trojan Try-Athlon on Saturday, Feb. 26 at the Colby Bowl. The bowling, pool and dart tournament starts at 11 a.m. and is followed immediately by the sports memorabilia auction. There is no cost to attend the auction and the cost is just \$40 to compete in the tournament. Call head coach Ryan Carter at 462-3984 ext. 238 if you are interested in any part of the festivities.

Lady Trojan softball opens play on Sunday, Feb. 20 at Otero JC, and Trojan baseball opens their season in Lamar, Colo. on Saturday, Feb. 19.

I hope everyone has a great week.

Ray Nolan is sports information director at Colby College. His column appears Mondays.

Golden Plains girls win easily over Weskan, 60-32

Golden Plains scored a 60-32 victory Friday in Western Kansas Liberty League action at Weskan.

The Lady Bulldogs led by 10 points after one period and led 38-20 at half-time.

Katelyn Spresser dumped in 21 points and pulled down 11 boards for the winners. Val Broeckelman tossed in 12 points while Jessica Shaw chipped in with 11 points.

Golden Plains shot 25-68 (37

percent) from the floor while holding Weskan to just 13-58 (22 percent) from the floor. Golden Plains outrebounded the Coyotes 49-34 led by Broeckelman’s 12 caroms. Golden Plains forced 23 turnovers while committing only 14 of their own.

Golden Plains improved their record to 10-5 overall and 4-2 in the conference. The Bulldogs will travel to Hill City on Tuesday.

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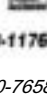
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