



Colby High School tennis coach Kory Koch fired a volley across the net during practice Thursday at the Fike Park tennis courts. Boys tennis is one of the springs sports that has begun practice.

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## Colby girls banquet set

The Colby High School girls basketball awards night will be 6:30 p.m. March 27 in the high school cafeteria. This will be a potluck with tea and water provided. Please bring own table service. It is open to the public.

## Jayhawks to forget Bucknell

LAWRENCE (AP) — Those NCAA tournament commercials CBS keeps running over and over are helping the Kansas Jayhawks sharpen hand-eye coordination, quicken reflexes and sadly reflect on how cruel life can be.

Every time the image flickers onto the screen, they grab frantically for the remote.

But they're almost never quick enough. There it is, on the screen and in their face: the closing seconds of that heartbreaking, spirit-draining upset loss to Bucknell last year in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

"CBS plays that commercial like every day," said senior guard Stephen Vinson. "I bet I've seen it 20 times. I keep trying to get excited about the tournament. But every time I try to watch something about it, that's on there."

There's Kansas taking a last desperation shot, then the joyful Bucknell players dancing onto the floor with a stunning 64-63 victory.

The Jayhawks, including four seniors with Final Four experience and the Big 12 player of the year, trudge away in disbelief. Ranked No. 1 at the start of the season and expected to contend for the national championship, they had been humbled by a No. 14 seed in an upset that is known here as "the Bucknell Bummer."

Fans at archrivals Kansas State and Missouri could hardly stop chortling. Many swear they actually mailed checks to the scholarship fund of the Bucknell Bison.

Then in one final melancholy twist, new vanity license plates that already were in production began coming out in Kansas that bore, of all things, the image of a bison.

"I try to click it off," said Vinson.

# Bus ride available to Salina

Colby Community College will be providing a bus to take Lady Trojan basketball fans to the game Tuesday, at the Bicentennial Center in Salina.

Cost to ride the bus is \$10. The bus will be leaving at noon for the 6:15 p.m. game and will return immediately following the game. The bus will leave Colby Community College from the parking lot on the north side of the gymnasium.

If the Lady Trojans win, they will

play 6 p.m. Wednesday. The bus will again leave at noon Wednesday.

If they lose Tuesday, Colby will play at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Reservations are required. CCC must have a minimum of 15 people to send the bus. Call Leasa Huddle at 462-3984, ext. 243, or (785) 672-5392 to reserve a seat.

Tuesday's first-round games: 10 a.m., Odessa vs. Shelton Lake noon, Chipola vs. UA-Fort Smith

2 p.m., Trinity Valley vs. NEMississippi.

4 p.m., Central Arizona vs. Georgia Perimeter

6:15 p.m., Colby vs. Salt Lake

8:15 p.m., Western Nebraska vs. Chattanooga State

Wednesday

noon, Monroe vs. Lake Region State

2 p.m., Southeastern Illinois vs. Moberly

## All-Star Classic tips off Sunday

Rosters for the 13th annual Sports Shoppe/Colby Bowl All-Star Classic have been announced by Colby Community College.

The All-Star games featuring senior basketball players will be held Sunday, in the Colby Community Building. The women's game is at 5 p.m. with the men's game to follow.

Following is a list of players who will be participating in the event:

Women: Zanae Baird (Colby); Melanie Berg (Eastern Heights); Michaela Berg (Eastern Heights); Valerie Broeckelman

(Golden Plains); Chelsey Dreiling (Victoria); Becca Ebert (Norton); Carissa Heim (Hoxie); Karli Jones (Norton); Justeen Koehler (Goodland); Chelsie Kramer (Atwood); Brandi Lundgren (Wheatland); Kendra Matteson (Eastern Heights); Whitney Newell (Norton); Danielle Pratt (Hoxie); Caitlan Rush (Brewster); Jessica Shaw (Golden Plains); Jessica Stephens (Colby); Lisa Taylor (Oakley); Jamie Tilton (Quinter); Amber Tuttle (Wheatland) and Jill Weeks (Ransom).

Men: Kyle Elder (Sharon Springs); Jase Herl (Goodland);

Alex Kuhlman (Ness City); Nathan Locke (WaKeeney); Kyle O'Connor (Brewster); Chris Riedel (Lucas); Mykel Rodriguez (Oakley); Chase Schneider (Tribune); Henry Sloan (Tribune); Chris Tate (Lucas); Tyler Ummel (WaKeeney) and Heath Vincent (Norton).

For more information contact Tom Stephens, head women's basketball coach, at (785) 462-3984, ext. 269.

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