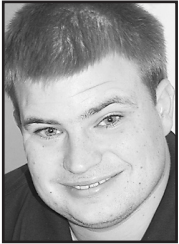




# Thank you Colby

I just want to thank all of the coaches at Colby Community College and Colby High School for all their help during the sports season this fall.



**Andy Heintz**

• Thoughts on Sports

I know there have been times where there have been misspellings that you could have gotten angry about, but you never did. The same goes for all the fans.

The Colby fan base in all the sports I've covered has been tolerant and understanding of the new reporter. Many of you have also been very helpful by providing me with sports pictures and statistics.

For those of you who have told me I'm doing a good job, I want you to know that meant a lot to me. I can't tell you how nice it is to be treated well when you are in a new culture hundreds of miles

away from your friends and family. I was always a little worried that I would be treated like an outsider who isn't wanted. The kindness of this community put an end to those fears.

It has been my pleasure to cover sports for this community. I know my writing has not always been perfect, but I promise to try and improve a little bit more each day. Please feel free to give me a call or e-mail me if you think there is something I'm not covering enough. The sports page is about what you want, not what I want.

## Injury-plagued Denver has new faces on defense

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — The Denver Broncos linebacker corps is so ravaged by injuries, Jamie Winborn has offered to relocate.

Weakside, strong side or middle linebacker, he'll play wherever the Broncos need.

That isn't an option.

The Broncos couldn't afford to lose another linebacker, down three starters already.

Nate Webster is expected to miss a few weeks with a strained MCL that he sustained against Cleveland, the same injury that sidelined D.J. Williams the week before.

Boss Bailey, the team's other front-line linebacker, went on injured reserve after hurting his knee at New England on Oct. 20.

"It's definitely been weird, guys going down like that," Winborn said. "But that happens in this league. We just have to overcome it."

Niko Koutouvides was brought in to play middle linebacker, signing a three-year, \$7.5 million deal in March, but he was beaten out by a fired-up Webster during training camp.

Now, Koutouvides could be filling in for him. After spending the season on special teams, Koutouvides saw his first action on defense last Thursday, making two tackles.

Rookie Wesley Woodyard occupies Williams' spot on the weakside while Winborn remains the stalwart at strong side.

Woodyard made his first start at Cleveland, turning in a 10-tackle performance. He said he owes a debt of gratitude to Williams for tutoring him during the week.

"D.J. gave me a few keys, what to look for," Woodyard said. "A lot of players in his situation wouldn't have helped a guy in my situation. But he was looking out for me."

The Broncos are also without cornerback Champ Bailey (groin)

## Taking an afternoon stroll



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press  
A flock of wild turkeys roamed the countryside of rural Logan County, southwest of Colby, on a bright sunny Sunday afternoon last weekend. The gobblers were on the Logan wildlife area near Russell Springs.

## Kansas City Chiefs add players to roster

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Chiefs signed a new defensive end and a new linebacker on Wednesday while taking stock of an increasingly injury-wracked roster.

Defensive end Jason Babin was added and will probably see action on Sunday against the New Orleans Saints. Added to the practice squad was linebacker Kyle Shotwell.

Defensive end Brian Johnston, a rookie who'd been playing in place of injured starters, was placed on injured reserve and is gone for the year.

The Chiefs (1-8) expect several others starters to be out for Sunday as well. Unable to practice on Wednesday were cornerback Brandon Flowers, defensive end Tamba Hali, linebackers Derrick Johnson and Pat Thomas and right

guard Adrian Jones.

Several others were not at full speed, including running back Jamaal Charles and safety Jarrad Page.

The defense has been particularly hard hit during this rash of injuries. Had the Chiefs taken on the Saints' top-ranked offense Wednesday, the starting linebackers would have been veteran Donnie Edwards, free agent rookie Weston Dacus and Rocky Boiman, who was released before the season by Indianapolis and signed by Kansas City on Oct. 15. Dacus and Boiman both played in Sunday's 20-19 loss to San Diego.

Last week, the Chiefs brought in cornerback Ricardo Colclough and David Macklin and defensive end Wallace Gilberry, who all played against the Chargers.

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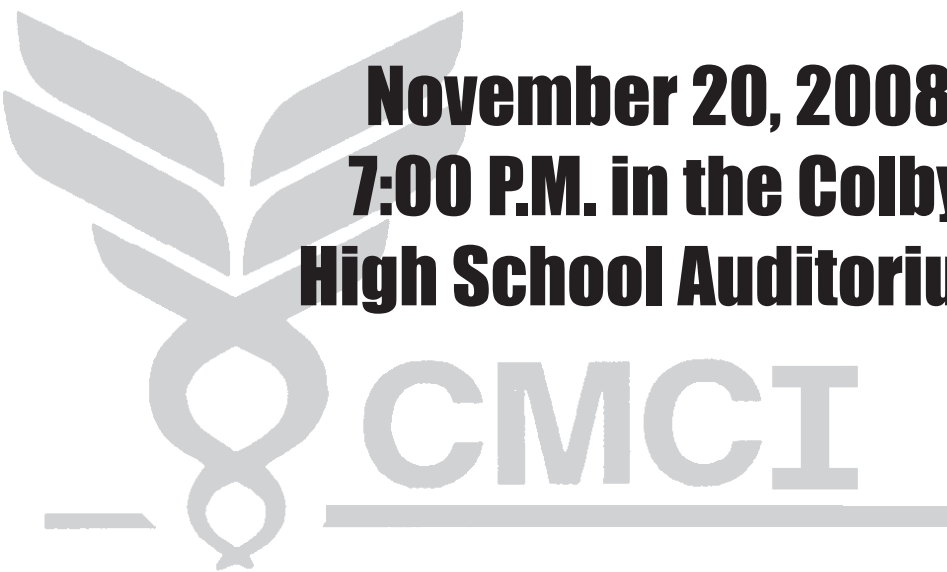


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