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Sophomore Sara Martin took a swing at a pitch during a Colby High softball game against Ellis on Tuesday at the Colby Recreation fields.

Colby High softball team rebounds from two losses

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The Colby High softball team rebounded from losing two games at Great Bend on Monday by sweeping Ellis the next day at home, 12-0 and 12-1. Sophomore Skyler Mengel started the first game for the Lady Eagles. The game lasted only five innings She struck out four while giving up 3 hits in five innings. The game lasted until the fifth because of the 10-run limit. If a team is leading by more than 10 after five innings, it is declared the winner. Senior Jordan Krzycki led the team with two hits. Sophomore Brittany Bange was the winning pitcher in the second game. It was just the second time she had started as a pitcher. “It was a little nerve wracking at the beginning,” she said. “I started

relaxing as the game went along.” Bange ran into trouble in the top of the first inning, when the Lady Railroaders had runners on first and second with only one out. She settled down enough to get the next two outs without giving up a run. Krzycki led off the bottom of the first with a line-drive triple that got past the left fielder. She scored on a wild pitch. Colby lit up the scoreboard again in the bottom of the second. After the girls increased their lead to 3-0, sophomore Tera Raymond belted a base hit to shallow right field to give the Lady Eagles a 4-0 lead. Colby would score three more runs before the inning came to an end, extending the lead to 7-0. The Lady Railroaders were able to pick up a run in the third. Sophomore Caitlyn Wark pounded a single to drive in two runs in the bottom of the inning to increase

the Colby lead to 9-1. Later in the inning, with Colby now leading 11-1, Bange ripped a single to left, driving in a run and extending Colby’s lead to 12-1. In Great Bend, Colby lost a nail-biter Monday, falling 3-2 to the Lady Panthers in a 13 -inning first game. Starting pitcher Mengel allowed 3 runs on 7 hits while striking out 7. Sophomore Shelby Terrell led the team in hits with 3 singles and Bange had 2 singles. Colby lost the second game to Great Bend 10-0. Wark started for the Lady Eagles, giving up 8 runs on 6 hits and 6 walks. Bange led the team in hitting with 2 singles and sophomore Bailey Koerperich had a single. The team will play Thomas-More Prep-Marian at 6 p.m. on Monday at the Colby Recreation Fields.

Lady Trojans lose final game to end college softball season

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The Colby Community College softball team’s season ended on Monday with a 5-4 loss to Barton County in the semifinals of the loser’s bracket of the region VI division 1 tournament.

Freshman Jessica Chelewski gave up 4 earned runs on 7 hits while striking out 2 in over 3 1/2 innings on the mound. She was relieved in the fourth by sophomore Marissa Elsberry. She allowed no runs while striking out 5 in over 2 innings.

Freshman Jamie Main led the

team in hitting by going 2 for 3. “We had runners on in the 6th and 7th, but we couldn’t get a key hit,” said Coach Ryan Sturdy. He said he thought if his team could have played Barton County on Sunday, coming off a victory, the game may have gone differently. “We played well today, but we were not as fired up as we were on

Saturday,” said Sturdy. Sturdy said he was proud of how the team finished the year. “We could have checked it in about a month ago, but the kids didn’t,” he said. “We finished higher than our seeding for the tournament. We had a very trying season this year, but the kids never gave up and continued to fight all season.”

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Girls squad finishes first in track and field meet

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The Colby High girls track and field team finished first out of 13 teams at a meet on Friday in Wa-Keeney, scoring 77 points overall, while the boys finished eighth out of 13 teams with 32 points. Freshman Emilea Finley ran first in the 800 meters with a time of 2 minutes, 27.03 seconds. She took second in the 1,600-meter hurdles with 5:33.4 and third in the triple jump with a leap of 31’ 3.75”. Sophomore Katrina Kaus ran second in the 3,200 meters with 12:31.2 and placed third in the 1,600 meters with 5:51. Sophomore Kayla Hockersmith finished third in the high jump

with a leap of 4’10”, fourth in the long jump 15’ 4” and fourth in the 100-meter hurdles at 13.24 seconds. Freshman Kylie Reitchcheck finished fourth in the 3200 meters with 14:23.1 and sixth in the 1,600 meters with 6:40.4. Junior Rachel Lamm was sixth in 300-meter hurdles at 52.48. Senior Taylor Young took second in discus with a throw of 112’ 1” and sixth in the shotput with a toss of 32’ 5”. The girls 4-by-400-meter relay team of freshmen Morgan Bell, Alyse Dumlér, Sammy Simons and Kaus ran third with a time of 4:27.3. On the boys side, senior Breck Amberger finished fourth in the 800 meters with a time of 2:09.2. Sophomore Corbin Stephens

took third in the high jump with a leap of 5’8” and sophomore Andrew Flanagan finished third in the 110-meter hurdles at 16.14 seconds. Junior Chase Moore was fourth in the pole vault with a leap of 11’ 6” and senior Scott McCoy finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.61. The 4-by-800-meter relay team of juniors Torey Taylor, Kalen Rasmussen and Moore and Amberger finished fourth with a time of 9:00.3 and the 4-by-400 relay team of senior Heath Stephens, Rasmussen, Flanagan and Amberger took sixth with 3:42.9. The teams will compete in the Colby Invitational at 3 p.m. on Friday at Dennen Field.

Trojans extend baseball season with sweep of Independence

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Sophomore Jaret Chatwood’s two-out single in the bottom of the ninth scored freshman Aritz Garcia and vaulted the Colby Community College Trojans to a 3-2 victory over Independence on Monday. Chatwood’s single also propelled the Trojans to the Region VI Tournament next weekend in Wichita. The Trojans defeated Independence 8-1 in game one Saturday in the best-of-three series. “Making the region tournament was one of our main goals this

season,” Coach Ryan Carter said. “We’re glad to win this first-round series, and look forward to competing in Wichita.” The Trojans led 2-0 early in Monday’s contest, but Independence scored two runs in the top of the sixth to tie the score. The game remained tied until two outs in the bottom the ninth. The Trojans had nobody on with two outs, but Garcia reached base after being hit by a pitch. Garcia advanced to third on a single by sophomore Jerry Hildreth, then Chatwood delivered the game-winning hit. Sophomore Max “Bud” Greve picked up the win in relief of the

starter, sophomore Josh Edwards. Edwards pitched 6 1/3 innings for the Trojans, but allowed two earned runs in the sixth which tied the score. Greve kept Independence from scoring over the next 3 2/3 innings. Colby, 37-20 overall, will face Johnson County (43-12) on Saturday at Lawrence Dumont Stadium in Wichita. Game times had yet to be announced as of Tuesday. Other matchups at the double-elimination tournament are Garden City (43-15) vs. Barton County (30-22), Hutchinson (29-22) vs. Seward County (34-20), and Cowley County (41-12) vs. Fort Scott (27-24).

Royals pick up fourth straight win

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — An early four-run deficit would have likely been too much for the Kansas City Royals to overcome last year, probably any other season over the past decade. This team is wired a little different. They expect to win, refuse to roll over when it gets tough. John Buck lined a game-winning single with the bases loaded in the 11th inning to help the Royals complete an 8-7 comeback victory over the White Sox on Tuesday night. “It speaks a lot to their will,” Royals manager Trey Hillman

said. “They want to keep playing when they get down. I guess it’s character, which is great to see. The guys have a taste of it and they want more.” Nearly everyone contributed to this one. Mike Jacobs helped chip away at the early deficit with a three-run homer. Alberto Callaspo hit a solo shot and had a run-scoring double to extend his hitting streak to seven games. Billy Butler tied the game at 7-all with a run-scoring single in the seventh. Coco Crisp stole two bases and matched a career-high with four of Kansas

City’s 11 walks. Jamey Wright pitched three strong innings of late relief and Juan Cruz (2-0) set up the winning rally by working the 11th. Mitch Maier set up the rally by walking with one out, then went to third on Willie Bloomquist’s hit-and-run single off Lance Broadway (0-1). Callaspo was intentionally walked and Buck lined the next pitch just past third baseman Josh Fields for Kansas City’s seventh comeback win of the season. The first-place Royals have won four straight and six of seven overall.

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