

## A little out of reach



Colby High School freshman Quade Woofter attempted to catch a pass while being guarded by sophomore Jacob Thompson during football practice on Monday at the high school football fields.

# Colby volleyball squad rallies to defeat Osborne

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The Colby High School varsity volleyball team held a triangular with Osborne and Norton at the high school gym on Tuesday.

The girls got off to a great start defeating Osborne in three sets (21-25, 25-20, 25-23).

The Lady Eagles had to rally to pull off the victory after dropping the first set to Osborne 25-21. The team got off to quick start in the second set, taking a 15-6 lead. Later in the set, junior Kylie Reitcheck and sophomore Morgan Bell simultaneously blocked

a spike attempt to make it 24-16 Colby. The girls went on to win the set 25-20.

Osborne jumped out to a 4-1 lead to start the tiebreaker. Freshman Shelby Gardner narrowed the lead to 4-2 with a spike.

Later in the set, Osborne stretched its lead to 14-8. A bump by sophomore Brenna McKee was hit back into the net by Osborne to cut their lead to 14-9. Osborne was able to extend their lead to 17-10 before Colby mounted a big comeback The Lady Eagles erased the deficit with seven straight points. Junior Brittany Bange's serves were responsible for three of these points.

Late in the set, with Colby leading 24-23 freshman Shelby Gardner slammed a spike that Osborne couldn't return to give Colby the victory

"It was a great comeback," said coach Leslie Wagoner. "The team just kept fighting."

Gardner said despite being young, the team has great chemistry.

"Our team is so good at talking," she said.

The team couldn't keep the momentum going, as they lost to Norton in two straight sets (25-20, 29-27) later that evening.

Coach Leslie Wagoner said her team had too many missed serves.

## Golf team finishes ninth

The Colby Community College golf team finished ninth as a team at the Quail Ridge Golf Course at Winfield on Monday with a team total of 655 strokes.

Sophomore Neal Jeffrey had the Trojans' lowest score of the day with a 36-hole total of 157.

He shot a 78 on the first 18 and a 79 on the second 18. He finished 22nd overall.

Sophomore Eddie Baulch had the second-lowest score with 165. He shot a 78 on his first 18 and a 79 on his second.

Sophomore Alex Howard shot a

166, and sophomores Mikey Doll and Ryan Gausman finished with overall scores of 167 and 173.

The team will compete again on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at the Terra-dyne Country Club in Andover.

## Rockies pound Mets 8-3, regain lead in wild card race

DENVER (AP) — Carlos Gonzalez can't tell whether he's lucky or cursed — or if his left palm is healed or not.

Gonzalez and Todd Helton both homered into the smoky sky as the Colorado Rockies snapped a five-game losing streak with an 8-3 win over the New York Mets on Tuesday night in a game that featured a wild first inning with Gonzalez right in the middle of it.

The NL wild-card leaders moved a game ahead of San Francisco, which lost 1-0 at Philadelphia.

Gonzalez's left palm isn't swollen anymore but

it's still purple after he jammed it last week. But he said he'll put up with the pain for the playoff push.

Gonzalez didn't want to dive again, however, as he did last week when he re-injured the hand. So when Luis Castillo hit a sinking liner to center field in the first inning, Gonzalez let it drop in front of him — then threw the lead runner out at second base.

Angel Pagan, who led off with a single, was running on the pitch and didn't see Castillo's one-hopper to Gonzalez.

He mistakenly thought Gonzalez caught the ball on the fly, and started sprinting back to first.

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### Football HS

Monday, September 14 @ HCS vs Weskan JV  
Monday, September 21 @ HCS  
vs Northern Valley JV  
Monday, September 28 @ Bird City vs Cheylin JV  
Monday, October 5 possible date for game JV  
Monday, October 12 possible date for game JV  
Monday, October 19 @ Weskan vs Weskan JV

### Football JH

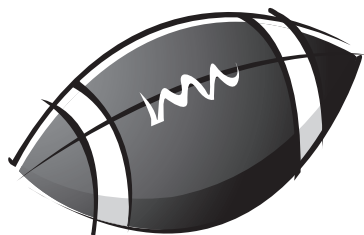
Thursday, September 10 JH @  
Cheylin vs Cheylin  
Thursday, September 17 @ HCS  
vs Grinnell/Wheatland  
Thursday, September 24 @ HCS vs Healy  
Thursday, October 1 @ HCS vs Sharon  
Thursday, October 8 @ HCS vs GP  
Thursday, October 15 JH @ HCS vs Brewster

### Volleyball HS

Thursday, September 3 HS @ CHS Quad  
Tuesday, September 8 HS @ GP Quad  
Saturday, September 12 HS @ Leoti  
Thursday, September 18 HS @ Cheylin  
Saturday, September 26 HS @ Brewster JV  
Tuesday, September 29 HS  
@ GP Triangular  
Tuesday, October 6 HS @ Brewster  
Colby Quad  
Tuesday, October 13 HS @ Colby Tri  
Saturday, October 17 @ Palco  
Thursday, October 29 HS @ KCAA State  
Friday, October 30 HS @ KCAA State  
Saturday, October 31 HS @ KCAA State

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Tuesday, October 27 JH @ Healy (League)



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