



# Volleyball league honors players

Colby College sophomore Gabrielly Cardoso, a native of Brazil, was named to the first-team All-Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference volleyball team, while sophomore Danqi Li received honorable mention.

Cardoso, an outside hitter, led the Lady Trojans with 412 kills (3.5 per set) for the season. She was second on the team in hitting efficiency and third in digs.

Coach Carey Jones said Cardoso has been a great player for Colby and she understands the importance of having a good education. She said Cardoso is someone who appreciates all the opportunities that have been given to her.

Li led the Lady Trojans in hitting efficiency and blocks, and was third with 216 kills.

Jones said her team wouldn't have been able to win 26 matches without Li, but she still needs to improve her blocking skills.

Emma Filiago from Dodge City was named Player of the Year and Pratt's Natalie Jones was voted Freshman of the Year. Pratt Community College coach Patrick Hall was named Coach of the Year.

The all conference first team includes Filiago, Dodge City; Jones, Pratt; Sheina Fernandes, Seward County Community College in Liberal; Juliana Barros, Barton County Community College in Great Bend; Cardoso; and Janelle Burnett, Dodge City.

On the second team were Dianne Souza, Seward County; Raney Okeson, Barton County; Emily Scheck, Pratt; Jordan Rehm, Hutchinson; Rae Mulitalo, Dodge City; and Jessica Wollenberg, Cloud County Community College in Concordia.

Honorable mention went to Malia Tonga, Barton; Tori Provencio, Pratt; Li; and Chelsey Marquette, Hutchinson.

# Bulldogs seniors go out with a bang

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The Golden Plains High School football team finished its season Oct. 28 with a definitive win over Logan High School 68-22 in a game played at Rexford.

The game ended with 3:18 remaining in the third quarter under the state's "mercy rule." If a team is winning by 45 or more points in the second half, it is declared the winner.

As the contest began, senior captains Devinn Ritter, an offensive lineman and nose guard; Tate Preston, tight end and linebacker; and Rilee Spresser, quarterback and defensive end, walked to the middle of the field for the coin toss for the last time.

Golden Plains played tough defense and stopped the Trojans on their first possession. The Bulldogs started their drive on Logan's 24-yard line. Spresser found Preston with a pass that he ran for a touchdown. Spresser connected with Preston again for two extra points to make it 8-0 just over a minute into the game.

Later, Spresser hit junior Kalyn Weber with a pass that he ran to the end zone. Junior Cole Christensen caught the extra-point pass from Spresser and the 'Dogs led 16-0.

Logan finally got on the board on its next possession. The Trojans scored a touchdown and made their two-point conversion, cutting the Bulldogs' lead to 16-8. Spresser connected with Preston for another touchdown on the next possession, but the two-point conversion failed.

A Trojans' runner slipped past the Bulldogs' defense and scored on Logan's next possession, nar-

rowing the gap to 22-14.

Spresser found Preston with another touchdown pass. Weber took the handoff and ran it in the end zone to make it 30-14.

In the second quarter, A Logan player had a long run before being brought down close to the end zone by Spresser. A few plays later, a Trojans' pass connected with a receiver who ran it in for what ended up being the Logan's final touchdown of the game. With a successful two-point conversion, the score was 30-22 with 10:05 left in the first half.

Weber ran in another touchdown for the Bulldogs and the extra-points play was successful. Later on, with Golden Plans now leading 46-22, Weber intercepted a pass and ran for a touchdown. Spresser ran in the two-point conversion and the Bulldogs led 54-22 with over three minutes left in the first half.

Weber took the handoff and ran down the sideline before being tackled on the Trojans' five. Two plays later, Spresser ran the ball up the middle for a touchdown. Weber connected with Preston for the conversion and the 'Dogs led 62-22.

The Trojans couldn't get anything going on their next possession and were forced to punt. The Bulldogs blocked the kick and Christensen recovered the ball in the end zone, ending the game.

The Bulldogs ended their season with a 4-5 record. Spresser finished the game with 14 completions for 207 yards, including three touchdown passes. Preston had nine receptions for 168 yards, including three touchdowns and a couple of two-point conversions. Weber ran 227 yards on 16 carries and scored four touchdowns.

# Jayhawks blow out opponent

LAWRENCE (AP) – Until Kansas starts the regular season, the No. 7 Jayhawks don't seem to need Josh Selby.

Their prized freshman point guard remained in street clothes on the bench Tuesday night, awaiting clearance from the NCAA while Kansas handled Division II Emporia State 90-59.

The Jayhawks open their regular season Friday night against Longwood.

Markieff Morris scored 14 points and had nine rebounds and was one of five Jayhawks in double figures against the Hornets.

Marcus Morris, Thomas Robinson and Travis Releford each added 12 points and Tyshawn Taylor scored 10.



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press  
Colby College freshman Kelli Crittenden took a free throw at practice Tuesday at the Community Building. The Lady Trojans beat Trinidad State 66-59 at Colorado.

# College women win on the road

The Lady Trojans women's basketball team overcame 26 turnovers and a raucous crowd on their way to a 66-59 victory Monday over Trinidad State in Colorado.

"We picked up a road win in a tough place to play," coach Brady Jasper said.

Freshman Liga Vente posted a double-double, scoring 17 points and grabbing 10 rebounds. Sophomores Hannah Thornton and Taylor Puttergill both had 16 points and eight boards.

Trinidad State started its women's basketball program up this season for the first time in 25 years. Jasper said the gymnasium felt pretty crowded.

The Colby team shot 50 percent, making 24 of 48 shots. They were 17 for 29 from the free-throw line. The Lady Trojans grabbed 43 rebounds.

Jasper said inexperience explains the high turnovers count. Even though he has seven sophomores, Jasper said many of them were either injured for much of last season or are transfers who didn't see much playing time as freshmen.

With the win, Colby improved to 1-1.

The Lady Trojans will play in the Ambassador Classic this week at the Community Building. They face the Hastings College junior varsity team from Nebraska at 5 p.m. on Thursday and Western Nebraska Community College from Scottsbluff at 5 p.m. on Friday. The Lady Trojans will play their final game against Colorado Northwestern Community College from Rangely at 5 p.m. on Sunday.



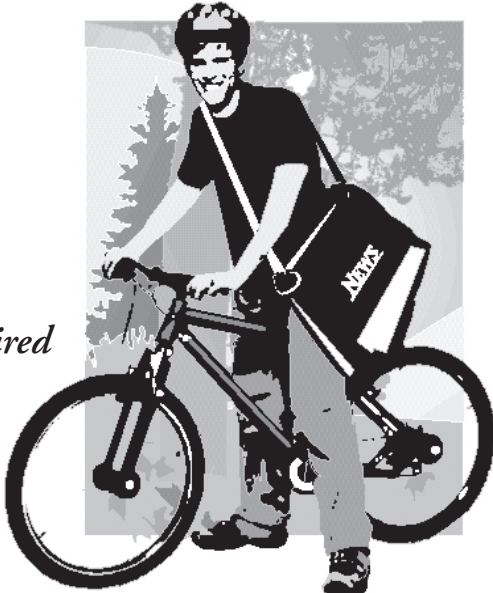
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# Four Lady Eagles to play in match

Four Colby High seniors, Anna Taylor, setter; Tera Raymond, libero; Kylie Reitcheck, middle hitter; and Kelsey Voss, outside hitter, will play in the fourth annual Northwest Kansas All-Star Volleyball Match on Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Community Building.

Golden Plains seniors Jacy Moss, outside hitter, and Melissa Ritter, setter and middle hitter, also will play. The event is sponsored by the college athletic department.

The day will feature a tournament between four teams made up of outstanding high school seniors from the area. Colby High varsity coach Lesley Wagoner will coach team No. 4.

The players in the matches try get businesses to sponsor the match. The money from the match goes to the Lady Trojans' volleyball program. Coach Carey Jones said its her program's biggest fund raiser.

Team No. 2 will face team No. 4 in the first match at 2 p.m. and teams No. 1 and No. 3 will play at 3 p.m. The winners will play for the championship at 6 p.m. and the losers will face each other at 4:30 p.m.

The players include:

- **No. 1:** Jade Herl of Goodland; Traci Knipp, Palco; Ashleigh Peterson, Atwood; Bailey Pfortmiller, Natoma; Kylee Pywell, Plainville; Taylor Rathgeber, Wheatland/Grinnell; Rachelle Scott, Oberlin;

Whitney St. Clair, Smith Center; Taylor; Colby; and Sam Vorhees, Phillipsburg. Coaches are Terra Keeten and Mitzi Weinman of Phillipsburg.

- **No. 2:** Ashley Archer, Goodland; Audrey Basgall, Atwood; Melissa Blair, Phillipsburg; Mikaela Grace, St. Francis; Lexie Hardeik, Hill City; Raymond, Colby; Trinity Reuber, Atwood; Sara Timmons, Smith Center; Emily Torson, Dighton; and Dani Winters, Plainville. Coaches are Alan Stein and Linda Nighswonger of Hill City.
- **No. 3:** Teryn Carmichael, Cheylin; Jill Dennis, Oakley; Jordyn Doty, Atwood; Jodie Hilt, St. Francis; Sammy Krueger, Thunder Ridge; Angee LaTough, Healy; Moss, Golden Plains; Reitcheck, Colby; Ritter, Golden Plains; Jennifer Rome, Goodland; LaKaya Steele, Wallace County. Coaches are Barb Bedore, Julie Dautel and Denise White of Goodland.
- **No. 4:** Nicole Armbrister, Palco; Monteene Barth, Natoma; Samantha Bobek, Plainville; Samantha Carroll, Rawlins County; Whitney Churchwell, Cheylin; Taylor Hixon, Plainville; Alyson Marin, St. Francis; Alysia Schwarz, Wheatland/Grinnell; Brook Seib, Ness City; Voss, Colby; Taylor Weinland, Wallace County. Coaches are Wagoner.

For information, call Athletic Director Ryan Sturdy at (785) 460-5548.

# Kansas State team wants to match hype

MANHATTAN (AP) – This is quite a welcome change for Kansas State.

Instead of setting out to prove all the experts wrong – as they've been doing for about 20 lackluster years – these Wildcats are hoping to prove them right.

Right to say senior point guard Jacob Pullen is All-America timber. Right to predict Kansas State will be the best team in the Big 12. Right in proclaiming that Frank Martin's program has turned the corner and that a once-proud basketball school has rejoined the elite.

"We're excited. We've made progress every year we've been here," said Martin, whose Wildcats have their highest preseason ranking at No. 3. "We look forward to trying to do the same this year."

Do not be fooled into thinking the loss of three starters from an Elite Eight squad will necessarily signal a downturn. Along with Pullen, a high-scoring playmaker also known for his leadership, the Wildcats return 6-foot-8 Curtis Kelly, who averaged almost 12 points and seven rebounds last

year, and highly touted 6-foot-9 sophomore Wally Judge.

Judge's somewhat disappointing freshman season may have been due to a congenital spinal condition which was corrected in surgery over the summer.

Added to the mix are experienced, accomplished backups such as 6-7 Jamar Samuels, and a 6-10 wide-body transfer named Freddy Asprilla, who will provide the inside muscle to a team that fell one win shy of last year's Final Four. Also inside will be 7-foot sophomore Jordan Henriquez-Roberts.

Kansas State is optimistic about the emergence of Rodney McGruder, a 6-foot-5 sophomore shooting guard who made all five of his 3-point attempts and scored 18 points in a recent exhibition.

"Rodney making shots like that, you can't double inside, double on ball screens or me or anything like that," Pullen said. "It spreads the floor. We're going to be a post team. We're going to get the ball inside to Freddy, Jordan, Curtis, Wally, Jamar. We've got a lot of options down there when Rodney is shooting the ball like that."

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