Look Ma, no gloves!



KAYLA CORNETT/Colby Free Press

Saturday during the Duck Soup Tournament fund raiser at the used that was softer than a normal softball. The Colby Com-

A player from the Taco John's softball team ran after the ball field had to play without gloves, but a different type of ball was Colby ball fields. In this inning of the game, the players in the munity College softball team put on the tourney.

K-State captain leads team into season

By Dave Skretta

AP Sports Writer MANHATTAN – The proclafollowing No. 22 Kansas State's annual spring game was hardly

surprising, even though what it represented was downright his-

would be one of four captains for

last season to break a school record set in 1969, and threw for 13 more while leading the Wildcats to a 10-3 record and a berth in the Cotton Bowl. He spent most of the season bloodied and battered, often missing every practice between games, yet never once complaining as he put together one of the finest seasons in school

was made a captain for the third straight year, something that had never before happened for an offensive player in school history, viewed inside and outside the pro-

anybody. It's just what you do with what you've got," Snyder said. "He does a great deal with

More than anything, that's why

He doesn't have the greatest Chris Harper called it "jinky,"

prototypical, 21st-century quarter-Senior quarterback Collin Klein in Snyder's modern adaption of the veer offense.

Klein had the third-most rush-Klein ran for 27 touchdowns ing attempts last season in major their quarterback late last year, college football, the 317 carries when teams began to stack the line trailing only Bobby Rainey of to prevent the 6-foot-5, 226-pound Western Kentucky and Robbie wrecking ball from running right Rouse of Fresno State – both of at them. them running backs, guys who are supposed to be toting the ball. The quarterback with the next-most attempts was Tevin Washington of Georgia Tech, and he was 75 car-

It's no wonder Klein took such a So everybody expected Klein to beating last season he often joked be a captain. But the fact that he he was becoming best friends with the Kansas State training staff.

Perhaps that's the biggest reason why Klein spent so much of his offseason working with Harper spoke volumes about how he's and the rest of his veteran wide receivers. They toiled in the blistering, 100-degree heat of the Flint "I think the sky's the limit for Hills, running endless routes and refining Klein's mechanics to the point where maybe – just maybe – he'll be able to air it out a bit more

"The growth has been across Snyder has such an appreciation the board, and it hasn't just been focused in one area," Snyder said. "He's grown in regards to his throwing motion - wide receiver game management. He's grown in regards to his understanding of

everybody typically thinks is cor- ball. He's grown in terms of leadrect." And he certainly prefers to ership, in terms of his confidence mation from coach Bill Snyder scramble out of the pocket than level, in just his overall presence settle back and search down field. on the field, as well as the physi-But even though Klein is just cal things, the running game and about the furthest thing from the passing game as well. I've seen some movement, positive moveback, he somehow makes it work ment, in all those areas."

away from a one-dimensional, run-first offense centered around

Klein averaged 124 yards pass-

which he described as "not what our offense and defensive foot- ing over the first eight games, but nearly 184 yards in the final four games against Oklahoma State, Texas A&M, Texas and Iowa

The only loss was a 52-45 heartbreaker to the then-No. 3 Cowboys on the road.

The progress continued through-The Wildcats started to move out the spring, and with Klein calling many of his own plays, he wound up going 47 of 56 for 480 yards and six TDs against the No. 2 defense in the spring game."

In other words, he gets the job

That's all that really matters to the Wildcats.

Two golfers tie for sixth

Four members of the Colby dina, Montrose, Colo., and Tayte Community College men's golf Query, Colby, finished 18th with a team played in the 2012 Dave score of 123. Dennis Low Ball Tournament on pendence Country Club in south-

J.D. Gall, Norton, and Luis Pujol of Brazil tied for sixth place Ladenburger, will compete in in the two-day tournament with a Hesston on Sunday and Monday, final score of 106. Cameron Me- Sept. 9 and 10.

Other teams in the tournament Sunday and Monday at the Inde- were Allen County, Coffeyville, Independence and Kansas Cit,y Kansas, community colleges.

The team, coached by Miles

Hays speedway to show sprints

The last chance this year to see the National Championship Racing Motor Contest Association divi-Association 360 and United Rebel Sprint Series 305 Sprint Cars at Rolling Plains Motor Speedway in Hays will be at a special show at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

races with the school buses.

Hot laps begin at 6:30 p.m. and a Sprint Car T-shirt quilt will be raffled off prior to the start of the Tickets will still be available at from seven states. the main concession stand.

The regular five International sions return to the 3/8-mile oval at 7 p.m. Saturday. Hot laps begin at

The Daisy Dukes and Cowboy Boots contest has been resched-The event also features trailers uled for this night. Cash prizes of \$100, \$50, \$25 and two \$30 gift cards from Vanderbilt's will be

The Sixth Annual Fall Nationals A-main feature of the 360 Sprints. will be Thursday through Satur-Proceeds will go to the Robin day, Oct. 11 to 13. The speedway Johnson Slagle Medical Fund. is expecting over 200 race teams

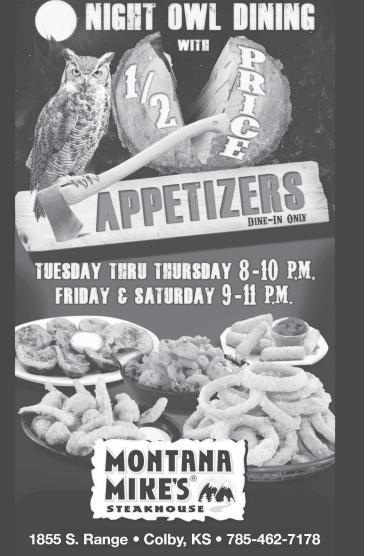
Hometown Store



cutting energy costs, USA.gov has you covered. It's your official source for all federal, state and local government information.

USA.gov





AVAILABLE AT THIS STORE LOCATION ONLY

Local Sears Hometown Store.

SEARS DEALER STORE #3781

Sherry McDonald 1937 South Range, Suite #1, Colby, KS 67701

Phone: 785-460-7488 Fax: 785-460-0488 Store Hours: Mon - Sat 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. & Sun 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.