Wrestling squad plans invitational

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The Colby High wrestling team will hold the Eagle Invitational on Friday and Saturday, with matches being held in the Community Building and the high school and Colby Grade School gyms.

There will be three pools of teams for the tournament: Pool A will compete at the high school, Pool B at the Community Building and Pool C at the grade school. Each location will have two mats for competition, and the matches will be in dual format.

The teams in Pool A are Legend (Parker, Colo.), Phillipsburg, Eaglecrest (Centennial, Colo.), Colby, McPherson and Liberal high schools.

The schedule follows:

Friday Mat 1

Mat 2

2 p.m. - Legend vs. Liberal

3:30 p.m. – McPherson vs. Liberal 5 p.m. – Phillipsburg vs. McPherson 6:30 p.m. - Legend vs. Eaglecrest 8 p.m. – Phillipsburg vs. Liberal

2 p.m. – Eaglecrest vs. Colby 3:30 p.m. – Phillipsburg vs. Eaglecrest

5 p.m. – Liberal vs. Colby

6:30 p.m. - Colby vs. McPherson 8 p.m. – Legend vs. Colby

Saturday Mat 1

8 a.m. – Eaglecrest vs. McPherson 9:30 a.m. – Phillipsburg vs. Colby 11 a.m. - Eaglecrest vs. Liberal

9:30 a.m. – Legend vs. McPherson 11 a.m. – Legend vs. Phillipsburg

The teams in Pool B are Goodland, Valley Center, Hays, Oakley, Concordia and St. Francis high

The schedule:

Friday

2 p.m. – Goodland vs. St. Francis

3:30 p.m. – Concordia vs. St. Francis 5 p.m. - Valley Center vs. Concordia 6:30 p.m. – Goodland vs. Hays 8 p.m. – Valley Center vs. St. Francis

2 p.m. - Hays vs. Oakley 3:30 p.m. – Valley Center vs. Hays 5 p.m. – St. Francis vs. Oakley 6:30 p.m. - Oakley vs. Concordia 8 p.m. – Goodland vs. Oakley

Saturday

8 a.m. – Hays vs. Concordia 9:30 a.m. - Valley Center vs. Oakley 11 a.m. - Hays vs. St. Francis

9:30 a.m. – Goodland vs. Concordia 11 a.m. - Goodland vs. Valley Center

The teams in Pool C are Oberlin, Pine Creek (Colorado Springs), Hutchinson, Hoxie, Wray (Colo.) and Scott City high schools.

The schedule:

Mat 1

2 p.m. - Oberlin vs. Scott City 3:30 p.m. - Wray vs. Scott City 5 p.m. – Pine Creek vs. Wray 6:30 p.m. - Oberlin vs. Hutchinson 8 p.m. - Pine Creek vs. Scott City

Mat 2

2 p.m. - Hutchinson vs. Hoxie 3:30 p.m. – Pine Creek vs. Hutchinson 5 p.m. - Scott City vs. Hoxie 6:30 p.m. - Hoxie vs. Wray 8 p.m. – Oberlin vs. Hoxie

Saturday Mat 1

8 a.m. - Hutchinson vs. Wray 9:30 a.m. - Pine Creek vs. Hoxie 11 a.m. - Hutchinson vs. Scott City

9:30 a.m. - Oberlin vs. Wray 11 a.m. - Oberlin vs. Pine Creek

Fighting for the ball



A Colby Community College men's basketball player fought for the ball Nov. 20 during a game against Northwest Kansas Technical College at the Max Jones Field House in Goodland. The Trojans were defeated by the Mavericks 75-72.

Lady Titans take down state-ranked Weskan

By Bonnie Holm

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The Triplains-Brewster Lady Titans women's basketball team opened the Sagebrush Tournament on Tuesday with a commanding victory over the stateranked Weskan Coyotes.

The Lady Titans started the game with a smothering defense, and the score at the end of the first quarter was tied, 10-10. The Titans picked up their offensive game in the second quarter, outscoring the Coyotes by 8 points and taking the lead at halftime,

The second half opened with dominating performances by Brittney Plummer and Shayna Rogge. Dara Roulier out-rebounded the Coyotes and chipped in several buckets in the paint. The Titans lengthened their lead by 17 at the end of the third quarter. The Heather Mauck was only 19 off her guessed time of 30 minutes Coyotes tried to mount a comeback in the fourth quarter after they successfully hit several three-point shots, but the Titans remained aggressive on defense and finished the game with a victory, 55-41.

Leading scorer for the Titans was Rogge with 21, followed by Roulier with 15 and Plummer with 11. Alicia Barrie scored 7 points and April Mays scored 1. Ashley Barrie and C.J. Lewallen also contributed defensively. The win moves the Lady Titans into the semi-finals, as they will play the Lady Trojans from Logan at 6 p.m. Friday. The Titans hope to avenge their earlier loss to the Trojans in the first game of

the season.

The Triplains-Brewster boys basketball team took on a tough Weskan team in the first round of the Sagebrush Tournament in Brewster on Tuesday

The Titans, after winning their first two games of the season, were looking good in the first quarter as they outscored the Coyotes 11-8. Michael Schmidt, Nathan Jorgensen and Will Allen provided strong defense to hold the Coyotes' star player, Jared Mc-Kinney, to just 5 points in the first quarter. Seth Smith had no trouble bringing the ball down the court, and when the Coyotes started the full-court press, Allen, Jorgensen and Smith answered with tenacity. The Titans managed to stay within reach of the Coyotes and the first half ended with the Titans down by only 7

The Coyotes rallied in the third quarter and extended their lead, 52-30. Triplains-Brewster was unable to mount a comeback and lost by a score of

Leading scorers for the Titans were Dan Brown, who hit a three-point shot in the first quarter, and Schmidt, both with 8 points. Smith had 7, Allen and Jorgensen had 6 each and Damon Hanley scored 3.

The loss moves the Titans to the losing side of the bracket, where they will take on the Logan Trojans at 3 p.m. Friday. The Titans are hoping for a repeat of the first game of the season when they beat the

gives prizes at Turkey Trot The Colby Recreation Depart- and Noah Pardee. Jasper said, with a time of 27:05, "This was a predicted time run," which was just 16 seconds off her

Recreation Department

ment held the Turkey Trot 5K last month and had 21 race partici-

ner, Tammy Delarosa, Heather the winners." Mauck, Reilly Mauck, Jill Hes-Vyzurek, Patti Albers, Carrie Weber, Molly James Foster, Seth Foster, Mason pie. Foster, Tom Pardee, Jacob Pardee

said Director Stacy Jasper, "so the guessed time of 26:49. Delarosa top three who finished the race won a 10 pound ham. The runners were Shelby Gard- closest to their guessed times were

kett, Molly Bretz, Hayley Heim, seconds off her guessed time, fin- with an ending time of 30:14. She Shawna ishing in third place, Jasper said. won a 20 pound turkey, just in Kersenbrock, Mallorie Salmans, She ran the race in 29 minutes, 23 time for the holiday feast, Jasper seconds and predicted a time of said. Oliver, Sara Betz, Mert Strecker, 29:42 and took home a pumpkin

In second was Tammy Delarosa,

In first place was Shelby Gardner, who finished only 14 seconds Also, she said Salmans finished

the race first with a time of 25:50.

Quarterback ready for awards as Kansas State found success this

By Kyle Hightower

The Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. – College football's biggest single night for awards is set for today, and two of the most talked about players said the spotlight may be the most difficult they've en-

Texas A&M freshman quarterback Johnny Manziel and senior Kansas State quarterback Collin Klein headlined a group of several finalists who addressed reporters Wednesday after arriving at Disney World in advance of the awards show.

Manziel and Klein, along with Notre Dame linebacker Manti Te'o, have already been selected finalists for college football's prized Heisman Trophy, which will be presented Saturday in New

The trio will be in the spotlight before that today, though. They are all finalists for another coveted player of the year honor, the Maxwell Award. Manziel and Klein Bowl. also are both up for the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award, along with Ohio State's field hype that grew around him

Braxton Miller.

Manziel said the experience season. has been eye opening for not only him, but the family members that this game and for my performance accompanied him. Te'o and Miller didn't arrive in

Florida on Wednesday. But they will be in town for tonight's award The Maxwell Award has been a

predictor of Heisman winners in recent years, with Maxwell recipients Cam Newton (2010) and Tim Heisman.

Known for his understated de-Wildcats lost to Baylor 52-24 on ern Conference campaign.

But the guy who's earned the nickname "Optimus Klein" lived up to it after helping his team rebound and earn a convincing win over Texas last week to secure the second Big 12 championship in Kansas State's history. The Wildcats will meet Oregon in the Fiesta

He said he hasn't let himself get caught up in much of the off-

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"I think my motivation toward is deeper than that," Klein said. "I know what truly motivates me and a lasting human motivation is going to be more out of a love and a passion of what you're doing and who you're doing it for and why you're doing it, more than trying to prove someone wrong.'

Manziel, known as "Johnny Tebow (2007) going on to win the Football" is considered by some to be the Heisman front-runner following his late-season exploits meanor while at Kansas State, leading the Aggies to five straight Klein seemed a lock to take the victories, a 10-2 mark and Cotton Heisman before the then-No. 1 Bowl berth in their first Southeast-



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