

# Eagles go overtime at Hays

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Working overtime led to two thrilling games for the Colby High girls at last weekend's 31st annual Hays Shootout basketball tourney.

Friday featured a beautiful Eagles comeback to stun Hays Thomas More Prep-Marian, 45-42.

Colby fell behind 11-0 and trailed until the fourth quarter's final minute.

That's when sophomore Brenly Terrell swished her second of two super clutch three-point shots that caught the Monarchs at 38-38.

Overtime only meant the Eagles would fall behind again twice.

Yet sophomore Lara Stephens' jumper forced a 40-40 tie, and the next basket would put Colby ahead to stay.

After junior Shaila Giebler made a hustling rebound of her own missed shot, she delivered the ball to classmate Hannah Strange.

Strange's also shown an early-season talent at finding open teammates. Sure enough, her perfect pass into the corner set up senior Haleigh Shull and —

Merry Christmas! Shull swished the corner three-pointer for a 43-42 Colby lead.

Still nearly 30 seconds remained, but the Eagles made one more defensive stand as Giebler's aggressive effort forced an errant shot.

Colby escaped Monarch pressure and Strange offered another assist to sophomore Brielle McKee.

McKee's layup completed the Eagles' first victory of this basketball season.

Shull tallied a game-high 20 points including the first 13. No other Eagle tickled the nets successfully until deep into the second



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Colby High senior Haileigh Shull hit the go-ahead basket in Friday's overtime win over Hays Thomas More Prep-Marian. She also earned all-tournament honors at the annual Hays Shootout.

quarter.

Yet the Eagles remained tough and only trailed 27-22 at intermission. Terrell (11 points) was Colby's other double-digit scorer according to unofficial statistics.

Colby advanced into Saturday's consolation title game of this eight-team, three-day tournament.

The Eagles took on DeSoto and — once again — determined de-

fense helped them only trail 12-11 at halftime.

They forced overtime again at 32-32, and junior Hailey Schindler's jumper forced one final deadlock of 34-34.

However, DeSoto delivered one more clutch basket before holding on for a 39-36 win. The Eagles (1-2 record) will return to play Hays in a girls-boys doubleheader

# Eagles win three titles at St. Francis tourney

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Colby High's heaviest wrestlers continued to carry their own weight brilliantly with three championships at the St. Francis Invitational on Saturday.

Senior Andrew Taylor (182 pounds), junior Jay Ziegelmeier (195) and sophomore Austin Hart (220) all scored pins to clinch a season-opening dual win over 6A No. 10 Dodge City.

On Saturday, all three dominated their divisions while leading the Eagles' 114-point performance. Colby's young lineup featuring four freshman finished behind only 4A No. 8 Goodland (164) and Sterling, Colo., (147).

The 3A No. 1-rated Norton Bluejays were a distant seventh overall with just 56 points.

Freshmen Ethan Jay and Tate Carney reached title matches for Colby. They both placed second.

It was Colby's only road trip through these first two weeks. The Eagles now get ready to wrestle a home triangular Thursday (5 p.m.) against Oakley and Pine Creek.

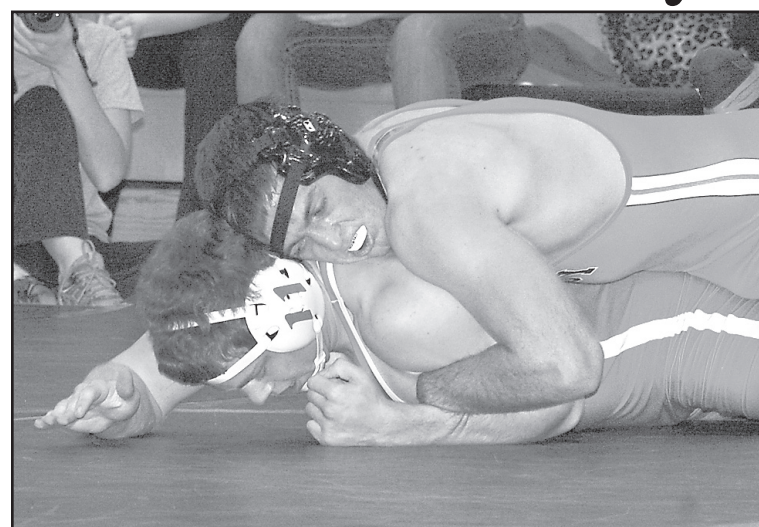
The weekend features Colby's Eagle Invitational Friday and Saturday. Watch for more details later this week.

Complete Colby High results and team totals from Saturday's tournament:

Team scores: 1. Goodland 164, 2. Sterling (Colo.) 147, 3. Colby 114, 4. Wray (Colo.) 112, 5. St. Francis 73, 6. Wichita County 59, 7. Norton 56, 8. Rawlins County 52.5, 9. Trego Community 48, 10. Holyoke (Colo.) 47, 11. Greeley County 18.

**106: Ernie Leija finished 1-2.** He pinned M. Flores, Wray, in :25; was pinned by S. Johnson, Norton, in 1:34 and was pinned by E. Rojo, Holyoke, in 4:44.

**113: Tate Carney placed sec-**



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Colby High senior Andrew Taylor won Saturday's St. Francis Invitational after dominating this 182-pound match with Jhett Ostrom of Dodge City Thursday night.

**ond.** He pinned J. Ledesma, Goodland, in :51; and lost 6-4 to C. Duncan, Sterling.

**120: Tanner Elias finished 1-2.** He pinned L. Schaffner in 3:06; was pinned by A. Avelar, Goodland in 5:14 and lost 5-3 to D. Niswonger, Wichita County.

**132: Alex Young finished 2-2.** He was pinned by R. Lopez, Goodland, in 4:22; won 7-0 over T. Lousberg, Holyoke; won 9-8 over T. Wright, Norton; and lost 5-1 to C. Cassaw, St. Francis.

**138: Travis Finley finished 1-2.** He won 9-4 over G. Brunk, St. Francis; was pinned by A. Tarin, Wray (time not obtained); and lost 7-4 to R. Mizer, Rawlins County.

**145: Brady Holzmeister placed fourth.** He won 2-0 over J. Markland, Rawlins County; lost 5-0 to J. Contreras, St. Francis; won 6-0 over J. Pacheco, St. Francis; and lost 6-1 to Markland.

**152: Kyle Finley finished 0-2.** He was pinned by L. Hoffman, St. Francis, in 2:44; and lost 16-4 to Z. Castillo, Wichita County.

**160: Matthew Piper finished**

**1-2.** He pinned T. Seaton, Wichita County in 2:53; lost 5-4 to T. Lowry, Trego County; and was pinned by T. Combs, Wray, in :51.

**170: Conner Edmundson finished 1-2.** He won 5-4 over D. Schmidt, Trego County; lost by default to J. Cure, Wray; and lost by default to C. Northrup, Wichita County.

**182: Andrew Taylor won the championship.** He pinned C. Schulz, Wray, in 1:38; and won 16-6 over B. Mason, Wichita County.

**195: Jay Ziegelmeier won the championship.** He pinned R. Clark, Trego County, in 1:39; and pinned D. Amaya, Holyoke, in 2:40.

**220: Austin Hart won the championship.** He pinned F. Rojo, Holyoke, in 1:16; pinned C. Escamilla, Wray, in :25; defeated K. Zweggart, St. Francis (score not available); and pinned Z. Little, Sterling, in 1:03.

**285: Ethan Jay placed second.** He pinned M. Huerta, in 5:39; and was pinned by A. Escamilla, Wray, in 1:15.

# Colby boys lose fast-paced finale at Hays Shootout

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Despite awesome 60 percent field-goal shooting on Saturday, the Colby High boys fell just a few points short, 80-75, to Riley County in their Hays Shootout

tourney finale.

The Eagles (0-3) got 27 points from all-tourney selection Cameron Brown, and closed within 75-73 when senior Luke Cox buried his third long-range three.

However, 29 Eagle fouls and 30 points from Riley County's leading scorer were enough to decide

this shootout.

"We're entertaining. If we can to play defensively without fouling, it will be a good thing," new Colby High coach Kevin Brown said. "A lot of young players did get some minutes today and did some good things."

A great example was reserve

Leighton Rhinehart swishing his first basket of the season after Riley County had built an eight-point lead of 31-23.

The Eagles trailed by as many as 12 points more than once after intermission, but continued to rally behind their offense.

"We accomplished two of our

main goals. Our guys are playing fast and they are all playing hard," coach Brown concluded. "Our main goal this season is to keep moving forward."

The Eagles move to play Hays High School Thursday night in Hays.

Colby scoring summaries from

Friday and Saturday's contests:

**Hays TMP 72, Colby 51**

**Colby** — Cameron Brown 17 points, Luke Cox 6, Marco Bremerkamp 6, Luke Cox 6, Austin Russ 6, Adam Giersch 5, Chandler Comfort 5. Three-point goals: Brown 2, Comfort, Giersch. Rebound leader: Cox 10. Assists: Cox 4. Steals: Cox 5.

**Riley County 80, Colby 75**

**Colby** — Brown 27 points, Bremerkamp 15, Cox 11, Comfort 7, Whitfield 6, Austin Russ 4, Leighton Rhinehart 3, Giersch 2. Three-point goals: Cox 3, Rhinehart. Rebound leader: Bremerkamp 12. Assists: Brown 7. Steals: Cox 4.

## Area scores

The Golden Plains girls whipped Western Plains, 53-26, in their varsity basketball season opener Friday evening.

Western Plains got some payback with a 47-33 boys' victory. Watch for more details about both these contests in the *Free Press* later this week.

# Titans trounce Healy, split two with Logan

By Bonnie Holm

The Triplains/Brewster Titans opened their season by winning three of four games at Winona last weekend.

On Friday night against the visiting Logan Trojans, the Titan boys were trailing the Trojans at the end of the first quarter, 9-8, but that slim lead soon turned into a bigger deficit, as the Trojans outscored the Titans by 13 points in the next two quarters.

The Titans put up a valiant effort in the fourth quarter, outscoring the Trojans 15-10, but couldn't quite catch up, and lost by a score of 46-37.

Nathan Jorgensen's double-double (18 points, 11 rebounds) highlighted the Titans' opening effort. Senior Seth Smith added nine points, eight assists and grabbed four rebounds.

Junior Leyton Werth contributed five points with two boards.

On Saturday, the Titans hosted the Healy Eagles in Winona, and dominated the entire game, win-

ning by a score of 68-17.

After ending the first quarter with a lead of 12-6, the Titans opened the second quarter on a 9-0 run, extending their lead to 21-6.

Coach Michael Collett substituted the younger players in for the varsity, and they continued their offensive assault, leading 37-11 at halftime.

With over five minutes left in the third quarter, a Healy player fouled out, leaving the Eagles just four players on the floor. Collett played the entire bench, giving the underclassmen valuable playing time.

Wertz and CJ Felzien each tossed in 12 points to lead the balanced Triplains-Brewster boys' attack. Jorgensen and Smith netted seven points apiece while Takoda Turner tallied six.

Meanwhile, the Lady Titans opened their season with a victory over Logan.

The Titans started out slow on offense, only racking up 11 points to the Trojans' 13 at the end of the

first quarter.

The second quarter saw the Titans begin to get into their game plan, and they led at halftime, 24-21. Both teams struggled offensively during the first quarter, putting up a combined 10 points, but the Titans still maintained the lead, 30-25.

The fourth quarter belonged exclusively to the Lady Titans, as they pounded the boards, scoring 18 points to the Lady Trojans' five for a final score of 48-30.

Shayna Rogge led all scorers with 14 points, followed by Brittney Plummer and Dara Roulier with nine each, CJ Lewellan scored five, Kelly Lamb and Alicia Barrie scored four each, and April Mays chipped in three points.

The game Saturday against the visiting Lady Eagles from Healy was controlled by the Lady Titans from the opening tip-off.

The Titans scored an unanswered nine points to start the game, and led 13-2 when coach Gfeller substituted in younger players for the varsity. The Titans

continued their offensive drubbing of the Eagles, leading at halftime by a score of 34-10. The third quarter saw much of the same, with the Lady Titans scoring 17 points, and holding the Lady Eagles to just 4 points. With the clock running continuously due to the large point deficit, the Lady Eagles were able to score 10 points in the 4th quarter, while the Lady Titans, with several underclassmen and three foreign exchange students, were able to score just four.

The Lady Titans racked up their second victory with a score of 55-24.

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