

# Lady Blue Jays play well but lose to Colby

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The Norton Community High School girls varsity basketball team played well against an excellent Colby quintet in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium on Tuesday night but hit only 28 percent of their shots and it was not good enough to avoid a 38-22 loss.

Other statistics in the game were fairly even.

After a very close first half which ended with Colby leading 16-15, the Lady Eagles hit three baskets from beyond the arc in a 12-point third quarter in which the Lady Jays scored just 4 points.

Trailing 28-19 at that point, Norton could never get back in the game as the Lady Eagles slowed things down and held onto the ball most of the fourth quarter.

The Lady Jays' best quarter was the first when they scored 12 points on three baskets by

senior post/guard Amanda Ray, a basket and two free throws by sophomore post Erin Terrell and free throws by senior point guard Ashlie Stewart and senior post Kaitlyn Wolf.

A three-point basket by Ray accounted for Norton's only points in the second quarter, a basket and two charities by Stewart in the third quarter were the Lady Jays' only points and a basket and free throw by Stewart were the Lady Jays' only fourth quarter points.

"We played with them the whole game but we are playing only six girls and fatigue got to us," said Norton head girls basketball coach Kevin Jilka.

"We played well but couldn't hit enough shots. We got the ball inside but didn't always finish. Their three-point baskets in the third quarter and a couple of mental lapses that led to steals hurt us.

"Defensively, we played aw-

fully well. It shows that we can play with teams of this caliber.

"After just playing at Plainville last night, I was concerned about our effort level but it was good. Colby plays a solid schedule and is now 14-6."

With the loss, Norton fell to 9-11 heading into sub-state tournament play.

It was "Senior Night" for Norton and prior to the game Norton's four senior players and their parents were honored.

They are Kendra Engelbert, daughter of Pam and John Engelbert; Amanda Ray, daughter of Kerri and Doug Ray; Ashlie Stewart, daughter of Abi and Ron Delimont and Cindy and Mike Stewart and Kaitlyn Wolf, daughter of Jeannie Wolf and David Wolf.

All four girls have participated in basketball all four years of their high school careers.

Leading scorer for Norton was

Ray who hit 9 points on 1 of 1 from beyond the arc, 3 of 7 two-point attempts for 43 percent and 4 of 8 overall for 50 percent.

Stewart ended with 8 points on 2 of 7 from two-point range for 29 percent and 4 of 8 from the charity stripe for 50 percent.

Katrina Kaus led Colby with 10 points.

As a team, the Lady Jays hit 1 of 1 from long range, 6 of 24 two-point tries for 25 percent and 7 of 25 overall for 28 percent. The Lady Eagles swished 4 of 13 from long range for 31 percent, 10 of 29 two-point shots for 34 percent and 14 of 42 overall for 33 percent.

From the free throw line, Norton connected on 7 of 12 for 58 percent and Colby hit 6 of 8 for 75 percent.

The Lady Jays pulled down 2 offensive and 15 defensive rebounds for 17 total. The Lady Eagles grabbed 7 offensive and 13 defensive caroms for 20 total.

Dustyna Sprigg led Norton in rebounds with 6, followed by Kendra Engelbert, Ray, 3 each; Stewart, Wolf, 2 each; Erin Terrell, 1.

Both teams had 7 steals. Engelbert and Terrell each had 2, followed by Stewart, Sprigg, Ray, 1 each.

The Lady Jays had 4 assists and the Lady Eagles had 8.

Norton turned the ball over 14 times and Colby lost it 11 times.

## Junior varsity

The Norton junior varsity girls lost to Colby 56-16.

The Lady Jays trailed by quarters 11-6, 23-10 and 44-15.

Leading scorer for Norton was Brianna Karmopp with 7 points, followed by Alec Melvin, 4; Teslee Nickell, 3; Kamilla Jones, 2.

Alexa Haas led Colby with 13 points.

"This was a tough season for our junior varsity girls," said Norton assistant girls basketball

coach George Rossi.

"I just felt that we did not improve during the season as a team. Individually, some of our girls did make gains and some show promise for the future.

"This group needs very badly to work on their individual skills this summer. If they don't do that, they will be where we are right now.

"Four senior players will be leaving and those spots will go to the people who show the improvement and desire."

## BOX SCORE

### Norton Girls 22

Ashlie Stewart 2 0 4-8 8; Erin Terrell 1 0 2-2 4; Kaitlyn Wolf 0 0 1-2 1; Amanda Ray 3 1 0-0 9; Game Totals 6 1 7-12 22

### Colby Girls 38

Kayla Hockersmith 2 1 1-2 8; Katrina Kaus 3 0 4-4 10; Katherine Kaus 1 2 1-2 9; Morgan Bell 3 1 0-0 9; Lauren Bell 1 0 0-0 2; Game Totals 10 4 6-8 38

# Lady Huskies prepare for regional game in Palco

By CHUCK ZIMMERMAN

Special to The Telegram

The Lady Huskies welcomed the number 3 ranked in 2A Hill City Ringnecks to town for a non-conference game and gave the fans a game to remember. We started off with our offense kicking into gear as we scored 17 first quarter points.

But, Hill City was right behind with 16. In the second quarter we widened our lead by scoring 16 to their 12 for a 5 point halftime margin. We had played excellent defense on their "3" point shooters (2 of 15) and handled their pressure.

In the third quarter the Hill City outside shooters applied their "two step rule." Since we were guarding them well as they were shooting at the three point line they stepped back two steps and shot from there, and they went in!!!

They were 8 of 11 in the second half and we were as close as legally possible defensively. As we found out after the game they are the number 2 "3" point shooting team in the nation and now we know why.

Besides the three point shooting we out did them in every other

category, we played hard and well, we just didn't match their shooting with ours.

As I told our players before the game, our stats would not be as high playing a state caliber team as they normally would be, and they were not but we did cause the Ringnecks some problems with our pressure as Megan Cole led the team in deflects with 7 while Staci Dole tipped 4. Alison Cole had 3 legitimate deflects—no blocks in this game. It's hard to block a shot 23 feet away from the basket.

Steals were few against this team as Megan and Christina Anderson each took 3.

We out rebounded them as Alison ripped 13 off the boards with Dole taking 6 away and Christina Anderson and Megan Cole each grabbing 4.

Assists were handed out by Anderson with 7 while A Cole and Dole each found 2 open for scores.

A good game for the fans to watch as we did start to close on them in the fourth quarter (got within six) we just didn't quite make it as they won 51-61.

We will hope that no other team we face this year shoots as well as

the Ringnecks did.

## Heartland Christian

We played Heartland Christian in a replacement game (Western Plains had withdrawn) and did not respond well after being pumped and ready for Hill City.

Remember we had played and defeated Heartland earlier this season and the margin could have been by 30 plus.

So, what happened was what coaches fear will happen and we let down and let Heartland either play above their level or we played down to theirs as at one time early in the first quarter it was 6-7 and we were not ahead.

That's when a timeout was called and we'll just say the rest was history as we went on to outscore them 19-2 in the second quarter and win by a score of 54-20 with our JV playing all of the fourth and most of the third.

Alison Cole led in deflects as she blocked 5 shots for 9 total deflects while Katie Stillion tipped 3.

Christina Anderson stole 5 balls from Heartland while Megan Cole took 3 and Staci Dole 2.

Rebounds were again taken by Alison Cole with 12 with Megan Cole and Katie Stillion each tak-

ing 4 off the boards while Karen Wenzl and Erika Chandler each grabbing 3.

Assists were dished out by Dole and Anderson with 3 each.

A good home victory to close out this group of seniors last season as a Lady Husky.

We now finish the regular season on the road to Palco and start Regional play next week by going back to Palco and playing the winner of Logan/Victoria on Friday.

## Palco

We finished our regular season at Palco and treated it as our first game of the regional tournament since we will return to Palco for our first regional game against either Logan or Victoria.

We had a little "heart to heart" discussion in our pre-game talk. Not about Xs and Os but about how at this time of the season each time you take the court you need to bring your best effort, which they decided we had not done against Heartland.

The result— a 27 point first quarter followed by 20 points in the second.

Needless to say we were focused on offense, not necessarily on defense as we allowed them to

score 40 points for the game but we needed our offense to come alive (we shot 50 percent and above from everywhere on the court) and allowed our younger players to get in some last minute game experience as their season is now officially over.

We did finish with 63 points as we mixed our veterans with our newcomers in the third period and let the newcomers finish the game in the fourth.

Our deflects leader was Alison Cole with four, two being blocks followed by Shiela Stillion who tipped 3. Kenzie Chandler, Staci Dole, Christina Anderson and McKinsey Evans each got a finger on 2 of Palco's passes.

Steals were taken by Katie Stillion with 4 followed by Dole and Anderson with 3 each.

Rebounds were grabbed by A Cole with 8 while K Stillion hauled in 5 with Kayla Lowry, Dole, Anderson and S Stillion each pulling down 3.

With our offense trying to get untracked we relied on great passing to find teammates that were open for scores.

Christina Anderson and Staci Dole did a remarkable job of finding their teammates as they had 7

and 5 assists respectively.

When they did not have the ball in their hands Kenzie and Erika Chandler took over and found 3 teammates each open for their passes.

In all, a great passing game by our whole team as they are looking for the easy score.

With this the last regular season and conference game of this season and for this group of seniors it needs to be told of how successful this group of seniors (Christina Anderson, Megan and Alison Cole and Karen Wenzl) have been in conference play.

During the last three seasons when they were the "veterans" on the team they have gone 12-1 in conference play.

A pretty remarkable record that attests to their hard work and working with their younger "sisters" to bring them along to help the whole program to be as successful as it has been these last three years.

We now continue with the post season and hope you will join us as we travel to Palco where we will start on our quest to do what has not been done since the '94 season.

# Ladies lose to Plainville Blue Jays to compete in Sub-State

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Monday is not a normal Mid-Continent League game night but the Norton Community High School girls basketball team traveled to Plainville for their only scheduled league encounter on Monday and did not have a normal game, losing 46-38 to the Lady Cardinals.

"We didn't play well in any part of the game," said Norton head girls basketball coach Kevin Jilka. "Plainville outthrustled us all night long and we deserved to get beat. "Offensively, we did a lot of standing around and we had nobody looking to score.

"Defensively, they got every loose ball and we did a lot of watching.

"If we want to be a factor in sub-state next week, we are going to have to have an attitude adjustment.

"We are a very capable ball club but right now our confidence is down and our players have to find a way to get out of that."

Despite not playing a normal game, the Lady Jays were in the game the whole way and could have pulled out a win.

All team statistics were very even except for free throws. The Lady Jays had only 7 charities and hit 3 compared to 21 free tosses by the Lady Cardinals and 12 connections.

Norton led 11-10 after one quarter but trailed 17-15 after a 7-4 second quarter in Plainville's favor. The Lady Cardinals outscored the Lady Jays 13-10 in the third period to extend their lead to 30-25. Norton was unable to catch Plainville in the final stanza when they scored 13 points because the

Lady Cardinals swished 16 to extend their final margin of victory to eight points.

Sophomore post Erin Terrell led Norton in scoring, rebounding and steals. She hit 14 points, pulled down 7 caroms and had 4 thefts. She connected on 7 of 12 shots for 58 percent accuracy.

Two Lady Jays, senior post Kaitlyn Wolf and junior forward Dustyna Sprigg, each scored 8 points. Wolf hit 3 of 8 shots from the field for 38 percent and was a perfect 2 of 2 from the charity stripe. Sprigg swished 4 of 7 from the field for 58 percent.

Senior post Amanda Ray hit two baskets for Norton in the first quarter but didn't score again until she buried a three-point shot in the fourth quarter and ended with 7 points.

As a team, Norton hit 1 of 3 from beyond the arc for 33 percent, 16 of 41 two-point tries for 39 percent and 17 of 44 overall for 32 percent.

Plainville connected on 2 of 6 long range shots for 33 percent, 14 of 44 two-point attempts for 32 percent and 16 of 50 overall for the same 32 percent accuracy as Norton.

The difference came at the free throw line where the Lady Jays' 3 of 7 for 43 percent did not match up with the Lady Cardinals' 12 of 21 for 57 percent and 9 more points, enough to make the difference in the game.

Other statistics were all very, very similar. Norton had 11 offensive and 14 defensive rebounds for 25 total and Plainville grabbed 15 offensive and 12 defensive caroms for 27 total.

In addition to Terrell's 9 rebounds, Wolf pulled down 5

boards, followed by Sprigg, 4; Kendra Engelbert, Ray, 3 each; Stewart, 1.

Both teams had 10 steals. In addition to Terrell's 4 thefts, Stewart, Wolf and Ray each had 2.

Neither team had many assists. Norton had 7 and Plainville had 9. Ray led with 3, followed by Stewart, 2; Engelbert, Terrell, 1 each.

The Lady Jays had 20 turnovers and the Lady Cardinals lost the ball 17 times.

With the loss, Norton's girls record fell to 9-10 for the season.

## Junior varsity

The Norton girls junior varsity was defeated 36-22. They trailed by quarters 9-0, 13-3 and 22-9.

Leading scorer for the Lady Jays was Teslee Nickell with 8 points.

A. Diaz led Plainville with 7 points.

"We waited way too late to come to the party tonight," said Norton assistant girls coach George Rossi. "By the time we figured out it was okay to shoot the ball, the hole was too big to climb out of.

"We just don't attack on offense. At times we look good but these times don't come often enough."

## BOX SCORE

### Norton Girls 38

Kendra Engelbert 0 0 1-2 1; Erin Terrell 7 0 0-3 14; Dustyna Sprigg 4 0 0-0 8; Kaitlyn Wolf 3 0 2-2 8; Amanda Ray 2 1 0-0 7; Game Totals 16 1 3-7 38

### Plainville Girls 46

Taylor Hixon 1 0 0-2 2; Dani Winters 10 0 7-14 27; Samantha Bobeck 0 0 2-2 2; Amanda Casey 3 2 3-3 15; Game Totals 14 2 12-21 46

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The Norton Community High School girls and boys basketball teams will compete in the Class 3A Sub-State Tournament in Beloit next week. Teams in the tournament will be Smith Center, Phillipsburg, Hoisington, Minneapolis, Ellsworth and St. John's Military (boys only).

## GIRLS

Smith Center is seeded No. 1 and brings a 16-3 record into the tournament. The Lady Redmen will receive a bye into the semifinals. No. 4 seed is Hoisington (11-9) and they will host No. 5 seed Phillipsburg (9-10) at 6 p.m. on Tuesday. In the lower bracket, Minneapolis (16-4) is seeded No. 2 and will host No. 7 Ellsworth (0-20) at 6 p.m. on Monday and No. 3 Beloit (15-5) will host No. 6 seed Norton (9-11) at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

On Friday, the winner of the Hoisington-Phillipsburg game will play Smith Center in Beloit High School at 6 p.m. in the semi-finals and the winner of the Minneapolis-Ellsworth contest will play the winner of the Beloit-Norton game in the other semi-final contest at 7:30 p.m. in Beloit High School.

The winners of these two games will play each other in the championship finals at 6 p.m. on Saturday in the Beloit High School. The winner will receive a berth in the Class 3A State Tournament the next week in Hutchinson.

## BOYS

Minneapolis (16-4) is seeded No. 1 in the boys bracket and will play No. 8 seed Ellsworth at 7:30 p.m. on Monday in Minneapolis. No. 4 seed is Hoisington (11-9) and they will host No. 5 Phillipsburg (8-12) at 7:30 p.m. on

Tuesday. In the bottom bracket,

No. 2 seed Beloit (13-7) will host No. 7 St. John's Military (5-10) at 7 p.m. on Monday. Norton (12-8) received the No. 3 seed and will host No. 6 Smith Center (7-12) in a 7 p.m. first round game on Monday in the NCHS Stull Gymnasium. Winners of the Minneapolis-Ellsworth and Hoisington-Phillipsburg games will play in the semi-finals in Beloit High School at 6 p.m. on

Thursday.

Winners of the Beloit-St. John's Military and Norton-Smith Center contests will play in the semifinals in Beloit High School at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. Winners of these two games will play for the sub-state championship at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday in Beloit High School. The winner of Saturday's finals will earn a berth in the Class 3A State Tournament the next week in Hutchinson.

## •PUBLIC NOTICE• NOTICE OF INTENT OF SALE

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To: Teresa Horacek

NOTICE OF INTENT OF SALE PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 58-2565

NOTICE is hereby given to Teresa Horacek or any other person claiming an interest in the Personal Property

consisting of household items, TV's, Stove, Refrigerator and Vehicles abandoned at 709 W. Woodsfield, Norton, Kansas that it will be sold after March 20, 2010, and the proceeds applied to the past due rent.

Andy Weskamp,  
Norton, Kansas

## •PUBLIC NOTICE• IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY B. URBAN

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of SHIRLEY B. URBAN, deceased Case No. 2007-PR-38

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that a petition has been filed on February 22, 2010, in said Court by Michael K. Urban and Kimberly Kay Eagleburger, co-executors of the will of the decedent, praying for final settlement of the estate approval of their acts, proceedings and accounts, allowance for fees and expenses, determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees entitled

to the estate, and assignment to them according to the will and the orders of the Court.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before March 22, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., on said day, in said Court, in the City of Norton, Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place said petition will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

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