

She's out



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Brian Quagliano made the play at third, tagging Ashley Schafer out in a Colby Recreation Co-ed Adult Softball game between Sports Shoppe and Comfort Inn on Sunday night. Adult play runs every Sunday from 5:30-9:15 p.m.

Area Briefs

- The 20th running of the Lake Atwood County Challenge Race, hosted by the Atwood Rotary Club, will be held July 4 at 7:30 a.m. Each age-division winner scores points for their county. There are no awards and no entry fees, participants compete for honors for the county.
- Mid-America Youth basketball will be hosting a tournament in Colby

and Brewster this weekend. Area teams will square off against top talent from Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska. For game information, call 462-4440.

- There will be a basketball camp for girls entering grades 9-12 at the Colby High School on July 9-12 from 7-9:30 p.m. Call Shaun Kidder at 462-6702.

Local Schedule

Tuesday, July 3
Colby recreation softball and baseball at the rec fields.

Junior boys baseball at field 2.
Orioles vs. Dodgers at 6:15 p.m.
Yankees vs. Orioles at 8 p.m.

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Rain waits for end of races Sunday

By SHERRY BARRETT
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The track was very good for this make-up race and the numbers for both cars and drivers were respectable considering this race was not on the regular schedule and wheat harvest was going on.

In the Bombers, Michael Wasson and Shawn Mohler won each of their heats respectively. Wasson came back to win the Cash Dash. Jeremy Blackwill won the feature.

Travis Towns and Randy Tipton won each of their heats in the Super Stock division. Towns was the winner

of the Cash Dash. Bill Albin took the checkered flag in the Feature.

Darren DeLoach in the modified division was the only racer of the night to pull off a sweep of his Heat race, the Cash Dash and the Feature. Doug Holzmeister was the winner of the other heat.

The Cruiser teams of Plumisto/Plumisto and Berry/Meyer were the heat race winners. With Meyer/Berry also winning the Cash Dash. Fabrizious/Schlageck won the Feature.

Shortly after the finish of the Cruiser feature, as if right on cue, there were some sprinkles of rain! Rain on race

night at Thomas County Speedway is becoming quite a phenomenon. It will be interesting to see what Sunday, our next regular schedule race, will bring.

Thomas County Speedway Track Officials would like all area racers to know that Saturday, Sept. 8 has been added to the schedule as the make-up race for the June 3 rain-out.

Trojans receive honors

Sixteen Colby Community College athletes are being recognized for their academic achievements, according to Deb Schwanke, public information director for the college.

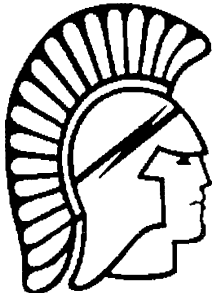
Here are the selections, with their sport and home town:

Amanda Robben, cross country/track, Brewster; Tracey L. Pfannenstiel, cross country and track, Oakley; Cayla Rush, basketball, Brewster; Melissa Murray, softball, Colby; Cristin Dumler, softball, Colby; Brady Nighswonger, baseball, Colby; Tonya Fleckenstein, volleyball, Jennings; Jack Dennis, wrestling, Oakley; Tara Gassmann, volleyball, Dresden; Zackary Andrews, baseball,

Colby; Dawn Applegarth, track, Pali-sade, Neb.; Lindsey Arnberger, softball, Le-vant; Alice Gassmann, vol-leyball, Clayton; Barbara Gilley, basketball, Brewster; Krista E. Rowe, cross country and track, Colby and Gabe Jenkins, wrestling, St. Francis.

Robben, Pfannenstiel, Rush, Murray, Dumler, Fleckenstein, Andrews, Applegarth, Alice Gassmann and Gilley also earned additional recognition as "Distinguished All-Americans."

"Academic All-Americans must earn a two-year grade point average of 3.6 to 3.8," said Schwanke. "Distinguished All-Americans have a GPA of 3.8 to 4.0."



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Rockies fall to Arizona

PHOENIX (AP) — Mike Hampton keeps hitting, even if his pitching fell a little short Sunday.

Hampton hit his sixth home run, the most by a pitcher in 30 years, but failed to hold an eighth-inning lead.

Reggie Sanders then homered in the 13th inning to give the Arizona Diamondbacks a 5-4 win over the Colorado Rockies.

"I wasn't able to make that big pitch in a couple of innings," said Hampton, who is winless in his last four starts.

"I was just one pitch away from success and I wasn't able to execute. It's my fault."

After Hampton homered in the eighth inning off Miguel Batista, Arizona tied the score in the bottom half on an RBI double by Mark Grace, who also hit a two-run double in the first inning.

Hampton, who has four homers in his last 12 at-bats, is the first pitcher to

hit six in one season since 1971, when Ferguson Jenkins, Sonny Siebert and Rick Wise did it.

Hampton is three shy of the record for pitchers, set by Cleveland's Wes Ferrell in 1931.

Hampton, who had never homered before this season, has four at homer-friendly Coors Field and also connected at Florida.

Hampton is hitting 14-for-45 (.311) with 11 RBIs and his season home-run total is only one shy of Mark McGwire's.

He allowed four runs and 10 hits in eight innings.

Colorado has lost three straight and 11 of its last 13.

With the score 4-all in the 13th, Sanders connected leading off against Gabe White (1-6), Colorado's sixth pitcher.

Sanders is 5-for-8 against White with two doubles, a triple and two home runs.

