

# Eagle football starts 'new ballgame'

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Colby High School football coach Mike Gottsch isn't taking Scott City lightly, but he said the Eagles have been preparing for the start of district play all year.

"I don't think there are very many teams that have played the schedule we have," Gottsch said. The Eagles have played three ranked teams in Wray, Colo., Concordia, Hays and Atwood,

along with Oakley, who beat a ranked St. Francis team and gave Atwood a scare.

Colby's only win this season came against Oberlin, but Gottsch said each of the games came down to "4-5 plays."



"We're all 0-0 now," said Gottsch. Besides Colby and Scott City, the district includes Goodland, who has yet to win a game, and Ulysses who is ranked and it Colby's last opponent in a home game on Oct. 25.

As for Scott City, Gottsch said they will be a tough opponent. "They are a very good team," he said. "They were ranked, but had a little set-back and are 4-2."

Gottsch said their primary weapons

will be quarterback Lance McKinney and Zach Winter.

"Winter is a very versatile back," said Gottsch. "We'll probably see him in a lot of different places."

Gottsch said McKinney is a scrambler with good field sense. "He can make things happen."

Gottsch also said the Scott City defense will be very quick.

Game time tonight is 7:30 p.m. in Scott City.

# Heartland kids win tourney

GARDEN CITY — Six Heartland Christian School soccer teams traveled to Garden City to compete with three other western Kansas Christian schools and two home school groups.

All of the Heartland Christian School teams proceeded into the play-off games, with four teams emerging with first place victories and one second.

The Kindergarten/1st Grade, 2/3rd Grades, 5/6th Grades, and Junior High girls teams all won first place ribbons. The fourth grade team took second and the 7/8th team also competed.

Lindsey Wilson, the goalie for the 5th grade team and the Junior High Girls Team, had a complete shut-out, no one scored a goal on her in any of the four games she played and her team won first place in both divisions.

Here are the other teams competing: Marienthal Christian School, Marienthal, Kansas; Crosswalk Christian School, Sublette, Kansas; Heritage Christian Academy, Hugoton, Kansas; Heartland Christian School, Mingo, Kansas; High Plains Home Educators (Garden City area); and Mead County Home School.

Here are the Heartland teams and their finishes:

Kindergarten/1st grade — Luke Cox, Shania Dirks, Tucker Gerstner, Amy Myers, Daniel Dawson, Suzy Kasselmann, Alexi Regier, Connor Wilson, Zane Winger, Savannah



Alexi Regler, Luke Cox, Amy Myers and Shania Dirks, from the Heartland Christian School Kindergarten/First grade team, went after a ball at the annual soccer tournament by the High Plains Home Educators Group and Crosswalk Christian School.

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2/3rd grade — Landon Dirks, Nick Larmer, Leigh Ann Maurath, Bailey Rather, Kellan Ziegelmeier, Natalie Morris, Clint Goossen, Katie Kasselmann, Rachel Myers, Ariel Regier, Cheyanne Sowers.

4th grade — Mary Beth Dawson, Kasey Donley, Jeremy Funk, Jonathan Funk, Adam Maurath, Danyelle Mazanec, Jeremy Myers, Tiffany Wilson, Chaz Winger.

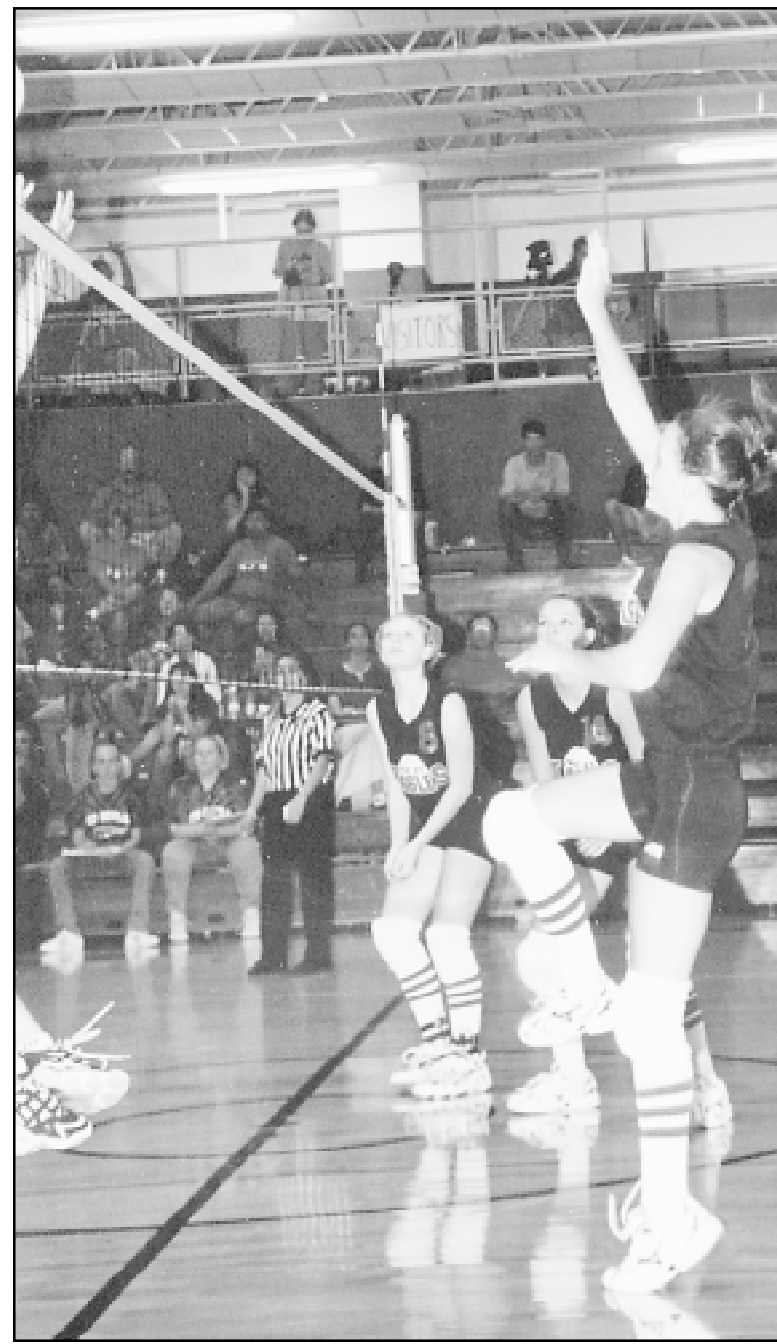
5/6th grade — Sam Kasselmann, Haley Kistler, Leanna Larmer,

Bethany Rather, Abbie Reed, Dustin Splattstoesser, Lindsey Wilson, Andrew Dawson, Randi Donley, Brady Rather, Kale Regier, Brittany Sowers.

Junior high girls — Randi Donley, Rachel Funk, Shawna Goossen, Michelle Myers, Leah Raymo, Brittany Sowers, Lindsey Wilson, Robin Wilson.

7/8th grade — Jake Beckley, Ben Burgess, Shawna Goossen, Paul Kasselmann, Leah Raymo, Rachel Funk, Sam Meserve, Michelle Myers, Robin Wilson.

# Winning form



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Megan Blatt returned for the Colby High School Lady Eagles against Quinter on Tuesday. Also pictured are Summer Stephens and Tiffany Focke. The Lady Eagles will be at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament on Saturday at Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland at 10 a.m.

## Local Schedule

**Friday, Oct. 12**  
Class 4A state tennis tournament in Pratt.

Colby High School varsity football in Scott city at 7:30 p.m.

Brewster High School varsity football hosts Grinnell at 7:30 p.m.

Golden Plains High School varsity football hosts Cheylin in Rexford at 7:30 p.m.

Colby Community College volleyball at the Northeastern Colorado Tournament in Sterling, Colo.

**Saturday, Oct. 13**  
Class 4A state tennis continues

Northwestern Kansas League cross country meet in Oberlin at 10 a.m.

Northwestern Kansas League volleyball at Goodland at 10 a.m.

Western Kansas Liberty League volleyball in Brewster at 10 a.m.

Colby Community College volleyball continues at the Northeastern Colorado Tournament in Sterling.

Trojan cross country at the Fort Hays State Invitational in Hays.

**Monday, Oct 15**  
Class 4A state golf in Hutchinson

Colby High School jayvee football hosts Scott City at Dennen Field at 5:30 p.m.

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