

# Jayhawks are handling media quite well

LAWRENCE (AP)—Jeff Boschee moved smoothly from a national radio interview to a press conference.

Kansas' shooting guard fielded questions ranging from 3-point shooting, to the Jayhawks' Final Four matchup with Maryland, to a couple who named their infant daughter "Deavynn Boschee Christine Schlesener."

"It's flattering," Boschee said. "I guess it's a credit to what I've accomplished here in my career and what the team has accomplished."

The Jayhawks have handled the media crush all season and are about to step onto a bigger stage, making their first Final Four appearance since 1993.

Kansas players have had a sampling of what to expect from the national media from their fans in Lawrence.

The Jayhawks are treated like a boy band—especially Boschee, the team's

designated heartthrob.

"They crowd in on us, scream at us, grab at us," forward Nick Collison said. "It's good to know that those people support you, but sometimes it's tough when all those people are up in your face, screaming for an autograph from like a foot away."

The Jayhawks have received plenty of national attention throughout the season with media reporting on the squad that spent a number of weeks as the top-ranked team.

"It seems like you just keep answering the same questions over and over," guard Kirk Hinrich said Tuesday. "It's a good problem to have, though."

In addition to basic statistical information, Jayhawks fans now know All-American forward Drew Gooden spends his summers in Finland with his mother's family, and that coach Roy Williams once threatened to send him

back to Oakland on a bus if he didn't buy into Kansas' game plan.

Gooden doesn't shy away from the attention—and if he gets a bit prickly fielding questions about the Jayhawks' inside toughness, he generally remains gracious even through long interview sessions.

"Coach told me that I was going to get a lot of media attention this year, and the media can either make you or break you," Gooden said. "So I try to get along with the media and not turn anybody down. I know everybody's got a job to do."

Fans also know that Boschee and Hinrich have had dates interrupted by fans, and that there was a Boschee impostor was on the Internet—until the university tracked the culprit down and put a stop to it.

The Jayhawks, and even Williams, seem more amused than distracted by

the offbeat questions and the spotlight.

"This team's composed of old guys and a couple of freshmen who have really handled themselves well this year," Boschee said. "We don't let the media hype get to our heads. We've still got a job to do."

That job, Collison said, is winning the Jayhawks' first national title since 1988.

"We realize how close we are to our goal, and we realize we can enjoy the journey and get into the media hype after the season," he said.

"We realize now that it's all about basketball."

That's exactly what Williams wants to hear.

"I think this team's mature enough to handle the attention," he said.

"Every once in a while, they'll say a little bit more than maybe they should."

# Trojan baseball loses on road; home today

The trip to El Dorado on Sunday for the Colby Community College baseball Trojans didn't pan out as hoped.

In a doubleheader with Butler County Community College, the Trojans lost both games, 15-5 in 5 innings in the first game and 10-0 in 6 innings in the second game.

Freshman Keith Willis smashed a grand slam for the Trojans in the fifth inning of Game 1, providing most of the ammunition for that inning's 5 runs.

However, the host team took the win by run-rule in the bottom of the

inning. Colby's Brandon Shiers suffered his first loss; the freshman is now 4-1 on the mound.

In Game 2, Butler County owned a 6-0 lead after the second inning and was up 7-0 in the fourth. Butler got 3 more runs in the sixth to claim the win by run-rule.

Taking the loss was Adam Einspahr, a freshman; he is 0-1.

The Trojans are scheduled to meet Otero Community College at home today in a doubleheader, starting at 1 p.m. Colby is 2-4 in the conference and 10-12 overall.

# Rockies get win

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)—Juan Uribe went 3-for-4 with three RBIs Tuesday as the Colorado Rockies defeated the Chicago White Sox 10-9.

Uribe, who leads the Rockies with 10 doubles this spring, had RBI doubles in the second and fifth.

His offense helped offset starter Denny Neagle's worst outing of the spring. Neagle gave up eight runs and 11 hits in five innings. He struck out two.

Neagle, scheduled to start Colorado's home opener against Houston on April 8, gave up a homer to Magglio Ordonez in the third and back-to-back homers to Sandy Alomar Jr. and Tony Graffanino in the sixth.

"I made some good pitches. The one Ordonez hit out was a pretty good pitch. He's just that good of a hitter," Neagle said.

The White Sox scored four runs off Neagle in the fifth and Paul Konerko added an RBI single in the seventh off reliever Kent Mercker.

Colorado scored four in the fifth, including a two-run homer by Jose Ortiz off starter Jon Garland.

Closer Jose Jimenez pitched one inning to pick up the save.

# Quick trip around the sports world

## BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP)—Baseball commissioner Bud Selig pledged not to lock out players through the World Series but left open the chance that owners would impose new work rules during the offseason, a move that could trigger another strike this summer.

The players' union, operating without a labor contract since Nov. 7, quickly interpreted Selig's statement as a veiled threat to impose vast economic changes as soon as the postseason ends.

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP)—The Cincinnati Reds reached the 25-man roster limit by making their biggest decision of spring training.

Manager Bob Boone wants as many relievers as possible, so the Reds will go with 12 pitchers to start the season, giving Boone plenty of choices out of the bullpen but fewer options off the bench.

NEW YORK (AP)—Atlanta Thrashers forward Dan Snyder was suspended for three games without pay by the NHL for elbowing Ottawa's Sami Salo on Saturday.

NEW YORK (AP)—New York Rangers goalie Mike Richter will miss at least two weeks with a broken bone

Australian Open this year helped Thomas Johansson win his first Grand Slam title. Johansson wasn't so lucky at the Nasdaq-100 Open.

The ninth-seeded Agassi, seeking his fifth Key Biscayne title and second in a row, beat the eighth-seeded Johansson 7-5, 6-2 to reach the quarterfinals. Agassi's opponent Wednesday will be No. 20 Nicolas Lapentti, who beat Adrian Panatta 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

No. 2 Venus Williams, seeking her fourth title in the event, became the first semifinalist by rallying past No. 12 Elena Dementieva 5-7, 6-3, 6-2. Williams won despite blowing a 3-0 lead in the first set and committing 48 unforced errors and 10 double faults.

NEW YORK (AP)—Atlanta Thrashers forward Dan Snyder was suspended for three games without pay by the NHL for elbowing Ottawa's Sami Salo on Saturday.

NEW YORK (AP)—New York Rangers goalie Mike Richter will miss at least two weeks with a broken bone

in his skull, further hampering the team's playoff push.

Richter was hit in the mask twice in the first three minutes of Friday's loss to the Atlanta Thrashers.

INDY RACING

FONTANA, Calif. (AP)—Indy Racing League driver Robbie Buhl was released from the hospital after recovering from a concussion he sustained in qualifying for last weekend's Yamaha Indy 400 at California Speedway.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—The 140,000-plus fans at this year's Kentucky Derby will be screened with magnetic wands when they enter Churchill Downs under beefed-up security in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Arkansas athletic director Frank Broyles was given permission to talk with Kent State basketball coach Stan Heath about replacing Nolan Richardson as the Razorbacks' coach.

Real Estate • Divorce • Probate • Child Custody/Support  
Trusts • Estate Planning • Bankruptcy • Bus. Org.  
Criminal Defense • General Litigation  
~ SERVING NORTHWEST KANSAS ~

ANDREA R. DEAN  
**Wyrick & Dinkel, P.A.**  
- ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS AT LAW -

CALL 785-852-4095 FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
OR IN COLBY, 462-5791.

# The Business Directory

To have your ad placed in the Business Directory, call Crystal or Mandy at 462-3963.

**"DOs, DON'Ts & DOLLARS"**

~ Radio Show With Jim Oliver ~  
**KLOE/730 AM**  
MONDAYS • 9:30 a.m. CST

Securities offered exclusively through  
**RAYMOND JAMES**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
MEMBER S&P 500

**JIM OLIVER, CHFC**  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR

**CHECK OUT OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS!!**

**EVERYDAY LOW PRICES!!**

**Lobo RETAIL LIQUOR**  
260 E. 4th • Downtown Colby, Kansas

**NEW SYSTEM Professional WINDOW CLEANING**  
Colby, Kansas

COMMERCIAL-RESIDENTIAL-FREE ESTIMATES  
Serving NW Kansas & Eastern Colorado

**785-462-6995 or 1-800-611-6735**

Chris & Beth Lewon  
"We do windows"

**ULTRA LITE STYLE FAMILY OF LENSES**

**Larry Washburn, O.D.**  
Doctor of Optometry  
505 Franklin  
Colby, KS  
785-462-3348

**ALAN D. SAGER ACCOUNTING & TAXES**

15 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
**Alan Sager - Accountant**

415 N. GARFIELD • COLBY • 465-8088

**Warta Chiropractic & Fitness Club**  
415 N. Franklin • Colby • 785-462-3350

**Dr. A.J. Warta** 25 years of experience as a licensed chiropractor

Where you can still get a full-spine adjustment for 1980's fees!

Monday & Wednesday: 2:00-7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Science and Nature Working Together For You!

BC/BC CAP Provider  
Simple Care Provider

**ADAMS, BROWN, BERAN & BALL, CHARTERED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Full Line Of Professional Services:

- Individual and Business Tax Preparation
- Bookkeeping and Payroll Service
- Financial and Estate Planning

**BRIAN C. STAATS, C.P.A.**  
505 N. Franklin, Suite D • Colby, KS • 785-462-7501

FOR YOUR FINANCIAL PLANNING NEEDS, STOP BY AND SEE ME.

**TANYA A. STAATS**  
INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE

**ADAMS, BROWN, BERAN & BALL**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

505-D North Franklin Colby, Kansas 67701  
785-462-7501 • Fax: 785-462-3172  
Home: 785-462-6537

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK OF COLBY Investment Center**

Are you going to pay Uncle Sam a little extra this year, or are you going to open an IRA with us?  
Come see me today!

**Michelle L. Foote**  
Financial Advisor

Securities offered exclusively through  
**RAYMOND JAMES**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
AN INDEPENDENT BROKER/DEALER

Phone: 785-462-3321  
Toll Free: 877-462-3321  
240 W. 4th • Colby, KS

**CERSOVSKY INSURANCE**  
FARM HOME AUTO BUSINESS LIFE CROP

**"Customer Service is Our Policy"**

**CINDY L. CERSOVSKY**  
Cersovsky Insurance Inc

370 N. Franklin • P.O. Box 310 • Colby KS 67701  
Ph. 785-462-7544 Toll Free 888-462-7544

**ROUND TRIP TRAVEL** 140 W. 4th • Colby 462-6999 • 1-888-690-7077

**2002 Bus Tour Schedule Call for Calendar!**

•• VACATION SPECIALS ••

LAS VEGAS - Air & hotel	From (per adult) \$200	No. of nights 4	WORLDWIDE: Vacation Packages, Tours, Cruises, Flights, Hotels, Trains, Cars
DISNEY WORLD - Hotel, air, park passes	\$505	3	
MEXICO - Air & hotel	\$450	3	
CARIBBEAN CRUISE & AIR	\$1,050	5	
ALASKAN CRUISE & AIR	\$1,500	7	
HAWAII - Air & hotel	\$740	3	
LONDON, ENGLAND - Air & hotel	\$700	3	
AMTRAK EXPLORE AMERICA	\$359	Max. 45	

ALL SPECIALS MAY BE FOR SPECIFIC DATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. CALL IN OR FAX YOUR INTERNET QUOTES AND OTHER ADS! WE CAN BOOK THEM FOR YOU WITH LOCAL, CARING SERVICE!!! Ask about AAA, AARP, Senior & Companion, Corporate and Government discounts!

20/20 vision isn't the only reason to see your eye doctor

**Drs. Morrison & Wahlmeier**  
James F. Morrison, OD, FFAO  
Jeffrey B. Morrison, OD  
Mark F. Wahlmeier, OD

180 W. 6th, Colby 462-8231

MS 1  
DIABETES 2  
GLAUCOMA 3  
CATARACTS 4  
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE 5

Ask us about same day glasses  
Authorized Oakley RX Dealer

Hours: 8 am-5 pm (M-F)  
Saturdays by appt.

**SCOTT'S CUSTOM DETAILING**

For all your auto cleaning needs!  
~ Located at Mufflers Plus ~

Scott Harrison - 785-462-7248 - 320 W. 4th