

# Basketball classic to showcase some of the area's finest

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Basketball fans from a wide area will be in Colby on Sunday for the 11th annual Sports Shoppe/Colby Bowl All-Star Classic at the Colby Community Building. The classic, featuring senior basketball players will involve both women's and men's games. Tip-off for the women is scheduled for 5 p.m. with the men's game to follow.

This basketball classic has grown over the years into a major attraction for northwest Kansas sports fans, showcasing some of the finest talent in the territory.

Players from as far away as Hays and Ness City will be among the participants.

Following is a list of players, and coaches, for this year's classic:

**WOMEN (light jerseys)** — Jessica Osborn (Goodland), Kayla Beckman (Grinnell), Alicia Ostmeyer (Grinnell), Sara Moore (Cheylin), Amanda Seemann (Colby), Molly Kuhlman (Ness City), Brooke Inlow (Oakley), Jenna Wilson (Smith Center), Lindsay Gaschler (Ellis), Erin Locke (WaKeeney). Coach for the light team will be Shelly Hoyt (Hoxie). She will be assisted by Kathy Bergin.

**WOMEN (dark jerseys)** — Andrea Vap (LaCrosse), Sheena Kuntzsch (Scott City), Kim Torluemke (Hoxie), Valerie Jackson (Logan), Tanya Beckman (Grinnell), Abby Ream (Oberlin), Cortney Moser (Winona), Ashley Calvin (Hays), Ivy Ramsey (Colby) and Erin Bixenman (Grinnell).

Coach for the dark team is Rose McFarland (WaKeeney). She will be assisted by Stephanie Schaeffer.

**MEN (light jerseys)** — Garrett Levin (Kensington), Caleb Wick (Smith Center), Curt Stramel (Hays), Jered Sloan (Norton), Trevor Blackwill (Quinter), James Newman (Hoxie), Lance Basgall (Herndon), Grant Bailey (Jennings), Tyson Triplett (Logan) and Joel Hrabe (Plainville). The light team will be coached by Dick Alhberg (Oberlin).

**MEN (dark jerseys)** — Egan Grafel (Oberlin), Sage Hemmert (Quinter), Cody Sattler (Oakley), Lance Tedford (Goodland), Brian Sulzman (Colby), Laran Steele (Weskan), Mike Raile (St. Francis), Brian Crittendon (Greeley County), Kent Packard (Wheatland) and Curtis Snodgrass (Atwood). Owing to an injury, Shane Stover (Colby) is unable to participate. He was selected as an honorary member. Coach for the dark team is John Crist (Quinter).

Television replays of both games are also planned. The women's game will be telecast on KSNK-TV on Sunday, March 28, beginning at 10:35 p.m., and the men's game on Sunday, April 4, also at 10:35 p.m.

Additional information is available by contacting Tom Stephens, head women's basketball coach at Colby Community College, at (785) 462-3984, ext. 269.

*(Any name misspelled please let the Free Press know so a correction can be made. This possibility exists when such a large roster is compiled.)*

## Determined



TISHA COX/Colby Free Press

Colby Community College Lady Trojan softball player Shanae Calkins stepped up to the plate during a game last week against the Garden City Community College Broncbusters. The Lady Trojans next face Pratt Community College on the road March 24.

## Shockers vs. Seminoles tonight

WICHITA (AP) — Florida State returns to post season play for the first time in six years, but an NIT bid wasn't exactly what the Seminoles had in mind.

However, after losing its last five games to finish 18-13 and just 6-11 against Atlantic Coast Conference foes, Florida State played its way out of an NCAA tournament invitation and into the NIT.

The Seminoles play Wichita State (21-10) for the first time tonight, needing to erase the disappointment of missing out on the NAAs.

"Obviously we would have liked

to make the big dance," forward Andrew Wilson said. "By the time we get out there and get in the atmosphere, I think we'll be ready to play."

And Florida State coach Leonard Hamilton hopes to keep on playing in the single-elimination tournament.

"When you realistically look at it, we need to keep playing," he said. "We need more challenges."

And somewhat similar to the Seminoles since both rely heavily on their guards.

Tim Pickett, who sprained both ankles in Florida State's last two

## Deadline is nearing for Colby's 3-on-3

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The time is closing in — rapidly. Plans should now be made and participation encouraged.

For what? For Colby's 5th annual 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament scheduled for Saturday, April 24 at the Colby Elementary and Middle School gyms.

Sponsored by the Colby High School All-Sports Boosters Club and Colby High School C-Club, the doors will open at 7:30 a.m. with pool play commencing at 8 a.m.

Teams are to register one-half hour prior to their first game. Team contact persons will be notified by phone on or before Thursday, April 22 of the time your team will begin bracket play as each age bracket plays at a different time.

The contact person is to notify other team members. Bracket information, schedules and rules will be given to teams at registration on April 24.

There are three age divisions: 3rd-4th, 5th-6th, 7th-8th. Separate divisions for boys and girls.

The entry fee is \$24 per team and deadline for entry form and money is Saturday, April 17.

Concessions will be available all day in the glassed-in corridor at the tournament site.

Admission is \$1 per person (players excluded). Age 5 and under are admitted free.

T-shirts and medals will be awarded to winners of each age division, and medals to second place.

For more information, please call: Donna Henry (785) 460-6363 (evenings) or 465-5350 (daytime); or Bonnie Dinkel at (785) 462-7247 (evenings) or 462-2751 (daytime).

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