

# Colby plays host for tourney

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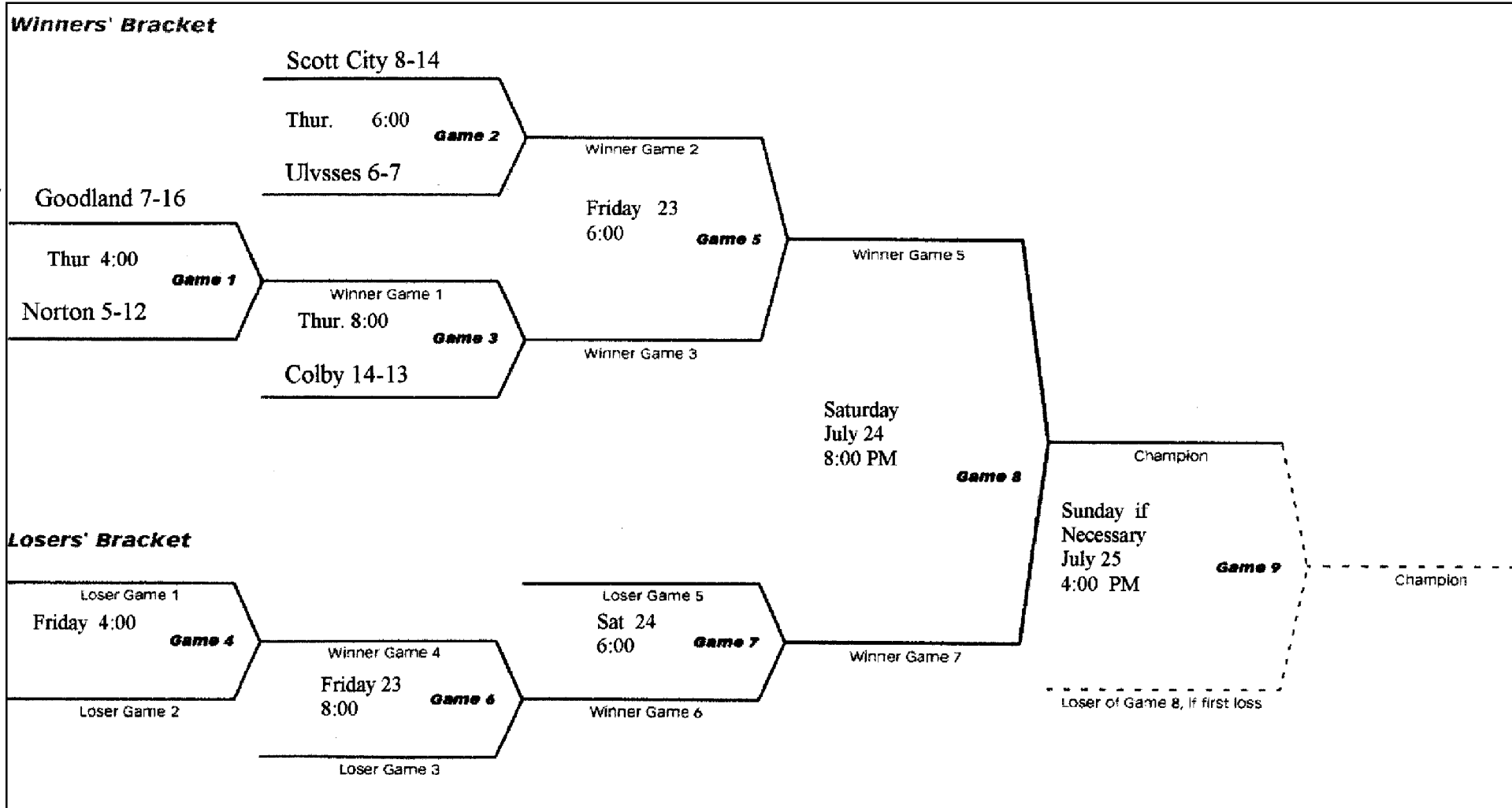
For the second year in a row, the American Legion baseball team in Colby will be hosting the American Legion Zone Tournament here, said Wayne Sulzman, one of Colby's coaches.

The tournament begins Thursday and continues through Sunday with Colby's first game starting at 8 p.m., Thursday, he said.

The winners from the zone tournament here will then advance to Wathena for the state competition starting Thursday, Aug. 4 through Saturday, Aug. 7. Going into this week's tournament, Colby has a 14-13 record, Sulzman said, and of the five teams traveling to Colby, Sulzman added that there are two teams, Scott City and Ulysses, that we haven't played.

"Both Scott City and Colby played a lot of AAA games (this season), which are bigger schools," he said.

"We are all anxious to get started since we have had several cancellations during the last couple of weeks."



Along with Sulzman, Ray Nolan, also coaches the team with Brett Houtz, managing.

The Colby team has 12 players. They are: Mitchell Gatz, catcher; Bruce Arnberger, 1st baseman; Jer-

emy Dietz, 2nd baseman; Brian Sulzman, pitcher and short stop; Chris Gordon, pitcher and 3rd baseman; Jordon Cranston, pitcher and left field; Jared Cranston, pitcher; Brett Wilson, center; Josh

Houtz, pitcher and outfield; Cory Reed, outfield; Brian Saddler, 2nd baseman; and Heath Bieker, outfield.

"I think, though, if we play good ball, we will win this tourney. It

comes down to pitching and fielding," he said. Last year there were six teams at the tournament, Sulzman said, to include Ellis, Scott City, Ulysses, Norton, Goodland, and Colby, but this year Ellis

dropped. There will be a gate fee; however, Ryan Sturdy, Colby City Recreation director, is reminding everyone who will be playing rec games to use the west gate during the tournament.

# SportsLine

## Eagle volleyball camp begins

The Colby High School volleyball camp started today and continues through Thursday, from 8-10 a.m. It will for those Colby girls who are going to be in the 9th-12th grade during the 2004-05 school year, and from 10:15 a.m.-12 noon for those girls who are going to be in the 7th-8th grade during the 2004-05 school year. The camp will be held at the Colby High School gym for both sessions. This is the team camp and all Colby girls who are interested in playing volleyball are strongly encouraged to attend. There is no charge.

## Eagle tennis camp on the agenda

Boys and girls entering the 9th through 12th grades at Colby High School are invited to attend the Eagles tennis camp July 26-30, from 8-10 a.m. daily. The camp includes a boys and girls singles tournament on Friday, July 30. There is a registration fee and that cost along with other information is available by calling Mike Fortkamp at 460-0352.

## Football camp reminder

The Colby Eagle football camp begins today and continues through Thursday from 6-8 p.m. each day at the practice fields at the high school. Details were provided in a story in the Friday, July 9 issue of the *Free Press*. Anyone desiring more information can call the coach, Greg Koenig, at 460-0602 or 785-443-0643.

## Weight room workouts continue

The summer weight room hours for all Colby School District athletes, 7th through 12th grades, continue and will do so through Aug. 12 at the high school gym. The room is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, with workout sessions from 6-7:15 a.m., 7:15-8:30 a.m., 8:30-9:45 a.m., and 6:30-7:45 p.m. These sessions will include strength training and also flexibility and agility. Athletes will need to attend one session daily, but need to arrive 15 minutes prior to the session they want to attend.

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# Colorado Rockies rally over Giants 10-9

By JOHN MARSHALL

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DENVER (AP) — After watching the San Francisco Giants score four runs in the ninth inning in the series opener, the Colorado Rockies figured a three-run deficit wouldn't be too much to overcome.

Besides, this is Coors Field, where almost no lead is safe.

Jeromy Burnitz and Preston Wilson each homered off Matt Herges and Aaron Miles capped Colorado's four-run ninth inning with an RBI single, helping the Rockies rally for a 10-9 victory Sunday over the San Francisco Giants.

"That's about as good as it gets," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said.

Colorado's comeback, which earned the Rockies a series split, was eerily similar to Thursday night, when closer Shawn Chacon gave up four runs in the ninth inning of a disheartening 7-5 loss.

San Francisco led 9-6 heading into the bottom of the ninth after Deivi Cruz hit a tiebreaking homer to lead off the eighth and Michael Tucker and Barry Bonds hit solo shots in the top half.

But Herges (4-4) couldn't hold the lead.

He came on to pitch the ninth and quickly gave up a single to Vinny Castilla.

Burnitz, who drove in four runs, followed with his 19th homer, a two-run shot to right that made it 9-8.

Wilson tied it five pitches later, curling his second homer of the sea-

son just inside the pole in left.

"I didn't fool anybody today," said Herges, who blew his seventh save in 29 chances. "It was just one of those days where they owned me like they knew what was coming."

Matt Holliday chased Herges with a single, then moved to second on Charles Johnson's sacrifice off Scott Eyre.

Todd Greene was intentionally walked and Miles followed with single over Bonds' head in left that allowed Holliday to score easily.

Todd Helton also homered and Tim Lincecum (4-1) allowed two runs and two hits in one inning to get the win for Colorado, which has won 10 of 14.

"We lulled them to sleep late," Hurdle said. We kept ourselves

close and obviously some lightning in the ninth. It was nice to see."

Bonds finished 3-for-4 after being intentionally walked for the sixth time in the series in the first inning. His homer in the ninth off Harikkala was his 24th of the sea-

son and 682nd career.

Ray Durham also homered and A.J. Pierzynski had three RBIs after being ejected the night before. The Giants lost for the first time in 44 games when leading after eight innings.

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7:30 Christian Concert - Free

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7:30 p.m. Free Family Night of Games

**Thursday, July 22**  
7:00 p.m. Cookie Baking Contest  
7:30 KPRA Rodeo

**Friday, July 23**  
5:00 p.m. 4-H Livestock Auction  
7:30 p.m. Demolition Derby

**Saturday, July 24**  
7:30 a.m. Old Settler's Breakfast @ School Cafeteria  
10:00 Parade down Center Avenue  
4:00 p.m. Kids Peddle Tractor Pull  
5:00 Free Barbecue in Annie Oakley Park  
7:00 Truck & Tractor Pull

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