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Colby High School's Jesse Hawk smothers an Oberlin opponent during Friday's junior varsity dual at the high school gym. Saturday, the JV Eagles will wrestle in the annual Bill Voss Novice Tournament. Action starts at 9 a.m. at Colby High School.

Eagle JV boys win tournament

Colby High School's junior varsity Eagles won the championship of the junior varsity tournament beating Goodland 45-31 Thursday.

Top scorer for the Eagles was Levi Schlick with 23. He was followed by Ryan White with eight.

Cory Sager had six pointsand Cade Carter and Tyson Miller each had four points.

The Eagles lost Friday at home to Oberlin, 45-42.

Leading scorer was Cade Carter with 16 points. Joining him in double digits was Levi Schlick with 12.

Ryan White had five points; Tyson Miller, four; Eric Blanton, three and Cory Sager, two.

Colby High School's Lady Eagle junior varsity squad split games Thursday and Friday.

Friday, the Lady Eagles won 41-29 over Oberlin, pushing their record to 13-2. It was a come from behind victory.

Colby scored 30 points in the second half after being down by as many as nine in the first half.

Leading the offense for the Lady Eagles was Aubrette Stephens with 11 points. Also in double digits was April Weaver with 10.

They were followed by Paige Stephens with eight; Lindsey Wilson, six; Taylor Young, four; and Jessica Leiker, two.

Thursday, Colby lost 27-30 to Goodland in the third-place game in the junior varsity tournament held last week in Colby.

Aubrette Stephens was the leading scorer for the Lady Eagles, with 16. Taylor Young had nine and Jessica Leiker, two.

7th-grade girls 9-0

Colby Middle School's seventh grade Lady Eagles are on a nine-game winning streak after beating Oberlin 39-18 Jan. 31.

With their latest win, the team is 9-0 on the season.

Defense continues to be an important factor as the seventh grade cagers averaging giving up 12 points a game.

With a balanced offense that has five players averaging more than five points per game, the girls are able to score an average of 44 points a game.

Colby has defeated Scott City, Hays Felten and Oakley.

"Coach Jordan Sharp and I try to emphasize to the girls the importance of defense and they have responded well," said head coach T.J. Scholz. "If each girl, from top to bottom keeps pushing the person in front of them, this group of girls will continue to have success."

Lady Bulldogs defeat Hill City

The Lady Bulldogs opened the game with a 10-0 outburst and never looked back defeating Hill City 54-37 Tuesday in Rexford.

Katelyn Spresser netted 22 points for Golden Plains. Valerie Broeckelman tossed in nine while Jessica Shaw added seven. Golen Plains outrebounded the Ringnecks 31-26 led by Broeckelman's eight caroms. Goldens Plains forced Hill City into 20 turnovers while committing only eight. Golden Plains play Friday at Wheatland.

Kansas State coach to undergo surgery for neck problems

MANHATTAN (AP) — Kansas State basketball coach Jim Wooldridge will undergo surgery on Wednesday to remove a bulging disk in his neck, the school announced Monday.

Kansas State's next game is at home on Wednesday night against Iowa State, but how much longer Wooldridge will be out is uncertain. The problem has caused numbness in his upper and lower extremities.

Assistant coach Jimmy Elgas will serve as interim coach for the Wildcats (12-7, 3-5 Big 12), who have been reeling from losses to Colorado, Baylor and Oklahoma State.

Wooldridge said in a statement that he has been suffering from the condition for much of the season, but it became more acute the past 10 days and a neurosurgeon on Monday recommended surgery.

"The doctors have informed me that without immediate attention that this condition will only become more serious and permanent," said Wooldridge, 50.

"I hate to step away from the team at such a critical juncture of the season, but I believe that I have to take measures now to correct these health issues."

Doctors said Wooldridge is suffering from a "significant disk protrusion" at the C3-4 vertebrae in his neck. The school said this is creating pressure on his spinal cord and causing numbness in the upper and lower extremities.

Doctors also discovered a disk bulge and a small bone spur at the C5-6 vertebrae.

A school spokesman, Tom Gilbert, said Wooldridge was not expected to miss the rest of the season.

"It just really depends on how he's feeling and how the surgery goes," Gilbert said. "This is obviously pretty major surgery. They're going to wait and see. We should have a better idea by Friday."

In his sixth year at Kansas State, Wooldridge is 80-84 overall and under intense pressure to get his team into the NCAA tournament this year or face possible dismissal.

Shockers fall at UNI

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa (AP) — Wearing a different jersey than usual and missing shot after shot, Northern Iowa's Ben Jacobson hardly looked like himself during the first half of Tuesday night's game against Wichita State.

But soon after team managers scrubbed the blood off his familiar No. 12 jersey, Jacobson found his shooting stroke and led the 25th-ranked Panthers to a 68-56 victory, one of their biggest of an already special season.

Eric Coleman scored 20 points and Jacobson had all 15 of his in the second half for the Panthers, who moved into the Top 25 last week for the first time in school history.

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~ League Bowling Results ~

January 30 - First Nighters League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Montana Mikes	90	36	1
Grinnell Furniture	76	50	2
Discount Repair of Oakley	67	59	3
C.C.C. Boys	66	60	4
Colby Implement	62	64	5
N.W. Fire Extinguisher	59	67	6
Frontier Equity	58	68	7
Woofter Well & Pump	58	68	8
Warrior Hunting Supply	52	74	9
Schlick Construction	42	84	10

First high Men Individual game: Ron Owings, 253
First high Men Individual series: John Brown, 688
First high Women Individual game: Kelly Lee, 210
First high Women Individual series: Kelly Lee, 537

February 3 - Ten Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Classic Trojans	13	3	1
Hurtt Enterprises	9	7	2
Cal Williams	9	7	3
Comfort Inn	8	8	4
KNEA/S.P.	8	8	5
Satan Haters	8	8	6
Colby Bowl	4	12	7

First high Individual game: Bobbi Barton, 208
First high Individual series: Mary Hurtt, 526

January 31 - Early Bird Ladies League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
www.strike	12	4	1
Jean's Rollers	11	5	2
4 4 Fun	7	9	3
NW Vacuum	7	9	4
Bowlerettes	7	9	5
Van's Merry Four	4	12	6

First high Individual game: Dee Hovda, 181
First high Individual series: Jessica Helus, 484

February 1 - Ladies Nite Out

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Lobo Liquor	15	5	1
Strike-Outs	14	6	2
Who-No's?	12	8	3
Don's Electric	11	9	4
Bottle Gallery	9	11	5
Straight Line	9	11	6
Sunflower Bank	9	11	7
Twisters	8	12	8
Camouflage Lawn Care	8	12	9

First high Individual game: Linda Joyce, 221
First high Individual series: Linda Liester, 572

January 25 - Powderpuff League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Service Oil	10	6	1
Farm Credit	8	8	2
Weiser	7	9	3
Golden Harvest Seed	7	9	4

First high Individual game: Dee Hovda, 187
First high Individual series: Dee Hovda, 531

January 31 - Pinbusters League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Twisters	136	74	1
United Commercial Travelers	118	92	2
Colby Bowl	116	94	3
Donelan Jewelry	112	98	4
Colby Automotive	108	102	5
Pepsi Cola	92	118	6
Mufflers Plus	82	128	7
Cox Communications	76	134	8

First high Individual game: Rich Bachman, 268
First high Individual Series: Ronald Owings, 691

February 2 - King Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Place
Colby Automotive	111	57	1
Warks Embroidery	97	71	2
Thunderballs	95	73	3
T - J's Tire	90	78	4
www.visitcolby.com	74	94	5
Orschelns	70	98	6
5 Pony Men	69	99	7
Colby Bowl & Fun Center	66	102	8

First high Individual game: Vern Schwanke, 259
First high Individual series: Vern Schwanke, 662

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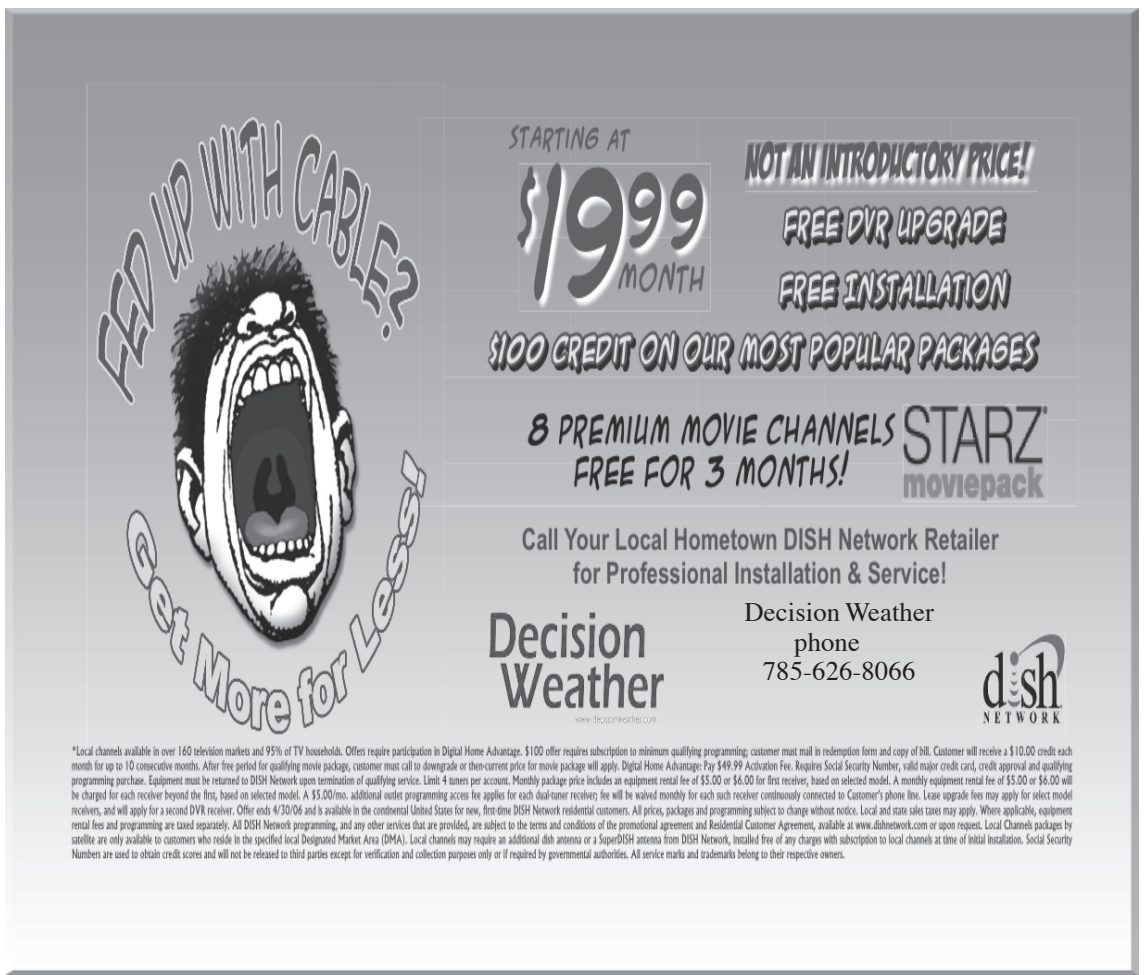
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