

Pratt throws a no hitter at Trojans

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Pratt swept Colby Tuesday in a low-scoring doubleheader Monday at Pratt.
Pratt won game one 2-0 wit the help of a no-hitter.
The Trojans got one of their best starts of the year from sophomore T.R. Keating (4-5, 2.98) but squandered as Colby was no-hit by Pratt starter Manuel Ruiz.
Keating went six innings and allowed one run on seven hits, one walk and six strike outs. Keating now leads all Colby pitchers with 51.7 innings pitched this year.
Ruiz frustrated Trojan hitters with a fastball, change-up combo that featured pitches that rarely touched 80 mph. A 20 mph wind blowing straight in from center affected hits to the outfield. The Trojans failed to make an adjustment at the plate by recording 13 fly ball outs.
Pratt won game two 2-1.

Errors plague Colby in two losses

Colby recorded more errors than hits in its two games Monday against Russell and Scott City.
Colby lost its first game of the day 7-4 against Russell. Colby scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth to lead 4-2. Russell answered with five runs in the sixth to win the game.
Eagle starting pitcher Trent Powell was replaced by Tyson Plumisto after six and two-third innings. Powell got the loss. He gave up five hits, three earned runs and struck out five.
Colby had four hits one each from Jeremy Dietz, Mitchell Gatz, Joseph Heier and Cory Sager. Gatz

Colby managed to get their first hit of the day in the first inning but the scoring drought continued.
Freshman Josh Turner appeared to be back to form as he threw six innings and allowed two runs in a losing effort. Trojan batters scattered nine hits but did not manage to score until a Jason Chatwood double in the top of the seventh inning.
Second baseman Jason Chatwood is making a strong bid for freshman of the season hitting .371 with 14 doubles, one triple, five homeruns and 27 RBI's. His fielding .968 at second base. Chatwood has not missed a game this season.
The Trojans are 14-10 in conference and sit in third place with eight games remaining in the season.
Colby played Cloud County today. Barton County visits Colby 1 p.m. Thursday. The Trojans have a chance to finish as high as second place and as low as seventh depending on the games this week.

had the team's only RBI.
Colby had three errors.
Colby lost its second game of the day 7-5 to Scott City. Scott City established a 6-0 lead before the Eagles scored two in its half of the fourth inning. Colby added three more in the fifth to trail 6-5.
Colby again had four hits in the game, one from Dietz, Gatz, Kevin Lang and Plumisto. Lang had an RBI.
Plumisto pitched the entire second game. He gave up seven hits, one earned run and struck out nine. Colby had seven errors.
Colby (4-4 overall) plays 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Holcomb.

KSU going all out

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Bands will play and children will shout.
There will be carnival rides, a golf tournament, a baseball game and live music. During a chef showdown the governor herself is calling "an official barbecue championship of the state of Kansas," the tempting aroma of brisket and ribs will perfume the April air.
In addition to all that, at the end of Kansas State's innovative spring football weekend in Manhattan, an actual, leather-popping football game will be played.
But even that will come with come with several new twists. After holding an NFL-like player draft on Thursday, Kansas State's two coordinators will split the Wildcats into separate teams for a competition kicking off Saturday at 6 p.m.
First-year head coach Ron Prince will have a bird's-eye view, at least for the first half. Instead of pacing the sidelines and barking out orders as head coaches normally do, Prince will be in the radio booth offering color commentary.

"I'll be the commissioner of the draft and have a big part in everything that happens," said Prince, who acknowledges he has never done anything like this before.
"But it's a good opportunity for me to step back from it and maybe provide some insight for the fans."
It's being billed as Kansas State's inaugural Spring Game Fan Fest Weekend and even has a title sponsor, Alltel Wireless. The festivities include a carnival, a midway and a children's fun zone. A battle of the bands contest will offer music, and the barbecue competition will pit some top tailgaters, both amateur and pro, against each other.
A golf tournament will tee off at Colbert Hills on Friday. On Saturday, Kansas State will host Kansas in a Big 12 baseball game.
Laura Tietjen, the associate director of athletics, was one of the main creators of the Spring Game Fan Fest Weekend and hopes at least 20,000 people attend.
"I don't want to take credit for it completely," she said. "A lot of schools have done some things that are similar."

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Colby Community Lady Trojan Megan Scheuerman took a put during a golf tournament at Colby Country Club Monday. Teams who competed were Dodge City Community College, Barton County Community College, Pratt Community College and Colby Dodge City won the tournament with a 575 total for 27 holes. Barton County finished second with 586 and Pratt was third with a 590. Colby only has three women golfers and a team is comprised of five members. Colby did not have a team score. The individual golfer with the lowest score was Melissa Brown from Dodge City. For Colby Kati Near of Meade had a 156; Megan Scheuerman of Healy, 159 and Kate Nelson of Hoxie finished with 191.

Colby golfers place 13th

Colby High School's boys golf team placed 13th out of 16 teams Tuesday at a meet in McCook, Neb.
Chris Staley led Colby with a 95. R.J. Ladenberger scored a 106, followed by Cole Finley, 107 and Kyle Molstad, 109. As a team, Colby scored a 417.
Coach Tom Bowen said the windy conditions were a nuisance. "The conditions were nasty, but

we all had to play in it," he said.
Bowen said he is pleased with the progress of freshmen Finley and Molstad.
"They are doing a good job," he said.
Colby plays 3 p.m. Tuesday at Hoxie. As of today, the April 11 meet at Goodland has not yet been rescheduled.

CMS track wins

Colby Middle School's girls track teams have had success.
At the Norton Invitational earlier this month, the seventh-grade girls finished first and the eighth-grade girls finished second.
Katrina Kaus set a school record in the 1600 meter with 6:08.28. Kayla Hockersmith won the 75 hurdles, 200 meter and high jump. The eighth-grade girls 400 relay team won.
The seventh-grade girls won the Phillipsburg Invitational.
Kylie Reitcheck won the shot put and discus. Hockersmith, Caitlyn Wark, Amy Schroeder and Shelby Terrell took first through fourth respectively in the 200. Hockersmith, Terrell, Kimberly Gerstner and Katherine Kaus took first through fourth, respectively, in the 400.

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Redmond throws two-hitter for Eagles

Sarah Redmond's two-hit performance highlighted Colby's split of a doubleheader Thursday against Goodland.
Redmond also struck out nine and did not have a walk. Colby won game one 7-0.
Colby's scores came from 10 hits. Leah Cox led with 3-3 and two RBIs. Kristen Cox had a triple and two RBIs. Christy Gerstner was 2-3 with a double.
"We had a solid game one," said Colby Eagle coach Jack Elliott. "There was great pitching, solid defense and timely offense."
Goodland won game two 3-1.
"We got behind. There was a let down defensively and no clutch hitting," Elliott said.
Cox let Colby 2-3 with a double and a triple. Lauren Cox hit a double and had the RBI. Cierra Rous also hit a double.
The junior varsity Eagles swept Goodland. Colby won game one 25-10.
Jordan Krzycki hit two singles,

triples and had three RBIs. Whitney Ritter also hit three RBIs. Brenna Jones hit two triples and singles.
Tisha Bieker got the win for Colby.
Colby won game two 12-8.
Jones led Colby at the plate with two RBIs and a double and triple. Gillian Zambrana and Laura Dougherty each hit a RBI.
Chanelle Staats got the win for Colby throwing four strike outs.
"Our defense let us down in both games," said coach Kathy Elliott. "We gave up too many unearned runs. We never gave up even though we were down early in both games."
Colby plays 4 p.m. Friday at Goodland.

Sweet Thunder sign up is Sunday

Colby Sweet Thunder, a girls traveling fast-pitch softball league, is having registration for the 2006 season 3 p.m. Sunday, at the Colby Community College in Colby.
This is open for girls ages 8-18 as of Jan 1. Interested girls will need to bring a photocopy of their birth certificate and a parent to sign forms. Girls 16-18 years old will also need a photo copy of their driver's license. Forms can also be accessed on our Web site www.colbysweetthunder.org.
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