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Colby High senior Jessica Leiker hit a drive at practice as she got ready for the team's next meet today at Oakley.

Lady golfers set personal records

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The Colby High girls golf team had a momentous day at Ulysses on Tuesday: not one, not two, but all six of the team's varsity players broke their all-time best scores. Senior Jessica Leiker finished 11th in the tournament with a score of 100. She had a 48 on the front nine and a 52 on the back nine. Freshman Kaylee Kech shot a 107 overall, 55 on the front nine and 59 on the back nine. Sophomore Audrie Fleming shot 111, 57 on the front and 54 on the back. Senior Kayla Sloan shot

a 131 for the day. Her goal before the tournament was to finish with a score of 130, said coach Rick Williams. After scoring a 72 on the front nine, it didn't look like she had any chance. "She looked really disappointed after playing her front nine," Williams said. But Sloan was able to refocus and come within a hair's length of reaching her goal by shooting a 59 on her back nine, he said. Juniors Mitchell Schroeder and Heather Griggs both finished with an overall score of 136. The team was to be back in action at 3 p.m. today at Oakley.

Eagles volleyball team picks up three victories

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The Colby High volleyball team went 1-3 Saturday at a meet in Topeka. The Lady Eagles defeated Junction City 25-9, 25-18 and suffered losses to Leavenworth 25-19, 25-10, 25-21, the Topeka Seaman 25-11, 25-9, and St. Mary's 25-11, 26-24. The team returned home to compete on Tuesday.

The Lady Eagles won both of their games on this day defeating Norton in two sets 25-16, 25-20 and beating Rawlins County 25-16, 23-25, and 25-14. The freshman volleyball team placed fifth at a tournament in Oberlin on Saturday. The girls defeated Goodland 25-21, 23-25, 15-11 and Rawlins County 25-18, 25-21, but fell to Phillipsburg 25-17, 25-20. The varsity team will compete on Saturday at Oakley.

Junior varsity team gains some experience

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The Colby High junior varsity tennis team filled in for the varsity at the Colby Invitational this weekend, and despite the odds, some of the younger players were able to upset varsity opponents. The home tournament was a challenge for the junior varsity players, who were not used to playing at such a high level. The varsity girls team elected to stay out of the invitational, said Assistant Coach Gene Rothfuss, because the Kansas State High School Activities Association allows tennis players to attend only eight meets per season, and this was an event that the team decided to skip. For the junior varsity, Katera Harter got to the finals in No. 2 singles. Harter placed fourth over-

all, finishing 1-2. Lauren Shoaff finished 1-2 in No. 1 singles, the coach said. Hannah Matchell and Madison Gaiwith finished 1-2 in No. 2 doubles. In No. 1 doubles, Laura Juenemann and Julia Hutfles finished 0-2. "I was very proud of our girls," Rothfuss said. "They showed they could at least compete." Rothfuss said the invitational helped the younger players gain experience so they would be ready for next season. The varsity team will compete in regionals next Thursday. The location has not been announced.

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Nebraska eyes Tigers

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — To say the least, Bo Pelini has set an ambitious goal for his Nebraska defense against Chase Daniel and the high-scoring Missouri Tigers. "I've never gone into a game making concessions. I won't start this week," Pelini said Tuesday. "We're going to play the best we possibly can and try to shut them out." That might sound like crazy talk from the first-year head coach. The fourth-ranked Tigers (4-0) come to town Saturday averaging 54 points and 596 yards a game and a Heisman Trophy contender in Daniel. During one stretch this season, the Tigers scored on 15 straight possessions. "Phew," cornerback Prince Amukamara said, shaking his head, when told those statistics. But players are on board with the Pelini party line. "We're not in it to hold them under 30 points. That's our goal, to stop them," free safety Matt O'Hanlon said. "If we do what we're supposed to do and do it right, it's definitely possible." Nebraska's defense hasn't exactly been a brick wall this season. In Virginia Tech's win in Lincoln

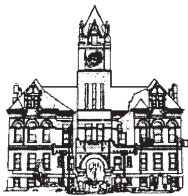
last week, a Hokie offense that ranked 112th nationally put up 35 points and 377 yards. Defensive lineman Ndamukong Suh saw enough positives to build on against the Tigers. "This team is definitely capable of shutting them down and putting them in tough situations, which we did in brief instances when we were executing on the same page against Virginia Tech," Suh said. Missouri decimated Nebraska's defense last year in Columbia. The Tigers rolled up 606 yards in a 41-6 win. Daniel completed 33-of-47 passes for 401 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran for 72 yards and two TDs on 11 carries. Former defensive coordinator Kevin Cosgrove employed a 3-3-5 alignment, with three pass rushers and the other eight defenders dropping back into coverage. Daniel said after the game that he was surprised the Huskers played only one style of defense the whole game. "That's like high school stuff," he said then. O'Hanlon said Daniel's 2007 comment still resonates.

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