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Senior Levi Schlick got ready to make a pass during Colby's game against Quinter on Friday night. The Eagles defeated the previously undefeated Bulldogs 67-58 in overtime.

## Eagles pull out big victory

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Colby High senior Stephen Dinkel knew he was going to have a good game Friday night, Coach Beau Sheets said. He had figured out what was missing from his already impressive offensive arsenal.

Dinkel was missing his good luck charms.

"He wore the ankle brace and shoes he wore last year," said Sheets.

The move paid dividends for Dinkel, who scored a team-high 18 points to help lead the Colby High boys basketball team past previously undefeated Quinter in a 67-58 overtime win.

Senior Cade Carter drained a three to tie the game at 23 in the second quarter. A little later in the quarter, Dinkel split the defense and made a layup while being fouled to give Colby a 28-25 lead with less than a minute left in the half.

Matt Bird of Quinter made a shot in the closing seconds of the second quarter to cut Colby's lead to 28-27.

Later in the game, Dinkel drove the baseline and made a tough lay-up to increase Colby's lead to 48-45 with less than five minutes left in the game. Dinkel came up big again later in the quarter when he spun off his defender and made a short jumper to give the Eagles a 52-47 lead with less than two minutes left. But Quinter was not ready to concede defeat. A Bulldog nailed a three with 1:30 left to cut the Eagles' lead to 52-50.

Schlick was fouled on an in-bounds play under Colby's basket with 47.7 remaining. He hit both free throws to increase the Eagles' margin to 54-51. Then Quinter managed to score on their next possession to decrease the lead to one.

The Eagles extended their lead to 3 after senior Brent Arnberger made a layup, only to see it evaporate as Quinter drained a three-pointer in the closing seconds to tie the game at 56.

The Eagles came out fired up in overtime, scoring the first four points. Colby would dominate the rest of the game. Dinkel drove to the hole and made a layup while drawing contact to give the Eagles

a 65-58 lead, and the boys went on to pick up the victory.

Schlick had 17 points, Carter 13 and senior Brent Arnberger added 8. Junior Ryley Haas scored 3 and seniors Corey Sager and Kyle Molstad and sophomore Corbin Stephens all had 2.

The win improved the Eagles' record to 12-5 for the season.

They will play again at 8 p.m. (Central Time) on Tuesday against Goodland.

## Lady Eagles gain early lead, pummel Lady Bulldogs 44-21

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The Colby High girls' basketball team hammered Quinter 44-21 on Friday. The Lady Eagles built up a big lead in the first half and coasted to an easy victory.

Sophomore Shelby Terrell nailed a three-pointer to give Colby an early 3-0 lead. Later in the first quarter, sophomore Katrina Kaus took the ball down the floor and performed a jump stop that left her back facing the basket before she shoveled a pass to her sister Katherine who banked the ball of the glass for an easy score to give Colby a 12-1 advantage in the first quarter.

The Lady Eagles continued to broaden their lead in the second quarter. Freshman Morgan Bell rebounded a Terrell miss and stuck

it to give Colby a 27-8 lead. The half ended with the Lady Eagles out in front 28-11.

The Lady Bulldogs never mounted a serious comeback in the second half and Colby picked up an easy win.

Katrina Kaus had a team-high 11 points and Shelby Terrell added 9. Katherine Kaus and sophomore Kayla Hockersmith each had 8. Sophomores Kylie Rietchick and Kelsey Shields and freshman Morgan Bell all had 2.

The win improved the girls' record to 12-5.

McKee said his team will have to win the rest of their games to be able to play a sub-state game at home.

"That's why its important for us to keep improving every game," said McKee.

The Lady Eagles came from behind to defeat Dodge City 43-35 on Thursday at the Community

Building.

"It was a good win," said coach Parker McKee. "The girls played with poise."

Colby trailed the Red Demons 19-16 at the half. Colby shot only 31.3 percent in the first half, making just 5 of 16 shots.

After the break, the Lady Eagles refocused and played much better, outscoring Dodge City 27-16 and making 3 out of 5 three pointers. Terrell made two of these.

Katherine Kaus scored a team-high 12.

"She lets the game come to her," said McKee. "She believes she can score."

Hockersmith and Terrell had 11 and 7 points respectively. Young had 5 and Katrina Kaus and Shields each posted 4.

The Eagles will play again at 6:30 p.m. (Central Time) on Tuesday at Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland.

## Lady Bulldogs win both their games

By Judy Rogers

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The Golden Plains High School girls basketball team won two games Thursday when they traveled to Colby to compete with the Heartland Christian School Crusaders.

The junior varsity girls won 30-6 in a two-quarter game to bring their record to 2-4, while the varsity girls improved their record to 3-14 with a 50-29 victory over the Lady Crusaders.

In the varsity game, the girls kept it close and gave the audi-

ence an interesting game throughout the first three quarters. The Lady Bulldogs held an 11-8 lead at the end of the first quarter and extended it to 24-16 by half.

In the third quarter, the Lady Crusaders brought the game closer as they outscored Golden Plains 10-8 and cut the Lady Bulldogs' lead to 6. But Golden Plains wore down the Heartland defense in the fourth quarter, holding them to only 3 points while putting up 18 of their own to pick up the victory.

Scoring for the Bulldogs were Melissa Ritter-10, Jacy Moss 9, Karly Miller 9, Jessica Luna 8,

Aisha Walter 7, Alyssa Babcock 4, Jenna Bruggeman 2 and Angel Lobato 1. In other stats, Walter had 4 rebounds, 3 assists and 4 steals; Luna had 6 rebounds, 2 assists, 4 steals; Babcock had 1 rebound; Ritter had 10 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals; Moss had 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 steals; Miller had 4 rebounds and 3 assists; Bruggeman had 3 rebounds 2 assists and 1 steal; and Lobato had 6 rebounds and 1 steal.

The girls will play at Weskan on Monday and then they will head home to play Oberlin on Tuesday. The Lady Bulldogs will play Cheylin at home on Friday.

## Jayhawks defeat K-State Wildcats

MANHATTAN (AP) — Kansas coach Bill Self worked his lineup like a Sudoku puzzle, searching for a combination that could slow Kansas State's momentum. Finally, something clicked — and it

started with defense.

Cole Aldrich had 21 points, Sherron Collins added 19 and the Jayhawks used defensive pressure to overcome a 16-point first-half deficit and beat rival Kansas State

85-74 on Saturday.

"We were just laboring, but the guys just hung tough," Self said. "stances, how young and the environment."

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