

Golf course holds fundraisers

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The board of directors of the Meadow Lake Golf Course and Lounge have been busy this summer holding golf tournaments to help raise money for various organizations.

Since May 14 the has group held fundraisers for programs and organizations such as the Northwest Kansas Catbackers, the junior golf league in Colby, Sacred Heart Middle School, Rotary Club, the Colby Community College golf program, Chamber of Commerce, the high school wrestling team and Citizens Medical Center. They also collaborated with the Oakley Country Club to hold a tournament involving people from both towns.

In spite of their busy schedule they managed to find enough time to put on the 42nd annual Buffalo Chip tournament. The event ran from July 23 through July 25.

The tournament featured teams of two. The team's competed in four different flights. The flights were based on the groups with the lowest scores. The championship flight featured team's with the lowest scores, the presidential flights, second lowest, first flight, third lowest, and second flight, lowest. The top three lowest scores in each flight were given prizes, said Jerry Foss, manager of the course. Darvin Strutt, board member and owner of F & M Insurance, said this year's prizes were golf towels and little coolers. Each team played 36 holes of golf over two days.

Helin and Finley shot the tournaments lowest combined rounds with a score of 121.

The buffalo chip course is played differently than traditional golf courses. It has several gimmick holes, said Strutt. For example on hole nine the teams have to try to finish the hole as fast as possible. Strutt said the winning team this year finished the hole in 24 seconds. The rules on hole seven are also unusual. Each team begins the hole by throwing a buffalo chip and wherever it lands, that's where they began the hole, said Foss.

It costs \$230 per team to participate. This amount includes two lunches, prizes and a steak dinner, said Strutt. He said 116 people participated this year.

He attributed the increase to low costs, higher attendance at the

course since it went public about 2 1/2 years ago and more interest in golf within the Colby community.

On Monday afternoon Strutt had a reporter from the Colby Free Press draw a name from the hat to see what business would be able to win back the \$500 they donated to the event. Harrison Chapel, a funeral home in Colby, name was drawn from the hat.

This was the first year the high school wrestling team held a fundraiser at the golf course. The tournament took place on July 10 and was sponsored by about 60 businesses. The team was raising money for overnight trips, said Coach Matt Simms.

The Colby/Oakley golf tournament was also new this year. It took place on Aug. 15 and Aug. 16. It was played in a four team, 18 hole scramble format. Strutt said 17 teams participated. They played 36 holes over two days. The first day of the tourney was played at the Oakley Country Club and the second day was at Meadow Lake.

The team of Taylor, Kriss, Lucas and Kersenbrock finished first in the championship flight with a score of 114. There were four flights in the tourney and the top two teams in each flight were given prizes.

The Trojans' basketball team will be holding a fundraiser tournament at the course on Friday. It will be played in a 4 person, 18 hole scramble format.

Registration for the event will be from noon to 1 p.m. The tournament will begin immediately afterward. The event will cost \$240 per team. For more information call coach Dustin Pfeifer at (785) 460-5470 or Coleena Woods at (785) 460-6443.

The local shrine club will be holding a fundraising program at the golf course on Saturday to raise enough money to cover the travel costs of sick children along with their parents who are getting treatment at a Shriner's hospital.

Strutt said it costs organizations an average of about \$700 to hold a tournament on the golf course.

He estimated over \$200,000 was raised at the course this summer. Foss said he thought the number was closer to \$250,000.

"The amount of money raised on this course is amazing," said Strutt. "It benefits the community a lot."

Strutt said the people who help set up the tournaments are all volunteers.

Preparing to serve



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press
Freshman Jessi Kriss got ready to serve during Colby High School volleyball practice on Monday afternoon.

Softball program runs tournament

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The Colby Community College softball program held a Duck Soup softball tournament to raise money for the program last Saturday and Sunday at the Colby Recreational Field.

The tournament was composed of eight teams. Brian Quagliano's team finished first in the tourney.

Coach Ryan Sturdy said his players competed in the games and when they weren't competing they were doing the score book or working at the concession stands.

Duck soup games last six innings.

The first inning is played like a game a kickball. In the second the teams had to hit with their opposite hands and during the third players had to run the opposite way around the base paths.

The fourth was played with a mush ball. A mush ball looks a lot like a softball except its bigger and softer. The players had to field the 16 inch ball with their bare hands.

In the fifth, the batter who made the last out in the fourth had to play catcher and the pitcher could remain the same as the previous inning, but the rest of the team had to draw from a hat to see what position they would be playing.

In the sixth each team had to get four outs and batters were only given one pitch. A ball was a walk and a strike or a foul ball was a strikeout.

In each game both teams were allowed to use one do-over at anytime. For example, if a batter hit a grand slam home run, the opposing team could take those runs away by using their do-over.

The last batters on each team had to wear a catcher's vest. If they scored it counted for three runs.

Before the game started both teams were asked a question that

related to the history of Trojans' softball. The squad who answered correctly got to decide whether they wanted to be visitor or home. Sturdy said most teams chose to be visitors because they were given an extra 1/2 run in the first. He said the extra points made sure no game would end in a tie.

Sturdy estimated the tournament raised between \$800 and \$1,000.



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