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Freshman Ulrike Biege set up a teammate for a spike during the Lady Trojans' match against McCook on Monday at the Community Building. Colby whipped the Lady Indians in four sets, 20-25, 25-19, 25-21, 25-14.

# College Volleyball squad sends coach off with a win

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The Colby Community College volleyball team picked up a big victory over McCook Community College from Nebraska on Monday at the Community Building, winning the match in four sets (20-25, 25-19, 25-21, 25-14).

The win on Monday was extra special for the team because it was the last match with volunteer assistant coach Jens Mihm. Mihm's visa ran out and he headed back to Germany on Tuesday morning. Coach Carey Jones brought him in to assist when she was hired by the school in early May.

The Lady Indians took a 17-10 lead in the first set. Colby scored three of the next four points to cut McCook's lead to 18-13. The Lady Indians responded by stretching their lead to 22-16. Sophomore Lisa Faimon had a spike blocked by a McCook defender to increase the Lady Indians' lead to 23-16.

Faimon and freshman Gabrielly Cardoso countered McCook's offensive onslaught by simultaneously blocking an attack attempt to make it 23-17. Freshman Emily Lubbers served an ace to cut McCook's lead to five.

The Lady Trojans got within four and trailed McCook 24-20 before the Lady Indians scored again and won the set 25-20.

Cardoso got a kill early in the second set to give Colby a 2-1 lead. A little later in the set, sophomore Jessica Merino slammed another kill to make it 6-5. Colby stretched its lead to 9-6 before the Lady Indians scored five of the next seven points to tie the set at 11.

Several minutes later, sophomore Juliana Motta da Silva slammed a spike to increase Colby's lead to 14-12. Faimon followed with a kill of her own to increase the Lady Trojans' lead to 15-12.

Later in the set, Colby widened its lead to 21-16. Cardoso hit an-

other kill a few minutes later to give Colby a 24-19 lead. The Lady Trojans went on to win 25-19.

Colby took an early 8-5 lead in the third set. McCook fought back and tied the score at 9. Minutes later, Cardoso got a kill to increase Colby's lead to 13-11. The Lady Indians came back and tied the set at 15. Colby eventually created some breathing room for themselves by taking a 20-17 lead. The women went on to win 25-21.

Sophomore LeAnna Sheaffer scored on a tip shot to give Colby an early 1-0 lead in the fourth. Later in the set, Smatana slammed a kill to give her team a 13-9 advantage. The Lady Trojans went on a big run led by kills by Motta Da Silva and Smatana. Colby scored 10 of the next 12 points to take a 23-11 lead. They won the set 25-14 and took home a victory.

Jones said the difference between the first set and next three had to do with mistakes.

"We stopped making so many errors after the first set," she said.

The Lady Trojans play Barton County tonight at the Community Building.

The team swept Garden City in straight sets on Saturday for its second conference win of the season.

Colby defeated the Lady Broncbusters in Garden City, 25-15, 25-21, 25-19.

Monday, the Lady Trojans will play Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at 6:30 p.m.

The volleyball team is hosting a "Dig Pink" event for breast cancer awareness. The team will be wearing pink uniforms, selling pink T-shirts and having a fund raiser for the Dig Pink organization.

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