

## College team takes eighth at track and field regionals

The Colby Community College mens track team placed 8th at Region VI Tournament last week.

The team finished with 48 points, compared to 13 points last year.

"This is about where we expected to finish," said coach James Ortiz. "Again, its difficult being excited about an eighth place finish but to know 10 mens teams in the region will be top 25 in the nation makes us feel a little better about it. We are heading in the right direction."

Edward Limo placed first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and second in the 5000-meter run.

James Carey placed sixth in the 400-meter dash. He also broke a school record in the 100-meter dash with 10.7 seconds, but did not place. Raymond Velazquez took second in the 1,500-meter run; Alfredo Arellano, sixth in the 1,500-meter run; Garrett Jones, sixth in the 3,000-meter steeplechase; Tim Cude, seventh in the 5,000-meter run; and Anthony Luna, seventh in the 10,000-meter run.

Charles Miller set a new school record in the 200-meter dash with 21.93 seconds, but did not place in the event.

The 4-by-100 meter relay team of Carlos Molina, Charles Miller, Eric Crayton, Kristen Mitchell placed seventh. The 4-by-400 relay team of Arellano, Carey, Josh Mwangi and James Leonard placed sixth. The 4-by-800 relay team of Leonard, Arellano, Velazquez and David McCormick placed fifth.



Colby Community College runner Alfredo Arellano ran in a relay at the regional tournament last week.

The team will be sending 12 runners to the national competition Thursday to Saturday, May 19-21.

## Trojan show team rider is eighth in the nation

Colby Community College horse show team rider Devon Felts won eighth place at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association National Championships last week in Lexington, Ky.

Felts, a sophomore from Manhattan, was representing the college and the association's Zone 8, Region 5 as a rider in the novice fences event.

"There are 8,600 student riders in

the United States and 300-plus member schools," said coach Shanda Mattix. "Four hundred students earned their way to compete at IHSA Nationals. This was a great end to Devon's career as an equestrian at CCC."

Felts was also a national qualifier her freshman year at the college. Colby has the only two-year horse show team in Kansas.



Devon Felts

## Recreation basketball tourney draws 21 youth teams from area

The Colby Recreation Department held a 3 on 3 Youth Basketball Tournament at the Colby Grade School on Saturday.

Twenty-one teams participated in five divisions, including third-fourth grade boys and girls, fifth-sixth grade girls, fifth-sixth grade boys and seventh-eighth grade boys.

In the third-fourth grade girls division, the Orange Crush of Colby (Hallie Vaughn, Brittany Foss and Kailey Shields) won the gold over the Paws and Claws of Wray, Colo.

The Dream Team of Colby (Tucker Branum, Jordan Schippers and Aaron Platt) beat the White Out of Burlington, Colo., in the third-fourth grade boys and girls division.

The fifth-sixth grade girls divi-

sion came down to Colby versus Colby in the championship game, where the Lady Eagles (Callie Siruta, Kora Schindler and Bailey Foss) beat the Hawks (Jordan Hartwell, Erin Krannawitter and Anna Giersch).

Colby Triple Threat (Brooks Curry, Brandon Johnson, and Rex Branum) took second place to the Reverse Oreo of Norton in the fifth-sixth grade boys division and finally in the seventh-eighth grade boys division, the Hays Falcons beat the Ball Busters of St. Francis.

Participating towns included Colby, St. Francis, Hays, Hoxie, Brewster, Grainfield, Norton, Goodland, Rexford and Burlington and Wray from Colorado.

"For this being our first tournament, I was really pleased with

the number of teams and how smoothly the day went," said Recreation Director Stacy Lee. "With team entry fees, concessions, and admission, the CRD was able to raise just a little over \$1,000. "I hope we can triple the tournament next year."

Gym supervisors Jessica Vaughn and Alicia Siruta helped organize the event. Volunteer referees included of Ike Donn, Raenette Martin, Quintin Flanagin, Travis Vaughn, Brett Arnberger, and Harold Sulzman; and players from the Colby Community College women's basketball team, Hannah Thornton, Tayler Puttergill, Brooke Bursiek, Christina Anderson, Liga Vente, Morgan Rickwartz and Elina Gutmane; and the Colby High School team, Morgan and Lauren Bell.

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