

# Bulldogs sweep Brewster-Triplains

By Judy Rogers  
Golden Plains High School

In an exciting night of high school basketball in Rexford, the Golden Plains High School varsity boys basketball team stepped on the floor to face the Brewster-Triplains Titans following home floor wins from the junior varsity girls, the junior varsity boys and the varsity girls.

The boys knew they would have to play hard and fast to bring home a clean sweep for the evening on Jan. 20.

"We were confident going into this game," said Cole Christensen, "since we had beat them in the league tournament, but we knew they were a competitive team and we would have to work hard a second time."

The boys started the game off strong in the first quarter with a 14-4 lead. They continued to distribute the ball in the second, adding another 10 from five players. The Bulldogs' defense held the Titans to 6 in the second, taking the game to a 24-10 Bulldog lead at the half.

The third quarter was a struggle for the Bulldogs, as they only

made 3 points while the Titans closed the gap with 8. The Titans outscored the Bulldogs again in the fourth quarter 15-11, bringing the score to within 2 with 5:25 left to play.

The Bulldogs answered with a three-pointer and several free shots from Ethan Walter, and points from Joseph Koerperich and Christensen to pull back ahead for the 5-point win 38-33.

"We almost gave it up in the third," Christensen said, "but a couple of clutch free throws helped us in the end."

The Bulldogs' win included points from Christensen with 14, Kalyn Weber 7, Walter 6, Tristan Schwarz 5, Grant Spresser 3, Koerperich 2 and Jose Bermudez 1. The Bulldogs were to play at home against Quinter and Dighton this week.

The Bulldogs varsity then played a close game, especially in the first half, with the Bulldogs from Quinter on Jan. 24 in Rexford.

This was the second time this season for these two teams to compete. They had faced each other in the Castle Rock tournament in December.

The home team started off with 10 points in the first quarter, leading Quinter 10-9 by the end of the quarter. In the second quarter, both teams played tough as Golden Plains added 10 points - 6 coming from the free-throw line. Quinter added 11 to tie up this non-league game at 20 by halftime.

Golden Plains added 9 more in both the third and fourth quarters of play while it allowed Quinter to increase their total by 15 and 16 each quarter. This gave Quinter the 51-38 win.

"We need to play the whole game instead of three quarters," Tristan Schwarz said. "The third quarter cost us the game."

Scoring for Golden Plains were Kalyn Weber with 12 points, Tristan Schwarz 12, Cole Christensen 8, Ethan Walter 4 and Jose Bermudez 2.

In other stats, Christensen had 10 rebounds, 4 blocks and 1 assist. Weber grabbed 9 rebounds, blocked 1 shot and contributed 2 assists. Walter claimed 4 rebounds and 3 assists, Grant Spresser had 3 rebounds and 2 assists, Schwarz had 2 rebounds and 3 assists and Andrew Luna had 1 assist.



KAYLA CORNETT/Colby Free Press

Junior Kenzie Curry went up for a shot during the Colby High School varsity girls basketball game Tuesday at the Community Building. Curry was the high-scorer in the game with a total of 17 points.

# Lady Eagles undefeated against league teams

By Kayla Cornett

Colby Free Press  
colby.sports@nwkansas.com

The Colby High School varsity girls basketball team pounded the Scott City Lady Beavers 54-9 on Tuesday at the Community Building.

The Lady Eagles (10-3, 7-0 in the Great West Activities Conference) only allowed Scott City to score 2 points through three quarters and continued to rack up their score with seven players finishing the game with points.

Junior Kenzie Curry had a game-high 17 points, hitting 5 of 9 field goals, 4 of 5 three-point shots and 3 of 3 free throws. She also had 3 steals in the game.

Junior Lauren Bell scored in double-digits as well with 13 points on the night, and she pulled down 7 rebounds.

Sophomore Haileigh Shull finished the game with 10 points, making 5 of 7 shots from the field, 6 rebounds and 2 steals.

Junior McKenna Ortner had 6 points, 3 rebounds and 1 steal, senior Morgan Bell had 4 points and 4 steals, junior Karly Kriss had 2 points, 3 rebounds

and 1 steal and freshman Kelly Sloan scored 2 points.

The Colby High varsity boys basketball team faced the Beavers after the girls, and the Eagles lost 74-28 Tuesday.

Colby (1-9, 1-6 in the conference) was weighed down by 21 turnovers that led to 32 points for Scott City. The Beavers, however, had only 4 turnovers and the Eagles didn't score any points off these miscues.

Junior Zane Winger led the scoring efforts for the Eagles with 7 points. He was 2 of 5 from the field, 3 of 4 from the free-throw line and also grabbed 2 rebounds.

Junior Daniel Myers had 5 points and 2 rebounds, junior Todd Kane scored 5 points and pulled down 3 rebounds and senior Dalaan Organ finished the game with 5 points, 3 rebounds and 1 assist.

Senior Braden Sager had 4 points, 2 rebounds and 1 steal and sophomore Marc Bremenkamp had 2 points and 3 rebounds.

The varsity girls are scheduled to play Hugoton at 6:30 p.m. on Friday at the Community Building and the varsity boys will follow at 8 p.m.

# League chooses all-academic members

The Western Kansas Liberty League has released its list of seniors that were honored as All-League Academic Team members.

In order to be selected for this honor the student must have at least a 3.70 cumulative grade average through the first semester of their senior year in school. In addition, the student must have participated in at least six athletic activities and six nonathletic activities in that same time period.

The top 24 nominees are recognized as All-League Academic Team recipients. All others are recognized as Honorable Mention All-League Academic Team members.

The presentation of their awards was on Jan. 14 prior to the boys' championship basketball game of the Western Kansas Liberty League Basketball Tournament held in Colby.

Golden Plains seniors Hannah Antholz and Trey Schwarz were named to the All-League Academic Team. Antholz has been active in volleyball and track, National Honor Society, the school play, and many band and vocal performances. She is the daughter of Janell Antholz of Rexford.

Schwartz has participated in football, basketball,

and track as well as National Honor Society, Scholar's Bowl, the all-school play and band. He is the son of Todd and Tanya Schwarz of Rexford. Both students are leaders in their class, active in church and community, and have competed in various scholarship tests along with studying a rigorous curriculum throughout high school.

Other athletes named to the team are

**Wallace County:** Morganne Baehler, Jayne Klinge, Hallie Kuhlman, Miranda Mai, Cody Pearce, Hayley Pletcher, Zane Sloan.

**Healy:** Alicia Barnett, Kylan Bennett, Darrick York.

**Wheatland-Grinnell:** Andrew Bixenman, Megan Heier, Emily Vollbracht.

**Weskan:** Kelsie Hoss, Samara Rehfeld, Kellie Young.

**Dighton:** Sarah Mulville, Hannah Speer.

**Greeley County:** Courtney Nemechek, Carissa Ochsner, Kennedy Schneider, Adam Smith.

Receiving honorable mentions were Brittany Burns and Morgan Lawrence, Dighton, Paige Evans, Wheatland-Grinnell, Jori Mote, Weskan, and Wilhelm C. Orten, Cheylin.

# More college runners qualify for nationals

The Colby Community College men's indoor track team added three more qualifiers at a meet in Lawrence on Friday.

"Edward Limo qualified in the 3,000 meter with an 8:41.04," said Head Coach James Ortiz. "Raymond Velazquez in the 1,000 meter with a 2:38.18 and the Distance Medley Relay team of James Leonard, Aaron Spann,

Devon McCormick and Jonathan Burgess with a time of 10:34.40 also qualified."

The Trojan men have a total of seven qualifiers for the National Junior College Athletic Association indoor championships scheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3, in Charleston, Ill.

"This weekend went as expected," said Ortiz. "We added

qualifiers in the events we needed and we will focus on adding more qualifiers next week in Lubbock, Texas, in different events. Things are going as scheduled."

The men's team will be at Texas Tech in Lubbock on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 18 and 19, for the final competition prior to the Region VI Championships.

## Let's dance!



KAYLA CORNETT/Colby Free Press

Colby High School dancers Michelle Kirby (left) and Kayla Skiles got ready to perform a routine during halftime of the varsity boys basketball game Tuesday at the Community Building.

**Sell it**  
in the  
classifieds  
462-3963

**Money smart.**  
**VALUE STRONG.**

More than half a million Kansans choose credit unions as safe places for their money.

**WHY?** Kansas credit unions provide great options for checking, savings, credit cards, loans - and more. And they offer resources and flexibility in good times and tough times.

Visit your local credit union or contact Kansas Credit Union Association.

**KANSAS CREDIT UNIONS**  
*Money smart. Value strong.*

(800) 362-2076 | kcua.coop | Kansas Credit Union Association

**We want your local news!**  
Call 462-3963

**BIGHEELFASTENERS.COM**

**Fast Fence Repair**  
Screws into the hardest post on earth. Hold cattle on both sides of the posts. Strong enough to hold cattle panels.  
Vonada Comm, 126 W Park, Lincoln, KS 67455 • llvonada@sbcglobal.net  
785-524-4737 and 785-483-1685

**WIT & WISDOM TOUR**  
**RED GREEN**  
SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012 - 7PM  
WICHITA ORPHEUM THEATRE  
Tickets available through Select-A-Seat.  
Call (316) 755-7328 or www.selectaseat.com  
Or at any Dillons Superstore, and all Plant Employee Clubs.  
**A hilarious one-man show** www.redgreen.com