

# Trojan track team adds eight qualifiers

The Colby Community College men's indoor track team added eight additional national qualifiers at the Texas Tech Open on Saturday in Lubbock, Texas.

The meet was the final competition before the Region VI championships in Manhattan.

Kristen Mitchell broke the Colby school record in the 60-meter dash with a time of 6.96.

National qualifiers at the meet include James Carey, 400-meter, 49.35; Devon McCormick, 800, 1:57.96; James Leonard, 800, 1:58.10; Jonathan Burgess, 800, 1:58.57; Hansel Ibarra, 800, 2:39.56; and Edward Limo, 5000, 15:08.41.

The 4 x 400 relay team of Carey, Aaron Spann, Renaldo Gibson and Brandon Parson qualified for nationals with a time of 3:20.55. The 4 x 800 relay team of Leon-

ard, McCormick, Burgess and Raymond Velazquez also qualified for nationals with a time of 7:54.51.

"We entered the meet with only seven national qualifiers and now we have 15," said Head Coach James Ortiz. "It was a good day for the men's track squad. We are right on schedule now. We will rest this weekend and get ready to do some good things at the Region VI Championships on Saturday, Feb. 18."

The women's track team qualified more runners for nationals as well and broke two school records at the meet Saturday in Lubbock, Texas.

"Gortia Ferguson crushed her own school record in the 200-meter, running a 24.94 and qualifying for nationals," said Head Coach Crystal Berndt. "Shauntae Miller

broke the school record in the 400-meter, running a 1:00.11, and took the third spot on the top 10 list for the 200-meter with a time of 26.52."

Oslyn Melissa Collins qualified for nationals in the 3000 with a time of 10:58.97. She is qualified for nationals in three events.

Gabrielle McIntosh earned the second top 10 spot in the 200 with a time of 26.28. Prisca Roys-Dossou ran the 600 in 1:36.79, just missing the qualifying mark.

"Overall, I was very proud of the ladies," said Berndt. "They all came with intense attitudes and I saw great performances from everyone on the team. We will take this weekend off to rest and will travel to the Region VI Indoor Championships in Manhattan on Sunday, Feb. 19."

# Trojan equestrian team third at Wyoming show

Colby Community College Hunt Seat riders competed in a two-day show Jan. 28 and 29 at the University of Wyoming.

Chelsea Brady, Parker, Colo., was High Point rider. The Colby team, coached by Shanda Mattix, finished third overall. Individual results for the shows follow.

## Open Flat, Show 1

Brady, fifth

## Novice Jump, Show 1

William Wright, Louisburg, fourth  
Heather Darling, Abilene, fifth

## Novice Flat, Show 1

Faye Miller, Topeka, second  
Brittany Normand, Fort Scott, fourth  
Savannah Isely, Bird City, sixth

## Advanced Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 1

Amanda Barnum, Colby, first  
Mariah Woolsoncroft, Salina, fifth

## Beginner Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 1

Tayla Kimball, Medicine Lodge, fifth  
Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 1

McKayla Albertson, Colby, first  
Woolsoncroft qualified for regionals at this show.

## Open Flat, Show 2

Brady, third

## Intermediate Jump, Show 2

Brady, first

## Novice Jump, Show 2

Normand, second  
Miller, third  
Wright, reserve

## Novice Flat, Show 2

Isely, third  
Normand, fifth  
Miller, fifth

## Advanced Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 2

Barnum, second

## Beginner Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 2

Randi Cressler, Hoxie, sixth

## Walk, Trot, Canter, Show 2

Albertson, fifth

The Colby Equestrian Team will compete Saturday in Curtis, Neb.

# No. 7 KU whips No. 6 Baylor

By Stephen Hawkins

AP Basketball Writer

WACO, Texas – Whatever Tyshawn Taylor and the rest of his Kansas teammates did to motivate 7-foot Jeff Withey certainly worked.

"In practice every day, punching him in the chest, jumping on him, trying to get him fired up," Taylor said.

Withey, coming of a scoreless game, rebounded with a career-high 25 points for the seventh-ranked Jayhawks in another convincing victory over sixth-ranked Baylor, 68-54 on Wednesday night, to regain a share of the Big 12 lead.

Withey, who finished 8-of-10 shooting and made 9 of 11 free throws, had already surpassed his career high by halftime, when Kansas didn't lead until the final minute. He then ignited a 14-0 run early in the second half when the Jayhawks (19-5, 9-2 Big 12) took total control of the Top-10 rematch.

Baylor (21-3, 8-3) was 17-0 with the longest winning streak in school history before a 92-74 loss

at Kansas just more than three weeks ago.

The Jayhawks, coming off a 74-71 loss at fourth-ranked Missouri on Saturday when Withey missed his only shot, grabbed a share of the Big 12 lead with the Tigers. Kansas hasn't lost consecutive games in more than six years – a span of 228 games since January 2006.

In the Jan. 16 game against Baylor, Taylor and Thomas Robinson had combined for 55 points and both matched career highs for field goals made.

Taylor finished with 19 points this time, his ninth consecutive game with at least 15. Robinson, the only Big 12 player averaging a double-double, had 15 points with 11 rebounds.

The Jayhawks went ahead for the first time, and to stay, during a 14-3 run over the final 4 1/2 minutes of the first half.

Withey had already matched his previous career high of 15 points on a free throw with 2 1/2 minutes left in the first half to get Kansas within 30-25. He then blocked a shot, which led to a 3-pointer by Conner Teahan. Withey then made

a tying layup with 1:34 left.

The Jayhawks finally led on Teahan's 3-pointer in the final minute for a 33-30 halftime lead.

After the first half-ending spurt, Withey had a turnover to start the second half before Pierre Jackson came away from a scrum on the floor with the ball for a Baylor layup.

Kansas then scored 14 points in a row, a stretch started by Withey's layup before he added a three-point play.

Withey then had consecutive steals that led to jumpers by Robinson, who fouled making the second basket. He converted the three-point play and it became a seven-point possession when Quincy Miller's foul was called flagrant after officials looked at replay.

After Withey made the technical free throw, Tyshawn Taylor's 3-pointer with 16 1/2 minutes left pushed Kansas to a 47-32 lead.

Jackson led Baylor with 16 points, while Quincy Acy and Cory Jefferson had 11 each.



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MiKayla Lobato got ready for a pass from Leea Juenemann in the varsity game against Quinter on Jan. 24. The Golden Plains girls defeated Quinter for their third home floor win.

# Lady Bulldogs get stung by Dighton Hornets 51-24

By Judy Rogers

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs varsity basketball team suffered a stinging loss to the Lady Hornets from Dighton on Jan. 27 in Rexford.

Dighton jumped out to a quick lead in the first quarter and held on all the way to the final 51-24 win.

The Lady Bulldogs were unable to score in double figures during any of the four quarters. They trailed 17-7 at the end of the first. Only putting in 5 points during the second, the Lady Hornets led

29-12 at halftime.

The second half saw more of the same, as the Lady Hornets held the Lady Bulldogs to 6 points in each of the third and fourth quarters while posting up 12 and 10 points in the last two quarters for the 51-24 win.

Scoring for Golden Plains were Kylie Jones with 8 points, Hailee Spresser 7, Angela Ritter 4, MiKayla Lobato 3 and Rachael Ritter 2. Although the scoring was low for this game, the girls did grab 18 offensive and 10 defensive rebounds while claiming 4 steals and 5 assists.

The Lady Bulldogs are now 5-8 this season.

# Golden Plains loses two games to Lady Thunderhawks in Grinnell

By Hailee Spresser

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains Middle School girls basketball teams traveled to Grinnell to play the Lady Thunderhawks on Jan. 26.

In the A-team game, the Lady Bulldogs started the first quarter with Kynndra Rush, Kami Miller and Maddy Walz each putting in a bucket. Gabrielle Schiltz put in the only points in the second quarter, leaving the halftime score at 18-8 with the Lady Thunderhawks in the lead.

In an attempt to redeem themselves, Golden Plains scored 10 points in the third quarter while the Thunderhawks only put in

4. Kami Miller put in the only 2 points for the Lady Bulldogs in the fourth quarter. The Lady Bulldogs fell short with the final score of 28-20.

The leading scorer for this game was Schiltz with 8, followed by Rush 4, Miller 4, Peterson 2 and Walz 2.

In the B-team game, the Lady Bulldogs started off slow with Arianna Camacho putting in the only points for the first quarter against the Thunderhawks' total of 19. Determined, Golden Plains held the Thunderhawks to only 4 points in the second quarter. Jessica Koerperich and Camacho each scored 2 for the Lady Bulldogs, putting the half-

time score at 23-6.

After a halftime rest, the Lady Bulldogs came out and scored 6 points, put in by Jennifer Esparza and Morgan Ritter. Golden Plains ended the game scoring 4 points in the fourth quarter, but the girls weren't able to stop the Thunderhawks. The game ended with a score of 40-16.

The top scorer was Camacho with 6, followed by Ritter 4, Carmen Sepulveda 2, Esparza 2 and Koerperich 2.

"In the B-team game, we missed a lot of our easy shots and didn't work as hard as we could," said seventh grader Morgan Ritter.

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