

Colby girls track team wins Norton tourney

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The Colby High varsity girls track team won the Norton Invitational on Friday, with several girls placing in their events.

"Awesome job last night for the Lady Eagles!" said Coach Lesley Wagoner.

Kaitlyn Flanagin took first place in the 300-meter hurdles and the 100-meter dash. Flanagin, Kalea Robert, Sydney Stephens and Brielle McKee finished first in the 4x100 meter relay. The 4x400 relay team of Hannah Strange, Brenly Terrell, McKee and Stephens came in first as well.

Andrea Browne came in first in two events, the 1,600 meters and 3,200 meters. McKee was first in the 200 meters with Stephens right behind her in second.

Stephens took second and Terrell fifth in the long jump; Strange second in the high jump; McKee third in the triple jump; Morgan Mengel third in javelin;

Kaylie Reeh fourth and Victoria Rall sixth in the shot put; Strange fourth and Terrell fifth in the 400 meters; Lauren Bell sixth in the 800 meters; and the 4x800 relay of Bell, Lara Stephens, Taylor Lemman and Brooke Wark took fourth.

The varsity boys finished fourth in Norton with only 13 guys competing, Wagoner said.

Beau Brown finished first and Wyatt Binder fourth in the 100 meters. Binder also took second in the 400 meters and fourth in the 4x400 relay with team members Isaac Schweitzer, Garrett Rose and Adam Giersch.

In the 4x100 relay, Giersch, Matthew Pieper, Binder and Brown finished second; Chandler Comfort took sixth in the 110-meter hurdles; Andrew Taylor fourth in javelin; Giersch fifth in the 200 meters; Pieper second in the triple jump and fourth in the long jump; and Giersch fifth in the long jump.

The varsity squads will have this week off and will be back in action at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in Scott City.

Trojans qualify for nationals

The Colby Community College men's track team competed at the University of Nebraska-Kearney Loper Invitational over the weekend, adding two more national qualifiers.

Robert Monticone finished second in the 800-meter run with a time of 1 minute, 55.36 seconds to qualify for nationals and Aaron Lecesne took first in the 400 me-

ters with 48.48 seconds.

"We rested a few athletes in our hopes to stay healthy," Coach James Ortiz said. "The athletes who travelled had a great meet."

Other finishers:

- Raheem Brown, first with 10.69 in the 100-meter dash and 21.85 in the 200-meter dash.
- Chris Theriot, second in the triple jump at 14.30 meters.

- Anthony Stephens, third with 49.19 in the 400 meters.
- Josh Quiroga, third with 1:56.59 in the 800 meters.

"Weather hasn't been on our side so far this season," Ortiz said, "but it hasn't stopped these guys from performing."

The Trojans have a total of nine national qualifiers so far this season.

College offers horsemanship camps

A four-day horsemanship camp will be held at Colby Community College from Sunday to Wednesday, May 26 to 29, designed to be an educational and fun experience for youths 12 to 17.

Campers will be taught by equestrian Coach Shanda Mattix with help from her team.

"English and Western disciplines will be available," said Coach Mattix. "Additional activities are planned to expose campers to the CCC campus and help them get to know one another."

Each day will combine riding lessons, lectures and activities on various topics, including nutrition, safety, grooming and horse behavior. Campers must have previous riding experience and be able to dem-

onstrate basic skills.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own horses, but a limited number of college-owned horses will be available for a \$50 fee. Campers who bring horses should also bring hay and other supplies.

Cost for the camp is \$300, including tuition, housing in a college residence hall, activities and all meals. Deadline for registration is Friday, May 10.

Mattix and the team will offer two day camps in May. A Beginner Day Camp is scheduled for May 30 and a Youth Showman Day will be held May 31.

For information, go to www.colbyccag.com or contact Mattix at 460-5464 or shanda.mattix@colbycc.edu.



MELISSA REGIER

Alexi Regier threw the ball to Cayla Carter (No. 2) during the Kansas Christian Athletic Association state basketball tournament held at St. John's Military Academy in Salina last month. The Lady Crusaders won their third straight state championship.

Lady Crusaders cap season with wins at championship

The Heartland Christian Lady Crusaders, coached by Marilee Gundlach and Debra Bear, won their third straight Kansas Christian Athletic Association state basketball championship last week.

The girls traveled to Salina to play Chanute Christian and Tyro Christian after Tyro beat out Flinthearts Christian.

"We have the privilege of having team devotions before practices," Coach Gundlach said. "This year, our study was about being royalty because Christ is our king. If you were able to attend the games, you would often hear 'We Are Royalty' coming out of our huddles."

"1 John 3:1 (says) 'How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called the children of God.'"

The Lady Crusaders finished their season with a 12-4 record and several awards.

Abby Russ took second place in the three-point contest and first place in the free-throw contest.

Alexi Regier received the Most Valuable Player award for the tournament, came in second in the free-throw contest and made the all-tournament team and first team All-KCAA. Players are chosen for All-KCAA by performance, academics and Christian character.

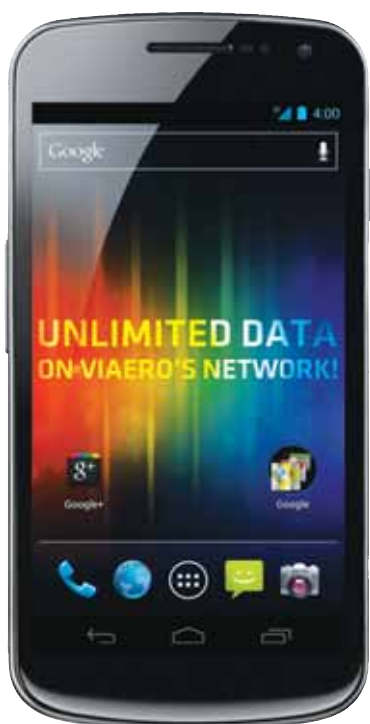
Amy Myers also made the all-tournament team and first team All-KCAA. Kirsten Bandy and Britany Bear made second team All-KCAA.

"These ladies have an amazing ability to work together on the court," Gundlach said. "There is an understood respect and love among our team and for our opponents."



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